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Nga mihi nui ki a koutou whānau, and a warm St Leo's blessing on you all

We've kicked off Term 3 with great enthusiasm and energy. The children are settled and we have welcomed international students to our lovely kura. This Sunday we celebrate the feast day of St Clare of Assisi. On Monday we will hold a liturgy in St Clare to celebrate this special patron Saint.

Saint Clare of Assisi (1194-1253) was an Italian nun and a close companion of Saint Francis of Assisi. She founded the Order of Poor Ladies, later known as the Poor Clares, which was a monastic order dedicated to a life of poverty, humility, and simplicity. Saint Clare is known for her deep spirituality and commitment to living out the Gospel, and she played a significant role in shaping the Franciscan movement. Her devotion and leadership inspired many, and she was canonised as a saint by Pope Alexander IV in 1255.



St. Clare was designated as the patron saint of television in 1958 by Pope Pius XII, because when St. Clare was very ill, she could not attend mass and was reportedly able to see and hear it on the wall in her room. She is also the patroness of eye disease, goldsmiths, and laundry. Clare is often pictured carrying a monstrance or pyx, to commemorate the time she warded off the soldiers at the gates of her convent with the Blessed Sacrament. St. Clare's feast day is celebrated on August 11.

Ambassador Visit

Last Tuesday, our school had the honour of hosting Olympic ambassador Richie Patterson, a gold medalist and Commonwealth Games medalist. He shared his inspiring journey, beginning from his primary school days, and emphasised key values such as respect, resilience, and excellence. The tamariki were captivated by his story and engaged with thoughtful questions.



St Patrick News

Last week St Patricks students visited the Depot Artspace and had a look at the Matariki sculptures. They were excited to view two in particular because they were curated by Ngahiwi and Natanahira. They finished the session by making their own stars focusing on the Matariki star Waiti.

Depot also have a painting workshop for tamariki coming up on Thursday 5 September:

<https://depot.org.nz/event/first-thursdays-imagining-me/> The tickets are \$10 to cover material costs.

Caring Mass

Every year we nominate two children to represent St Leo's at the Caring Mass held at Christ the King Church. This year Charlotte Robertson and Ezra George were nominated as shining examples of caring at St Leo's.



St Catherine News

This week, I took the children on a trip to the Navy Museum, where they explored the significance of various medals. The visit provided a valuable opportunity for the students to learn about historical events and understand the medals awarded to recognise service to New Zealand.



Parish News

A Warm Invitation to school parents to attend the Parish AGM after Sunday Mass on August 18th.

Help needed with Parish Playgroup.

Julia and Anna are really happy about the way the playgroup is running on Tuesday mornings during term time, 9.15 – 10.15 am in the Hall. It's a chance for young mums and dads to have a cuppa and chat while their pre-schoolers are supervised at play. Could you be a helper? Elders and grandparents are very welcome—a chance to get to know the next generations in our parish.

Please contact Julia 022 016 0050 if you can spare an hour on a Tuesday morning or if you'd like to find out a bit more information.

Support needed- De Paul House

Since 1986 De Paul House has been supporting families needing housing, advocacy and help to address significant material hardship. They also provide help to those struggling to sustain tenancies in the community, especially senior citizens. The demand on the food bank has increased.

Can you Help? We are very low on new or nearly new furniture: good quality bed and base, single and Double/Queen, dining suites, lounge suites, drawers.

We try to help with the basics for setting up a kitchen – good condition electric appliances especially kettles, toasters, rice cookers, slow cookers, toastie makers. Quality pots and fry pans, plastic storage, kitchenware. Basic items to help make a house a home.

If you have any small items to donate, Contact De Paul House - Helping families for over 38 years.

Phone Reception on 09 4805959 reception@depaulhouse.org.nz



Ma te atua manaaki

God Bless, *Vimi Chandra*

Other notices

Sibling photos

On Friday 23 August we have Photolife here to do team, individual and sibling photos. If you would like a sibling photo you need to fill in a form. Please collect this from the office or ask me to send one home for you.

Attendance Dues

Term 3 Attendance Dues are due before the end of this term. Please pay these as soon as you can if you haven't already done so. Term 2 activity fees are also now due and invoices were sent out at the end of term 2 and reminders this week. If you are having trouble paying these invoices please see Renee or Vimi.

Just a reminder to please not park in the school car park, in neighbours driveways or across neighbours driveways.



Uniforms

We have changed uniform suppliers due to the long waits we were having to experience with our previous supplier which was due to them not being able to easily source the girls tunic material. In the process of doing this we have made some changes to the uniforms. Girls will now be wearing a light blue long sleeve shirt and culottes in winter and short sleeve light blue shirt and culottes in summer. Boys will now be able to wear cargo shorts which are longer than the current shorts. The boys shirts will remain the same. Changes will be rolled out over a couple of years so there is no need to rush in and buy straight away. Socks, tights, Fleeces and sun hats are also available here.

