

Aumāngā / Resilience

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Takohanga / Responsibility

8 September 2023

School Production

Tickets for our 2023 School Production "Bumps in the Night" are now on sale via our [online shop](#).

Spread the word, invite your friends, family, and neighbours, grab your tickets and share in this unforgettable experience.

There are three show options, all shows are at Selwyn College Theatre:

- Tuesday 12 September - Matinee Show - 12.30pm
- Wednesday 13 September - 7.00pm
- Thursday 14 September - 7.00pm

All tickets are \$20. Students in Years 0-3 have the opportunity to attend the Matinee Show with their classmates for \$10.

Ticket numbers for all shows are limited (due to theatre capacity) and are selling fast, so get in now to avoid missing out on this fantastic experience!

For both evening shows, snacks and beverages will be sold before the show and during intermission, plus there will be a licenced bar selling beer and wine prior to each show and also during intermission. Eftpos will be available.

Principal's Message

As Term 4 approaches and hopefully summer weather, a reminder that:

- During Term 4, sunhats are compulsory and you should apply sunscreen, to your children, before they come to school. Hats can be purchased from the school office – please name with first and last name.
- Students must wear a standards-approved helmet while riding bicycles and scooters to school.
- The school discourages the consumption of high-sugar content drinks and/or caffeinated drinks and students are not allowed to bring these drinks to school.

Michael Maher
Principal



Congratulations to the STS Waterpolo Team who attended the AIMS Games in Mt Maunganui this Week:

Theo Zonneveld (+swimming), Isla Baldwin, Cameron Miller, Jay de Jager, Carlo Basturkmen, Jacob Wilson, Aryan Sharma, Skyla Gray, Kirsten Damkat

Upcoming Events

September

- 11 Eastern Zone Girls Basketball (Y7&8)
- 12 to 14 School Production (Selwyn College)
- 14 Eastern Zone Boys Basketball (Y7&8)
- 14 Immunisations (Y7&8) 11.30am
- 15 Junior Assembly (J13 & J14 hosting)
9.45am – 10.30am (school hall)
Senior Assembly (S4, S5, S6 hosting)
11.45am – 12.30pm (school hall)
- 16 PTA Quiz night 6.30pm (school hall)
- 19 Board of Trustees Meeting
(6.30pm Staffroom)
- 21 Immunisation Catchups (Y7&8)
- 22 Showcase of Learning 9.00am
- 22 Formal Assembly 11.45am – 12.30pm
- 22 Last Day of Term 3

October

- 09 First Day of Term 4
- 12 Year 5 Trip to Maritime Museum (M6)
- 13 Year 5 Trip to Maritime Museum (S7&S8)
- 16 Out of Zone Ballot closes
- 18 Out of Zone Ballot
- 18 Year 8 Glendowie College Testing Day
- 19 Eastern Zone Volleyball (Y7&8)
- 20 Teacher Only Day
- 23 Labour Day Holiday

Netball

We had over 50 students playing Netball this year which was a huge success, they all had lots of fun, learnt plenty of new skills and made some new friends.



M5 Assembly

M5 enjoyed hosting the Assembly last week on Friday. Here is a photo of students singing Take Me Home, Country Road by John Denver. Isaac and Charlie made excellent hosts. Well done to Jenna and Vinnie for reading out loud their Koru blurbs.



Year 4 School Trip

Year 4 went to Corban Art Estate where they completed a workshop on creating a kinetic kōwhaiwhai. The students had to pierce, draw, cut and stick moving parts together to create a box that spun when the handle was turned. The students decorated their box with kōwhaiwhai designs that represented parts of nature they connected to. Here are some photos of the creative process:



Year 3 Trip to the Auckland Botanic Gardens



The Year 3 students enjoyed a wonderful trip to the Auckland Botanic Gardens last week. What a fantastic way to celebrate the final day of winter... exploring the many native forests and gardens and discovering the fascinating world of nature! Binoculars helped us study native Tui and Kererū that were spotted feeding in the pūriri trees and to closely observe the many ducks on the lake! It was wonderful to see our students apply their rich knowledge of native birds during the education sessions and their passion for bird conservation. A BIG thank you to all the parent helpers that joined us – we couldn't do it without you!



