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

Pentecost Sunday

On Sunday, we celebrated Pentecost, a special day that marks the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. It reminded us of how the disciples were filled with courage and strength to go out and share the Good News. At school, we reflected on how the Holy Spirit continues to work in our lives today, guiding us with gifts such as wisdom, understanding, and love. We prayed that we may be inspired to live with faith and unity in our hearts and actions.

Pentecost Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit,
Fill our hearts with your love.
Help us to speak with kindness,
act with courage,
and listen with understanding.
Just as you filled the disciples with peace and power,
fill us with joy and a desire to serve others.
Guide our school, families, and world
so we may live together in unity and faith.
Amen.

Family Mass & Confirmation - This Sunday at 9:30 am

We warmly invite all our families to join us for our Family Mass and Confirmation celebration at 9:30 am. This is a special occasion for our school and parish community to unite in faith and support the students receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. We ask that all children attend in their school uniform to represent our St Leo's community proudly. After Mass, we will gather for a light shared



morning tea—please bring a plate of finger food to share. We look forward to seeing you there for this joyful celebration!



After School Care

Our after-school care programme is proving to be a hit with our tamariki! Held right here at school, it offers a great mix of fun activities, outdoor play, games, and time to relax with friends — all in a safe and familiar environment. The programme runs from 2.50 pm to 5:00 pm Monday-Thursday, with caring staff who help make the afternoons enjoyable and supportive. If your child wants to join the fun, please contact the school office to check availability. Children must be booked in before the session to ensure we stay within ratio.

Kapa Haka with Ngahiwi and Terehia

We are thrilled to have Ngahiwi Walker and Terehia guiding our tamariki in Kapa Haka this term. Through waiata, haka, and movement, students are deepening their connection to te ao Māori, building confidence, and celebrating the beauty of Māori language and culture. Ngahiwi and Terehia bring skill, experience, warmth, and manaakitanga to every session. It's wonderful to see our students engaging with such pride and enthusiasm. He taonga te reo, he taonga te tikanga – our language and culture are treasures! We will be working up to performing at the Bayswater school Kapa Haka festival on 14 June at 4.50 pm. Performers please be there by 4.30pm by the Bayswater school hall in uniform. God Bless. *Virni Chandra*



SATURDAY 14 JUNE 4-7PM

Other notices:

Bayswater Matariki

Our Kapa Haka group is performing at 4.50pm on Saturday 14 June (arrival time 4.30pm). Please meet by the hall at 4.30 in costume and ready to go.

Firewood

We have bags of firewood for sale for \$20 per bag. The wood is mainly pohutakawa Please see Renee if you would like some.

Chess

After a successful free lunchtime chess session this week we are looking at getting Chess Power in for lunchtimes once a week. More details to follow soon.

Cans for a cause - please support this worthy cause.

Box in the office for donations. Rotary NZ is aiming to collect 1 million cans or food items. Let's see if we can collect 100 items towards this. We are almost half way there. Please drop your cans of food in by Monday.





Timetable of events term 2

| Saturday 14 June | Bayswater school Matariki festival- St Leo's Kapa Haka group performing 4.50pm be there 4.30pm |
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| Sunday 15 June | Family Mass/Confirmation & First Holy Communion 9.30am |
| Tuesday 17 June | Playgroup 9.15am Whole school to Science Roadshow |
| Wednesday 18 June | Music lessons with Dominic Proposed Matariki evening |
| Thursday 19 June | NS Catholic Schools speech comp |
| Friday 20 June | Matariki Holiday |
| Tuesday 24 June | Playgroup 9.15am Assembly 10.30am |
| Wednesday 25 June | Music lessons with Dominic St Mary's Choir performance at St Leo's 10am |
| Thursday 26 June | Ronald McDonald PJ day -gold coin donation |
| Friday 27 June | Term 2 ends |
| Sunday 29 June | Matariki market at Belmont Rose Centre |
| Monday 14 July | Term 3 starts International students arrive |

PTFA News

Next PTFA meeting **23 July** 7.30pm in the staffroom or via google meet

Matariki market - On **Sunday 29 June** we will be selling waffles at the Rose Centre Matariki festival. This runs from 10am - 2pm. Thank you to those people who have stepped up to help. Come along on the day and support the festival.



Disco - Date change We will be holding a movie character

themed school disco for the children on **Friday July 18th**. Costings - \$15 a ticket which will include a hot dog and drink for dinner for the children. Tiickets will be on sale at the office from 16 June. Money into PTFA account please 12- 3057-0067576-00 ref name & Disco. Pre sales needed for catering purposes so get your tickets before the end of the term please. Time: 5.30-8.30pm. Junior music, 5.30-7pm and Senior music, 7-8.30pm or come when you like. We need a couple more volunteers to help with this so if you can please let Renee, Gin or Amy know.

Quiz night prizes - at the Quiz night we usually run some silent auctions and were wondering if anyone in our school community has an experience we could use eg a bach for a weekend, trip on a boat etc. Please see Amy, Gin or Renee if you can help.

Save these dates

Quiz Night - Friday 12 September

School Fair - Sunday 16 November

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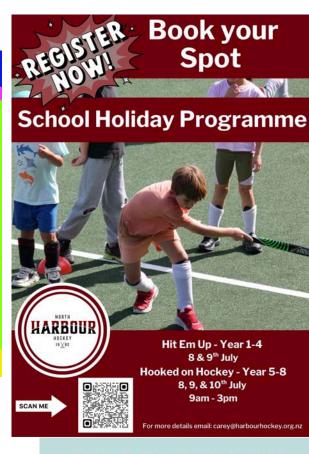
Goals Netball

Goals Netball is a locally run holiday programme on the Devonport Peninsula for Years 2-6 that has been running for three years now with great reviews from parents. Goals is a netball skills and teamwork-based programme tailored for kids of all experience levels. Whether you're a netball expert or just starting out, join us to have fun and sharpen your skills on June 30 th and July 1 st and 2 nd. We're a team of passionate Year 10 Netballers with lots of experience and would love to look after your children during this coming term break.

The programme runs from 8.30am to 1.30pm, and is only \$45 per day per child. We are grateful to Stanley Bay School for letting us again use their courts for our

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