We will no longer be supplying the uniforms but you can order them yourself by clicking on this link.
<https://www.schooluniform.co.nz/collections/st-leos-catholic-primary-school>.

Second hand uniforms will still be available from the office but these will still be the old uniforms until we build up a stock again.

Scholastic Books

Scholastic book catalogues were sent home today for those that want them. Orders close on August 9th.

Timetable of events for Term 3

Wednesday 14 August	Assembly 10.15am BOT meeting 6.30pm
Thursday 15 August	Whole school to Assumption Mass 12.00
Friday 16 August	Soccer skills sessions whole school
Tuesday 20 August	Open Day Private music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 21 August	PTFA meeting 7.30pm
Thursday 22 August	Rippa rugby tournament
Friday 23 August	Photolife photos
Tuesday 27 August	Private music lessons with Dominic
Thursday 29 August	Kapa Haka showcase at Rosmini TBC
Friday 30 August	Daffodil Day Bike skills day St Catherine
Sunday 1 September	Fathers Day
Tuesday 3 September	Private music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 4 September	Assembly
Thursday 5 September	Book Parade
Friday 6 September	Whole school mass
Tuesday 10 September	Private music lessons with Dominic Inter school tennis tournament
Wednesday 11 September	PTFA meeting 7.30pm
Thursday 12 September	Learning Expo 3.30 - 5.30pm
Friday 13 September	Cricket sessions Whole school mass Quiz night
Tuesday 17 September	Private music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 18 September	Year 5/6 girls soccer festival BOT meeting
Friday 20 September	Whole school mass
Monday 23 September	Year 3/4 boys soccer festival
Tuesday 24 September	Private music lessons with Dominic
Wednesday 25 September	Year 5/6 boys soccer festival
Friday 27 September	Term 3 ends

2024 Term dates

Term 3 ends 3pm Friday 27 September

PTFA News

Quiz night - Tickets on sale now, don't miss out, get your tickets now.

Friday 13 September 7pm at the RSA in Devonport

<https://events.humanitix.com/stleos-quiz-2024> for tickets

Fair

Planning is underway for the fair and your child should bring home a pink newsletter today (for those that don't know pink = PTFA). Please have a read and get your name down quickly if there is something you would really like to volunteer for. If you are not sure what is entailed on a stall please ask Renee.

Cookbooks

Don't forget we have our ongoing Cookbook fundraiser happening. \$25 per book. Stocks are limited so get in quick.

Recipe Books

We are putting together a St Leo's school recipe book. Please send in your favourite recipes as we want to get this ready for the fair and for Christmas presents.

Waffle fundraiser

We held our waffle fundraiser and made nearly \$700 on the day and by selling more after school on Monday. There is another one coming up on 30 November from 3pm - 8pm so if you can help please let us know. It is also the same day as the Music fundraiser that Dominic is planning.

Next meeting

The next PTFA meeting will be held on Wednesday 21 August at 7.30pm in the staffroom. We will be continuing the planning for the fair so please make an effort to attend either physically or via zoom.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/6663945714?pwd=K3l0Vkl0bk9RU0Fxa0YzSUVjcmNkZz09>

Meeting ID: 666 394 5714

Passcode: SJH312



Survey Communication Assets

"Help the volunteer guided Te Hau Kapua Devonport Peninsula Trust find out how we could all build a stronger peninsula community over the next 12 months. Fill out a two-minute survey form or online at dpt.nz" Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JSZMK66>

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(No books or soft toys thank you).

Contact: Lt Cdr Laurie French

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Mini Tennis (5 - 7 yrs)
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Mon - Fri 3:45pm

Junior Tennis (8 - 18 yrs)
60 mins

Mon - Fri 3:30, 4:30, 5:30pm
Sat 9:00, 10:00am

Performance Squad (15 - 25 yrs)
60 mins

Wednesday 6:30pm

Adult Coaching Groups

Beginner Plus
60 mins

Monday 5:30pm
Tuesday 5:30, 6:30pm

Developers Plus
60 mins

Tuesday 6:30pm
Friday 9:00am

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90 mins

Thursday 7:30pm

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Tuesday 7:30pm
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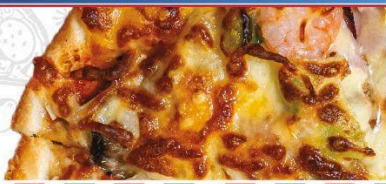
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