



St Thomas More Catholic School

School Newsletter
Week 5, Term 4
November 15th 2018

Nau mai , Haere mai

Good luck!

To our year 5 & year 6 students who are competing at tomorrow's Athletics Mount Cluster Competition! Keep an eye on our facebook page for updates, photos and results tomorrow!

A group of Year 5 students had an awesome experience yesterday at the BOPRC 'Hands on Water' science expo at Redwood Valley farm in Paengaroa. The students got to measure water clarity, identify different invertebrates, explore native plants and learn about the importance of maintaining healthy and safe waterways.



Don't miss out! Tomorrow is the last day to order your child's beautiful artwork

The school is participating in the "Kids Artworks Calendars" again this year and the children have created beautiful artwork in class – have a chat with your child's teacher, they can tell you all about their creations. You can have your child's own piece of art made into superb calendars, cards and diaries. Alternatively, you can submit a family photo to have printed on these items – perfect for Christmas presents for family and friends overseas. The calendars and diaries include public holidays and term dates, plenty of space for writing appointments. Order as many calendars, diaries, cards or mouse mats you wish from the same piece of artwork. The original artwork/photo will be returned to you with your order.

Costs are as follows:-

Calendars \$14 each Cards (pack of 8) \$14 Diaries \$18 each

Orders and payment need to be handed into the school office **tomorrow November 16th**. Delivery is expected to be at the beginning of December. There are also samples in the office ☺

TERM 4

20th Nov

Aquinas' principal, Matt Dalton, is coming to talk with Year 5 and Year 6 parents starting at 5.30pm in the Pua space. Please come- we need you there.

21st Nov

Evening of Puberty talks for Year 6 girls at St. Thomas More @ 6.00 p.m. in Puaa

22nd Nov

Evening of Puberty talks for Year 6 boys at St. Thomas More @ 6.30 p.m. in Puaa

26th Nov

Only Year 5s go to camp

27 th Nov	Year 6 transition day for Aquinas College 2019 (9.30 to 2.30 pm) Year 6 transition day for Mount Intermediate (1.30 pm) You will need to transport your child.
28 th Nov	Year 5 return from camp and Year 6 go up to camp
29 th Nov	Pipi travelling to Tauranga Girls College for "Fantastic Feats" production
30 th Nov	Y6 Camp kids return home
7 th Dec	Final reports posted out
13 th Dec.	Pipi Christmas Concert @ 12 o'clock
14 th Dec	Last Mass and prize giving for Year 2-6 @ 6 p.m. evening in church
18 th Dec	Last day & Final assembly for Year 6 at 11.00 in church The school will close at 12.30...buses will leave at 12.15
TERM 1 2019	29 th January , Tuesday First day back

NEW SCHOOL POLO SHIRT:

Our supplier has tweaked the length of the new polo shirts 😊 There's an order form attached to this newsletter if you'd like to place an order.



This is an open invitation to our next Reading Together programme.

Reading together is a programme that enables to support your children more effectively when they bring home their home readers. The programme is suitable for parents and caregivers of children in the Pipi team or if you have children who are about to start school.

We would like to invite you to a series of informal workshops (3), which last for approximately 1 hour. These workshops will give you strategies to help you become more involved in your child's reading.

The programme, Reading Together, was developed in New Zealand, and has had very positive feedback from parents when they have completed the workshops.

This term we are running the programme in the afternoon. The first workshop will be on Wednesday, 28th November, at 1.15 p.m. in the kitchen area near the Tua tua's learning area.

A reminder will be sent the week before the first workshop. But, please mark this date on your calendar. We look forward to seeing you, Mrs Kerry Duncan.

Altar Servers

Please return your forms to Mrs Morgan. If you are interested in becoming an altar server, please contact Mrs Morgan (dmorgan@stm.school.nz).

Bees – please remind your child to put their shoes on if they are playing on the grass – we have had lots of bee stings this week ☹

NEW POLO SHIRT ORDER FORM

Size	K4	K6	K8	K10	K12	K14
Chest	36	39.5	44	46	50	53
Body	50	53	56	58	61	63

Approximate measurements. Please be aware that manufacturers tolerance are + or -2.5 cm

We are hoping to have samples available to try very soon 😊

Name:

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