



### *Tena koutou te whanau*

#### **From the Acting Principal**

1 Thessalonians 5v18

*“No matter what happens always be thankful, for this is God’s will for you who belong to Jesus Christ.”*

There are many incidences in the Bible of heroes who were able to stay thankful while going through tough times. Even in trials we can still be thankful for what is always true – God’s steadfast love for us. In assembly we are focusing on being thankful in the little things so that we develop a thankful heart.

Using a simple skit, students saw a person who seldom says thank you as if a “thank you” is an expensive and rare gift that needs to be given sparingly. Another character viewed them as less expensive but still needed them to be budgeted carefully as he might run out. Another character did not view them as expensive and was able to give them at meaningful

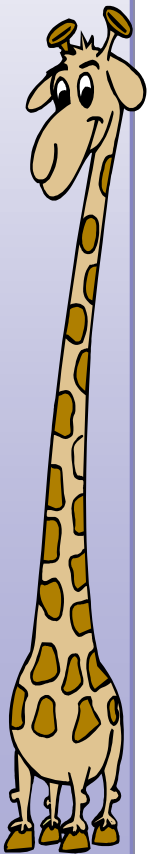
times but eventually did run out as well. We will not be suggesting students budget their “thank you’s” in this way.

Students will be encouraged to develop a thankful attitude for what they have and what they can give to others. Every time they say “thank you” they are investing, not spending. They are multiplying, not subtracting. We want students to use their daily opportunities to express their thanks to others. When we nurture a thankful heart for the little things we will be able to say thank you appropriately many times without running out. When students are able to be thankful within their regular day they will be more ready to be thankful for the big things that come less often in a lifetime.

Tomorrow we will hear the story of the ten lepers and the one who did remember to come back and say thank you.

#### **Life Education visit in Week 3**

We are fortunate to have the Life Education Trust visit Emmanuel Christian School from the 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> May (week3). The teaching programmes in the Life Education caravan are planned to support the science focus with an emphasis on health and respecting our bodies. Rooms 1 and 2 students will learn about the links between food and energy for our bodies, Room 3 and 4 and 5 will look at body systems e.g heart and lungs, Room 7 will look at the effect of substances (helpful and harmful) on our body and Room 6 will focus on keep on how to keep balance to maintain a healthy body system. If you would like further details regarding the programmes please call the office to let us know.



**40 Hour Famine 27-29 May 2011:** Sponsorship books available at the office. Please send a note with your child giving him/her permission to participate as we prefer children who participate to do this with the support of their family.

**Christian Schools Cross country** to be held on Friday 20th May 11:00 a.m. at Hillview Christian School, senior grounds. Parents and friends are welcome to come along and support our team. If your child is in the team remember to check the letter that came home too for more details.



## Calendar Term 2

### Thursday 19th May

7:00 p.m. BoT meeting in staff

### Friday 20th May 11:00 a.m.

Christian Schools Cross Country at Hillview Christian School, senior grounds

### Friday 3rd June Room 3 assembly

### Monday 6th June

Queens Birthday Holiday

### Friday 10th June Room 5 assembly

Fantastic Friday

### Friday 17th June Room 1 assembly

### Friday 24th June Room 2 assembly

### Friday 1st July Room 4 assembly

### Friday 8th July Room 7 assembly



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#### Cornerstone Aidanfield opening beginning of Term Two 2011. Expressions of interest invited.

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Ages 2½-5 years

M-F: 8.30am-3pm

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***We are in need of more supermarket type plastics bags at school. If you have any to spare please bring them to the office. Thank you.***

***Winter Sports:*** This is fast approaching with the first game of the season on May 27th. We have coaches for all teams ***but we still need team managers.*** If you can help then please see Mr Walmisley.



Walk as  
Children  
of Light

A child in room one has lost a brand **new named ECS Jersey and another has lost a polar fleece.** Please check the labels in clothing at your house in case this item has inadvertently been taken home by your child.

***Please ensure all items of clothing have you child's name written inside them. It is easy to mislay items of clothing at school and very difficult to find items that are yours if they have no name on them.***

***Uniform for sale:*** Jersey (in excellent used condition, freshly dry cleaned)

2 Girls dresses sz 14 (old style, in new condition)

2 long sleeved navy polo shirts sz 12-14 (one in good used condition, one near new)

1 Girls winter skirt sz 14 (old style in good used condition)

For enquiries ph: 352 1536 Angela

***Uniform items for sale:*** 3 size 8 white long sleeve polo shirts in excellent condition \$20 contact Nanda 352 8593