Forensic Science

This term some children from throughout Years 6, 7 & 8 participated in forensic science. It was a fun and enjoyable experience for them to learn about this topic. Together they figured out DNA and footprints. On the last day they had a professional detective and forensic scientist come into the school to teach them how to do further science.

(Lars Wivell, Yr 8)



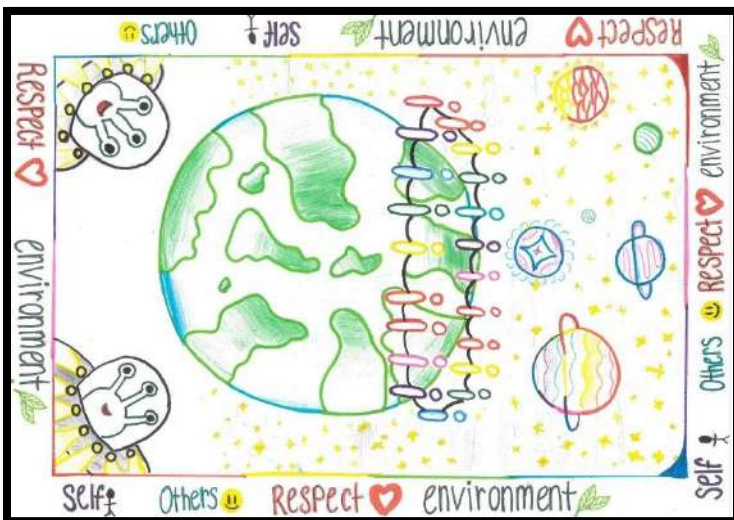
Respect Posters

During Term 3, all students were invited to participate in creating a poster which is displayed in the library to reinforce respect for ourselves, each other, and our environment, which has been the PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning) programme focus for the term.

The winning poster was created by Jia Doshi and Issy Lamb.

The runner up poster was created by Mikaela Lowe and Milena Hutchinson.

Congratulations to all 4 students who are in S9.



Netball

Last weekend the St Thomas Year 7 mixed netball team entered the end of season intermediate school tournament held at Auckland netball courts in St Johns.

The team had a great day in the sun and wind winning all 5 of their games against Stonefields, 2 Baradene teams, Glendowie and Auckland Normal Intermediate, ending top of the grade.

The team showed great sportsmanship and had a lot of fun.



Quiz Night

With only 8 days to go until the annual STS Quiz Night, it's time to buy your tickets. It's always a super fun night! Organize a babysitter, get your friends (they don't need to have kids at STS), buy your tickets, and get your circus outfits ready!

When: Saturday 16 September 2023

Where: St Thomas's School Hall

Theme: Circus

Time: 06:30 till late.

Cost: \$50 per person

Free food, cash bar, and EFTPOS available.

Email: stthomasschoolpta@gmail.com to book tickets.





General Information: We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. We provide quality childcare in safe and fun surroundings for children out of school. Our holiday programme is focused around sports, games, and outings to local attractions. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

Who can attend: Children aged 5-13 yrs

What do you need to bring: Shoes and appropriate clothing, jacket or sweatshirt, hat, drink bottle and food.

Food: Please bring plenty of packed food and drink for morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea. Lunch will be from approximately 12:30pm to 1:00pm each day.

Programme activities: Programme activities are adapted to suit children of all ages and children may be grouped by age depending on numbers. Programme activities may vary without notice dependent on weather conditions and programme numbers.

Payment details: Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking is received. All payment details will be included on the invoice.

Work and Income OSCAR Subsidy: Parents / caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a WINZ subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit www.workandincome.govt.nz.

