

St. Leo's Catholic School



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Tena koutou whanau,

Another term has drawn to a close. Once again we have had a busy term of learning and some wonderful events such as the wonderful dance/drama sessions with Neala, the Assumption day Mass, Book Week, Grandparents Day and the Learning Expo. Next term is shaping up to be another busy term and here are some important dates to put in your diaries.

Week 1:	16 October:	Peninsula Cricket Tournament
Week 2:	22 October:	Tennis taster session
	23 October:	Kiwi Capers whole school trip
	25 October:	Assembly - 9am
Week 3	28 October:	Labour Day - No school
	1 November:	Sausage Sizzle - 1pm
	2-3 November:	Parish Jubilee
Week 4:	5 November:	Carmel and Rosmini Orientation Day
	8 November:	Assembly & mufti day - 9am
	9 November:	St Leo's Fair
Week 5:	11 November:	St Leo's feast day - saints dress up day
	13 November:	Music School lunchtime concert
	14 November:	St Leo's Athletics
	15 November:	RNZN band performance - 10am
Week 6:	22 November:	Jesse Tree liturgy at assembly - 9am
Week 7:	26 November:	Parent evening - Y6 puberty lessons
	27 November:	Belmont Intermediate orientation
	28 November:	St Joseph's Grey Lynn visiting St Leo's
	29 November:	Advent Wreath blessing at assembly - 9am
		PTFA Dad's night
	1 December:	Devonport Santa Parade
Week 8:	2 December:	St Catherine trip to Rainbow's End
	4 December:	Volunteer's thank you morning tea - 11am
		Peninsula athletics
	5 December:	Puberty lessons for Year 6
	6 December:	Assembly - 9am
	7 December:	PTFA croquet night (to be confirmed)
Week 9:	12 December:	Leavers Dinner - 6pm start
	13 December:	Nativity Play - 2pm in the hall
Week 10:	17 December:	Graduation Mass - 10am (to be confirmed)
		School finishes at midday

Leave

Stephen Rae will be on leave for the first week of next term. Dominique Mouw Smith will relieve in St Patrick for the week.

Holiday jobs happening



Over the holiday period, Block 1 - St Catherine, Luke, Patrick and all the old administration area will be receiving a long overdue coat of paint inside. When you return after the holidays, you will see a bright and cheerful colour scheme which will be a great improvement on how it looks now. Some earth works and building will also happen over the holidays in preparation for planting out of new gardens around the Owens Rd entry and around the back of Block 1.

Mufti Day

Tomorrow will be a mufti day for the Arthritis Foundation. Please remember to send along a gold coin if wearing mufti. The colour theme is orange if you have it. Bring your coin to the office to receive a gerbera.

Te Rerenga School visit

Thank you to all the families who supplied camp mattresses for the school visit. They really appreciated them and had a great stay overnight despite the poor weather. They gave us a small koha which we will use to buy a tree to plant in our new garden area behind St Catherine. Please pick up your mattresses from the stage in the hall.



Student Learning Expo



Thank you to the families who came to the expo. We felt it went well and we will look at doing something similar next year. We sent out a small survey to gauge what the community felt about the expo and would appreciate feedback about how we could make it better. We have

already received some suggestions around the timing of the expo. The survey is open until the end of the week if you would like to complete it.

Grandparents day

We had a great day with our grandparents and the Junior Lion King dance was a huge hit. The children sang beautifully during the liturgy. Thank you to the choir and music groups who performed so well.

School Fair

We are building up to the school fair at the end of week 4 next term. Make sure you check all the information coming home from the PTFA about items to be sent to school.

Remember to bring along a bottle of fizzy drink tomorrow. Also remember to put your name on the sign up sheet if you haven't already. This is our major fundraiser this year and we'd like it to be a great event.



Skool Loop

Please ensure that notifications is turned on on your phone so that you get notified when we send out a message via the app.

Catholic Character Survey

Thank you to parents who took part in the survey. We were pleased that the community felt the school was welcoming and that Catholic Character was visible within the school. We will take on board the wish to improve our link between the school and Parish. The ideas put forward in the survey will help inform our goals for our 2020 annual plan. Next term we will publish the final report on the school website for those who may be interested in reading it.

Remember! Hats must be worn from the first day of Term 4. All children must have a blue bucket hat. No hat - no playing in the playground!

Children may wear their summer uniform from the first day of Term 4 or can choose to continue wearing their winter uniform until Labour weekend.



I am off to a 3 day Principals Hui in the first week of the holidays and will be visiting my daughter in Papamoa to help her out as she prepares for baby number 5 due in October. You may also see me around school catching up on little jobs that need to be done around here.

Have a wonderful and safe holiday break.

Ma te atua manaaki
God Bless,
Maureen Harris

Important Messages

Photolife Photos

Your child should bring home today the shoot key for the photos taken by Photolife earlier this term. The online system works off each student's name, giving them an individual Photo Access key to view and order the photographs. Our school's free delivery period expires at midnight on Sunday 20th October. After this time you will need to pay to have the photos delivered to you.

Lost Property

There is a large amount of unnamed polar fleeces and shoes and the odd lunchbox in the lost property. As it is too windy to put it out if you think your child has lost something please come to the office and have a look.

