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*Mission: Excellence in Education  
for all within a Catholic  
Environment.*

### Welcome to Term 3 Week 2

*I notice attendance dues have been sent out. If you are finding these dues a bother, please contact me as I will be able to give you considerable help. All matters are strictly confidential.*

*I can help with all sorts of problems and worries no matter how big or small.*

#### School Mass:

Thank you to all those families who attended our first Mass for the term last Tuesday. Thank you to the students who had a part to play in the Mass. The parishioners always enjoy watching our students as they are welcomed to Mass, lead prayers of the faithful and sing so beautifully. Thank you to Whaea Em for her planning and preparation.

#### Welcome to our new students:

We have had several new students arrive at school this term. We would like to welcome all new students and families to our school. We know your time with us will be exciting, happy and full of wonderful learning.

#### Scripture Reading Competition:

Rooms 3, 4 and 5 are currently preparing for our annual scripture reading competition. The children have been given scriptures to practise in preparation for our in class mini competitions. The winners in our class competitions will represent the classes in our school competition at the end of Week 4. The overall senior winner will represent our school at the upcoming Hui Katorika Catholic Schools Festival in Te Awamutu.

This term the value we are focusing on is **Faith**. The teachers have all talked with their classes about Faith.

#### Faith

- ✚ What does it look Like?
- ✚ What does it sound like?
- ✚ What does it feel like- welcoming, calm, reflective, wanted, needed and safe.

#### God Bless

#### Kristine

*"Heavenly Father, we praise you for your goodness. You give us all that we need and more. We thank you in Jesus's name." Amen.*

#### 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](http://www.stjosephs-tearoa.school.nz)

## Congratulations: Term 1 Week 1



### Cross Country:

All students in Room 3, 4 and 5 are fully committed to their cross country training regimes as they work on improving their fitness prior to our cross country event on the 7th August. A separate letter has been sent home today seeking permission for the Year 3 to 8 students to run in our school cross country at Boyd Park. Our inter-school team will be selected from this event.

### Servers for Mass this Weekend:

**Trinity, Rebecca and Olivia**

See you on Saturday.

**Pieter-Jan** – Excellent beginning to Term 3

**Roan** – Excellent cross country training

**Oliver** – Excellent thinking and discussion skills

**Heni** – Great 2D geometry – Maths

**Quinn** – Enthusiasm at tech and excellent writing

**Evelini** – Trying hard with writing

**Michaela** – Working hard in all areas

**Joshua** – Great attitude in our drama lessons

**Seren** – Superb attitude to learning

**Ciara** – Terrific work in drama

**Mardi** – Always being on task

**Harry** – Great work in maths

**Carsen** – Excellent writing this week

**Caia** – Welcome to Room 1

**Tanika** – Awesome reading

**Anthony** – Super Star Award

### Bowls Tournament:

Ten year 7 and 8 students have been training all year in preparation for the Inter-Schools bowls tournament which takes place in Week 9 this term. Training will continue on Thursday afternoons for the next 8 weeks under the guidance of Mr Hawke and Mr Lowe.

### Free Ear Clinic Service

Free Ear Clinic Service for children.  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July St Joseph's School  
Car park 9.15am to noon.

**PARTY IDEAS**

**FUN GAMES**

Try relays like an obstacle course, jumping sacks, wheelbarrow races or an egg & spoon race.

Active kids will also love a sports themed party where they can dress as their favourite sports star!

A photograph of two children, a boy and a girl, playing a game outdoors. The boy is wearing a white shirt and the girl is wearing a pink shirt. They are both focused on the game.

A logo for 'Energize' featuring a cartoon character with a green cap and a red shirt, holding a red baton. The word 'Energize' is written in a stylized font.

