

St Leo's Catholic School

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Tena koutou whanau,

Next Saturday is the feast of the Assumption. This is the date when the Catholic Church celebrates the assumption of Mary's body and soul into Heaven. This is one of the few holy days of obligation and we normally celebrate with a whole school Mass. As it is in the weekend this year we will celebrate Mass on **Friday 21 August** instead. Everyone is welcome to join us in the Parish church at 12 noon.



Prayer for The Assumption of Mary

Father in Heaven,
all creation rightly gives you praise,
for all life and all holiness comes
from you.

In the plan of your wisdom
she who bore the Christ in her womb
was raised body and soul
in glory to be with him in heaven.

May we follow her example in
reflecting your holiness
and join in her hymn of endless love
and praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

Welcome to our school

Willow McKee has started in St Clare this week. She has settled in well and we have really enjoyed getting to know her. On Monday **Isabella Brodie** and her brother **Louie** will start in St Catherine and St Francis. They have come to us from Bayswater Primary and we are looking forward to having them join our St Leo's whanau. **Henry Talbot** is also joining St Clare and is making a gradual transition to school. He has had a couple of visits already and is settling in well. A huge welcome to all our new pupils. It is so lovely to have you with us.

Cross Country

Today our 8 year olds and older are taking part in their cross country race. I'm sure they will go well. Next week we will announce the team to represent the school in the Peninsula event.

TGS Band

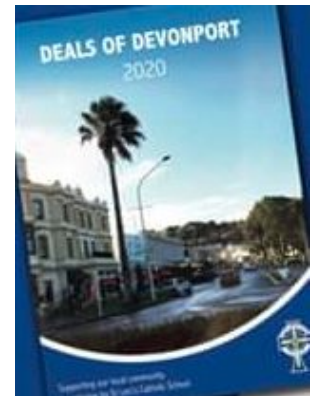
The Takapuna Grammar School band is coming to perform for the children next Tuesday at 10.15. They performed last year and we were very impressed. We are looking forward to hosting them again.

Rippa Rugby

We have 3 very keen teams ready to compete next Thursday at the Takapuna Rugby grounds. This is the largest group we have taken to the tournament and they are all extremely keen. We wish them well and hope they compete with their usual St Leo's spirit.

PTFA

The PTFA have once again done a marvellous job with the car boot sale on Sunday. They are an enthusiastic group of parents who really help our school to provide the extras we need for us to run such a successful school. There are still Deals of Devonport voucher books available so keep encouraging people to buy them. They are very good value. It would be wonderful if each family could sell their allocation sent home last term.



Uniform

I have noticed lately that some children's uniforms are not being worn with pride. The winter uniform stipulates shoes and socks. I've noticed a number of children are not wearing their socks, just shoes. They should be wearing black or navy socks or stockings. Also, there seems to be a lot of shoes out there that are not black. The children can wear sports style shoes but they need to be plain black, not colourful.

At my last school the children brought their PE gear in a separate bag on a Monday which was left on their hook for the week and taken back home for washing over the weekend. This worked very well and I would like to see families doing that here at St Leo's. Wearing their PE uniform during sports helps lengthen the life of their school uniforms.

Netsafe Parent Webinar

Netsafe LIVE is a free event for parents and whānau about keeping young people safe online. Netsafe's Education Advisor Pauline Spence will be talking about the risks, challenges and opportunities of digital technology, and the practical ways we can all help young people to be safe online. It will be held from 7-8pm on Thursday 10 September.

Musical

Everyone is hard at work preparing for the Musical to be performed on Thursday 3 September. The senior children will be taking the main roles and have been practicing most days. Some have a lot of lines to learn. If you need help with costuming for your child, please let the school know. The junior children will be joining in practices in the next couple of weeks and we will let you know about what costumes they will need.

The musical is a pantomime so we do encourage audience involvement. There will be 2 shows. One at 1.30pm and a second at 6pm. Performances will be at the Victoria Theatre in Devonport. More info soon.



Renee's recovery

Thank you to everyone who has taken meals to Renee. As her sick leave has run out she has had to rely on a sickness benefit until she returns to school so having our community supply meals has really helped her out considerably in making ends meet. She is doing very well and you may see her doing her walk rehabilitation around the area. It is very important that she takes the recommended time to ensure a full recovery. In the meantime, Georgette is doing a fabulous job in the office in her absence.



