



# St Mark's School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 10  
4 July 2018

Kia ora St Mark's whanau/extended family,

The speed with which the days march on in the year, is matched by the buzz of activity around the school this morning for House Fun Day. We are looking forward to what surprises the senior students have planned for us all!! Book character day has ensured it has been a time of colour in amongst some dreary weather. Please see an array of images which speak for themselves.

## **End of Term Service - 9.00am Friday 6th July - please note time.**

All are welcome to join us this Friday morning at our end of term service, which will be lead by **Mrs Margrett Sherwood**.

## **Strike Percussion!**

Will perform for us this Friday from 2.00pm. After getting delayed with a Ferry Crossing on Monday **Mrs Wells** thrilled the term will finish with a bang!

## **Assessment for Learning Whanau Hui - 1 August 8.30am - 9.30am**

Whanau are invited to join a discussion for how staff are using assessment for learning, and in particular the context of our Maori and Pasifika students. Bring your coffee from the coffee cart and join me in Ōmoho.

## **TEACHER ONLY DAY MONDAY 23rd JULY**

This has been set aside for Professional Development for staff with a focus on Special Character. **Anne van Gend** will lead the day and we join with staff from **St Michael's Church School** looking at ways to network and collaborate as Anglican Schools with a focus on wellbeing and faith.

## **NZEI Teachers and Principals Strike Action**

You will know from many media sources that teachers and principals across the country have voted for strike action on **Friday 15th August**. At this stage, the nature and timing of this is unconfirmed however I am alerting you to this date.

## **BUS!**

For the most observant of you, the bus has gone to a new home!! It has been a very faithful friend to the school, and we thank those who have serviced it, driven it, cleaned it and ridden in it over the years. My personal thanks to **Mr Chris Northcott** who was instrumental and committed to ensuring it was made ready for the new owner.

## **Principal Awards**

**Ben M** - for an exceptional report on the Year 8 trip to Bottle Lake Forest

**Felicity W** - for outstanding work with expanded and compact numerals

**Tessa C** - for outstanding work with expanded and compact numerals

**Amelia H** - for outstanding writing

**Maddy C** - for outstanding writing.

## **Holidays!!**

I join with staff in wishing you all a wonderful holiday time. In the holidays the containers will be removed from the carpark, the Parents' Association will have a new home for their contents, and we are hopeful a new netball hoop will be erected on the court.

It has been a busy busy term with many highlights and reasons to celebrate.

Blessings everyone

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*Transforming lives through the St Mark's Story*

# School Notices

## Upcoming Events

6 July	End of Term Service - 9.00am
23 July	Teacher Only Day
19-20 Sept	Wearable Arts Show

## Church Certificates

Raupo	Elijah N
Inaka	Ariana W-S
Kereru	Charlie B
Ti Kouka	Tiffany C
Kamana	Xavier F
ToeToe	Oliver P
Paua	Jack O
Kotuku	Ruby H-R
Mako	Mannix C
Wheke	Jeremy H
Toroa	Lucy N

## Sports Results

### Basketball

St Mark's Titans 20 v Chch South Magic 18

Player of the Day: Freddie T

### Netball

St Mark's Leopards 7 v Cashmere 2

Player of the Day: Ari R

St Mark's Lions 6 v Paparoa 6

Player of the Day: Alyssa A

## Student Success

Congratulations to Harriet P who passed her ABRSM Grade 5 Cello exam with Distinction!

A big thank you to Nicola Caney who organised the Friday junior football. This has been such a great success with both the girls and boys, they were quick to come forward and be part of a team for next term.

Please see the attached photo from our final game, from the left, Seb D., Harrison B, Theo A-C, Xavier and Hosea F, Finn M, Ben A, Laurika and Janneke DeL, James P, Maybelle H, Case W, Jesse S, A.

Absent: C, Max V-T, Lincoln S, Tyree D.



## Lost Property

The lost property is located in the school foyer. We would like to rehome this property, can you please have a look and see if any items belong to your family

## St Mark's Fair Committee

**Question:** How did St Mark's get the hall seating and the library furniture?

**Answer:** with Proceeds from St Mark's School Fair & Raffle

**We are seeking prizes for the 2018 St Mark's School Fair Raffle.**

The raffle generates significant funds toward the School Fair.

We are reaching out to our school community, families and friends.

THE SKY'S THE LIMIT we would be grateful for all sorts of items:

Vouchers - Store Gift Vouchers Retail or a Service:

Restaurant or Bar Vouchers

Adventure or Activity Vouchers

Do you or someone you know own a Holiday Home or Bach?

The raffle tickets give businesses great exposure on the ticket but also the advertising poster and other fair information.

Donating a prize is a great way to support your School and to advertise your business or a business you work for.

**We have a print deadline: We need your Donations into us by the 1st August to secure your place. Earlier is better.**

**Contact : Raffle Coordinator Karine Legeay  
Fisher – klegeay@hotmail.com**

## BOOK CHARACTER DAY









# Bottle Lake Forest Trip



On Wednesday 3 July, the year 8's went to Bottle Lake Forest, where we ate huhu grubs, made bivouacs, and learned about different species and which ones we should and shouldn't eat. We learned all of these things with the help of the Bottle Lake Ranger, Warren.

Making the bivouacs was fun because we had to tear down old bivouacs and scavenge for useful sticks and pine needles for insulation. The bivouacs had to be fish bone shaped so that water would run down them. Overall the trip was very helpful and enjoyable.







## E-Learning @ St Mark's School



Have you filled in our e-learning survey?

We would love to hear from you!

<http://bit.ly/2KFBfWd>



### 2018 Community E-Learning Survey

Thank you for your ongoing engagement with e-learning at St Mark's School. We are truly blessed to have such a supportive community.

It has been almost a year since our last community e-learning survey. We would love to hear your feedback on how we are doing!

Please take five minutes to fill in the following questions. Your input means a lot to us.