



# St Mary MacKillop Catholic School



## 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."

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# NEWSLETTER

September 6th 2017

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

### ***Tena Koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa:***

Our exciting Term 3 races along with so many things happening in our busy and exciting curriculum.

On Friday Ms Rekareka leaves us for Maternity leave. We wish Ms Rekareka all the best for the joy of adding to her family. She will be back to join us next year. I will keep you updated when baby finally arrives.

Last week we had a nice visit from Mrs Mariu with her bundle of joy Benjamin. It was great to see her and baby doing so well. Something in the water at St Mary MacKillop School.

### **Tongan Language Week:**



## **A Busy few weeks ahead: "Parent engagement term"**

We have had a great first few days to Tongan Language week with dance, reading to the children and a great liturgy to start the week. A big thankyou to our parents who have helped make it happen.

### **Cultural Mufti Day: Thursday September 7th**

All children from St Mary Mackillop are invited to wear cultural outfits in honour of Tongan language week. Tongan students are to wear proper Tongan attire on this day.

### **Can Drive Mufti Day: September 8th**

"Lets live St Mary Mackillop's legacy"

This is our last day to give from the heart for people in need. If your child brings a can of food it will go a long way to help the hungry during Christmas.

**Theme:** Christmas coloured outfits. How can you include all the colours of Christmas on your outfit? Be creative!!!! Bring a can of food as your donation for this mufti day.

### **Science Fair - Wed Sept 6 -8 in the Wharenui**

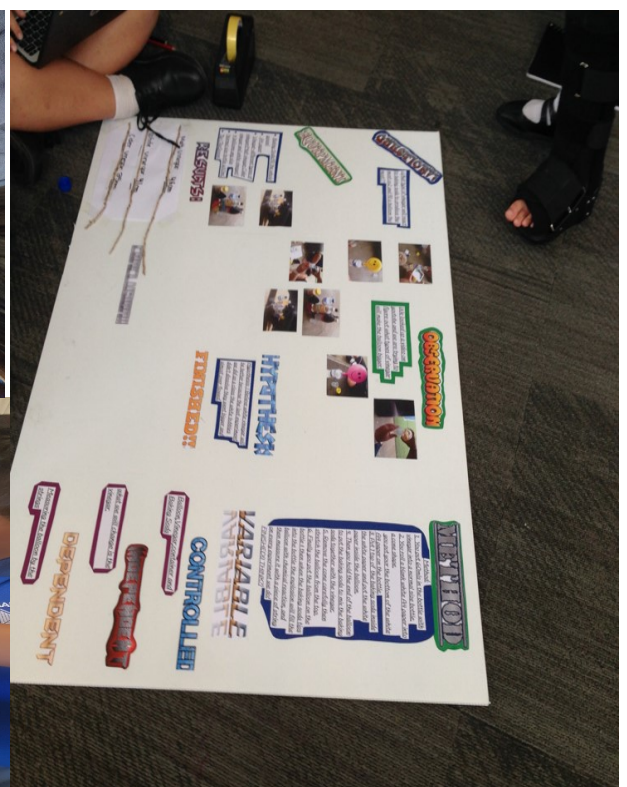
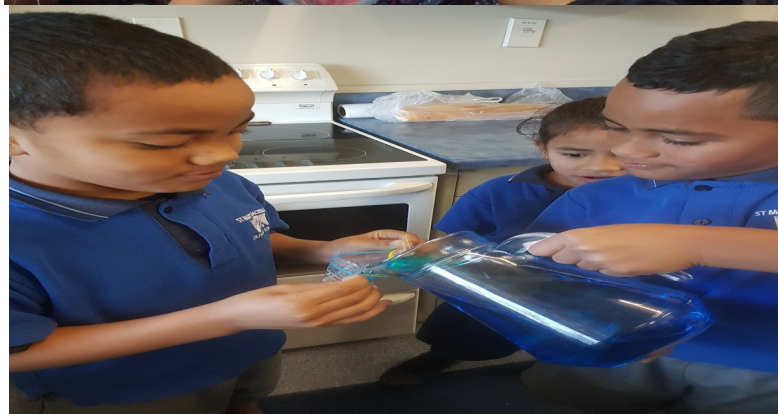
The Wharenui will be open.