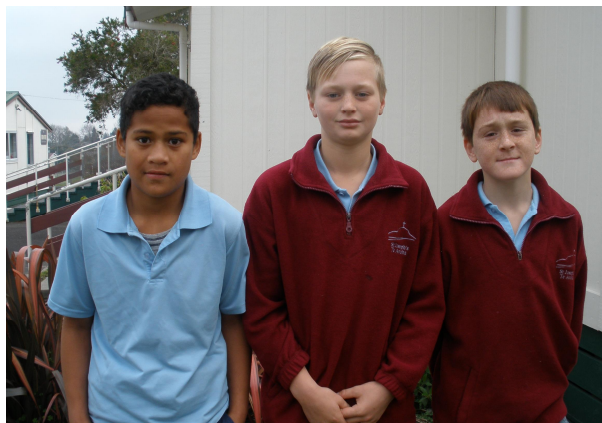
Developed by Sport Waikato 2015

## Youth Choir

Soon we will be gathering a group to meet out of school time as a youth choir. This will be the beginnings of a Youth Mass in our parish, involving youth from our school through to college. Watch the newsletter if you or your children/teenagers would like to be involved.

## Sporting Congratulations:

Although many of us have had relaxing holidays some students have continued with their sports. Congratulations goes to Devyn Sheehan and Roan Gilheany-Black on their rep rugby achievements. We wish them every success as they prepare for their upcoming rugby games. Congratulations to Heni on his selection into the Thames Valley Roller Mills Squad. This is a wonderful achievement and we wish Heni every success. We also congratulate Jacob Croft who has been graded a black belt in his chosen sport Tae Kwon Do. This is an excellent achievement. Jacob can be seen here breaking a board in a turning kick.



## Basketball:

We have two teams of Year 5& 6 students entered in the Year 6 competition which begins tomorrow evening at the college gym. Thank you to all those parents who have offered to assist in any way. We look forward to seeing you all at the gym tomorrow night to support our St Joseph's Cavaliers and St Joseph's Thunders. Thank you to the Gleeson Family who make this competition happen.

## Junior Obstacle Course:

Our junior school works on modified games and small ball skills this term. Towards the end of the term the children begin to work on fitness levels as they too prepare for the junior obstacle event scheduled to be held early in Term 4.

## Rotary Speech Finals Date Change:

Please note on your calendars that I have managed to change the Rotary Speech Finals date to the 10th September as the 17th September clashed with our production night. We thank our neighbouring schools for being so flexible.

***Free fruit for all. Sundays from 2<sup>nd</sup> August Community Garden, Rewi Street. From 1pm if you have fruit to share, bring it along. From 2pm if you want fruit, come and HELP YOURSELF. For more information Phone John 8848840 or Geoff 8844347.***



## Science Fair:

All students in Room 5 have been given the guidelines for the Inter-School Science Fair which will be held in the Parish Hall later on in the term. The students in Room 5 will be continuing on with lessons in fair testing to support the student's science knowledge. Science Fair makes up a large proportion of the Year 7 and 8 student's homework. Please support your child with their projects.

## Totara Springs:

Our six students who have been selected for the Totara Springs team have begun joining with the Te Aroha Primary students and are busily training across a variety of sports as they prepare for their upcoming Winter Olympic Camp. This is a wonderful opportunity for these students. We look forward to watching them compete in Matamata in Week 6 this term.

## Baptism Programme

We are currently gathering a group of children who are interested in being baptised. This is separate from our 1st Communion and Confirmation programme. If your family is seeking Baptism, please contact Whaea Em at school or Father JeLo in the parish office to include your name. In order to be a candidate in next years 1st Communion and Confirmation programme, candidates must be baptised.

## Piako/Matamata School Gymsport Festival

**When:** Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015

**Venue:** Morrinsville Event Centre

**Hosted by:** Piako Gymnastics Club

**Years:** 2-6 **Entries due:** Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2015

**Cost:** \$5 per student first GymSport, \$3 per student per Group performance & 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> GymSport

For further information contact: **Kerrie Mott (KiwiSport GymSports Officer)**

## Calf Club 2015

District Calf Club meeting.

Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August at 7pm, Ironique Cafe, Te Aroha.

Please send along your Calf Club delegates.

This meeting is to plan the programme of the 2015 season.

Any question, please phone Tania, 021503553.

A big thankyou to RD1 who give us high vis vests for the students .

