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Hato Opani Katorika Kura

Newsletter No. 5

Together we excel, we live our faith and celebrate learning and life.

Dear Parents

1 March

Lent: Bread and Water Day:

Thank you for your generosity in supporting this annual Lenten appeal and special congratulations to our wonderful students and staff who entered this day with a positive attitude and loving compassion.

GALA GALA GALA
10 MARCH

Nine sleeps until the 10th March!

There is a "Helpers Board" up in the office and outside Room 1 before and after school. Please take a look and put yours and/or husband/ partner's name(s) down to help where and when you can. We need your help.

FLIERS

If you are able to do a flier letterbox drop in your neighbourhood, please grab a pile from Jenni in the office to distribute before the Gala.

The success of the Gala depends on drawing a large crowd in attendance. Have you reminded your family, neighbours and friends to come and spend the evening with us.

SILENT AUCTION

Prizes include:

Aquagym lessons, Your Perfection Beauty Specialists, Poppies & Loaf Gift Vouchers, Helen O'Grady Dance Lessons, Crusaders Gear, Ecoya, Moochi, Stolen Girlfriend, Huffer & Redken Products, Body Shop Gift Pack and Garden Sculpture - This can be viewed in the School Office. And more!

RAFFLE

2 raffle cards per family. The tickets are \$2 each, and there are 10 tickets per card.

Fabulous prizes to be won!!!

This is a key part of the Gala fundraising.

Please see Jenni in the office for more cards when you sell out!

Completed cards and money to be returned to school by Monday 6th March.

DONATIONS

We are now accepting donations at school, for the Toys & Books, Clothing and White Elephant stalls.

Please no electrical goods. We would also appreciate any banana boxes and plastic bags that you can bring along.

CAKES AND SWEETS

This Friday each family will receive a bag with two paper plates and two plastic cups for you to fill with your most delicious baking. Please note baking needs to be returned on Friday 10th - the day of the Gala. In this bag you will also receive a newsletter outlining all events and entertainment at the Gala plus a full list of auction prizes.

SPECIAL REQUEST

We need 2 litre ice cream containers and lids please. Please bring to the office.

THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to our school community for your on going support and help for the Gala. This is a bi-annual event, and a major fundraiser for the school. Your help ensures the Gala's success.

Sports:

Year 3/4 Mini Ball:

Thank you to Emma Twaddell who is coaching this team of Alice, Charlie, Milly, Pierce, Archie and Kimberly. One more player would be wonderful.

Emma is having a team practice every Monday from 3.15pm - 4.00pm.

Cost to players is \$30 per player.

First game is this Thursday evening.

Week 4	CLASS AWARD 	PRAYER PACK 
ROOM 1	Pia	Samuel
ROOM 2	Rafa	Flynn
ROOM 3	Lottie	Sean
ROOM 4	Savannah	Pierce
ROOM 5	Olivia, Connor G	Ronan
PRINCIPAL'S AWARD	Maria	



Australasian Exams:

We are again offering Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils the opportunity to take part in the ICAS Exams. The subjects we are offering are Maths, English and Spelling. The cost of the Maths and English tests is **\$8.50** each, the cost of the Spelling test is **\$10.50** Please return the form below and money to school by **15 March**.

Ma te Atua, Koutou e manaaki e tiaki hoki
May God bless you and take care of you.

Annette Sjoberg

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Community News:

MARIST HOCKEY:



AUSTRALASIAN EXAMS:

I would like my child _____ to participate in the following tests:

English \$8.50

Maths \$8.50

Spelling \$10.50

Please circle which tests you wish your child to participate in.

Enclosed: \$ _____

Signed: _____