



St Mark's School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 6
5 June 2019

Kia ora St Mark's Family,

This week I received a copy of the **St Mark's School Recipe Book 1971**. In the reading of this we find some interesting historical facts:

- **Ōpawa Pharmacy** (A.L Gallop, MPS) were stockists of Cyclax, Gala, Max Factor, Tweed, Old Spice, Wigs, Toilet requisites and Photographic supplies.
- **Tot's Toggery LTD** sold dresses, wool, haberdashery and drapery.
- At the **MED** you could buy an **Atlas Compacta Oven** featuring a roll out lower drawer with it's own 500 watt element (ideal for milk puddings) for \$158.00!

And some entries in the recipes, sing songs of families past and present:

- Brandy snaps - James Creevey
- Chocolate coconut clusters - John Carnoutsos
- Horse feed - Jane Mahoney
- Michael's mince and egg noodles - Michael Okey
- Golden Pudding - Mrs Anderson

Year 8 Clever Cookies!

What great cookies are on offer by our year 8 students! The senior students are raising money to support school events they are running, to part fund activities at school camps, charitable events and community projects. Delicious and only \$2.00!!

Board of Trustee Elections

Please see separate communication on noticeboard.

Anglican Schools Conference

It was encouraging to join other school principals and staff in Timaru (my old stamping ground) for this conference. A highlight was undoubtedly the address by ++Don Tamihere, a skilful orator, who drew links for us in the stories of Tikanga Māori and the memories and morality within. Dr John Bell also had the whole conference effortlessly singing in 4 part harmony! Testament to how singing is a natural part of how we worship and honour a creator God!

Student relationships

Staff work hard to restore and support good relationships between students. Even the best of friends can find actions or events challenging, and because they are children and still learning skills of negotiation, forgiveness, kindness, and give and take mistakes are made. We have processes of

restorative practice to encourage all those involved to learn from these mistakes, develop resilience around how to handle the disappointment that goes with these mistakes and some new learning around what to do next.

We all work hard to be fair and hear all sides and consequences resulting are part of our processes for handling situations with fairness and equity. We realise these situations can be upsetting for your child and I encourage you to talk with your teacher in the first instance.

Year 4

On Thursday afternoons Miss B and Miss Y are team teaching the Year 4 students. Coding is on the menu for the afternoon - a combination of a myriad of learning opportunities with peers to develop deep understandings in mathematics, technology and co-operative skills. The pictures show high engagement, using the advanced skills of particular students to lead learning.



Our values story!

This is at the heart of all we do, our learning, our wellbeing and our community. Do you know it?!

*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.*

We hope you had a wonderful long weekend. Yesterday staff started Teacher Only Day with a Pink Breakfast, and spent the day in Mathematics, Writing and Communications Professional Learning.

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Transforming lives through the St Mark's Story

Upcoming Events

9 June	Mokihi - St Anne's Church - 10am
11 June	Year 3 Travis Wetlands trip
13 June	Sports/Cultural Photographs
24-26 June	Whanau/Teacher Interviews

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

Inaka	Samuel P
Kererū	Joshua W
Ti Kouka	Genevieve F
Toetoe	Sofia D
Kāmana	Abigail W
Kawau	Sonja C
Kūtai	Emily H
Mako	Ayrton E
Rimurimu	London V
Toroa	Vivek L

Scholastic Book Club

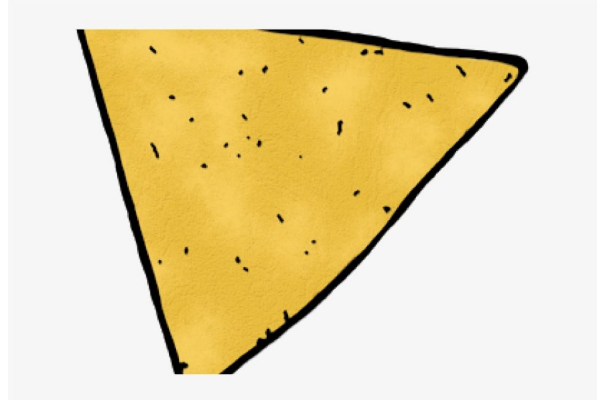
Order forms for Scholastic Books have been sent home. Orders may be placed direct with Scholastic at www.mybookclub.scholastic.nz. An easy way to order online yourself and will be delivered direct to school. Orders close on Friday 10 May. The Gift Function has been turned on in LOOP! This allows parents 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.

Sports Results

Basketball

St Mark's Magic 24 v West Spreydon Raiders 6
Player of the Day: Theo Y

PA News



THANK YOU to ALL that participated in our First Nachos Friday. 105 Happy customers and \$500 raised to be added to our fundraising total.

Thank you to Rebecca Watson, Jacinda Thomsen, Amy-Beth Hines and Victoria Holden-Mundt for your help and assistance and to Mrs Wornor and Mr Rennie for keeping the students moving.

It's been a very busy month with all manner of PA initiatives taking place as well as our ongoing work with the coffee cart and uniform shop. The Total Funds Raised so far for this year are \$5,800.

Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support of our wonderful school.

Gary Miller
Chairperson
St Mark's School Parents' Association.



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.