Celebration Book

Congratulations to the following children who have their names in the Celebration Book:
Aimee McGivern came 7th in the Catholic Schools Cross Country
Flynn Lane came 16th in the Catholic Schools Cross Country



Fine Homes Tour

Tomorrow morning is the last chance to get your tickets via the school and support this fundraising initiative.

Our school has been offered the opportunity to sell tickets as a means of fundraising. For each \$70 ticket sold, half of that amount will be donated to the school.

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased from the school office by either paying cash or putting the money into the school bank account 12-3015-0474771-00 ref: name & FHT. If you are planning on attending this event please buy your tickets through us.

Vegetable Sale

Tomorrow after school we will be having a sale of vegetables from our school garden. This will include beetroot, celery and broad beans. Please look for the girls with the basket of vegetables in the school grounds after school tomorrow. Price is a donation.



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New World Receipts

Don't forget to pop your New World receipts in the box at the front of the store. Each term John Ashton makes a generous donation to the school based on the total of the receipts.

PTFA News

This weeks collection is a **1.5l bottle of fizzy drink**. Please drop to the library in the morning where the children will be awarded whanau points. If you can't make it in the morning please drop to Renee any other time.



Multi bakers required - If you are willing to be a multi baker ie bake more than the 3 cakes asked from each family please email me and let me know.

Disco - The disco was a great success and the feedback is that everyone had a great time.

Men's Night Inn - "St Leo's is pleased to confirm that the revised date for the Dads Night Inn will be Fri 29 Nov, and all details, including venue, will be announced soon. Tickets already bought will be valid and ticket sales for the new date are available now from the School Office. Any refunds required should be directed to the School Office".

Fair notices - The sign up sheets are up in the main office for you to add your name to. If you cannot make it in please email Renee and let her know what stall/s you would like to help on and she will put your name down. Thank you to those parents who have already added their names to the list. **Last chance to get your name down tomorrow.**

PTFA news and reminders:

- Shout out for quantities of fruit / veggies / decent sized clean and label free jars for preserve / jam / chutney making - please let Helen or Sarah know asap if you can help
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- Reminder for parents to please tap their contacts etc for sponsorship / prizes - please let Helen or Sarah know asap if you can help
- Sign up on the fair tree
- Watch this space re details for early collection / storage of clothing, toys and white elephant donations for the fair. Watch this space for more info re the usual weekly donations (chocolate, fizzy drinks, alcohol donations etc etc) in the weeks leading up to the Fair
- Don't forget to keep an eye on the two new PTFA notice boards, in the School Office and in the window by the old School Office.

You may have noticed the storage container that has appeared in the school grounds. This has been kindly lent to us by the lovely people at Mobistore so those of us wanting to have a clean out of kids toys well before for the school fair in November can send their good quality, and working preloved treasures in. Items that were particularly popular last year were

Scooter, Rollerblades, skateboards and roller skates, Toy cars, trucks and planes, Dolls (with all their limbs!) with clothes and dolls accessories, Characters and not too well loved soft toys, Complete puzzles and games Bagged up collection of smaller toys like Hot Wheels Cars or mini figures, Good condition School bags, Pencil cases, Money boxes, Craft stuff.

If over the next few months you are having a clean out we are ready and waiting for it to be dropped at school. Please send an email to Jane.b.weekes@gmail.com the day before you drop so we can make sure someone is around to pop it in "The Cube". Remember to pass this to your friends and family from other schools too!



Community notices

Marbles Holiday Art Programme 2 FANTASTIC WEEKS! St Leo's School HALL 102 Victoria Road

It is with pleasure that we announce our final holiday programme for 2019 'Once Upon a Time'. Come along and join us for a magical, mystical, adventurous and incredibly creative time as we follow Alice to wonderland, jump on board Captain Hooks pirate ship, escape from the giant with Jack, find the witches candy house with Hansel and Gretel, discover Narnia in the wardrobe and so much more! It's going to be amazing. All information is on our website www.marblesstudio.co.nz



<https://joylab.co.nz/elephant-wrestler/family-quiz-night>

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In an ever-changing and fast-paced, technology-addicted world, it can be difficult to guesstimate what skills our children need in order to prepare them for an uncertain future. However, there is a bedrock set of skills that have always been essential throughout history, and will continue to be for all generations to come. That is; the skills that give us the ability to communicate, to be creative, and to have a grounded sense of self-confidence.

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Or, if you've got questions, we're happy to answer them! Simply email: kateimlach@headheldhigh.co.nz

Kick off the holiday with our fun football holiday programme. It's suitable for children aged 5 to 13. The week is full of exciting games and tournaments. Enjoy our unique Inflatable Football pitches. Our team of highly qualified staff will ensure your kids have a ball!

Holiday Camp Details: Venue: Takapuna AFC, Taharoto Park, Taharoto Rd, Takapuna, 0622

Dates: Week 1: Wed 2nd to Fri 4th October, Week 2: Wed 9th to Friday 11th October

Times/Costs: - 9am to 12pm \$29 per day, 9am to 3pm \$49 per day

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OUR COMMUNITY CONTACTS	
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