

Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

We look forward to working alongside you all in our learning and faith next year. Outlined in this notice is information for the start of the 2021 school year.

Our start date for all students is Tuesday 9th February 2021

Class Organisation for 2021 is as follows:

Room 1 Year 0-2	Room 2 Year 3&4	Room 3 Year 5&6	Room 4 Year 7&8
Mrs Lenka Simpson & Mrs Mel Cooper	Mr Nic Maley	Miss Eve McSoriley	Miss Tessa Henderson

Camps – All classes will have the opportunity to experience camps throughout the year:

- Room 1 (Year 0-2) Omaui Camp **8-9th April 2021**
- Room 2 (Year 3-4) Camp Columba **15-16th March 2021**
- Room 3 (Year 5-6) Tautuku Camp **17-19th May 2021**
- Room 4 (Year 7-8) Deep Cove **3rd- 7th May 2021**

School Website – As many dates as possible have been included on our school website calendar. This will be updated regularly. You can access this via this link - www.stthomaswinton.school.nz

Stationery – Stationery packs for 2021 are available at Paper Plus Winton from mid January. Our stationery lists can be found under Parent Information on our school website. ***All students will need their stationery by the start of the school year.***

Sports Polo Tops

The PTA has reviewed the Sports Polo top hiring system. Over the years our children have begun to wear their sports polo tops more frequently and for a number of different reasons. We have decided that it is in our children's best interest to disestablish the hiring system from the PTA. We will be taking the following future actions:

- All children can keep their existing sports polo top for a fee of \$10
- Children needing to replace or buy a new sports polo top can purchase these from Selector Uniforms at a cost of \$45 in the future. This will become part of our school uniform.
- Sports polo tops will continue to be worn every Friday and for all sporting events

Term One Key Events

Thursday 11th February 5.30-7.30pm - Welcome Back Picnic - Parent Information Evening

We invite all of our families to join us for a shared picnic dinner followed by parent information sessions in each classroom. This is a lovely time for our existing and new families to get together and learn about what happens for your child in each classroom.

Friday 12th February - Forrest Hill House Event - Whole School

This whole school event brings us all together and gives our seniors who may be thinking about taking on leadership roles, an opportunity to show their potential. We welcome parent helpers on this fun day out.

Friday 16th April - Scheduled Teacher Only Day

Please note this is the last day of term one.

We hope you all have a relaxing and enjoyable break with your families. We look forward to catching up with you all in the new year.

God Bless you all,
St Thomas Aquinas Teaching Team