



## Christ the King Catholic School

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2015

Value Focus: **JUSTICE**

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa, Talofa Lava, Malo e Lelei, Ni Sa Bula  
Vinaka, Kia Orana, Kumusta, ḥḥḥ (sālam), Namaste and Greetings

### Special Catholic Character

The 8<sup>th</sup> August is the feast day of Saint Mary MacKillop the co-founder of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, the religious order that established our school in 1954. We will be celebrating this special feast day by attending Mass at 10am on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August. RE lessons over the next fortnight will be focused around Mary MacKillop and our Josephite charism. Please do talk with your children about Mary MacKillop, Australasia's first canonised saint and please do come along to next Friday's Mass.

### A WARM WELCOME TO CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**New students:** Towards the end of Term 2 we welcomed **Joseph** to Room 1 and **Cassius** to Room 3. During our first week of Term 3, four new students started school: **Zere-Adam; Danielle, Adrienne** and **Valentino**. Belated birthday wishes to these new learners who have recently turned five. We sincerely hope you and your families feel the love and support of our small, caring community.

**New staff:** Due to the growing number of 5 year olds enrolled at the school we have opened Room 8 as a full-time classroom. We welcome **Emma Chan** and **Julia Aspeling** who are co-teaching our newest and youngest learners. We also welcome **Kimberley Dunatov** who is co-teaching with Mrs Sullings in Room 5. Mrs Sullings has decided it is time to transition to part-time employment as she nears her retirement.

**REMINDER** - *If you know of children who will turn 5 soon and hope to commence their studies at Christ the King Catholic School, please ensure they are enrolled. There is increasing pressure on the school roll and we want to ensure we are well-planned for future growth and development.*

### Zoofari Trip - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August

We are most fortunate to have a confirmed place in this year's Zoofari experience. Zoofari is a fully-subsidised educational trip to Auckland Zoo courtesy of the generous sponsorship of the Warehouse and Ritchies transport.

### Annual Winter Field day - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August

Year 4-6 students will participate in the annual winter sports field day on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August. We will be entering soccer, netball and tag-rugby teams.

### Life Education mobile classroom

You will notice the colourful classroom on-site near the hall this week. All classes will be learning more about the importance of good physical, emotional and social health. Parents are invited for an information session in the Life education classroom at 8.40am on **Wednesday** morning.

### **Class Blogs linked through the school web-site and Facebook page**

We are keen to regularly share class learning. Each class has developed a blog site that is now linked to the school's website and Facebook page. If you have any concerns about your child's learning being shared in this way, please contact the Principal, Tracey Kopua on 09 6267123 ext 720 or via email: [principal@ctk.school.nz](mailto:principal@ctk.school.nz)

### **School speeches**

Thank you for assisting your children at home to revise and practice their speeches in preparation for our annual school event. Classes will be selecting their finalists over the next week or so. Speech finalists will present their speeches in the hall on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August**. More information to follow.

### **Contact Information**

We are keen for all students to know their full name, home address and a contact telephone number. Please assist at home with this. A reminder too that if your contact information does change, please advise the school as soon as possible. It is important that we have current information on file.

### **Lateness**

Several teachers have expressed their concern of students arriving late for school. A reminder that the school day starts with class prayer and notices at 8.50am. We would appreciate students being on-site each day no later than 8.40am.

### **BOT Talk**

The Board of Trustees will be gathering information this term to inform the strategic direction of the school for the next 3-5 years. There will be the opportunity to meet face-to-face through consultation evenings and you will be given the opportunity to give your thoughts by completing an on-line survey.

### **In your thoughts and prayers...**

Please keep Mrs Linn in your prayers as she recovers from surgery on her second knee. Please keep Mrs Nair in your prayers as she continues treatment for cancer.

***Josephite Charism quote: See a need and respond to it***