



23 July 2018

Dear Families of St Therese School,
Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa, Malo e lelei, Namaste, Malo ni, Makadini, Annyoung, Bonjour.

We are at the beginning of another very exciting term at St Therese School. Our theme this term is 'Humour' and along with much hard work we hope to have lots of fun and laughter as that's exactly what should happen in schools. We look forward to reading all the funny stories your children have been writing during the holidays for our writing Competition.

I hope everyone had a good rest over the holiday and has come back with plenty of energy for an action-packed Term 3.

Our first RE strand for term 3 is 'Sacrament'. This prayer captures some of the beautiful ideas that we will be presenting to the children next term.

Opening Prayer - Sacrament Strand

E Te Atua, you call us to holiness through the Sacraments,
your gifts to us through your Son, Jesus.

As we contemplate them, and teach them during this strand,
may we deepen our understanding

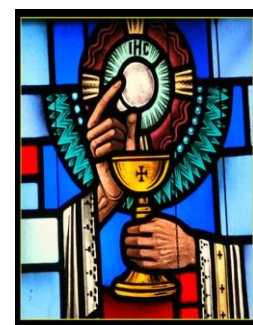
of how we can be:

welcoming and hospitable to all whom we meet,
loving and forgiving in all that we say and do,
generous and compassionate to friends and strangers,
overflowing with the gifts of your Spirit,
mindful and concerned about those in need -
the sick, the lonely, the poor, the neglected,
supportive and wise to the young people whom we teach,
committed and faithful to serving you daily.

E Te Atua, lay your hands gently upon us
when we falter or despair.

May your Holy Spirit renew us.
Inspire us to enliven our lessons,
so that we become fit for the mission
to which you have entrusted us - that is
to bring you to your children...
to bring your children to you.

Amen.



Susan McDonald
Principal



TERM DATES 2018

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| TERM 3 | 23 July | to | 28 September |
| TERM 4 | 15 October | to | Mon 17 December |

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 3 2018

Informal Assemblies – 27 July, 10&24 August and 7&21 September
Primary Netball Practice – Monday & Wednesday @ 3.15pm
25, 31 July, 2, 7, 8 August – R1 & 2 Stepping out Programme
24, 26, 31 July, 2, 7 & 9 August – Intermediate Tech at Bunnings
8 August – Mary MacKillop Liturgy
8, 15, 22 August – Reading together Programme @ 9am & 6pm
15 August – NZEI 3 hour proposed strike
10 September – School Photographs
28 September – Feast of St Therese Mass & Concert

Cultural Groups – 3, 17 & 31 August & 14 September
Intermediate Netball Practice - Tuesday & Thursday @ 3.15pm
25, 26, 31 July and **2 & 7 August** – R 6 DARE Programme
1 August – SLLC – 1- 6pm. **School closes @ 12pm**
9 August – R4 & 5 Keeping Ourselves Safe
15 August – Assumption Liturgy
29 August – Yr 5 – 8 Let's Act @ Vodafone Centre
18 September – School trip to the Zoo
28 September – End of Term 3 - School closes @ 3pm



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