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### Welcome to Term 2 - Week 7

#### Kia ora

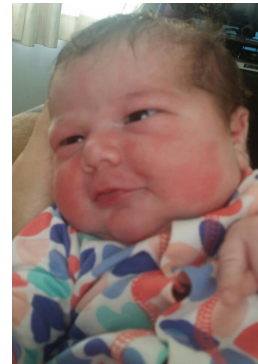
At the moment the Diocese are sending letters out regarding school fees. Please, if they are causing difficulties or you are unsure of any information, please ring me I can do a lot to help.

The letters are sent directly to you. I do not get notified. Any conversations with you about school fees will be in the strictest confidence.

Last week, staff had a shared morning tea to celebrate the amazing work of Lynmarie and Phyllis for support staff day. Thanks Ladies!

We would like to re- welcome Natasha Bancroft back for her second 3 week placement. Natasha is completing her post graduate diploma in Primary Education. She is working with Nicole Koolhoven in Room 1 for Term 2 and 3; one day a week, and has a 3 week full time placement starting this week.

The Cull family welcomed their new addition, a baby girl, named Terina Mary Violet last Wednesday morning. Terina weighed 10lb 3 and both Mum and baby are doing well.



We have been advised by the ministry that if your child has the following conditions these are the time frames for children returning to school. We are trying to minimise student illness during the winter months.

Strep Throat - 24 hours after antibiotics

Vomiting/diarrhoea – 24 hours after last episode

More information can be found at [www.education.govt.nz](http://www.education.govt.nz)

God Bless

Kristine Osburn



The PTA will be hosting a School Disco on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July. A flier will be sent out shortly.

Junior –Year 1 to 4. 5:30 to 6:30

Seniors Years 5-8. 7:00 to 8.30pm

More information to follow.

## Otago Mathematics:

Each year our mathematical Year 7 & 8's join the Otago University's mathematics problem challenge. The mathematics department of the university design 25 questions spread over 5 sets. The questions involve thinking outside the square. To get all 5 correct on a set is very difficult.

Pieter-Jan and Harris congratulations on getting all 5 correct.

**Question:** *Jenny, Katie and Lelei each had some sweets. Katie had 8 and Lelei had 14.*

*Jenny gave one-half of her sweets to Katie. Then Katie gave one half of her total number of sweets to Jenny. If Jenny ended up with the same number of sweets as she had at the start how many was that?*

**Answer next week.**



Congratulations to our math problem challenge teams:

Challenge teams:

Year 5 and 6

Joint 1<sup>st</sup> Caleb, Emily and Harris

Year 7 and 8

1<sup>st</sup> Declan, Breahna and Brooke

2<sup>nd</sup> Pieter-Jan, Rylee and Libby

3<sup>rd</sup> Zxy, Samantha O and Monique

## Room 1 and 2 Trip:

Room 1 and 2 are off the Firth Museum on Thursday 30th June as part of their Material World learning.

Permission slips have been sent home and are due back on **Friday 17th June**. If you need a new slip please contact either Mrs Koolhoven or Mrs Lotter.

**Photos this Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June.**

**All money to be handed in to the office.**

**Children are to be in full, clean school uniform.**

**We are still updating student's records regarding immunisations. This is not too late; if you haven't sent them in please have a look around home**

Two weeks ago we sent out a request for families to support us for our working bee/classroom move on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July.

If you are able to help please let the office know. An email or phone call is fine.

**Free Ear clinic Service for Children  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June  
Future Te Aroha Community Centre  
13 Boundary St  
9.30am to 2pm  
(Closed lunch 12-1pm)**

## Congratulations: Term 2 Week 6



Beth – Independent worker of the week in room 4  
Charlytte – Fabulous role model in our class always ready for learning  
Leo – Trying very hard to improve his handwriting and trying to complete all writing tasks  
Grayson – Excellent matariki fish artwork  
Alikia – Being an amazing friend and role model  
Caia – Showing excellent progress in maths  
Alikia – Awesome writing  
Tanika – Super effort and focus on learning  
Cooper – Great attitude to learning  
Paula – Being a great helper  
Annabelle – Positive attitude at all times  
Lache' – Excellent attitude towards novel study  
Carsen – Efforts in reading  
Brooke – Efforts in reading and writing  
Samuel – Efforts in reading and writing  
Tevita – Being caring and thoughtful towards others  
Matthew – Being caring and thoughtful towards others  
Miliah – Bus Award

### Basketball:

Last week the Saints team had a comfortable win against Elstow Rebels 22 -15. The Legends had a bye. Good luck and well done to the Legends for making it into the finals on Tuesday night. Let's bring home the cup this time!!!

**Saints play at 5.30pm and Legends play at 7.15pm.**  
**St Joseph's School on duty**



### Glee Club:

Miss D'Cruz has started a school wide Glee Club. This week they rocked along to "One Call Away" by Charlie Puth.

### Wolf

***I am Hannah the Wolf. I am friendly and nice. My fur is black and grey like the night. I am always happy! I howl all night and I chase birds all day. I love to play with my wolf friends for fun. I wish I could be a person! Alikia Year 2***

### First Communion and Confirmation Mass:

Our sacramental programme **candidates will receive the Sacraments next month, on Sunday 10th July at 9am.** Mass will be celebrated with Bishop Steve in our church here in Te Aroha.

The Sacramental Programme has resumed this term with meetings each Tuesday afternoon at 3.30pm in the parish lounge. Please keep our candidates for Confirmation and First Communion in your prayers.

### Mass Times:

Mass times for 18/19th June  
6pm Saturday - Paeroa  
9am Sunday – Morrinsville  
11am Sunday – Te Aroha

### Alter Servers 19th June

Aria, Shane & Annabelle



# MATARIKI CELEBRATIONS



Room 1 and 2 have enjoyed learning about Matariki last week. They did a special performance on Friday morning assembly, singing Tirama Tirama Nga Whetu to the school. They also learnt about the myth '7 fish of Matariki' and designed star/fish artwork



Room three put their lines together to create some collaborative matariki art featuring the seven stars.



To remember Matariki Room 5 looked at the history and myths surrounding the celebration. Flax weaving is a common practice during this time in Maori tikanga.



Room 4 used a mix of felt tips and pastels and newspaper to create some fabulous art to show the cluster of stars of Matariki.