



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."

NEWSLETTER

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



**EHARA TAKU TOA I TE
TOA TAKITAHU ENGARI,
HE TOA TAKATINI**

*Success is not the work of one,
but the work many.*



Mission:

"Together we grow Christ centred children who are ready for the next step:

Tena Koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa:

Welcome back to St Mary MacKillop Catholic School for Term 2 2018. I look forward to an exciting learning journey this term and sharing in the growth and faith of our school community.

Our school community is saying goodbye to one of our team leaders and long time teacher Miss Ruth Sherrard. We will sadly say goodbye to her, but we are extremely happy for her as she moves into her new role of RTLB in our cluster.

"Never see a need without doing something about it"

Our school value focus for this term is Service.

Service – That we are all called to service and love of others (to do our bit!).



Speeches:

I hope all your children have come home with talking and asking you for ideas to help them with their speeches. We place a huge emphasis on every child participating and learn to deliver a good speech.

A big part of this is:

- Engagement with home
- Parents helping and coming to speech time
- Using Family - to help with our Language speeches

We call them a cultural speech or our language speeches. Where our children present a speech/poem/prayer in their cultures language. We need all the support for this to make sure we give our children the best chance to learn and engage in learning language.



Mothers day:

Happy mothers day for next Sunday. I hope you all get looked after and have a day of rest that you deserve.

Netball:

Good luck to all our netball teams this week. They have their first round of games this week. Please make sure your netball fees are up to date so we can give your child a Hoodie as part of being in the netball team.

PTFA



Last year in our Ethnic group meetings you all signalled that you would be interested in starting a PTFA or Friends of the school as they can be known. I will be sending out more details. So watch this space

As a community We need to improve:

Parents in cars:

Picking up after school has become an issue and is now becoming unsafe. We are also not respecting our neighbours by parking in driveways.

Needs to change:

- Picking up children in middle of road
- Dropping off of children in staff carpark

These 2 habits are unsafe.

We need to:

- Park and walk. We have a long street so space is not a problem.

I am worried for your child's safety.

Attendance:

Attendance at school is hugely important for your child to experience success. Please make sure communication with school and home is constant so we can make sure your child is getting the maximum benefits of their time at school. We understand if your child gets sick, however keeping them home for longer than needed is happening too often. Some families will receive a letter about your child's attendance and need to make a time to see me.

WHOLE SCHOOL MASS

ST THERESE CHURCH AT 11:00am ON 11th MAY

ALL FAMILIES AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME



WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM

All students should be in their full winter uniform.

Boys black shoes and grey winter socks
Girls black shoes and white socks or
Navy blue tights



OFFICE HOURS:
8:30 am- 4:00pm
Uniform Purchase
8:30am - 11:00am

TERM CALENDAR 2018

MAY:

- 9 NYLD Leaders' Day at Vodafone Events Centre House Captain /Leaders
- 11 Term 2 Mass at St Therese Church - C Pod at 11:00am
School Assembly with Room D3 in Wharenuui at 2:00pm
- 21 B Pod Speeches 9:30am Whare
- 23 C/D Pod Speech finals
BOT meeting in the Staff room at 5:30pm
- 25 Syndicate Mass in Wharenuui at 9:15am with A/C Pod
School Assembly with Room B2 at 2:00pm
- 28 Samoan language week 5
- 29 MOSA Rugby League - Yr5-6

JUNE:

- 1 Samoan language week ends
- 4 Queen's birthday - Holiday
- 7 Year 1/2 Poetry Recital and Speeches 9:30am in Wharenuui
- 8 Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus-Liturgy in the Whare at 9:00am
- 12 MOSA Netball yr 5-6
School Assembly with Room C2
- 15 Duffy Theatre in Wharenuui at 11:00am
Syndicate Mass in Wharenuui with B/D Pod at 9:15am
- 22 Feast of St John the Baptist - 24th June
School Assembly with Room A1 in Wharenuui at 2:00pm
- 27 BOT meeting in the Staff room
- 29 End of Term Mass at St Therese Church at 11:00am