



St Mark's School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 9
26 June 2019

Kia ora St Mark's Family,

Thank you to everyone for joining us for interviews this week. Reporting on all aspects of your child's learning at St Mark's School is complex. Aside from academic results there are key social and emotional aspects to learning that are very rarely captured in written form but can be elucidated through conversation. As we consider the options for reporting to our community on "progress" we are open to a discussion. Seesaw is proving an invaluable tool for sharing learning "in time" and provides a profile of your child's learning in context. The frequency of the posting ensures you are aware of the context or specifics of the learning tasks/opportunities and allows you to be a part of next steps. What would work best for us all?

AIMS GAMES

The flights are booked, accommodation secured and we are confirmed to be in Tauranga playing football and hockey for the first time. 2019 will be like a pilot but as many thousands of Intermediate aged students attend, we are thrilled to be dipping our toes into this high level sporting event.

This is not without significant cost and fundraising will be key. The first sausage sizzle was held last Friday. As with all fundraising it is your choice to support or not. There is no compulsion to purchase any items for fundraising but we will be most appreciative. If you know of any business who would like to contribute sponsorship - e.g. numbers for shirts - we would love to hear from them.

Teams will be announced on Friday.

Music Festival - Performance Choir

What a joy to be at the music festival last week and witness our choir join with local schools. **Mr Paul Ellis** and **Ms Adrienne Hale** had done a superb job preparing them for the performances. Our part singing was superb.

It is always great to hear children's voices singing in parts and with songs that are so well suited to their range and tone. "Let it be" arranged by Mr Ellis brought tingles.

I felt so blessed to be a part of the audience. Thank you **Charlotte P** for your leadership!!



Walk with a Purpose

This Friday 28th June, many of our community will be walking from their homes to school. You will have received information via Seesaw posts and perhaps made a decision to walk to school that day. The aim is to arrive at school at about 8.30 so we can talk about our experience over a much needed hot drink from the coffee cart. Service can happen locally or we can think more globally about how we might improve the situation of our brothers and sisters overseas. Service to others is a key part of our school values and part of the vision of the Board of Trustees. We are called to love and to serve! I offer a link below to Nick and Tessa Laing's work in Uganda, and on Friday we will be hearing from the Director of the Fountain of Peace NZ who will be here at school to talk with students about their work with schools and programs for children in Uganda.

A quote from Bishop Desmond Tutu:

"Do your little bit of good wherever you are: It's those little bits of good that overwhelm the world"

2020

In 2020 there will be limited spaces at St Mark's School. We urgently request that applications for siblings be submitted by the **31st August**.

Year 0 - 4 Ōpawaho Cross Country

We have an opportunity to enter a small number of students in this event which is to be held at Hillview Christian School next Tuesday from 12.45. Selection and numbers will be based on our school cross country results, and will be announced on Friday.

New Family

We welcome the following new family to our school and pray they find a turangawaewae in this place with us:

Trinni F and her parents Margot and Lukas

Blessings everyone
Averil

<https://angmissions.org.nz/projects/nzcms/nicktessa>

<https://www.fountainofpeace.org.nz>



Transforming lives through the St Mark's Story

Upcoming Events

26 Jul	St Anne's Day Eucharist Service 9am
29 Jul	Toetoe Art Gallery trip
13 Aug	Yr 5-6 Ski trip
20 Aug	Yr 7-8 Ski trip
14-16 Aug	Yr 6 Cycle Safety

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

Church Certificates

Kererū	Sofia S
Ti Kouka	Lucy C
Toetoe	Laurika de L
Kawau	Isabelle C
Kāmana	Phoebe M
Kūtai	Milli L
Mako	Lucy McW
Rimurimu	Olivia M
Toroa	Inakai B-I

Sports Results

Basketball

St Mark's Magic 10 v Somerfield Sharks 10
Player of the Day: Daniel S

Netball

St Mark's Leopards 3 v Thorrington 13
Player of the Day: Felicity W

Uniform Shop

A reminder that the Uniform Shop will not be open over the school holidays as we come back in term three still in winter uniform please plan accordingly open hours during term tues 8:30-9:30 wed 2:30-3:30

NZ Police 105 - Non Emergency

NZ Police recently launched a new non emergency number, 105. We've done this to make it easier to get hold of us in the event of non-urgent situations or 'Things which have Already Happened', which don't require Police assistance immediately.

You can call us on 105 for all non emergencies, or you can go online at [105.police.govt.nz](https://www.105.police.govt.nz) to report things like:

- Lost property
- Theft for a public place or car
- Intentional property damage
- Or to get an update or add info to a previous report

In the event of an emergency, always call 111 - Things that are Happening Now.

Part-time Administrator required:

The Parish of Opawa-St Martins is seeking expressions of interest in the position of receptionist and administrator for eight hours a week, based at St Mark's Anglican Church in Opawa, Christchurch.

The successful applicant will be friendly, people oriented, well presented and open to working positively in a Christian environment.

A full job description may be requested from the Wardens by emailing: b.robertshawe@gmail.com

Applications, including a current CV, covering letter and the names of two referees are to be emailed to the Wardens at the above address by 12 noon on Friday 19th July 2019.

Applicants for this position should have New Zealand residency or a valid NZ work visa.

JOSEPH SENIOR PRODUCTION

Thank you to the families for your patience. We are now able to announce the main roles and under studies. We have already begun rehearsals. I'm blown away with everyone's enthusiasm! - Mr G

Characters	Main	Under study
Joseph	Iñaki Belton Ilarri	Emily Dodd
Narrators	Finn McWhirter Theodore Holcroft Lily Ball Casper Talbot Isla Rea Benjamin Cumberpatch Nathaniel Bayne Amelia Head Harriet Panckhurst Emily Dodd Sophia Skinner Plumm Twist Charlotte Panckhurst	Isabelle Cadman James Panckhurst Vanessa Ashton Ruby Hawera Toby Sharr Madeleine Cumberpatch
Jacob	George Ashton	London Vuleta
Reuben (American)	Michael Chinula	Amelia Head
Simeon (Jamaican)	Solomon Spanton	Olivia Bayne
Asher (French)	Naomi Johnstone	Madeleine Cumberpatch
Benjamin	Max Percasky	
Brothers	Olivia Cooper Zoe Rea Ruby-Grace Miller Olivia Bayne Holly-rose Munsey Sophie Field-Dodgson Daniel Heinz Hannah Watson Kaelan Graham Max Yoder	Nariah Devereux Lucy McWhirter Chelsea Pannett Olivia Yule Ella Rose Elizabeth Redmile Genavieve Neale Laura Van der Kley- Heyrick
Potiphar	London Vuleta	Olivia Meyer
Mrs Potiphar	Esha Jeram	Sophia Willis
Butler	Olive Harris	
Baker	Sebastian Johnson	
Pharoah	Matthew Chinula	Ethan Knights



The Saint Mark's Annual School Raffle

Traditionally we have held our school raffle in term 4 around the School Fair. We realise that term 4 is very hectic and the demands on our families' time and finances are far greater at that time of the year than any other. We have decided to move our School raffle forward to term 2 with the draw taking place early in term 3 to help ease the load on our families' around fair time. The Parents' Association are now seeking PRIZES for our Annual School Raffle. If you are able to donate a prize or the company you work for; please contact Gary Miller on 0275-918-777 or email fair@saintmarks.school.nz

ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE ANNUAL SCHOOL RAFFLE GO TOWARDS OUR SCHOOL GOAL TO HELP PROVIDE FUNDS TO REVAMP OUR CHILDRENS' PLAYGROUNDS.