



3rd May 2021

Dear Families of St Therese School,

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

Welcome back to School for Term 2. We hope you had a relaxing time with your families over the holiday break.

This Sunday we celebrated the Fifth Sunday of Easter, we were called to renew our commitment and relationship with God, that our Christian faith should not be just superficial and empty, but instead must be strong and vibrant, based on true devotion and love for God. We must base our faith upon this deep love and commitment, a genuine relationship we ought to be building between us and God, or else, we may end up easily losing our faith especially during times of trials and difficulties.

Let us all today make a resolution to move forward in life from now on, committing ourselves to the Lord with a new faith and with renewed zeal and love for Him. Let us all, in our own little contributions, do our best to glorify the Lord and to proclaim His truth in our community. Let us be true disciples of the Lord from now on, not just merely a formality or in name only, but also in true deeds and work, through our tireless efforts and outreach, to our fellow men, from our own family members and circle of friends, and also to all those whom we meet and encounter in life daily.



May the Lord be with us all, and may He strengthen us in faith, that each and every one of us may draw ever closer to Him, and may always be courageous and inspired to glorify His Name daily. May He empower us all through His Holy Spirit, that we may indeed bear rich and wonderful fruits of faith, and remain ever firmly attached to Him, Our true Vine and the Source of our life and all truth. May God bless us all and our good endeavours, now and always. Amen.

Laura Geaney
Principal

IMPORTANT TERM 2 DATES



Term Dates 2021			
Term 2	Monday 3 rd May	to	Friday 9 th July
Term 3	Monday 26 th July	to	Friday 1 st October
Term 4	Monday 18 th October	to	Thursday 16 th December

Important Dates for Term 2:

- 6th May** – Free Trial Session- Shine Speech and Drama (see information on next page)
- 8th May** – Primary Netball Season begins
- 8th May** – Community Consultation 1pm in the school library
- 11th May** – Financial Literacy Lessons for Rooms 3, 4 and 6
- 11th May** – Compulsory Camp Meeting for parents of students in Rooms 4 and 6
- 12th May** – Better Start Literacy Session for Parents of students in Rooms 1 and 2
- 17th May-21st May** – Book Week
- 31st May-4th June** – Samoa Language Week
- 7th June**- Queens Birthday- School Closed

- 8th June-11th June**- Room 4: Keeping Ourselves Safe Unit with Community Constable Tineke
- 15th June-18th June**- Rooms 1,2 & 3: Stepping Out Unit with Community Constable Tineke
- 15th June-18th June**- Room 6: Choices Unit with Community Constable Tineke
- 17th June** - Ascension Liturgy
- 24th June** - Toitoi Reading Session
- 24th June** - Pentecost Liturgy
- 1st July** – Student-led Learning Conversations (School Closes at 12pm). Reports sent home
- 9th July** – Last Day of Term 2

FREE TRIAL- SHINE SPEECH AND DRAMA



Free trial 'Shine Speech and Drama' lesson being held for St Therese School students on Thursday 6th May (Week 1 Term 2) in Room 5 from 3:05pm-3:50pm. All ages welcome. Please email principal@sttherese.school.nz to book your child's place in this initial session.

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SCHOOL OF
CONFIDENCE

Lessons include:

- Public Speaking
- Acting and Drama Skills
- Vocal Skills
- Poetry & Storytelling
- Reading Aloud
- Positive Body Language
- Manners

Shine School of Confidence was founded by Janine (Nina) Burchett and has been successfully providing Speech and Drama lessons in Auckland schools since 2016. Over that time, they have taught over 740 students. These lessons are a terrific way to build the character, confidence, and communication skills of the students attending, all while having fun and using creativity!

After the free trial session, if the required number of students would like to commit to weekly sessions on a Thursday afternoon, then these sessions will continue. Please note that after the first session there will be a cost to attend.

CULTURAL GROUPS



We will be starting Cultural Group Practices mid Term 2 and are seeking parents/whanau members to help lead sessions on Friday afternoons. We know that there is so much knowledge and expertise in our community to share so if you are interested in helping out, please email principal@sttherese.school.nz for more information.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION



It is really important that our community attends the Consultation taking place on Saturday 8th May in the school library. We will be looking at the future direction of St Therese School and would really value your thoughts and ideas. **Please note that the original time has been changed to accommodate families who are busy with Saturday morning sport. The new time is 1pm – 3pm in the school library.**

**St Therese
School**

Requests your presence at our upcoming

**COMMUNITY
CONSULTATION**

Saturday 8th May

1pm-3pm

**St Therese School
Library**

Supervision for children available
Morning tea provided



Please take the time to join as a community to discuss the future direction of St Therese School.

Your knowledge and opinions are valued.

We look forward to seeing you all there.

CAMP MEETING



We are looking forward to taking our Year 5 – 8 students to Chosen Valley Christian Camp in Ramarama in Term 3. The dates are **Wednesday 29th September – Friday 1st October**, which is 3 days with 2 overnight stays.

There will be a meeting about the camp on **Tuesday 11th May at 7.00pm** in the **School Library**. The purpose of this meeting is to share information about the activities the children will participate in and to answer any questions you may have. An adult representative from your family **must** attend and students are welcome to come along too.