Earthware

Order forms need to be back at the school office by Friday 28 August. Samples of the produce bags are available in the office if you'd like to have a look at them.

May God's Blessings be with you all

Ma te atua manaaki

Maureen Harris



Important dates this term:

Week 1 - 6	Mondays	Neala is back taking dance/drama classes with our children
Week 1 - 10	Every day	Before school care available from 7.30am
Week 1 - 10	Wednesdays	Kapa Haka 8.45am
Week 4	Tuesday 11 August	Takapuna Grammar school band visiting school
	Thursday 13 August	Rippa Rugby Tournament
	Friday 14 August	Assembly
Week 5	Friday 21 August	Whole School Mass - 12pm
Week 6	Wednesday 26 August	Peninsula Schools Cross Country (Savaday 28 August)
	Friday 28 August	Assembly - Daffodil Day
Week 7	Tuesday 1 September	Tennis Sessions at school
	Tuesday 1 September	Peninsula Speech competition
	Tuesday 1 September	Musical dress rehearsal
	Thursday 3 September	School Musical performance
	Friday 4 September	Teacher Only Day

Week 8	Tuesday 8 September	Tennis Sessions at school
	Friday 11 September	Assembly
Week 9	Monday 14 September	Year 5/6 T-ball tournament
	Friday 19 September	Family Movie night - to be confirmed
	Sunday 20 September	Family Mass - 9am
Week 10	Friday 25 September	Assembly - last day of term

Singing and acting opportunity

London trained singing and acting teacher willing to teach small groups or individuals. Her email is jess.hannah.rogers@gmail.com and if you would like to hear her sing click this youtube link. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U0kcHsqmy5c>

Important notices

Celebration book

Cavelle was player of the day for his JBS rugby club and also received most valuable and best performance by a player in his U7 Tball team. Very proud!

Congratulations to the St Leo's Saints who won their netball game 3 nil!

Yila has had an amazing week. She was awarded Player of the Day for the St Leo's hockey team (Kings), the Year 5/6 netball team and the u11 green North Shore Rippa Rugby team.

PTFA News and Events

Deals of Devonport Books

Thanks to all those who have sold books! We've had some great feedback and it is proving to be worthwhile not only for the school but for the businesses involved as well as those using the savings from their vouchers. Don't forget to knock on neighbours doors and tell your friends and family about them!

Community Notices

Torbay Plunket will be holding their Nearly New Sale on Saturday 29th August 10am – 12pm at East Coast Bays Leisure Centre, 12 Bute Road, Browns Bay. Come along, grab a bargain and support a fantastic cause.

Entry fee for shoppers is a gold coin donation with the proceeds going to Torbay Plunket. Thousands of items will be for sale - new and second hand. Baby and children's clothing (newborn to 10 yrs), maternity gear, nursery equipment, prams and strollers, toys, books and much much more!

1-1 training sessions with certified teacher

SINGING TEACHER & ACTING COACH

In 2017 Jess received her teaching diploma in Musical Theatre and for the last two years has been training in London

For more information contact Jess at:
jess.hannah.rogers@gmail.com



PRIMARY YEARS 5-11

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Build a great family team

Over six fun, practical and inspirational sessions, a facilitator will guide you through topics including:

- The importance of aroha and connection
- Different parenting styles
- Discipline and boundaries
- Understanding your child's big emotions
- And lots more!

Cost: \$75 per person or \$110 per couple

However, if you're unable to contribute in this way, we'd still love you to join us. Get in touch and we'll get you booked in.

Time: 7-9pm Wednesdays

Date: 12th Aug - 16th Sep

Venue: Holy Trinity Devonport

For more information contact

Name: Holy Trinity Church

Email: admin@holytrinity.gen.nz

Phone: 09 4450328

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Contact details:

Kate: 021417622

Jess: 021489479

Days/Times:

Mon 9.30 - 10.30am

Tues 9.30 - 10.30am

Wed 9.30 - 10.30am

Thurs 9.30 - 10.30am

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