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26 October, 2023

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou whānau, and a warm St Leo's blessing on you all

World Mission Sunday

As I was reading this week's parish newsletter, I was reminded about the importance of the Church's missionary activities and the unity and solidarity of Catholics worldwide.

World Mission Sunday is an annual observance in the Roman Catholic Church dedicated to raising awareness about the importance of missionary work and supporting the global missionary efforts of the Church.

How You and Your Children Can Participate:

Attend Mass: Hopefully you had a chance to attend a Mass on Sunday 22 October.

Special Prayers: We invite you and your children to engage in special prayers for missionaries and the mission field. These prayers can be said as a family, and they help us remember and support the essential work of missionaries worldwide.

Learn and Discuss: Take this opportunity to learn about the challenges and triumphs of mission work. You can engage in discussions with your children to deepen your understanding of global issues and the efforts made to address them through missionary activities.

Consider a Donation: World Mission Sunday is a time when Catholics worldwide make financial contributions to support the work of missionaries. This is one place where you can donate: https://missio.nz/donate/

Garden to Table

This week St Patrick students made Garlic and Honey cauliflower. Renee worked with a group of students to clear the garden for more vegetables to be planted. We also sold bags of spinach to the local community.





NZ Sculpture Onshore











We are getting ready for the NZ sculpture onshore showcase which will be held from the 4th to the 19th of November. St Leo's students and in particular St Catherine's students have been working hard with guidance from Mr M and Mrs Christy. The three square based pyramids depict the Catholic character of the school and the history of Te Hau Kapua/Devonport.



Choir Visit to Freemans Bay School

Last week the choir was invited to Freemans Bay Primary School to perform and showcase their amazing talents. I was so proud of them as they sang to 600 students and adults. Thank you to Dominic for organising this for us and leading our choir. As always they were exceptional.

Navy Kindy Visit

On Wednesday, the Navy kindy visited St Leo's and joined in with the wonderful learning that is happening in St Clare. It was great to meet the two new pupils who will be joining us next year.



Peninsula Kapa Haka

On Thursday the kapa haka children performed at Hauraki Primary School. They were amazing as always, led by Ngahiwi Walker. Thank you to all the parents who were able to help with the transport.

Sponsorship: Your chance to sponsor a child to come to St Leo's

St Leo's Catholic Primary School Board invites you to consider sponsoring a child's attendance dues for 2024 (total \$516 for the year or \$129 a term). What a great way to support our young Catholic community and grow our local school. We have a few people who have already become sponsors and this is also tax deductible. Please contact the school office at 09 445 9339 if you are able to help. The marketing committee has designed the following poster which has been distributed to selected kindies.

Policy Review

Each term the Board of Trustees reviews a number of our policies. Some of these are reviewed by the Board, some are also reviewed by staff and for some policies feedback is sought by parents.



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During Term 4 the policy we are seeking parent feedback on is 'Home Learning', 'Distance Learning' and 'Student Achievement Information'.

Please visit our school docs website http://www.stleos.school.nz/policies.html.

Click on the St Leo's Catholic School Policies User name: StLeos Password: mercy Click on the green current review tab at the top of the page.

Select the appropriate policy at the bottom of the page.

Read the policy content

Click on the blue 'Start your review' at the top of the page. Here is a link to "How-to" YouTube videos: Taking part in reviews and Viewing review feedback.

Ma te atua manaaki God Bless.

Vimi Chandra

Other notices

Hats

Our school policy is that all children must wear a sunhat when outside in term 4. Any child without a sunhat will have to play in the shade.

We have 4 different size school sunhats for sale for \$15 each if you need to purchase one. We would like all children to be wearing the school hats not random hats.



Sculpture on the Shore visit

On Wednesday 8 November the whole school will be visiting the Sculpture on the Shore. We will be leaving school at 9.40am and returning around midday. If you have not yet returned your permission slip please do so or email the office. We are still in need of a lot of transport so please consider if you can help.

PTFA News

As of this week 25 jars of honey have been sold.

A new honey has now been introduced as a fundraiser. Lavender Honey 500g. The packaging is bright yellow and happy \odot

A family favourite to be enjoyed in the warm summer months. Drizzle this soft aromatic special honey over the classic Kiwi dessert, yogurt or into fruit smoothies. 100% Yum!

Honey Sales fundraiser

This fundraiser will continue until the end of the year. Thank you to those of you who have purchased this honey.

Beebro Rewarewa fundraising Honey and/or Large Honey Comb options. Both have a retail value of \$18 **PRICE DROPPED TO \$15 UNTIL THE END OF 2023**

FOR EACH JAR/HONEYCOMB SOLD \$5 goes to St Leo's School

\$1 goes to Nutters Club (Mike King's mental health foundation)

Step 1: Go to www.beebro.co.nz

Step 2: Select Beebro 'Nutters Club' 500g Rewarewa honey / Large Comb honey

Step 3: Select a minimum of any 2 products for FREE DELIVERY (otherwise 1 product will incur a \$6 delivery cost).