Please note: Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Club accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst at a programme. If your child/ren are collected late after the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$20 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

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OCTOBER 2023 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

ST THOMAS'S SCHOOL

WEEK 1

Mon 25 September



DARING DETECTIVES

We're going undercover for a day of detective work. We'll need our spy gadgets and undercover team to solve the intriguing mysteries.

Tues 26 September



NERF WARS!

Today we battle it out in an all out Nerf War with team challenges and replenish your energy after a team bake off!

Who will come out on top?

Wed 27 September



YEAR OF WORLD CUPS

This year our top Rugby, Netball, Football and Cricket players are all competing for World Cups. Today you can join the competition as we combine all four into our own Mega Cup!

Thurs 28 September



EVENT DAY

Join us for an awesome trip day to the Pirate Popsicle and the bubble dragon show. Please remember a big lunch, drink bottle, shoes and a hat.

\$24 extra for the day.

Fri 29 September



MMM-MONSTERS

The monsters are casting a shadow over our Kelly Club land! Let's give them a big hug and show them all the fun that can be had!

WEEK 2

Mon 2 October



GINORMOUS GALAXIES

It's World Space Week so prepare for blast off! All our systems are go as we embark on an astronomical adventure here at Kelly Club.

Tues 3 October



BOOK DAY

Step between the pages of your favourite book and become part of the story. Where will we end up today? Come along dressed as your favourite book character and find out!

Wed 4 October



GRAVITY

Join us for an awesome trip day to Gravity. Please remember a big lunch, drink bottle, shoes and a hat.

\$24 extra for the day.

Thurs 5 October



TERRIFIC TRANSPORT

Moving from one spot to another can be fun, especially when your on your bike or scooter! Safety first so remember no helmet = no ride.

Fri 6 October



SMILES ALL AROUND

Putting a smile on your dial today and everyday! Let's make each other smile through acts of kindness, sharing jokes and making smiley treats!

FULL WEEK: \$280
7am-6pm

FULL DAY: \$55
7am-6pm

SCHOOL DAY: \$45
8:30am-3pm

EVENT DAY: Extra \$24
(Included in Full Week)



BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz



St Thomas Quiz Night Fundraiser – One week to go

A NIGHT AT THE CIRCUS

Saturday 16th September, 6.30pm to late (In the School Hall)

Book your tickets NOW and help us raise money for our school basketball court.

The St Thomas's PTA Quiz Night is a fun night out with entertainment, nibbles, a cash bar & eftpos available, so get that babysitter sorted and come and have some fun for just \$50per person.

We can organise a table for you.
stthomasschoolpta@gmail.com



Email your booking with us **NOW** at

What to Expect On The Night....

Be greeted on entry by our fabulous PTA and friends of the PTA. Grab your drink, have some nibbles, have a chat and find your seat. Get ready for the **EXTRAVAGANZA!!**

You can enjoy

- A Buffet Table
- Spot Prizes
- Mean Beats
- Dancing
- A child free evening



Silent Auctions:

Bid on goodies from the comfort of your seat. This can be done online, whether you are at the event or not. Click on the following link and check it out....

[A night at the circus Auction | Free Online Silent Auction Fundraisers | 32auctions](#)

Scan the QR code to bid on the silent auctions...



Scan this QR code with your phone to view the auction.

Live Auctions:

- Principal for a day - Priceless
- 2 nights Waiheke Accommodation - (book between 30th Oct - 22nd Dec 2023 or Late Jan to end Feb 2024)
- Straight A's Tutoring - Valued at \$620
- Ride to school in police car - Priceless
- One year supply of Luxury Sorbent toilet paper delivered to your home - Valued at \$1000

Don't delay and BOOK NOW! We look forward to seeing you there!



Why not consider joining the PTA in 2023? It's fun, rewarding and most of all, benefits the school and our Tamariki. Contact us on the email below or come along to our next monthly meeting to find out what we do. Next meeting **7pm Wednesday 11th October, in the school staffroom.**

We encourage you to contact us with your thoughts & suggestions any time at stthomasschoolpta@gmail.com and don't forget to Like us on Facebook!



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