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***Mission: Excellence in Education
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Welcome to Term 3 Week 1

Welcome Back:

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome back all families to Term 3. We hope you have all had a great break and are ready for another busy term.

Overview of Programmes:

This term sees all students involved in our biannual production "Come Fly With Me". Auditions will begin soon and classes will be writing scripts and practising dances and dramas that link to those scripts. Over the term parents will be asked to assist us with make-up, props, costumes etc. Please keep your eye on forthcoming newsletters.

There will be the biannual Science Fair for the senior students as well. Much of this work will be carried out at home as homework. The children directly involved will have separate newsletters regarding more specific information.

Speeches and scripture reading will also make up a large part of the term with St Patrick's Cultural Festival and Kaimai and Rotary Speech competitions to look forward to.

Our strands in RE are Sacrament and Communion of Saints. We have the Catholic Review Office here this term looking at all the wonderful things we do in RE.

There are many other things planned for the children and class teachers will once again be sending home an overview for the students and parents in their classes. Please make sure you receive your schedule.

Dictionaries:

Special thanks to Rotary for their donation of dictionaries to Room 4 last term. This is very exciting for Room 4.

**God Bless
Kristine**

Mass Time

Te Aroha regular Sunday Mass will be Saturday night at 7pm. Morrinsville Sunday 10am and Sunday 5pm Paeroa.

Parish newsletter is now on our St Joseph's School website www.stjosephs-tearoa.school.nz

Congratulations: Term 2 Week 11

Aaron – Great role model
Luke – Excellent tangram work
Devyn – Great science work
Roan – Answering questions thoughtfully
Brooklyn – Working hard in all areas
Holly – Excellent science work
Tanika – Excellent attitude in maths
Ryder – Welcome to Room 1
Cordel – Good role model
Vanessa - Positive attitude in sport
Libby – Excellent project
Breahna – Excellent project
Danuson – Motivated learner
Evelini – Trying hard in all areas
Maumi – A helpful member of Room 2
Steven – Improvement in writing
Maddison G – Superb reading
Sione – Positive attitude
Tirza – Fantastic work in maths



House Winners:

Congratulations to McAuley who have gathered the most points this term. Well done to you all.

Sacramental Programme

We will soon be gathering candidates for 1st Communion and Confirmation next year. Confirmation and 1st Communion Candidates must be baptised and 8 years old on the day. The parish will be offering a special Baptism programme for all those interested in the Sacraments.

WINTER WARMERS

Pumpkin Soup

1tsp oil 2 finely diced onions 2 celery, diced 1tsp of garlic 1tsp of ginger	1 small pumpkin, chopped 2 medium potatoes, chopped 2C milk 2C water
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In a large pot, cook onions and celery with oil until soft. Add garlic and ginger, cook for 2-3 minutes. Add pumpkin, potatoes, milk and water. Boil until veges are soft. Season. Using a blender, remove any lumps before returning to a low heat. Serve with wholegrain toast or buns.

Feeds a family of FIVE!

Developed by Sport Waikato 2015

Baboon's Nest

Baboon found a nest in a tree. He ate a banana in the nest. That nest was Eagle's nest. Eagle came back to his nest. They were fighting. Baboon went.....**Slap! Slap! Slap!** So Eagle went **Snap! Snap! Snap!** And then they said, "Not fair, I'm bare!" They didn't fight anymore and then they shared the nest.

Nathan Room 1



Mufti Day:

Last term the school came dressed in mufti and raised \$85.20 to go towards the schools in the Solomon Islands. We thank all families for their contribution. We thank the Youth Group for their assistance in collecting and counting the funds.

Cross Country:

The first three weeks of the term the children will be training in readiness for our school cross country event which is planned for Friday the 7th August at Boyd Park. This event normally begins at about 1pm. More information will follow as we get closer to the time.

As a part of this training Mr Muir will be gathering some fitness data from Rooms 3, 4 and 5 over the next few weeks. We take this opportunity to thank Mr Muir for his ongoing support of our staff and students.



Vinnies Youth Group:

We have received a lovely thank you letter from the people at the Citizens Advice Bureau thanking our Youth Group for their significant donation of food to the food bank. This is a great effort on everyone's part and we also thank our Youth Group for their organisational and leadership skills.



Crunch! Crunch!

My boots get crunched by the glimmering frost.

It nips my nose and frosts my toes.

It sparkles its way to shine the roof.

Cold footsteps disappearing away.

By Majella

Munch munch the grass is so wet

The frost lies there glittering and shimmering like snow

Its actually like a show

People sliding and gliding

When the sun comes up the frost fades into the grass and plants and trees.

Time to warm up.

By Tirza

As I slide across the sparkly ice

I think a lot of the ice looks like fur and it looks powdery

As my icy leaf is shining in the sun making it glitter

Crushing all the precious sparkling pieces of ice

Whistle, whistle, whistle

My leaf is floating down on the breeze

By Charlytte

Plop plop

My boots get covered with frost as I walk.

It leaves green footsteps as I go,

With powder floating around me.

The frozen world glimmering in the sun.

Hot steam rises and disappears with the ice.

Ice covers me like soft white fur.

By Lache

Te Aroha Community Food Bank

Operated by the community for the community

SUPPORTED BY: Te Aroha Springs Community Trust Inc.; Te Aroha Family Budgeting Services Inc.; Citizens Advice Bureau Te Aroha; Te Aroha Ministers Association and the community of Te Aroha & Districts

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Re: Your donation

Thank you to the Youth Group for the wonderful donation of groceries to the food bank, you have all done an awesome job and you should be very proud of yourselves.

Sometimes people don't have enough food in their cupboards to make a nice meal for their families and it makes them very sad but your efforts will go a long way to helping them.

Well done, you have made a lot of people very happy

Thank you all

S. Dobson
Food Bank Administration



Vinnies Youth Group:

The last Tuesday of Term 2 saw the Youth Group gather together and enjoy hot chips and games as a thank you for the ongoing commitment to the Vinnies work. This is a great group of enthusiastic children and they are making a considerable difference to others lives.