Step 4: In Shopping Cart use unique code 'Leo'

We know those that purchase it will love the Rewarewa honey. It is ★ ★ ★ ★ YUM. THIS IS NOT AN ORDINARY TASTING HONEY!

Think 100% natural toffee flavours

Feel free to forward this to family and friends to increase our sales

Fair

Collection dates - 27th Oct 1.5litre bottle of soft drink

3 Nov Large chocolate bar

10 Nov Luxury item for hamper

17 Nov multipack of mini chocolates

24 Mufti Day

Children will be awarded 100 whanau points for items donated.

Collection point is the school library before school and the office after 9am

All children who have delivered items go into the draw to win a lunch with a friend and the staff member of their choice.

Art Calendars

This term we will be doing calendar art with the children to be made into diaries, calendars etc. Ideal as Christmas presents. Watch this space for more details coming soon.

Next meeting: Wednesday 1 November in the staffroom 7.30pm. This is a working bee meeting preparing cake packs, lolly necklaces etc



Fair donation thank yous

Thank you to the following businesses who have sponsored the fair, sponsored a stall or donated goods for the fair.

Trish & Tracy Barfoot & Thompson

Takapuna Orthodontic Group

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Artz on Show

Khana

Belmont Pharmacy

Calimero

Hammer Hardware

Devonport Community House

Devonport Scouts

Pet Portraits

Devonport volunteer fire brigade

Benefitz

Peter Wolfkamp

Devonport Electrical

Dulcies





Timetable of events

Friday 27 October	Open Day Bring a 1.5l bottle of fizzy drink		
Monday 30 October	Dance with Pform Touch rugby		
Tuesday 31 October	Year 6 Kahui Ako outing Private music lessons		
Wednesday 1 November	Private Music lessons Assembly 10.15am Choir to Navy kindy P T F A meeting fair working bee 7.30pm staffroom		
Thursday 2 November	Waterwise		
Friday 3 November	Rosmini Orientation Day Carmel Orientation Day		
Monday 6 November	Dance with Pform Touch rugby		
Tuesday 7 November	Private music lessons		
Wednesday 8 November	Private Music lessons NZ Sculpture on the Shore visit		
Thursday 9 November	Waterwise		
Monday 13 November	School Athletics		
Tuesday 14 November	Private music lessons		
Wednesday 15 November	Private music lessons Assembly 10.15		
Thursday 16 November	Waterwise TBC		
Friday 17 November	Teacher Only Day		
Tuesday 21 November	Private music lessons Yr 6 Puberty Talks		
Thursday 23 November	Waterwise		
Sunday 26 November	School Fair		
Tuesday 28 November	Private music lessons		
Wednesday 29 November	Waterwise		
Friday 1 December	Peninsula Athletics		
Monday 4 December	Choir to TGS evening TBC		

Tuesday 5 December	Private music lessons		
Wednesday 6 December	Save Day Peninsula Athletics		
Friday 8 December	Reports to go home Year 6 to Rainbow's End		
Tuesday 12 December	Private music lessons		
Wednesday 13 December	Assembly The Christmas Show Leaver's Dinner		
Thursday 14 December	Farewell & Fun day		
Friday 15 December	Leaver's Mass 9.30am School finishes midday		

2023 Term dates

Term 4 ends midday Friday 15 December Term 1 2024 starts 31 January

For Sale

Lenovo Ideapad Duet Chromebook- 8 weeks old. Only used a couple of times! Paid \$498 8 weeks ago. Will sell for \$300. Contact Shannon on 021 988 805 if you are interested.







Community Notices

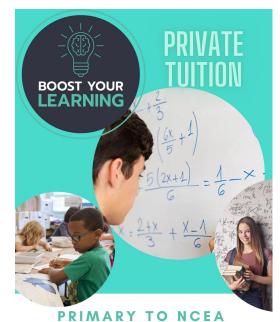




ANNUAL NORTH SHORE ROSARY PROCESSION

St Thomas More Parish invites you to join us in our Annual North Shore Rosary Procession on Sunday, 29th Oct at 2 p.m. followed by Benediction and shared cuppa. Those unable to walk in the procession are welcome to pray in the Church before the exposed

Blessed Sacrament. We desperately need to pray for our families, nation and for the world in these times.



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The team at Devonport Family Medicine are dedicated to supporting the health and wellbeing of your family. Dr Pieter Veenhuijsen has worked in the Devonport community for over 13 years. Dr Kosar Kheirabi has recently joined the team and has experience in all areas of medicine with a keen interest in paediatrics, surgery, women's health and health of older people. Together with an experienced nursing and admin team the practice is committeed to delivering quality care with a personal touch. Enrol online or simply pop in to see us.





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