



10 June 2019

Dear Families of St Therese School,

Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa, Hola, Mālō e lelei, Namaste, Mālō ni, Makadini, Annyoung, Bula, Kamusta, Selam, Bonjour.

Over the past two Sundays we have celebrated two very important events in the life of the Church. Having witnessed His crucifixion and then meeting Jesus again after the Resurrection, the disciples believed that He had come back to be with them for a long time. However, 40 days later, they saw Him ascend to Heaven and realised that He would no longer be there in person to teach and show them what to do. They were afraid to be alone again and their reaction was to gather together for safety. At Pentecost, 10 days later, they were in a locked room, when they experienced the descent of the Holy Spirit. Jesus had promised them that they would not be alone, and the Holy Spirit came down upon them, in the form of tongues of fire, and gave them the strength and courage to leave the safety of the room and preach the message of Jesus. This was the real 'Birth Day' of the Church as we know it today. We need to have the same faith that the disciples had and trust in the Holy Spirit to help us to be the people God wants us to be.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Breathe into me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy.

Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy.

Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy.

Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy.

Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy.

St Augustine

Susan McDonald
Principal



TERM DATES 2019

TERM 2	29 April	to	5 July
TERM 3	22 July	to	27 September
TERM 4	15 October	to	Friday 20 December



IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 2 2019

17-19 June – FLiP Sessions with PWC

28 June -Water Safety for R6

5 July – End of Term 2. School closes @ 3.00pm

27 June – Duffy Theatre Show

2 July – Room 6 Maori Performance @ Mt Roskill Library

15 July - Term 3 starts



Attendance Dues

Thank you to those families who have paid Attendance Dues or who have set up automatic payments. There are still a number of families who have made no payments this year. If you have not already done so, we strongly suggest that you set up automatic payments for the Attendance Dues now, rather than wait until later in the year when it may be difficult to settle unpaid accounts for larger amounts. Please contact the office on 09 620 9441 if you have any concerns.



WINTER TERM

Just a reminder that on **Fridays there is no Breakfast Club** so there is **no supervision for the children until 8am**. As it is getting colder, please do not bring them until 8am as it will be too cold for them to wait around until the library is open at 8am.



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BOARD ELECTIONS

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled the following are elected: Ms Clementine Grey, Mrs Natalie Hopoi & Mr Joel Dias as Parent Representatives and Mrs Sharon Peram as the Staff Representative.

I would like to thank our outgoing Chairperson, Taina Tupou for his contribution to the Board over the past six years.



UNIFORMS

School Polar Fleecees are no longer available from the school. They are now being sold through Elizabeth Michael Uniforms, 4 Bond Street, Kingsland phone 09 358 1680.



ROOM 5

Please check out our website to see the wonderful poems Room 5 have written. They can be very proud of their efforts.



ROOM 3

Writing: Persuasive Writing

This Term we are focusing on Persuasive Writing, as a class we have had discussions about what they might think persuasive means and the purpose of this writing. The question "Should schools allow mobile phones?" was put to the children to get them thinking and to discuss their beliefs/opinions on this topic. We drew a continuum line on the board and in pairs children had to mark whether they disagreed or agreed with this statement and provide a reason for their belief. The following day they created a mind map, exploring all the reasons for their decision, and at the end of the lesson we had a class debate. The children split into two groups and argued their points of view. We will put these interesting pieces of writing on the website for everyone to read.



REPORTING

Staff are busy preparing your child's reports which will be sent home in the last week of term. You will also receive Progress Reports for Reading, Writing & Mathematics. We will be having our Student Led Learning Conversations on Wednesday 29 July and the Report and Progress Sheets will be the basis of the discussion.



NETBALL

Grading is now over and all draws & results are on the website. Please go to this link <https://aucklandnetball.co.nz/uncategorized/three-kings-draws-results/>. You are encouraged to look here each week as it gives the draws for the Saturday games. Netball very rarely gets cancelled. Games are on until notifications of postponement are posted on their Facebook and website home page.



HEALTH NOTICE

Measles in Auckland schools

Please vaccinate your child or young person if they have not had one measles (MMR) vaccine. It is free at your GP.

Students in a class with someone who has measles may be asked to stay home for one to two weeks, if they have had no MMR vaccinations.

Students with one or more MMR vaccinations can still attend school.

Measles info at: arphs.health.nz/measles

Check your child's immunisation records in their Well Child/Tamariki Ora book or ring your GP clinic.

Tell your GP or after hours clinic if you suspect measles before you arrive, so you don't infect others.

Symptoms: cough, runny nose, fever, sore red eyes, then a rash.

Auckland Regional Public Health Service
Māngai Hauora ōkai Iwira Māhaua

