

Week 3: 9 August 2017

St Teresa's School Newsletter



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Next Tuesday 15 August, we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Mary. This is a very special day in the Catholic Church in New Zealand as

Mary is the patron Saint of our country. We recognise her gifts to us as the Mother of Christ.

Hail Mary, full of grace.

Our Lord is with you.

Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,

pray for us sinners,

now and at the hour of our death.

Amen.



IMPORTANT DATES:

08/9/08 3 way conferences senior school

10/08 Football Tournament Yr 5-8

16/08 Kuranui College Open Day for Year 8's

16/08 Yr 6 Taster day at Technology

23/08 Positive Puberty Meeting for parents of Year 6-8 students

Welcome to Rebekah Mehrtens. It is great to have you as the homeroom teacher for Wairarapa. Yesterday we had budding Masterchefs' creating playdough dishes before school. Today we had artists! Thank you for sharing your creative talents.

A **special thank you** to the kind person who found Nathan's scooter left outside the ANZAC Hall after school and tucked it away!!

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers of students in Years 4-8 who came along to **goal settings** this week. If you were unable to attend please email your child's teacher or phone Coral to make an appointment. We hope everyone who attended gained an insight into how their child is learning and what their next steps are. We know that when students are supported by their families and their teachers, they are more engaged in their learning and usually make good progress.

Production: More details will be sent home in a few weeks but we have booked the red carpet!! Every student will be making and modelling a recycled outfit with a space theme. Look out for old clothes, junk, scraps of material and art supplies!

We will also take part in an **art project** for Year 6 & 7 students from five South Wairarapa Schools, leading to two students from each school being selected to work with art students from Massey University and create a mural at Lake Onoke. We are looking for artists to run mini workshops on art techniques. Please let Jennifer know if you are interested.



Author Philippa Werry will be visiting our school throughout August and September. She will work with all students on a piece of writing. Keep your eyes out for the date of the book launch! Thank you to REAP and the NZ Book Council for this amazing opportunity.

We have lots of exciting events happening this term and would appreciate your help gathering resources, helping with costumes, transport and supervision. While we have not yet confirmed all of the dates but here are some to be going on with:

Event	Date	Where	Who is attending
Football Tournament	Thursday 10 August, P/P Tues 15th	Carrington Park	Yr 5-8
Dyslexia Workshop	Tuesday 15 August	Greytown School	Selected students
Yr 6 Taster Day at Technology	Wednesday 16 August	Featherston School	Year 6 students

Kuranui Open Day	Wednesday 16 August	Kuranui	Year 8's
Mathrapa	Thursday 17 August	Wairarapa College	Yr 5-8
Rippa	Friday 18 August	Featherston School	Yr 3-8
Donald Creek Planting	Tuesday 22 August	Featherston School	Selected Year 8 students
Identify Epiphytes at Barr-Brown Reserve	on-going	Barr-Brown Reserve	Selected students
Miniball	Every Wednesday	Kuranui College	Yr 5-6
Wairarapa Schools Photo Competition	Closing September	School/Home	Selected Yr 1-8 students
Free Concert by NZ String Quartet - Scary Music	Friday 8 September	ANZAC Hall	All students
Hockey Tournament	Tuesday 12 September	Clareville	Yr 5-8
DanceSplash	Friday 22 September	Michael Fowler Centre	Selected students
Production: Planet W.O.W	Tuesday 26 September & Wednesday 27 September	ANZAC Hall	All students
Term 4 Ukelele Workshop and performance	Tuesday 17 October	ANZAC Hall	Selected Year 5-8 students
Kapa Haka Festival	Thursday 19 October & Friday 20 October	Wairarapa College	Kapa Haka Group

Nga mihi nui

Jennifer Muth

Principal

Dental bus arrives on Monday 21 August.



Reading Together®

is a research-based programme that helps parents/whanau give effective support for their child's reading. We have had great success with this programme over the last 3 years and this term, we will be running another series of 4 workshops led by Rebecca Griffin.

Here's what one of our parents said "For anyone thinking of doing this workshop. I did it last year and I found it really valuable. It has definitely given us the tools to support both our children and has made homework time a far more relaxed and enjoyable time of day. We are really lucky to have this workshop available to us, so if you think you and your kids need some help with home time reading. We definitely recommend it!!"

If you are interested in learning some strategies to help with reading at home please fill in the form below and indicate what day and time suits you best.

I am interested in the **Reading Together Workshops**

I prefer these days and times:

Mon 9:00 -10:30 1:30pm- 2:45pm
 Tues 9:00 -10:30 1:30pm- 2:45pm
 Wed 9:00 -10:30 1:30pm- 2:45pm
 Thurs 9:00 -10:30 1:30pm- 2:45pm
 Fri 9:00 -10:30 1:30pm- 2:45pm

Name: _____

Ph: _____

