

B Pod, Year 3-4

15 February 2016

**He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tangata! He tangata! He tangata!
What is the most important thing in the world? It is people! It is people! It is people!**

**Kia ora, Malo lelei, Talofa lava, Kia orana
Fakalofa lahi atu & Greetings**

Welcome back to school!!

A very warm welcome to the new children and whanau who have arrived at our school. We hope you have become familiar with our school and have made lots of new friends. Please feel free to visit your child's classroom to see some of the great learning taking place. All of our classes are a mix of Year 3 and Year 4.

Our team for this year



Ruth Sherrard
Shared Room B1 and B2



Shyamala Papa
Shared Room B1 and B2



Anna Joseph
Room B3

Our School Values

Expression of Faith

"There where you are you will find God"
St Mary Mackillop

Show no distinctions

"Let us really love one another"
St Mary Mackillop

Excellence

*"I do want with all my heart to be what
God wants me to be"*
St Mary Mackillop

Service

*"Never see a need without doing some-
thing about it"*
St Mary Mackillop

Home learning expectations

Homework is given four nights a week from Monday to Thursday. This might include spelling lists, basic facts practice, reading books, working on google drive and Studyladder/Sumdog practice. Thank you for supporting your children by listening to them read and also reading to them. Your child can record the book read each night in the reading journal and there is also a space if you would like to make a comment or note something down. All children still need a book bag in Year 3 and 4 so they are able to take school readers home.

Our learning so far...



B Pod Topics - Term 1

Below is a list of Topics we will be covering this term, so that you may wish to discuss with your child some of the things they may be learning about. You may wish to take them to the library or search on the internet for more information, to support what they are learning in the classroom.

Religious Education:

Introduction to Prayer
Mary MacKillop Charism
Lent and Caritas
God is present in the world
Holy Week
Easter

Topic:

Whakatauki: Myself and Others
How to work in a learning community

Service to the community: Love your Coast

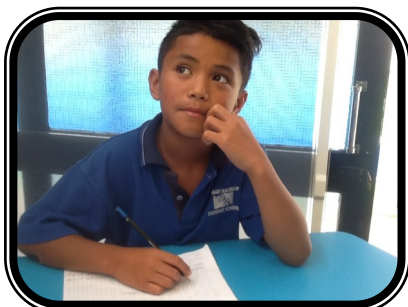
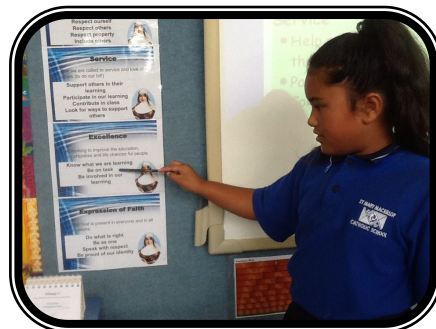
PE and Health

Daily Fitness
Cool Schools

The Arts

Visual Arts
Sketching/Crayon & Dye:
Harakeke/ flax

Drama
Stations of the Cross



Getting Ready For School

The students have come up with these **GREAT IDEAS** about how they can get ready for **LEARNING** in the morning:

- Be on time for school.
- Have a healthy breakfast before I arrive at school.
- Bring a healthy play lunch and lunch to keep me happy and awake doing my school work.
- Bring some water to drink.
- Bring my book-bag to school everyday.
- Bring my sunhat to school.



We are sure you think they have offered some great ideas to support their learning. We look forward to you helping the students be the best learners they can possibly be.



More of our great learning ...

