



# St Mary MacKillop Catholic School



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## MISSION STATEMENT

"Our School, together with family and Parish, provides a quality Catholic education where each of us strives to know and love Jesus Christ, develop a love of learning and a respect for ourselves and one another."

# NEWSLETTER

October 19th 2017

*Fakalofa lahi atu, Greetings Kia Ora, Malo e lelei,  
Taloha ni, Kia Orana, Talofa Lava.*

Fakaalofa lahi atu ke he tau magafaoa foou ne kua hohoko mai ke he aoga ha tautolu. Ko e faahi tapu nei ko e faahi tapu he Vagahau Niue he ha tautolu a tau fanau.

### "One Community"

**Term 4** has seen the arrival of a few new faces. We welcome them into our school as they enjoy their first few days with us. We also celebrate the arrival of Miss Rekareka's new son. We wish her and her family all the best with the excite of a new face in their family.

Summer term is here:

It is summer term again so please make sure Hats and Sandals are all ready to go. Please make sure your child is in the correct uniform. Hats with our school logo are available from the office.



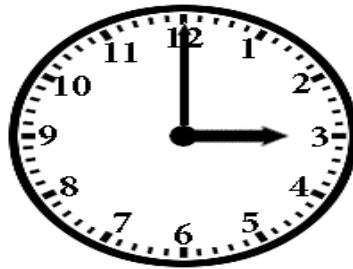
**School starts:**

**8:50**

**Lateness:**

It is time to make sure we are getting to School for 8.50. We are having too many children late and not following correct procedures. If your child is late they must come to the office and get a late slip to take to class.

If your child goes to class with no slip they will be sent back to the office. We have started texting you if your child is absent from school. We expect you to communicate with the office so we know what is happening.



### **The Pool is coming Term 4!!!!**

We have the "POOL in School"! sitting in our carpark but the continued bad weather we are having, means access to setup has not been kind to us.

It is an exciting learning experience for our children who comes to our school. It has been 2 years since we have had the pool.

You need to organise for your child a swimming cap and goggles. This is needed for your child to have a fun, enjoyable learning experience.

Every child needs to participate and be ready to swim as part of our learning programme.

Talk to your class teacher if you have any questions or queries.

We are following and working with Swim Safe NZ to deliver a programme of learning. Also now we have swimming instructors coming to work with us.

Date will be advertised.

### **Kids for Kids Concert:**

Our students have an amazing opportunity to take in the Kids for Kids Concert 2017. This concert is an initiative to raise much needed funds to help promote the wonderful work of World Vision.

Permission slips and information sheets have sent out for parents to sign and return by **this Friday**.

This is an amazing opportunity for us to contribute to making a positive difference in others' lives so please purchase tickets and come and see our wonderfully talented students on Wednesday 15th November **at 6:45pm**.

Monuina e aho!

**St. Mary MacKillop left us a challenge - "Never see a need without doing something about it" (1871).**

### **Sacrament programme at St Therese:**

We are wanting our children who have not yet received their First Communion or had their Confirmation to participate in the programme. Forms are in the office. We will be sending them home as well over the next few weeks.

The Sacramental Programme for Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist will begin on Thursday, 26 October 2017 at 5pm at St Therese Parish Hall.

The eligibility criteria are as follow:

- Candidate to have received the Sacrament of Baptism. (Please bring along a copy of Baptismal Certificate for enrolment if baptised in another Parish).
- Candidate to have completed 7 years of age as on 30th September 2017. (Please bring copy of Birth Certificate).
- One Parent or God-Parent should be present with the candidate during the programme.
- Candidates need to have 90% attendance and knowledge of basic prayers at the end of the programme to be eligible to receive the Sacraments.

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### **Start of Term Mass:**

Mark in your diaries our Start of term mass and come celebrate with us at St. Therese Church. D pod will be running this mass on the October 27th at 11:00am. See you there.

### **Loud Shirt Day!**



A huge big thank you to all our families who donated and contributed to such a wonderful cause which we celebrated at the end of last term - **Loud Shirt Day**. We raised **\$363.10**, which I know will go a long way in helping the Hearing House and supporting children with hearing problems and their families. Fakaauae lahi. Mrs Myocevich.



# D Pod Camp Fundraiser

## Friday 20th October at 1:00pm



### TERM CALENDAR 2017

#### OCTOBER

- 20 Camp Bake Sale-Fundraiser
- 23 **LABOUR WEEKEND - HOLIDAY**
- 24 **B Pod Botanic Gardens trip**
- 25 BOT Meeting in the Staffroom at 5:30pm
- 26 **Whole school photos-Class, sports, leaders**
- 27 Term Mass at St Therese at 11:00am  
School assembly with A6 at 2:00pm



#### NOVEMBER

- 1 BOT Meeting at 5:30pm in the Staff Room
- 7-10 **Year 7/8 Camp at CAMP ADAIR**
- 8 **NEW ENROLMENT DAY FOR 2018 9:am-10:30am**
- 10 School Assembly in Wharenuui at 2:00pm B2  
New Entrant Trip to Butterfly Creek
- 21 School finishes early 1:00pm
- 23 Whole School Athletics
- 24 Mass at school A/B Pod in Wharenuui  
Camp Assembly with D3
- 29 BOT Meeting

#### DECEMBER

- 1 C Pod Market Fair  
Rainbows End - D Pod
- 6 **Prizegiving at St Therese - 6:00pm**
- 8 **End of term mass at St Therese - AP and Year 8 Leavers**  
**Reports go home**
- 14 **Leavers Assembly year 8**  
**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - school finishes at 1:00pm**