



St Thomas More Catholic School

School Newsletter
Panui
Week 9, Term 3
September 20th, 2018



Nau mai , Haere mai. What a lovely spring day. ☺
We are soooooo lucky to have a great relationship with Tui.....not the beer, the garden Tui. Katie and Quinn O’Connell dropped off 40 bags of soil today, straw bales, propagation kits and organic fertilisers to the value of \$400 generously given to our school by Tui ...they are just over the railway line in Te Maunga. You can see the signs as you drive towards Bayfair along the expressway.

Tomorrow we will be starting our **FRIDAY GARDEN DROP IN** from 8.00-9.00 a.m. We would love to have people who can

help pot up seeds to grow 4 sale and also people who could help our kids with selling...is this something you would be keen to get involved with?

There is a seedling sale on Arataki park on Saturday 27th October between 10 and 12. We’d like to sell our surplus seedlings and exchange some of them for produce that we can grow in our gardens.

You can be part of this even if you can’t come in to school. If you would like to grow some seeds at home and then send them into our garden club on a Friday morning next term then we can include them in our great seedling swap. The important thing is to label them and ice cream sticks are perfect for that.

Here’s our cheque for \$3,000 which will be spent on our garden club projects. Thank you Bayfair ☺



TERM 3

Sept 23rd

Sept 24th-28th

Sept 25th

Sept 26th

Sept. 27th

Sept 28

Oct 11th

Sunday Mass with the Bishop - Our children are receiving the sacraments ☺

Pipi Syndicate Swimming programme every day

Kina team’s Celebration of Learning - all parents and families invited

Paua team’s Celebration of Learning – all parents and families invited

St Mary’s Tauranga, St Mary’s Rotorua Sports Exchange (Paua students)

Last day of term & Mc Auley ice cream treats (Green House)

School office open 9am to 12 noon

TERM 4

15th Oct

22nd Oct

23 Oct

26th Oct

29th or 30th Oct

First day and also knowledge-athon questions being given out to learn

Public holiday for Labour weekend

Aquinas Orientation evening for Year 5 and 6 @ Aquinas College

Knowledge-athon testing - PTFA helpers.

General information night for parents of Year 5 and 6 interested in Aquinas College being held at St. Thomas More –to be confirmed

31st Oct

1st Nov

Hand in fundraising from Knowledgeathon

All Saints Mass at 9.00 am

5 th Nov	Prize assembly for Knowledgeathon
20 Nov	Aquinas' principal, Matt Dalton, is coming to talk with Year 5 and Year 6 parents starting at 5.30pm in the Paua space. Please put this date in your diary...you asked for it and we made it happen. Please support this initiative.
21 st Nov	Evening of Puberty talks for Year 6 girls at St. Thomas More - TBC
22 nd Nov	Evening of Puberty talks for Year 6 boys at St. Thomas More – TBC
26 th Nov	Only Year 5 goes to camp
27 th Nov	Year 6 transition day for Aquinas College 2019
28 th Nov	Year 5 return from camp and Year 6 go up to camp
30 th Nov	Camp kids return home
7 th Dec	Final reports posted out
14 th Dec	Last Mass and prize giving for Year 2-6 TBC evening in church
18 th Dec	Last day & Final assembly for Year 6 at 11.00 in church



Collecting points from Baker's Delight, Owen's place. Please remember to mention St Thomas More School when you make a purchase at Baker's Delight @ Owen's place as the school is part of "The Dough Raiser Programme". Thank you.

Coding classes in the STEAM room on Friday afternoons....signing up for Term 4 now. In today's world, it's essential for young people to learn how to create software not just consume it. Coding NZ's classes empower students with the technology tools they need and help give them the best chance at being successful in our increasingly digital age. Signups are open now at codingnz.com/signup

Swimming lessons?

Mount Maunganui Swimming Club would like to celebrate 70 years as your community swimming club by slashing the subscription for our Junior start up group for Term 4 2018 and Term 1 2019. This squad is for those that have completed a learn to swim program and are keen to sharpen their skill for the upcoming surf life saving, water polo or competitive swimming season. Extremely good value at \$110.00 per term for 3 x 45 minute sessions a week. Swimming out of Baywave Aquatic Centre. Please contact us at mtmaunganuiswimclub@gmail.com



Our TUI little surprises box for grass growing. Such a wonderful surprise.

Art classes might be your thing?

Art classes for kids

After a super-successful Term 3, we are now taking bookings for Term 4!
twinklestudios.co.nz or call Jodie on 021 102 9624

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