**Wednesday 6th September 3:00pm - 4.30pm**

**Thursday 7th September 8.30 am- 4.30pm**

**Friday 8th September. 8.30am- 1:00pm**

We have a huge science focus this term across the whole school. Check the class blogs as to what is happening and how you can support your children with their Science fair project. Come along and see all the great science fair work.



## **Sunday School Mass: September 10:**

### **"See you Sunday !!!!!"**

On September 10th we will be having a school mass on Sunday at St Therese parish. As a school we will come together and celebrate mass where we can all attend. It is our chance to celebrate mass as a member of our Mangere Catholic community. I believe it is important that we unite for our special Sunday and come together. We all have jobs to do for mass so we must all attend.

## **St Anthony's fair September 23**

- ♦ Is coming up!!!!!!!
- ♦ We have a stall!!!!!!!
- ♦ We will have a dance group as well!!!!!!!

As a school we are going to contribute to the St Anthony's fair. It is important we continue to make sure our parish connection is strong and we continue to honour our commitment to the catholic community. All families will be given a cake box to fill and return to school for the fair. It worked really well last year and we want to continue to use it.

**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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## Awards:

### Principal

A1	Johnsun Posa	Juliana Va'a	A2	Cloie Anipot	Lawrencia Napara
A3	Thomas Tauai	Cruzito Penisio	A5	Alohilani Rimoni	
A6	Bronson Alanotama	London Tekeu	B1	Sebastian Pepe	Moonique Posa
B2	Sariah Va'a	Se'e Ieremia	B3	Emmanuel Kirsome	Maxwell Tae
C2	Izabella Kaetau	Aries Ekeroma	C3	Evelyn Roberts	David Filo
D1	Atelea Filo	Pio Peters	D2	Alacoque Ah Wa-Viau	Memoree Fuimaono
D3	Grace Leleai Inu	Libby Jane Clarkson			

### Pastoral Care

A1	Sueina Vilifiti	A2	Miriam Vaeno	A3	Quanariah To'oto'o
A5	Moegalafo Lene		Lucas Tekeu	A6	Christina Kiely
B1	Sorona Filo	B2	Cerenity Faalili	B3	Giovanni So'oa
C2	Chelsea Pelo	C3	Skylar Costillo		
D1	Aisea Manuha'apai	D2	Nathanael Stanley	D3	Benedict Te'o Vitolio

**SUBWAY ORDER** - every Thursday 8:00am - 9:30am  
Please bring the right money we do not have change in the office  
Thank you!

## TERM CALENDAR 2017



### SEPTEMBER

- 4-8 Tongan language week Mufti Day-Cultural Dress
- 6-8 SCIENCE FAIR IN WHARENUI
- 7 MUFTI DAY-CULTURAL DRESS  
Marist Rugby at 12:20pm
- 8 CANS FOR CHRISTMAS MUFIT DAY Christmas colours
- 10 SCHOOL SUNDAY MASS AT ST THERESE CHURCH -10:00am
- 11-15 MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK
- 11 Year 5/6 English Speech Competition at Otahuhu 9:30am
- 12 St Annes Shield at Bruce Pulman Park in Papakura
- 13 Duffy Role Model Assembly at 9:30am  
BOT Meeting
- 22 Duffy Leaders Assembly 9:15am
- 27 APPA Year 7/8 English Speech Finals
- 28 LOUD SHIRT DAY - MUFTI DAY
- 29 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - END OF TERM MASS AT 11:00am at St  
Therese Church  
School Assembly with A2/A3 in Wharenuai at 2:pm

### OCTOBER

- 16 SCHOOL STARTS BACK AT 8:50am