



# St Bernadette's School

Loving our Learning, Living our faith, Knowing our God

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

7 June 2017



One of the aspects of our High 5 is Challenge. If something is easy it means that we are not learning. If something is too hard we can think of it as out of reach and give up. Getting the level of challenge right is not easy but that is where real learning happens.

It is important that we support our children to face challenges and have the courage and confidence to give things a go knowing it might not work out. We need to support children to know that learning is hard and if it isn't, it isn't learning.

You might want to think about how you can support your child to face challenges. Facing challenges is a life skill. It is important for children to experience challenges of all kinds when we are here to support them. Then we know they are equipped to face future challenges when we might not be right there beside them.



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Malo soifua

Jo Buckley  
Principal

We have seen this sign in a school to remind parents of another way to **help** your child.



'If you are dropping off your child's forgotten lunch, books, homework, equipment etc, please turn around and exit the building. Your child will learn to problem solve in your absence.'



**Reading Together** started last week and we have our second session tonight. It was great to have a keen group of parents and reading helpers to join together in the staffroom at 5pm to talk about how to help your children with reading at home. All are welcome to come and join in this learning. Baby sitting is provided. We will be really happy to see

you and the learning you do will benefit your children. We will be finished by 6pm.

Our school **Cross Country** was held on Friday afternoon. It was great to see the children participating and pushing to do their best. Well done to our group of runners who represented us at the Zone Cross Country in Trentham yesterday. Special congratulations to Mabei who came first in his race.



Mabei Makoi, Angeliina Rik and Ida Langkilde were all placed in the top 15 and will now represent our Zone at the Interzone Cross country.

#### Poem of Tokelau

Getting off the boat ready for an adventure  
Vrrrrroom the boat races back to the island  
The kids are swimming in the sea  
The birds soar toward the sky  
Off to bed as mosquitoes steal my blood  
The roosters scream and the beautiful sunshine is about to appear  
Now its time for me to disappear  
Off I go to feed the pigs, the pigs squealing as I am about to pour  
the food out  
They gather together just like fans  
I rush down to the beach for a swim  
With my friends we walk into the water as the sun is getting hotter  
Now it's time to leave Tokelau as my friends make up jokes  
"Towha" my family shouts.



By Maselino Tanielu

## Important dates for Term 2 2017

Wednesday 7 June	Reading Together Session 2	5pm-6pm in Staffroom
Thursday 8th June	MoveMprove Gym Sports	
Friday 9th June	Assembly - R6	2.30pm in Parish Hall
Wednesday 14 June	Reading Together Session 3	5pm-6pm in Staffroom
Tuesday 20th June	Board of Trustees Meeting	7 pm in Staffroom
Thursday 22nd June	Room 5 Class Mass - Sacred Heart	9 am in Room 5
	MoveMprove Gym Sports	
Friday 23rd June	Assembly - R5	2.30pm in Parish Hall
Wednesday 28 June	Sacrament of Confirmation Church in Taita	6pm St Michael's
Thursday 29th June	Knowing our God parent meeting	
Monday 3rd July	School Photos	
Tuesday 4th July	Hutt Valley Schools PolyFest Stadium, Taita	6pm at Walter Nash
Wednesday 5th July	Reading Together Session 4	5pm-6pm in Staffroom
Thursday 6th July	First Communion preparation meeting for parents and children	6-7pm in Staffroom
Friday 7th July	Assembly - R4	2.30pm in Parish Hall
	Last day of Term 2	
Monday 24th July	Term 3 begins	

**Archdiocesan Boys' Choir** - Does your boy love singing? If your son can sing and enjoys music then encourage him to audition. Auditions will be held on Thursday the 15th June from 4pm to 5.30pm at the Cathedral on Hill Street, Thorndon, Wellington. No experience required.

For more information and to register your interest please contact Michael Fletcher, Director of Music, Metropolitan Cathedral or email [m.fletcher@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:m.fletcher@wn.catholic.org.nz) or ph 04 496 1700.





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