



ST MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL
"Be it known to all who enter here that CHRIST
is the reason for this school"

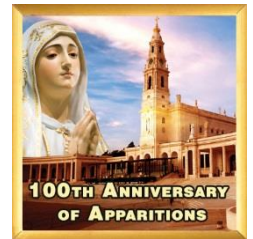
4th May 2017

Dear St Michael's School Community,

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break with your families. We are still in the Easter Season, celebrating the risen Christ.

Novena to Our Lady of Fatima 100th Anniversary Novena 4th to 13th May

The St Michael's Parish warmly invites you to attend. St Michael's Rosary Group is going to be leading on **Monday 8th May: Gather at 5.30pm and process into Church at 5.45pm** (this will conclude by 6.25pm). All welcome to join us.



Winter Uniform - Children need to wear their correct winter uniform to and from school (not PE).

Girls: long sleeve shirt, culottes, black shoes, and black knee length socks/tights. Hair bands/ribbons: dark green, black or white.

Boys: Long sleeve shirt, Shorts, black shoes and charcoal knee length sacks with gold and bottle trim.
Students will be issued a note if incorrect uniform is worn.

Catholic Special Character External Review at SMCS 14th and 15th June - Colleen Gleeson and Philip Mahoney will be doing the review and Janice Borsos (Principal of Holy Cross Catholic School, Henderson) will accompany them. As part of the process they would like parents to complete a small survey. Please see attached with this email. Completed surveys can be handed into the office.

Professional Development – All the Junior Teachers are attending the Yolanda Soryl literacy course on Tuesday 16th May. The strategies teachers learn will have a positive impact on Students learning. If you would like more information on this course go to www.yolandasoryl.com.

I am attending the Auckland Primary Principal's Conference in Taupo from 17th to 19th May.

Friday 5th May – Westpac Chopper Appeal – MUFTI DAY with a gold coin donation.

Month of Mary – May Devotion

"Through the Incarnation of our Lord in her immaculate womb, Mary, the Daughter of God the Father, is also the Spouse of God the Holy Spirit and the Mother of God the Son." Let us offer to our Mother today: A "Hail Mary" each time the clock strikes another hour.

God bless you,

Ann McKeown
Principal

TRAVELWISE WEEK!

This Term in Week Two, 8 - 12 May, St Michael's will be celebrating Travelwise week. This week will include many fun activities that children will have the opportunity to participate in to learn about keeping safe while on the road and environmentally friendly ways to travel. There will be competitions that children can choose to enter and complete at home, a 'Park and Walk' school wide competition and a Wheels Day on Friday

Home Competition: Submit to Miss Brown or Miss Bergamini by Friday Morning Tea

- Colouring competition - Junior Classroom Teachers will provide the colouring sheet.
- Design a bike helmet - Open for both Junior and Senior students
- Poster - What is a safety issue you see on your way to and from school? Make a poster to help keep St Michael's Students safe.

Park and Walk Zone:

To encourage walking to school and less congestion around the school, there will be a Park and Walk initiative. Children will receive a Park and Walk punch card from their classroom teacher on Monday morning. Each time a child walks from the designated Park and Walk Zones their classroom teacher will hole punch their punch card. Let's see how many kilometres each class can walk. The classroom with the most kilometres will win a small prize!

Wheels Day 2017

On Friday 12 May, we are having a Wheels Day at school. Children are encouraged to ride bikes or scooters to school. During the day children will be given the opportunity to complete activities on their 'wheels'.

UPCOMING EVENTS

| <u>WEEK TWO</u> | |
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| Mon 8 May | BOT Meeting 7pm |
| Tues 9 May | PTA Meeting (Library) |
| Wed 10 May | NO MASS Michael Mangan Whole School Concert 9am - 10.10am); Assembly 2.20pm - Room 1 hosting; Sacrament of Reconciliation - 6pm |
| Thurs 11 May | |
| Fri 12 May | |
| Sun 14 May | Becoming Church - Confirmation |

| <u>WEEK THREE</u> | |
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| Mon 15 May | |
| Tues 16 May | |
| Wed 17 May | Mass 9.15am - Room 9 |
| Thurs 18 May | |
| Fri 19 May | |
| Sun 21 May | Becoming Church - Confirmation |

PTA NEWS

Next meeting: ***Tuesday 9 May 7pm** in the Library

Thank you for returning the parent surveys. There was a suggestion that we post the events for the year and parents can sign up to volunteer so please check out the **2017 events signup sheet** on the door of the PTA cupboard, located just outside Mrs McKeown's office.

Also on the surveys, we had great feedback about the different payment options for pizza & frujus and we will be discussing at our meeting.

Mark your calendars!

The Term 2 **whole school Mass** will be held on Sat evening **27th May at 5:00pm** and afterwards we will have a cake stall and sausage sizzle in the Hall.

NOTICES

BARADENE ART SHOW 2017

9-21st May Gala Opening Night Event Friday 19th May – Tickets from www.baradeneartshow.co.nz
Sat 20th May - Sun 21st May 10-4pm - Free Admission Purchase Great Art from over 130 Of NZ's Finest Artists

BABYSITTING SERVICES

My name is Milly!

I'm 15 years old. I go to Diocesan School for Girls and am currently in year 11. I am an ex St Michaels student and my sister Iris Tooman is in room 9. I would love to sit for your children. I am very organised and can do anything that's required. Love to hear from you just send me a text, email, or call me if you ever need a babysitter – I can generally be available on short notice. I live in Remuera! Thanks so much, Milly :)

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NPH LATIN AMERICAN MARKET

Our popular NPH Latin American market is back! Come and enjoy a range of delicious food, great music, arts and crafts from Latin America. **Sunday 21st of May, 2-6pm, Mt Eden War Memorial Hall, Balmoral.** Koha/ Donation entry to NPH (nph-nz.org), a Catholic organisation helping at-risk, abandoned and orphaned children in Latin America.