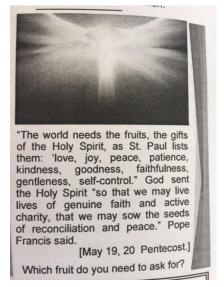
# Newsletter – Week 4, Term 2 22 May 2018

# Kia ora Whanau

This quote is particularly relevant as last Friday our children wore pink and celebrated 'Spreading Kindness Day'. Our teachers have capitalised on this event by reminding our students of our core values and of how important it is to think before you speak and in our digital world to think even before you type! Words are like arrows, once released they can never be taken back.

Viki Trainor - Principal





# Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> June in the School Hall

Years 1 and 2 5.30pm - 6.45pm Years 3 to 6 7.00pm - 8.30pm

Each year the PTFA hold a special disco just for the children, complete with DJ, disco ball and fabulous decorations. This year's theme is Celebrities. Children can dress as their favourite celebrity – it might be a singer, movie star, sports hero, video game character or even a super hero! **Tickets are \$5 each** and will go on sale from next Tuesday (a form will come home with the newsletter). This includes a bottled drink and a photo from our in-house photo booth – just a little something to remember the night! Children can purchase glow sticks before each disco and if the family needs some dinner before the big event we'll have some sausages sizzling on the BBQ. Your PTFA are so looking forward to another fantastic disco!

#### **RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE**



Last Tuesday a group of our staff volunteered their time to prepare, cook and serve dinner for 100 families at Ronald McDonald House. It was such a special evening and our staff felt so blessed to be able to give back to families in need. It was a reminder to us all to remember how very lucky and fortunate we are all.

For over 25 years, Ronald McDonald House Charities has been supporting families with a child in a New Zealand Hospital. Each year they provide free accommodation and support to over 3,700 families. This helps reduce and relieve some of the everyday stresses they face. Every day we are reminded of our mission and how important it is to keep families together.

Mrs Baddeley – DRS

# **SCHOOL DENTAL VAN**

The mobile Dental Van will be on site at St John's this term between **Tuesday**, **29**<sup>th</sup> **May and Friday**, **1**<sup>st</sup> **June** to examine children who are <u>due</u> to be seen. If you have any queries please address them directly to our local Dental Clinic (Motutapu TDU situated at Murrays Bay Primary School) on Tel: 09 838 1761. Children requiring treatment will come home with a note for their parents with details of the Clinic location and appointment time.

# **AUCKLAND CITY MISSION CANS COLLECTION**

The Auckland City Mission is in desperate need of tinned foods - in the past three months they have supplied 3,253 emergency food parcels to desperate families and individuals - these parcels contained nearly 50,000 cans of food. Hence their stock of canned food has nearly run out. They desperately need to replenish this stock. On behalf of 'Mums Mince' (who are organising a collection drive around the city) it would be wonderful if the St John's community could help out however much we can - we are grateful for any cans the children can bring in! Cans that work well to donate are; Spaghetti, baked beans, beans, soup, canned meats & canned fruits.

There are two bags of mini Crunchies up for grabs for the class that collects the most cans! Collections will be picked up Wednesday, 30th May!

### LIBRARY BOOKS

As you are aware, all children at St John's are able to check books out from our School Library to enjoy reading at home. In the past these have all been books belonging to the school and have been marked as such. We are about to start trialling issuing books that are loaned to St John's by the New Zealand National Library. They are distinguishable by their barcode on the top right of the back cover. Please ensure that these are returned to school and not to your local library as we have to account for everything we borrow. National Library books also have to be returned by specific dates and charges will be incurred if this is not complied with. With thanks in advance for your help with this.

#### PARENT HELPERS & VISITORS

A reminder that anyone coming onto the school grounds during the school day (8.30 - 3.15 pm) should report to the school office to sign in and also out on departure. This is a health and safety requirement to ensure that in case of emergency all personnel can be accounted for.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO...**

Players of the Day... Libby Stevenson, Molly Brannigan, Althea Arnesto, St John's 5/1 team, Althea Arnesto, Caitlin McKemmish, Yan-Jen Halpin, Orlaith Burns, Maria Deles, Katrina Gayed, Ava Murphy, Tala Goddard, Isabella Chandler (Netball), Libby Stevenson, Julia Landon, Jonathan Ichwansyah (Basketball), Julia Landon (Hockey), Daniel Buckley, Phoenix Mountjoy (Rippa), Benjamin Moss (Soccer), Charlotte McKewen, Katrina Gayed (Flippaball). Also to Tiwonge Shoniwa, Maria Deles (Swimming), Caitlin McKemmish (Dance), Isabella Chandler (5km Runway Challenge).

**COMMUNITY NOTICES... North Harbour Pharmacy**, 1/326 Sunset Rd, now stocking nit.enz products for organic, natural ingredient nit treatments. **Charity Fair** in support of Young Enterprise Scheme, Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2.00 – 4.00pm at Pinehurst School to raise money for KidsCan. **E-Waste.org** collection Massey University, Albany Expressway, Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2018, LHS Carpark Gate 1.

