



# St Mark's School Newsletter

Term 3 Week 11  
25 July 2018

Kia ora St Mark's family,

We hope you have all enjoyed some time with family over the holiday break. The school was full of bright smiling faces on Tuesday and our roll has reached 240.

We welcome:

Jake H and his parents Tim and Lottie  
William S and his parents Chris and Cindy  
Henri H and his parents Daniel and Lisa  
Amelia N and her parents Richard and Charlotte  
Dean C and his mother Cissy  
Andrew and Danielle G and their parents Bryan and Amanda

We do hope that you connect with other families quickly and find at St Mark's a turangawaewae - a place to stand with us all.

### **Independent Schools Sports Tournament.**

We wish all those netball players, soccer players and hockey players every success as they represent St Mark's school at this tournament on Friday. Thank you to those parents who are joining staff on the day. All are welcome to go and support the teams - details are on the sports noticeboard.

### **Abandoned Clothing**

Sitting in the foyer is a table of abandoned clothing which we will repurpose by the end of the week. Please take what is yours.

### **From the Parents Association:**

*Parents and Caregivers Questionnaire*

*We are really keen to build on the strong community spirit we have going throughout the school, and recognise that not everyone may have the ongoing time to commit to being a member of the Parents' Association.*

*That being said we have created the following questionnaire to get a better understanding of who may be able to help with what at various events across the year.*

*Please click the link below to complete this questionnaire:*

<https://goo.gl/forms/3Uo83id24juUVOT13>



*Transforming lives through the St Mark's Story*

**Great news!**

It is with great pleasure I announce (with permission!) that Rev. Ben Truman and his wife Johanna are thrilled to be expecting their first child. We are so thrilled for them both and our prayers and love are extended to them as they enjoy the much anticipated months ahead! Children are a blessing and a gift. "Children are a heritage from the Lord" Psalm 127: 3-5 CONGRATULATIONS!!

**Reminders:**

- Whanau Hui - Assessment and Teaching and Learning
- ERO week 3 - a Mihi Whakatau will welcome both reviewers on **Monday 25th July**, to which you are all invited.

**WEARABLE ARTS!!**

**Do you have fabric and sewing materials lurking in your cupboards that our creative students could repurpose into wearable art?? We would love anything you have!**

**Old (but working sewing machines) that you are happy to lend staff would also be WELL looked after.**

**Please talk with your child about their design and if there is anything you can offer in terms of items to support the creation we would be happy to receive them. A box will be placed in each learning area for any items you are able to donate.**

Blessings everyone and welcome back

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# School Notices

## Upcoming Events

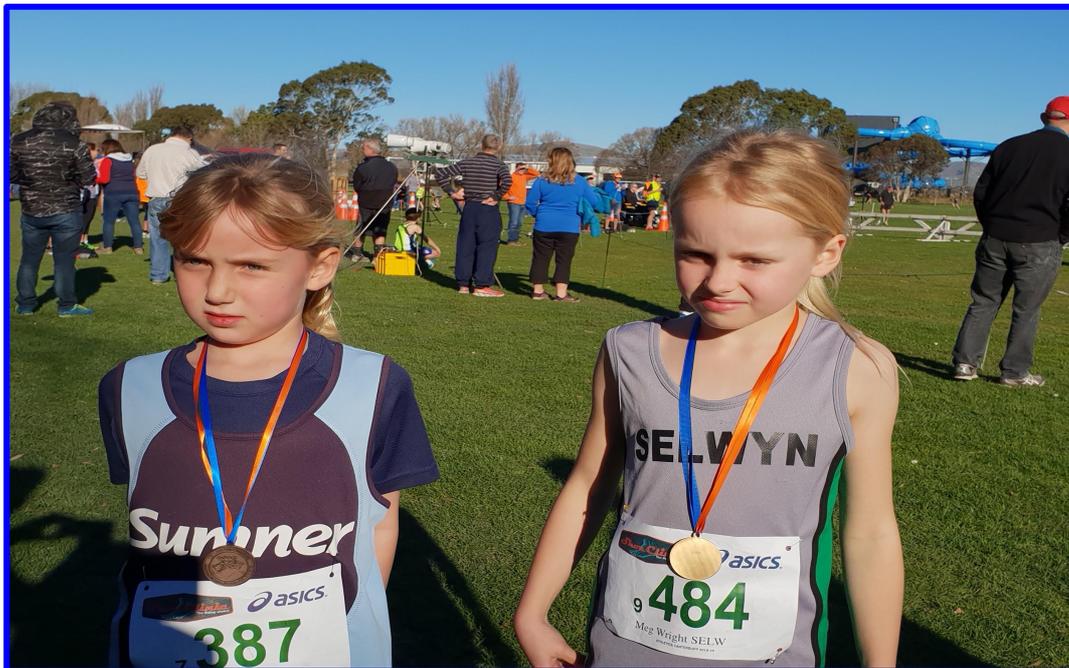
6 Aug	SPCA Cupcake Day
16 Aug	Year 3-4 Rangī Concert
26 Aug	Waka Puhara Service, St Mark's/St Anne's Church - 10am
29 Aug	Strum, Strike, Blow for Ukulele Club
31 Aug	Year 3 Museum visit
6 Sept	Y4-8 Singing Cup
11 Sept	Y5-6 Mt Hutt Ski Trip
17 Sept	Y7-8 Mt Hutt Ski Trip
19-20 Sept	Wearable Arts Show
26 Sept	Itinerant Music Evening
29 Sept	End of Term Service

## Student Success

Meg W and Zara P took part in the 2018 South Island Cross Country Championships which was held at QE11 Park on 7th July.

Meg was placed 1st in the 9 year girl race and  
Zara was placed 3rd in the 8 and under girls race.

Congratulations on a fantastic effort!



## Scholastic Book Club

Order forms for Scholastic Books have been sent home. Orders may be placed direct with Scholastic at [www.mybookclub.scholastic.nz](http://www.mybookclub.scholastic.nz). An easy way to order online yourself and will be delivered direct to school. Orders close on **Friday 3 August**.