



Newsletter No 14

30th August 2012

Kia Ora, Malo e Lelei, Talofa Greetings

Dear Parents,

On Sunday Fr Mark talked about supporting and being there for each other. As a staff we appreciate the input and support from the wider community. This support is seen in the following ways:

- The number of sports teams that play each week
- The dedicated PTA who are planning the Gala (19th November)
- Parent helpers on classroom trips
- Parents who volunteer their time to help around the school or in the classrooms

This week we farewell Mrs Delwyn Bowen. Mrs Bowen is in her final placement as a teacher trainee and has been working along side Mrs Brits in Room 7. We thank Mrs Bowen for all her work that she has done over the last 4 weeks and we sincerely wish her all the best in her search for a teaching job next year.

Your School Needs YOU!

The school Board of Trustees and Staff are planning to revamp our school Charter. The Board and staff will be holding two Hui's, one for your information explaining what the Charter is and the second one will be an opportunity for community contribution. There will be a free sausage sizzle, child care and a free ticket for a grocery / meat voucher drawn at the end of both meetings.



What is the Charter? :- To be held on Thursday 8th September in the school hall from 5.30 to 6.30pm.

Get Stuck In: - To be held on Thursday 22nd September in the school hall from 5.30 to 6.30pm

This is your opportunity to make a difference for your child's education while at St Michael's School. To help us with catering please return the tear off slip found at the end of this newsletter.

Sunday Mass Times

St Michael's Church

Saturday Vigil 6pm

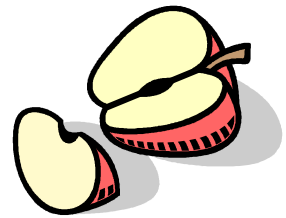
Sunday 8am

St Mary's Church

Sundays 10am & 5pm

Parish Office for both church's found at St Mary's Church

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How to win an all Black Kids Jersey

We have had a bumper crop of Yummy BRAEBURN apples this year, so we are running a special promotion for kids from St Michael's Catholic School to win a Rugby World Cup All Blacks Kids Jersey. We have managed to get over half of these signed by current All Black players, so you could be one of the lucky ones to get a signed one! **All you need to do is buy Yummy BRAEBURN Apples** from New World or Pak'n Save, and go into the draw to win one of 27 RWC All Blacks Kids Jerseys. And remember to keep your Yummy BRAEBURN stickers and/or Yummy BRAEBURN Bag cut-outs for your school to get free sports gear. Details will be on our website homepage later today www.yummyfruit.co.nz Competition runs from 15 August 2011 to 13 October 2011. GO THE ALL BLACKS !!! Sue de Lisle The Yummy Fruit Company 0800 2yummy



Socktember Appeal

This Thursday on the 1st September the school will be having our Socktember Appeal to raise funds for the overseas missions. Children can come to school wearing fun socks with their school uniform and bring along a gold coin donation.

School Concert – Thursday 6th October

To shorten the length of time for our end of year prize giving we are now holding our school Concert at the end of this term. Please keep this date free and put it in your diary now.

Literacy Rotorua

This organisation works with adults who have missed out on learning to read and write. They work one-to-one and with small groups. If you know someone who might benefit from this service, encourage them to make contact: 350 2286; or call in at Community House, 1115 Haupapa St (1st Floor, 9am-2pm, Monday to Friday). This is a confidential service, and at no cost to the learner.

Cancer Society – Daffodil Day

Many thanks to those families who supported Daffodil Day. The school raised \$180.50 – A fantastic effort. This money will assist the Cancer Society in supporting people with their accommodation and travel while undergoing treatment away from home and contribute to the free Cancer Information helpline. -



Please find enclosed with this Newsletter the school calendar of events for September

FOCUS(Church reading this coming Sunday) **'Words & Actions** – Matthew 18:15-20 'If the member listens to you, you have regained that one" (V.15)

Jesus tells his disciples if someone close to you sins against you, go to that person one on one and try to set things straight. If that person will not listen, bring someone with you and confront the person. If that fails, let them go. Do not allow them to hurt you again.

As a church and as a family, we are responsible for each other's welfare. Loving my brother and sister as myself, the way Jesus commands, means being concerned not only for their physical welfare, but also their spiritual welfare. This is especially true in families.

*Is there anyone in your life who is hurting you and who you need to confront?
How can you be most effective in doing this?*

PARISH NEWS

RCIA: THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Do you know someone who is interested in learning more about our Catholic faith? Or maybe there is someone we could invite to consider becoming a member of our Church? If so, please let Sister Monica or Father Mark know. The enquiry nights began three weeks ago, and there are seven people currently exploring our faith. These evenings continue through August – **Wednesdays, 7pm, at St Mary's Church.** It's not too late for someone to begin the programme

Horn of Africa Drought Relief Appeal

In the Horn of Africa, there has been almost no rain for two years. Most of the livestock is dead. The worst drought in 60 years threatens the lives of over 13 million people in Kenya, Ethiopia, and Somalia. Caritas is providing emergency food, water and medicines as well as longer-term water supply projects, drought-resistant seeds, and hope for the future. Please help us to help others in what the United Nations has described as 'a human tragedy of unimaginable proportions'. Visit our website for more details.

