

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

I hope you all enjoyed having your children home for the holidays. The children seem to be refreshed and ready to go for what is to be a very busy term. They also look great in their summer uniforms so thank you for ensuring your child is correctly dressed.

Our foyer has some new furniture in it and it looks stunning! Thank you to Jin Wook Lee (brother of Danny Lee) and his family for their generous donation to furnish the foyer.

This Friday, **16th October**, is our **School Mass**. We celebrate the Month of Mary and, of course, you are all encouraged to attend. The senior children of Room 4 will be hosting the Mass.

Our next **School Mass** will be Monday, **2nd November**, and is celebrated on All Souls Day. Again, you are very welcome to attend that Mass.

Congratulations to **Leanne Brickland** who has accepted a senior management position at the International School of Lae in Papua New Guinea. It will be exciting times ahead for Leanne and her family as she takes up her new position at the start of 2010.

Our **school pool** is now full, heated and ready to go for the swimming season. If your child is in Rooms 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15 or 17 (odd numbers) then this week is your child's swimming week and will occur every 'odd' numbered week of this Term. If your child is in Rooms 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14 or 16 (even numbers) then next week is your child's swimming week and will occur every 'even' numbered week of this Term. Please ensure that your child brings their togs & towel to school for the whole week that his/her class is scheduled to swim.

Margaret Boielle has once again started her swimming school and it is heartening to see that all her classes during lunchtime and after school are full. Just a reminder that payment this week for the lessons would be appreciated—you may drop in to the school office and Margaret will collect from there (cash or cheque only—please make all cheque payments to M. Boielle).

Those children who are Year 3 and above are invited to register for the preparation of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**. The preparation classes are organised through the Parish, St Mary's Church, so you

must pick up your registration form from their office. St Mary's Church office is open from Tuesday to Friday 9:00am—2:30pm. Any queries please contact the office on 3480289. Registrations close on Friday 23rd October—late enrolments will not be accepted!

Finally, if your child is in Year 5 and you want to start putting money aside for next year's 2010 Y6 Auckland camp, automatic payments can be organised through the school office. A number of parents have already started this to help spread the payments over a period of time. The Auckland camp is scheduled for 22-26 March 2010.

God bless,

David Macmillan, Principal

REMINDER—Early School Closing—Mon, 2nd November—1:30pm

Just a reminder that on Monday, 2nd November, school will finish at 1:30pm to enable staff to be involved in professional development—please make arrangements for your child to go home early. After school care can be organised with Maryanne Roling (Glenholme) on 3470709 or 021 1215599.

Maryanne offers excellent after school care daily throughout both Term time and school holidays. Her service includes meeting St Mary's children at school here and walking the group over to Glenholme School where the after school care takes place. Contact Maryanne on 3470709 or 021 1215599 for details.

"SUPER KIDS" & "JOB WELL DONE" AWARDS

Well done to the following students who have been selected for awards this week:



"Super Kids" - Blair McLeod, Rufaro Mupita, Byron Beevers,
Elisapeta Sakalia, Shakyra Helmich

"Principal Award" - Hoze Lopez

TERM 4—SUMMER UNIFORM

SchoolTex Uniforms are available from the school uniform shop or Postie+

Please Note—all students are expected to be in summer uniform:

GIRLS—summer dress, black sandals (pref. roman sandals), maroon jersey, royal blue bucket style sunhat

BOYS—royal blue polo shirt, grey shorts, black sandals (pref. roman sandals), maroon jersey, royal blue bucket style sunhat

School Uniform Shop—Open Hours:

Mon 8:30-9:00am, Wed 2:30-3:00pm, Fri 8:30-9:00am

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES MESSAGE



Look to the Lord and his strength;
seek his face always.
Remember the wonders he has done.

1 Chronicles 16:11, 12 NIV

Kia Ora Koutou,

Welcome back to all. I hope everyone had a holy, restful and enjoyable holiday. We all look forward to a busy and holy term 4.

Mass is celebrated this week on Friday the 16th of October at 9am at St Mary's Parish, celebrating the Month of the Rosary by Room 4.

Being the Year of the Priest, please keep in your thoughts and prayers these vocations.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Preparation for Reconciliation will start on Sunday 1st November and continue on the 8th November '09.

Children who are currently in Year 3—Year 6 are invited. Please collect your Enrolment Form from the Parish Office during Office Hours of 9:30am—2:30. Enrolment Forms are not available from the schools. Completed forms are to be handed back to the office by Labour Weekend. **Late Enrolments will not be accepted.**

God bless,

Acting DRS Marian Shilton



*The love we have in our youth is superficial
compared to the love that
an old man has for his old wife.*

~ Will Durant ~

ST MARY'S CHURCH SCHOLARSHIPS

St Mary's Church has scholarships available for children whose parents are regular parishioners of St Mary's Parish, to attend St Mary's School or John Paul College during 2010. Registration forms can be collected from the Parish Office. These need to be filled out by the parents and returned to the Parish Office no later than 23rd October 2009. *St Mary's Church Finance Committee*

TYBURN MONASTERY—"Calvary Hill" Cross Blessing
Saturday, 31st October, 2:00pm



The Tyburn community invites you to join with them for the Blessing and installation of a magnificent cross, which will be the crowning glory of their "Calvary Hill".

Beginning at 2:00pm, the ceremony will include the Stations of the Cross and conclude with a public Rosary in their recently planted Rosary Garden.

Those who wish, can join the Nuns for evening prayer afterwards.

Saint Theresa's Prayer

May today there be peace within.

May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be.

May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith.

May you use those gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you.

May you be confident knowing you are a child of God.

Let His presence settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love.

