



**Welcome**  
 Nau Mai Haere Mai  
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 Maligayang pagdating  
 Welkom  
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 Добро пожаловать  
 Afio mai  
 Malo e lelei  
 Selamat datang  
 Bienvenida  
 Ahlan Wa Sahlan  
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 Salam  
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 Youkoso  
 Mabuhay

## Upcoming Dates Term 1

### Week 6

15/3 Children's Art Festival @ Capital E (R1 & R2)

Room 5 Assembly

### Week 7

19/3 WZ Soccer Tournament @ Ian Galloway Park (R1 & R2)

20/3 Wolfgang Circus @ Capital E (Rm 4 & R5)

20/3 Save date for WZ Soccer - Ian Galloway

21/3 Goal Setting Interviews

### Week 8

29/3 School Assembly

### Week 9

2/4 2.15pm Go Piano Student Performance

### Week 10

8/4 Whole School Trip to Te Papa

12/4 **Last day of Term 1**

2.15pm School Assembly

13/4-28/4 *School Holidays*

29/4 **First day of Term 2**

**Ngā Rerenga Kōrero-  
Māori Phrase of the Week**  
**ngaru:** wave (surf)

E kauhoe ana rātou i ngā *ngaru*.  
They are swimming in the *waves*.



Ra whanau kia koe to Sam.

## Kia ora te whānau, Catholic Character

This week Sarah shared a lovely prayer with our staff focused on the idea of what we should fast from during lent and conversely what we should feast on. I have shared this prayer below for your use at home. Your family could focus on one aspect to feast on during lent.

Fast from emphasis on differences; Feast on the unity of all life.

Fast from thoughts of illness; Feast on the healing power of God.

Fast from words that pollute; Feast on phrases that purify.

Fast from discontent; Feast on gratitude.

Fast from anger; Feast on patience.

Fast from pessimism; Feast on optimism.

Fast from complaining; Feast on appreciation.

Fast from negatives; Feast on affirmatives.

Fast from bitterness; Feast on forgiveness.

Fast from self-concern; Feast on compassion for others.

Fast from discouragement; Feast on hope.

Fast from lethargy; Feast on enthusiasm.

Fast from suspicion; Feast on truth.

Fast from thoughts that weaken; Feast on promises that inspire.

Fast from shadows of sorrow; Feast on the sunlight of serenity.

William Arthur Ward

(American author, teacher and pastor, 1921-1994)

## Emergency Text

Yesterday morning we needed to send a cancellation text to families regarding our walk to school day. It was clear that some families did not receive this text. This week we are ensuring that all contacts have been updated in our system. To aid with this please ensure you have sent back your child's emergency contacts, permissions and health sheets by the end of this week.

Next week we will send a text to all families at 11am on Friday, if you do not receive a text at this time please contact us to ensure we have your cellphone number correct in our system.

## Emergency Kits:

**The following message applies to those we have not received kits for:**

Attached to this notice is the emergency kits information for your children. Please ensure you have sent each of your children to school with an ice-cream container sized kit. At our next Earthquake practice we will be handing out kits to those who have them.

## Paid Union Meetings:

Next week our staff will take part in paid union meetings. The school will remain open during these meetings. Please see the insert notice about these meetings inside the newsletter. Thank you for your kind words and support you have shared with our teachers and myself as we fight to ensure the system we have in the future attracts the best and brightest to teach our children—not every school is as lucky as ours.

*Ngā mihi nui, Tania Savage*

● Road Patrol arrive at 8:25am ●				
Mon 18 Mar	Tue 19 Mar	Wed 20 Mar	Thu 21 Mar	Fri 22 Mar
Pam	Antonio	Brigita	John	Jo
Tino G & Ava	Tawanda & Eva	Madison & Ananyaa	Darcey & Bella	Drew & Sophia

My dog is out in the rain today.  
*Christine*

I went to my brother's party.  
*Julia*

I love my mummy.  
*Lila Rose*

I got a book called Dracula. It is cool because there is a zombie in it.  
*Hugo*

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I went to Karori bush with my mum and dad.  
*Alex*

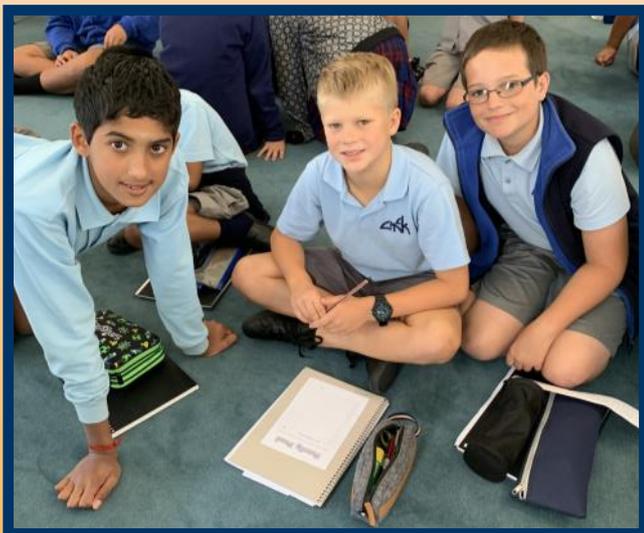
It was my dad's birthday last night.  
*Amelie*