To make a donation:

- Visit www.caritas.org.nz to donate online
- Phone 0800 22 10 22 (office hours) to donate by credit card
- Phone 0900 4 11 11 to automatically donate \$20 from your phone account
- Post a cheque to Caritas Aotearoa NZ, PO Box 12-193, Thorndon, Wellington, 6144.

Thank you for your willingness to make a difference in the lives of others.

Loving Jesus we pray

...for the people in the Horn of Africa, may they receive the relief they need
...for all who are hurting and struggling with depression
...for all who go the extra mile to help others
...for those who have died recently in our community and their families
...for all who are sick with the flu and are just not feeling very well.

We ask these prayers in Jesus' name - Amen

Parenting for a Peaceful Home with Margaret

The Rotorua Central Cluster Resource Teachers: Learning & Behaviour (RTL) have invited Margaret Thornsborne from Australia for the fourth time to work with schools and teachers. Margaret helps to develop pathways for dealing with inappropriate behaviours through reflecting on the behaviours, repairing the relationships and reconnecting with the people affected. Many Rotorua schools are now involved in the Restorative Pathway.



This is your opportunity to find out what is happening in some of our schools. Meeting held Wednesday 31st August at Malfroy School Staffroom. 6.15pm meet and greet followed by meeting at 6.30pm – 8pm (ending with a cuppa) - Childcare available.



Y5/6 Camp Fundraising

We still have a few lollies left to sell thanks to several families who came forward. Lollies are available from the school office. All proceeds goes towards the Y6/5 camp to help reduce the cost that families will be charged.

Free Ear Checks for Children

Any child is welcome to attend clinic sessions in the Lakes District Health Board Mobile Ear Clinic. Sessions as are follows: (9am to 2pm) no appointments necessary.

5th Sept Rotorua Primary School
12th Sept Ford Rd Kingergarten
13th Sept Malfroy Primary School



Sports

Practice timetable

Monday 1.30pm to 2.30pm – Kapa Haka practice in the hall.

Tuesday lunchtime 12.45pm to 1.25pm – Senior boys touch practice with Jason.

Wednesday lunchtime 12.45pm to 1.25pm – Yr 3 & 4 mini ball practice.

Wednesday 1.30pm to 2.30pm – Kapa Haka practice in the hall.

Thursday lunchtime 12.45pm to 1.25pm – Junior Saturday hockey team practice.

Thursday 1.30pm to 2.30pm – Senior Saturday hockey team practice.

Friday lunchtime 12.45pm to 1.25pm – Yr 5 & 6 mini ball teams (Frank's team and Lisa's team).

Rugby World Cup Sports Day

We will be having a Rugby World Cup Sports Day on Friday 9th September and all the children will be participating. The children will be split into teams/countries and they will rotate around playing all sorts of games run by the staff. Parents are welcome to come along and watch and have lunch with the children. Once countries have been finalized and children have been sorted into teams, we will send out another note next week with more details.



Thank you

The Interschool sports exchanges are over for this year. A big thank you to those parents who supported and Liam who helped Ray and Jo coach the soccer teams.

Marist Rugby Visit

About 40 representatives from the Marist rugby clubs from all over New Zealand came to St Michael's Catholic School for a visit 2 weeks ago. They spoke to the children about the importance of education and striving for excellence. The children and teachers enjoyed their visit and some children and teachers took part in a little competition winning our school some new rugby balls.

Farm Visit

A big thank you to Mr & Mrs Andrews for letting the children from Room 3 & 4 visit their farm in Mamaku last week. Also thank you to all the parents who helped transport to and from the farm. The children had great fun learning about dairy farming and meeting the farm dog Shay!

We bless all fathers and thank them for the important love and support they give their children.

No reira, tena koutou, tena Koutou, tena Koutou Katoa

St Michael's school staff





PUPILS FUN MORNING LAST WEEK WITH MARIST RUGBY PLAYERS FROM AROUND N.Z & THE ISLANDS





**ROOM 3
FARM
VISIT**



**ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL
COMMUNITY / BOARD CHARTER MEETINGS**

We will be attending the School Charter Hui on the 8th September

Number Attending will be _____Adults _____Children

St Michael's School Friday Lunch Order Form : Orders to office before Friday		
	1. Chicken Burger & Cookie	\$3.00
	2. Cheese Toasty or Sausage Roll & Cookie	\$2.00
	3. Bacon Wrap & Cookie	\$2.50
	4. Seafood or Chicken Filled roll & Cookie	\$3.00
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