It is there for each and every one of us.

2010 Y6 CAMP FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Sausage Rolls that were ordered before the holidays will be available for collection this Friday, **16th October**, from the school kitchen between **3:00pm—5:00pm**.

Thank you for all your fantastic support—over 200 bags were sold, that's a lot of sausage rolls!! 😊

See pg 7 for our invitation to join us for a fabulous **Dinner & Art Auction at Aorangi Peak** on Sunday, **1st November!**

Sausage Sizzle - Sunday, **25th October**, at **Bunnings** Rotorua. We have been really fortunate to get the Sunday of Labour Weekend, which will be nice and busy!! Hope to see lots of you there to buy sausages from our eager barbequers!

Another successful meeting was held at Capers on Tuesday night so keep watching this space for more up coming events... 😊

SPORTS NEWS

Cricket

URGENT! If you are interested in playing Cricket this term, please have your enrolment forms back to school office by Friday 16th October. Spare forms available from the office.

Need more players urgently.

Kiwi (ages 6 & 7). Incrediball (ages 8 & 9). Hardball (ages 10 & 11). Starts next Thursday, 22nd October.

Twilight Hockey

Unfortunately we won't be entering a team, as we only had 4 enrolments back. (Starts Monday 19th October.)

Summer Netball 2009

Starts: Monday 2nd November

Time: 4:30pm

Venue: Rotorua Netball Courts, Westbrook Complex.

Cost \$8 per player.

Each team must supply own referee.

If you are interested in playing, please pick up an enrolment form the school office.

Touch Rugby

Starts today, weather permitting.

Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to coach our teams. There are quite a few first-timers who have bravely volunteered to help—without these wonderful people your child wouldn't be able to play so be sure to thank them when you see them!

Rippa Rugby

Our Y5/6 team has qualified to play at the Baywide Champion of Champions Tournament at the end of November! Training and trial will start soon—go Team!

FlippaBall (Mini water pool)

Still need players for our Y3 & Y4 teams. If your child is interested in playing, see Mr Faulkner. Great sport for those who have just started swimming, builds water confidence.

Note: On Thursday 15th October, 4–5pm, at Rotorua Aquatic Centre, in the outside pool—there is an invitation for parents to come along

and get an understanding of the sport—all interested people welcome to attend.

Winter Sports Uniforms

Could parents/coaches please check that your child/team has returned their winter uniforms for Soccer, Netball and Miniball. These are required back NOW please.

Mr Arthur Faulkner
Sports Co-ordinator

CONGRATULATIONS—Russell Macken

Russell Macken recently competed at the National Gymsport Competition held in Mystery Creek, Hamilton, during the school holidays.

He is proving himself to be a fantastic talent to watch in the Trampolining arena taking **1st Place** National Title for U-10 Trampoline section and **placing 3rd** in the Double-Mini Trampoline section.

Well done Russell!



St Mary's 2010 Y6 Camp Fundraising Committee

invites you to attend our

AORANGI PEAK RESTAURANT DINNER & ART AUCTION

Sunday, 1st November, Aorangi Peak Restaurant, Mountain Rd

Entry for one person **\$55.00**

Auction item previewing starts at 5pm with a complimentary glass of Wine & Hors d'oeuvres on arrival.

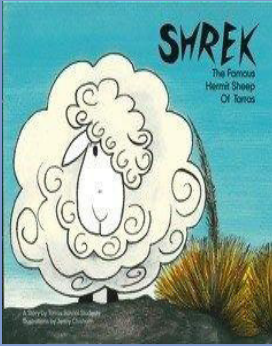
Auction starts at **6:30pm** followed by a Buffet Dinner.
(Drinks are available from the Bar)

Tickets available from St Mary's School Office,
Duncan Realty Reception or by email pnp@clear.net.nz
(Door prize to Lucky Ticket Holder!)

All proceeds go towards the necessary funding for
the 2010 Y6 Auckland Camp.

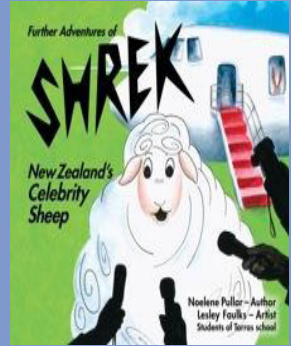
Come and join us for a fabulous night!





SHREK

The Famous Hermit Sheep of Tarras



Shrek the famous hermit sheep of Tarras was found on Bendigo Station on the 15th April 2004 by a woman shepherd, Ann Scanlan, and was carried to safety by Daniel Devine (aka Cage).

For six years, Shrek had evaded musters in the magnificent Central Otago high country acquiring 25kgs of wool, 22kgs of which was auctioned for the benefit of Cure Kids. Blade shorn in front of a worldwide TV audience on the 28th April 2004, he entered national folklore.

Both books were written by the children and teacher of Tarras School, Central Otago and illustrated by members of their local community.

Enchanting and delightful, thousands of children the world over have enjoyed these books.

If you would like to order copies:

Please place your order, for a pre-Christmas delivery, **by 30th October.**

Payments may be either cash, cheque or EFTPOS.

Cheques should be made out to St Mary's Primary.

YES, I would like to order the following SHREK Books:

SHREK – The Famous Hermit Sheep of Tarras _____ @ \$16 = \$ _____

SHREK – New Zealand's Celebrity Sheep _____ @ \$18 = \$ _____

Total payment enclosed \$ _____

Please advise whether you prefer the book/s delivered to your child's classroom for them to bring home or if you are happy to collect from the school office:

Name: _____

Please deliver to _____'s classroom, Rm _____

OR

I will collect from school office when available, please contact me on

Ph: _____