

# Newsletter No 06

Tuesday, 11 May 2010  
Tena Koutou Katoa



**Dear Parents,**

As a school community we were honoured and privileged to have Br. Loughlin visit our school last Monday. Br Loughlin is a highly regarded Catholic academic. As a speaker he is in high demand and his books are used by many professionals. Br. Loughlin spoke on the importance of living Godly lives and how we as teachers in Catholic schools are called to teach more than the curriculum but work with parents to install the Christian values and principles. Marion Brits and I also attended the annual Principal and Director of Religious Studies conference last week. We had the privilege of working with Br. Loughlin and Andrew Chinn. This year's conference was a wonderful opportunity to interact with two successful people who have used their talents to make the world a better place.

**Tomorrow 12<sup>th</sup> May – R.E. Parent meeting – 3.15pm – Parents and caregivers come along and discover what your children are learning at school about Religious Education. This is a great opportunity for discussion and questions you may have about the R.E. programme run here at school.**

## **Board of Trustee Parent Elections 2010**

Special thanks to the following candidates who volunteered their services to stand for the Board of Trustee Elections, it is appreciated.

*Nicola Black; Peter Collier; Calli Kennedy; Wayne Hemingway; Robb Petre; Hilary Williams; Tony Williams and Ana Waqairawaqa*

**Important dates as follows:**

- Votes will be counted on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May
- All Candidates will be advised of the Election outcome before results are advertised.
- Board takes office 14<sup>th</sup> May 2010
- Results will be published in the Daily Post on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May
- 1<sup>st</sup> Board meeting with new members Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May 6.30pm in the school staffroom.

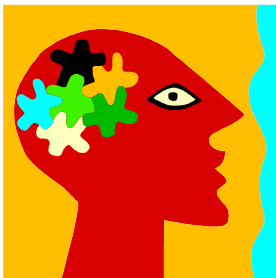


## PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR

- **13<sup>th</sup> May** --School Mass with Fr Mark at 11.30 in the school hall – family and friends welcome to attend.
- **17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May** – Life Education School Visit
- **19<sup>th</sup> May** – Catholic Schools Day
- **26<sup>th</sup> May** – Wednesday Parent / Teacher Interviews
- **9<sup>th</sup> June** – Marae School visit to Ohinemutu
- **17<sup>th</sup> June** – School Mass – School Hall
- **19<sup>th</sup> June** – Confirmation Mass Saturday 6pm at St Michael's Church



## Life Education Visit



The Life Education mobile classroom is visiting our school next Monday 17<sup>th</sup> –Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May. *Life Education Trust NZ* is designed to enable children to develop the skills to resist and overcome peer pressures that they may face in life, basing their decisions on facts and understanding, not on ignorance and half-truths. Three of the Trust's visions are as follows:

1. To teach every child how special and unique they are, to make every child comfortable with their identity.
2. To show children the magnificence of the human body, and all its systems- digestive, circulatory, sensory – using technology to demonstrate how mysterious these functions are, and stressing the body's needs for food, oxygen, water etc.
3. The third message of Life Education derives from the first two. If I am unique then so is the person sitting next to me. If I am so special so are my school mates. If my body systems are miraculous then so are theirs and therefore I learn to respect myself, I have to respect others, and that our happy existence on this planet depends on our respect for each other.

On Thursday afternoon at 2.30pm preschool children and parents are invited to a special session just for them.



**There will be a \$3.00 charge for each child, please complete the slip at the end of this newsletter and return to your child's class teacher as soon as possible. PLEASE NOTE: EVERY CHILD WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROGRAMME, IT IS PART OF THEIR CURRICULUM.**

## Parent Teacher Interviews

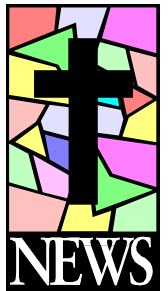
We have changed our Parent / Teacher Interviews date to Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May and apologise for any inconvenience this may of cause. We look forward to seeing everyone on this day. If you have concerns about your child this is the perfect opportunity to visit their Teacher. Please make sure you have filled in the pink slip that went home re appointment times and returned to the class teacher. Many thanks.

## St Michael's Parish News

### Sunday Mass in Te Reo Maori

Saturday evening, 6 pm at St Michael's Church, Lake Road on the following dates:

- **May 22**
- June 26



## Sports

- Congratulations to **Lauryn Stephens and Charlotte Te Riini** who have made it to the final Netball trial for the Rotorua Reps Year 6 team.
- **IMPORTANT**:- We are looking for a tutor to take the school Kapa Haka group. If you are able to help or know of someone who could help us please contact Whaea Liz at school.
- Touch Uniforms need to be returned
- **Interschool Sports dates are as follows:**
  - Wk 5 Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May - Selwyn School (away game)
  - Wk 6 Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Lynmore School (away game)
  - Wk 7 Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Glenholme School (home game)
  - Wk 9 Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Westbrook School (home game)Home games - Early lunch 12.00pm, powhiri in the school hall at 1.00pm and games start at 1.15pm.  
Away games – Early lunch 12.00pm, leave school 12.40pm, arrive at hosting school/powhiri at 1.00pm and games start at 1.15pm.
- **Player of the Day Award** for sports played outside school hours e.g. Miniball & Saturday Netball. Jesters have kindly offered free pies to a nominated player of the day after each game. These tokens must be used within 3 days
- **Community Roots Camp** (Ruby League) Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> May at Puketawhero Park, Vaughans Rd, Te Ngae at 3.30pm for players and coaches, trainers etc at 5.30pm. Every coach & player will receive a free league pack. Please see Whaea Liz for more details.



## SCHOOL LUNCHES

This Friday will be the last day for sausage sizzle orders. From Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May we will be offering children hot healthy pies from Jester's @ \$3.00 each for Term Two. An Order form can be found at the end of this Newsletter. To order pies for Friday lunch, **orders will be taken on Thursday mornings only** in the school office. Extra order forms will be available on the front office desk. Many thanks

## Missing School Property

A few weeks ago a newly purchased  $\frac{3}{4}$  size Aria Guitar went missing from the school staffroom. This guitar has been clearly named. The return of this valuable piece of equipment would be most appreciated.

**No reira, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena**  
**St Michael's School Staff**

### LIFE EDUCATION VISIT

Please find \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the cost of the Life Education Visit next week.

Child/ren's Name:

\_\_\_\_\_ Rm No \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Rm No \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Rm No \_\_\_\_\_

<b>JESTER PIE ORDER FOR FRIDAY LUNCH</b>	
Menu	<b>\$3.00 each</b> <b>(please tick)</b>
Kiwi Classic –Lean Mince	
Billy T – Mince & Cheese	
Maharaja – butter chicken	
Captain Cook –smoked fish, spinach, potato & cheese	
Name:	
Room No:	
<i>Please hand in your order with monies on Thursday mornings in the school office. Preferably no large notes please e.g. \$10, \$20! Thank you</i>	

***Orders for pies  
start next week  
not this Friday.  
Many thanks***