



St Mark's School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 1
1 May 2019

Kia ora St Mark's family,

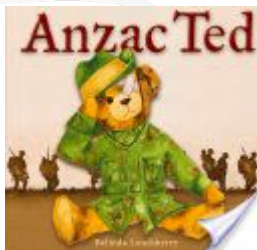
Welcome back to Term 2! Today you will be reading this newsletter on your personal device as a communication via Seesaw! Thanks to **Miss Cristy Yonetani** for the work she has done behind the scenes to make this happen. In future we hope to bring you further notices via this platform to streamline communications in the most timely manner.

St Mark's Day - THIS FRIDAY 3RD MAY The Bishop - Rev'd. Dr Peter Carrell is with us!!

Everyone is welcome to join us at 9.00am for our patronal festival and eucharist service as we are joined by our new Bishop.

ANZAC Ted

On Monday we had our annual ANZAC service lead by Rev. Ben. It was a moving service where we not only read out the names of ex St Mark's students who had given the ultimate sacrifice in WW2, but the students heard a story called ANZAC Ted - a moving story about the journeys of a bear in the war and the significance of hope.



New students and their families

This week we welcome **Marcus E** and his parents **Caroline and David** and **Tyler M** and her parents **Arnika and David**. We will have a chance to pray for them and welcome them formally into the school on Friday.

2020

With limited spaces expected to be available in our school in 2020, now is a good time to indicate if you have a sibling of a current student who will be seeking a place next year. A reminder that the cut off date for enrolment is **31st August 2019** for the 2020 academic year.

We have an OPEN DAY on **Wednesday 22nd May** for those known to you who may be interested in seeing the school first hand.

Canterbury Sport

The organisation is complete for all year 5-8 students to participate and compete in the Canterbury winter sports program on Thursday afternoons from week 3. Thanks to **Mrs Maree Bigelow** for her work with staff to ensure teams are ready for the weeks ahead.



Board of Trustee Elections

Communication around these important elections are managed by Canterbury Educations Services for our school. I have no involvement but have initiated the process on behalf of the current board. Communications will be handled by CES.

Saturday 11th May - PA Quiz night!!

Please support the PA in what will be a wonderful night for all. Staff are currently preparing for the expected high level of competition and look forward to joining the school to not only raise funds for the school but enjoy the fellowship and joy of being in a community.

Our values story!

*Through **Grace/Huatau**, we act with compassion and humility to achieve **Excellence/Hiranga** using the potential of our God given talents and gifts. This gives us the **Courage/Māiatanga** to bring about change as we show **Faithfulness/Piriponotanga** to God and others.*

As the days become cooler we ask that students have their PE gear on hand every day for our winter PE programs. An additional old pair of shoes for play on the field can also be helpful.

Blessings
Averil



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Upcoming Events

9 May	School Cross Country - Y3-8 Hansen Park - 10.30am
11 May	PA Quiz Night - 7pm
17 May	School Disco
3 June	Queen's Birthday
4 June	Teacher Only Day
9 June	Mokihi - St Anne's Church - 10am
13 June	Sports/Cultural Photographs

2019 School Term Dates and Holidays

Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July
Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September
Monday 14 October - Friday 13 December

2020 Term Dates

Term 1 - 27 and 28 January Parent/Teacher/Child conferences. Wednesday 29 first full day of term.
Term 1 - Monday 27 January - Thursday 9 April
Term 2 - Tuesday 28 April - Friday 3rd July.
Teacher only day - Tuesday 2 June
Term 3 - Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September
Term 4 - Monday 12 October - Friday 11 December
Teacher only day - Tuesday 27 October

Board of Proprietors and Board of Trustees payments.

Please ensure when you pay the Attendance Dues invoice you deposit into the St Mark's School Board of Proprietors account.

BNZ account number: 02-0800- 0014224 00

When paying for camps, trips etc please deposit in the St Mark's School Board of Trustees account.

Westpac account number: 03-1599-0032504-00

The account numbers are on the invoices for your reference.

Scholastic Book Club

Order forms for Scholastic Books have been sent home. Orders may be placed direct with Scholastic at www.mybookclub.scholastic.nz. An easy way to order online yourself and will be delivered direct to school. Orders close on Friday 10 May. The Gift Function has been turned on in LOOP! This allows parents to place a separate order as a surprise gift for their child. Items marked as a gift will be delivered to school and will be set aside at the school office for parents to collect.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is open on Tuesday 8.30-9.30am and Wednesday 2.30-3.30pm.

Entertainment Books

St Mark's is fundraising again this year with Entertainment Book. Books have been sent home with the oldest child. If you do not wish to purchase a book please return it to the drop box in the school office as soon as possible. If you would like to purchase online or purchase a digital copy our school link is live, feel free to share this link on your social media, every bit counts.

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1341r76>

St Mark's Trivia Fundraising Night

Gather a team of 6 together and test your knowledge at our quiz night! Don't have a team of 6? not a prob. Simply purchase individual tickets and we'll pair you up into teams on the night.

Tickets can be purchased from the school office (payment via eftpos or correct cash) or simply make payment to:

St Mark's School PA 03-1598-0015833-00

And email stmarkspafundraisingevents@gmail.com with your name, date of payment, amount & we will allocate your tickets.

Team of 6 \$60

Individual tickets \$12

Doors open at 7pm - First round at 7:30pm.

There will be beer, wine and non alcoholic drinks available for purchase. Eftpos will be available. No cash out option.

The tickets includes nibbles throughout the evening.

We will have raffles, chocolate wheel and a live auction on the night so bring cash for these amazing prizes. Plus a prize for the winning team!

If you are able to seek, source or help with a Raffle Prize, both hampers and standalone prizes such as gift vouchers, giftware, homeware, etc. anything along these lines would be greatly appreciated.



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Tena Koutou Katoa

We have been advised by the NZEI that there will be a paid union meeting for teachers on the afternoon of Tuesday 7th May 2019.

Due to being unable to provide the required levels of supervision the Board of Trustees has made the decision that **the school will be closed for instruction/classes/teaching/supervision of students from 1:30pm on Tuesday 7th May 2019.**

We appreciate that this may cause some disruptions for families which is why the Board wishes to give parents advance notice so that they can make suitable arrangements for the pickup and supervision of their children on this date.

There will not be any ability for students to remain onsite at the school after 1:30pm.

St Mark's School Board of Trustees

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ENTRY
\$2

MAY
17TH

Yr 0-4 6pm-7:15pm

Yr 5-8 7:30pm to 9pm

Parent to come and collect your child (sign
in hall/sign out hall exit)

Hot Chips, potato chips & glow sticks
available for purchase. Drinks free. \$2.00
entry.

DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BE

THE TRIVIA MASTER?

**GATHER THE GANG INTO TEAMS OF 6 &
GET COMPETITIVE!**

DONT HAVE A TEAM? NOT A PROBLEM, WE WILL PAIR YOU UP ON THE EVENING!

**MAY 11TH | 7:00 PM TO 10:00 PM
ST MARKS SCHOOL HALL**

**TICKETS \$60 FOR A TEAM OF 6 OR INDIVIDUAL
TICKETS \$12 FROM OFFICE OR EMAIL
STMARKSPA FUNDRAISINGEVENTS@GMAIL.COM**

**NON AND ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AVAILABLE TO
PURCHASE. NIBBLES PROVIDED
EFTPOS AVAILABLE -NO CASH OUT**

**WINNING TEAM
PRIZE - VOUCHER
& BRAGGING RIGHTS!**

**RAFFLE/AUCTIONS
AND SPOT PRIZES ON
THE NIGHT - BRING
CASH**

