



St Mark's School Newsletter

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Kia ora everyone,

A newsletter to match the short week! As I have walked around the school since we started, it is obvious that teachers and students are settling into routines and patterns. Some students take longer to settle than others - please work with your teacher for this transition time.

Welcome to New Families

Elana W and her parents Briana and Hugo
Luka L and his parents Mark and Karine
Emily M and her parents Peter and Ainsley
Casper T and his parents Matthew and Rae
Enzo H and his parents Wayne and Rebecca
Pippa F and her parents Martin and Amanda
Landon H and his parents James and Anastasia
Arran M and his parents Joshua and Helen
Sofia and her parent Deanna
Janneke D and his parents Cornel and Liz
Leo H and his parents Daniel and Aimee
Tyronne N and his parents Christopher and Natasha
Tyree and his parents Jessica and Ted
Ariana W and her parents Pippin and Erica

Parent/Teacher Interviews

These are scheduled for **Week 5 - Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th February**. There is an online booking system that will go live on **Friday 16th February and close on Friday 23rd February** and enable you to book the times that best suit your family. Outside of this booking period, you will need to contact the staff member directly. This is an opportunity for you to meet with your child's class teacher and form a partnership to best benefit your child.

Swimming Week 4 and 5

There will be daily swimming lessons at Waltham Pool for our students in Years 4 - 8 during week 4 and 5. Please see your class teacher or team leader for details. This program culminates in the School Swimming Sports on **Friday 2nd March**. All are welcome to this great event - the staff swimming team is in full training mode!!

Year 6 and 7 Camp

Our love and prayers go with our year 6 and 7 students, as they look forward to their three night camp at Waipara. In advance I want to thank the parents/whanau who have volunteered to join staff on this adventure - we appreciate you will be away from family and work commitments.

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi.

Engari, he toa takitini

Success is not the work of one but the work of many.

Blessings everyone,
Averil



Transforming lives through the St Mark's Story

School Notices

Upcoming Events

9 Feb	PA Welcome BBQ - 5pm
13 Feb	PA AGM - 7.30pm
14 Feb	Ash Wednesday Service - 9am
16 Feb	Tennis Champs
21 Feb	Tennis Champs
27-28 Feb	Parent Teacher Interviews
1 Mar	PA Meeting - 7.30pm
2 Mar	Y4-8 Swimming Sports
3 Mar	PA "Ethel & Bethel" Fundraiser
6 Mar	Y6-7 Ferrymead trip
26 Mar	Holy Week Service - 9am
27 Mar	Holy Week Service - 9am
28 Mar	Eucharist Service - 9am
29 Mar	Holy Week Service - 9am
30 Mar	Good Friday
2 Apr	Easter Monday
3 Apr	Easter Tuesday
5 Apr	ISSA Swimming Sports
13 Apr	End of term service - 2.15pm

Church Certificates

Inaka	Tyronne Northcott
Kereru	Pippa Wright
Ti Kouka	Tiffany Cattermole
Kamana	Charlotte Pattison
ToeToe	Charlie Pearce
Kotuku	Sebastian Johnson
Paua	Harriet Panckhurst
Wheke	Sophia Skinner
Mako	Isla Rea
Toroa	Ella Trusttum

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 9 February.

Subway Lunch



Just a reminder that Subway can be ordered for lunch every Tuesday starting on 13 February.

To place an online order, visit www.subway.co.nz/schools and follow the instructions to place your order by 9am each Subway day.

Alternatively, envelopes are in the office and you can either pay with the correct cash or credit card.

PA News

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open on Tuesday 8.30-9.30am and Wednesday 2.30-3.30pm.

You can contact them at uniformshop@staintmarks.school.nz and don't forget to join the Facebook page to stay up to date 'st marks uniform shop'



Coffee Cart



"School Grounds" is a volunteer run coffee cart, operating out of the school foyer.

Open Mon/Wed/Fri mornings 8:30 – 9:10am

Our coffees are great value, our fluffies are a hit and all profits feed back into the school under the PA umbrella.

We offer cash and eftpos facilities

Coffee Cards are great value pay for 10 coffees or fluffies and get 2 FREE!

The School Grounds Team

P.A. NEWS

Happy new school year everyone! Welcome to 2018 at St Mark's. I hope the holidays have been refreshing and relaxing and you are all set for an enjoyable and productive year.

**St Mark's School Parents Association
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday, 13th February 2018, 7.30pm
St Mark's School Library**

The PA is an opportunity to get to know some good people and have some fun while you help the school and your children as well. The PA represents the parent body of the school so if you want to have your say, this is where you should be! Our aims are basically to run social and fundraising events for the school community and apply those funds to the purchase of "extra" items that improve the teaching and learning environment at St Mark's. New Parents – this is a great opportunity to get involved in the school community.

A nomination form is attached below for nominating yourself or someone else (with their consent) for a position on the PA. Please hand completed forms into the school office by 12th February.

Elections will be held at the PA AGM on 13th February 2018.

Susan Bain

President

NOMINATION FORM – Please hand in to school office by Friday 12th February 2018

I NOMINATE _____ FOR THE POSITION OF

(Circle one) President Secretary Treasurer Committee member

Nominator _____ Seconder _____

Nomination accepted by _____ (Person nominated)

For ST MARK'S SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION 2018

Back to School BBQ

- Friday 9 February 5pm onwards on the school field
- Entertainment will be provided for the children
- Bring a salad to share.
- Meat provided by the PA.
- Bring your own drinks, plates and cutlery.

See you there.



**KEEP
CALM
IT'S
BBQ
TIME**

St Mark's Parents' Association
Social Night and Fundraiser
March 3rd – 7pm



Ethel and Bethel

BINGO BABES

\$30.00 per ticket or 2 for \$50.00
Includes first drink and a light supper.