I watched Dora on the TV and I love Dora.  
*Edie*

I am playing soccer in the sunshine.  
*Jonty*

### Servant Leaders Day

Room 1 went to a workshop about being a young leader in a catholic school. All the year 7 and 8 students participated in the 'Servant Leaders in Catholic Schools' workshop at St Thomas More. We learnt about the different parts of mass and even practiced some of these with St Teresa's, Sacred Heart, & Holy Cross. We took part in the following groups; write and share their 'Prayer of the Faithful', sing and dance through 'Liturgical Movement' and perform a 'Dramatisation of the Gospel'. It was really good getting to know different people from different schools.



### Western Zone Football Tournament Reminder

All Room 1 and Room 2 students are participating in the WZ football tournament next week on Tuesday 19th March (save day Thursday 21st March). Please remember to come dressed in your PE gear and make sure you have a sunhat and a warm top or jacket to put on between matches and a drink bottle. The event will be finished by 12.30pm so we will return to school in time for lunch. If any whanau want to come and support our teams they will be playing at Ian Galloway Park.

## March is well underway- Let's Keep Movin'!



### WOW passport — Wellington Regional Council (WRC)

Every student has been given a WOW (walk or wheel) passport card from WRC which will be stamped each day your tamariki walk or wheel to OR from school. Special prizes will be given to the first students to post their finished WOW Cards in the box on the Library Desk.

### Parent Photo Competition

Snap a photo of your family's journey to school during Movin'March & win! It might highlight a small adventure or wonder discovered along the way, or simply capture a moment in your journey. Post your photo publicly on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) with #movinmarch. T&C's are [here](#). All entries will go in the daily draw to win a family pass to a fun destination in the Wellington region. Last week the Wellington Zoo donated all our Family passes for our parent photo competition. This week Zealandia features for our Wild Thing Destination. And look out for Friday's Favourite Photo prize on the 15th March, as we'll be giving away an amazing adult scooter courtesy of Micro Scooters!

### Library Colouring Competition

Our students are invited to participate in the Movin'March Coloring Competition. A street scene template of Jack the Kākā's journey to school has been designed for our tamariki to colour in – there's also space to get extra creative by adding in elements of their own journey to school. Vouchers & Prezzy cards are up for grabs.



## Otari Parish News

Lent is a marvellous time to look at our 'blind spots' and change for the better. This Lent there will be many opportunities that may be helpful in doing this.

Lenten Masses - Tuesdays to Fridays 9.30am and 7pm St Teresa's Church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Every Wednesday 7-8 pm at St Teresa's Church and St Thomas More Church.

Stations of the Cross – 7pm Mondays at St Teresa's led by the Catholic Women's League, and 7pm Fridays led by the Tongan Community.

Caritas Lenten Discussion Group: Mondays at 9.30am at St Teresa's chapel commencing with Service of Word with Holy Communion. Led by Jayne Sutherland.

Another Story Must Begin – A Lenten study programme based on *Les Misérables* at 7pm St Thomas More Lounge. A DVD of the Movie is available to loan from Father Ron.

# GARDEN TO TABLE



GROW,  
HARVEST,  
PREPARE,  
SHARE

## Garden Group

This week was another fantastic week for the GTT team. We even had visitors from 1% Collective who came along with Victoria (our specialist from the Garden To Table programme who supports us and helped us set up the programme at Cardinal McKeefry).

The garden team showed them around and explained how the gardens work at our school and what a great job the students are doing (with fantastic guidance from John and Liz) growing the produce.

The gardeners were very busy weeding, doing pest control, working on the compost and planting seedlings. The harvesting this week was fabulous and made it easy to create delicious dishes for the students to enjoy.



## Kitchen Group

The kitchen people were very busy this week tackling quite a few different dishes. Over the last month students have been foraging for blackberries that we have been storing in the freezer and this week some members of the team made blackberry jam. The hall smelled wonderful as the jam was cooking and everyone was very excited about the jars of jam that were created. A big thanks to the members of our school community who collected berries and brought in jars.

The rest of the kitchen group worked on preparing coleslaw and tomato salad freshly harvested from the garden. Another group of students made scones; one batch of sultana scones to have with blackberry jam and cream, and the other batch was cheese and they added fresh silverbeet. The end result was enjoyed by all. The recipe has been included in the newsletter so please remember to send along a picture of any students making GTT recipes so we can include them on our GTT page. We were also very lucky as Victoria gave us an awesome gift of some new aprons and a cookbook.

