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Welcome to Term 1 Week 5

Kia ora

Family-School Link Meetings:

Next Thursday are our Family-School Link meetings. Many families have already made appointments. If you would like an appointment, please contact the office at 8849480 or office@stjosephs-tearoha.school.nz.

Interschool Swimming:

This Thursday is the Te Aroha Interschool Swimming Competition at the College Pool. We have a team of students competing and they have all had letters sent home with permissions and details attached. Please return as soon as possible. We wish them all the best!

Family Information Evening – Learner Agency/Meet the Teachers:

This Thursday 2nd March, we will be hosting a family information evening here at school. Staff will be sharing information in regards to our whole school learning focus on 'Learner Agency'. At this meeting, we will explain what Learner Agency is about and how this impacts your child's learning at St Joseph's and beyond. This is also a great opportunity for families to meet all our teachers. There will be care available for children, and they are welcome to bring a book or small toy or game. Tea and coffee and light supper will be provided. The meeting will be in Room 1 at 6.30pm and will go for about half an hour.

God Bless

Kristine Osburn

Stepping Stones:

Wednesday 8th March 1:40 to 2:40 a special introduction of the school programme for 4 1/2 to 5 year olds. All are welcome.

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Congratulations: Term 1 Week 4

- Charlytte – Excellent help in the classroom
- Seren – Good ideas in story writing
- Rose – Learning her numbers to 10
- Seth – Amazing work learning early words and his alphabet sounds
- Jaxin – Amazing focus during his learning time
- Mikaere – Thank you for caring about our school
- Cordel – Thank you for caring about our school
- Nathan – Thank you for caring about our school
- Lily – Thank you for caring about our school
- Benji – Thank you for caring about our school
- Caia – Thank you for caring about our school
- Penny – Thank you for caring about our school
- Elizapeta – Thank you for caring about our school
- Bella – Thank you for caring about our school
- Ryder – Thank you for caring about our school
- Elizapeta – Being an awesome role model
- Bella – Excellent attitude to learning
- Austin – Super work in maths
- Breahna – Excellent results in her STAR test
- Grace – Thank you for stepping up and showing great leadership at lunchtimes

Swimming Lessons & Development:

Today students met Wendy from Swimming NZ at the pool for specialised swimming lessons. After school today, the staff also gathered for professional development in teaching swimming at school. Thank you Wendy.



In the junior school we LOVE swimming!! We love practising all our skills.

Shrove Tuesday:

This Tuesday is Shrove Tuesday - the last day before fasting begins for Lent. To celebrate, we will be having a 'burning' liturgy, where our Lenten intentions and palms will be burnt. Following our liturgy, we will be all having a pikelet (made by Room 4) as Shrove Tuesday is often called 'Pancake Tuesday'. Liturgy begins at 12.15pm.

Friday Assembly:

Thank you Year 7/8 for your wonderful assembly last week. This week, assembly will be hosted by our Juniors, Year 1/2. All are very welcome at our assembly each week at 9am in the hall.

Te Aroha Junior Rugby Registrations 2017

Registration Date	Time	Venue
Sunday 5 March	10:30am -1:00pm	Boyd Park
Thursday 9 March	3:30pm-5:00pm	Boyd Park

All players aged from 6 years who want to play tackle rugby are welcome.

2017 fees are \$50 per player. All players who pay their fees on these days go in the draw to win their fees back. Payment can be made by cash or cheque on the day.

Parents need to attend to sign registration form. All new players need to bring a copy of their birth certificate or passport.

Any questions, email tearohajuniorrugby@gmail.com, or see our Facebook page.



Immunisation Forms:

A reminder for students in our Senior room who have outstanding immunisation forms, that these do need to be returned to the office as soon as possible, regardless of the decision made for or against immunisation.

Gray competed in 5 races in the weekend for surf lifesaving and was placed 4th, 3rd and three 1st. This got him a medal for 1st over boy in his age group.



Sacramental Programme 2017:

This years Sacramental Programme begins on Tuesday 21st March at 3.30pm. We have a group of 12 candidates this year. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers. First Communion and Confirmation Mass will be **Sunday 18th June, 9am, in Morrinsville.**

Mass Times 4th/5th March

Paeroa – Saturday 7pm

Morrinsville – Sunday 9am

Te Aroha – Sunday 11am

Altar Servers:

Shane, Tevita & Heni

Regardless of the direction, you are approaching, you must slow down to 20kph if a school bus is letting children off, in case a child dashes across the road.

Club Energise TriKids Training:

Project Energise are again running training sessions for keen, young triathletes aged between 6 and 12. These training sessions are in preparation for the Piako Triathlon on 19th March. Training sessions are on Tuesday afternoons beginning Tuesday 21st February and run for four weeks until Tuesday 14th March. Sessions run between 3.45pm-4.45pm at Morrinsville Recreation Grounds. The cost is \$5. Registrations are essential and can be made at sportwaikato.org.nz.

St Joseph's Day Celebrations:

We have been invited to Paeroa to celebrate the feast of our patron saint, St Joseph, with St Joseph's schools in Paeroa and Waihi. More information to come in the coming days.

Juices 1.00 & Moozie's 1.50

Available now at school

Ash Wednesday:

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent - a time of prayer, fasting and giving. The children will be receiving the ashes on their foreheads at a special liturgy in the church at 12.15pm. All are welcome to join us.

Juniors having fun with left over cardboard.

Lucky Book Club:

Lucky Book Club
2017 Issue 1
Orders in by this
Friday 3rd March
Issue 1 is the place
for students to
spend any \$2
vouchers they
received on Issue 8
last year. These can
only be redeemed
this issue.
If you have any
questions or
concerns please
contact Juhli
0800BOOKCLUB.



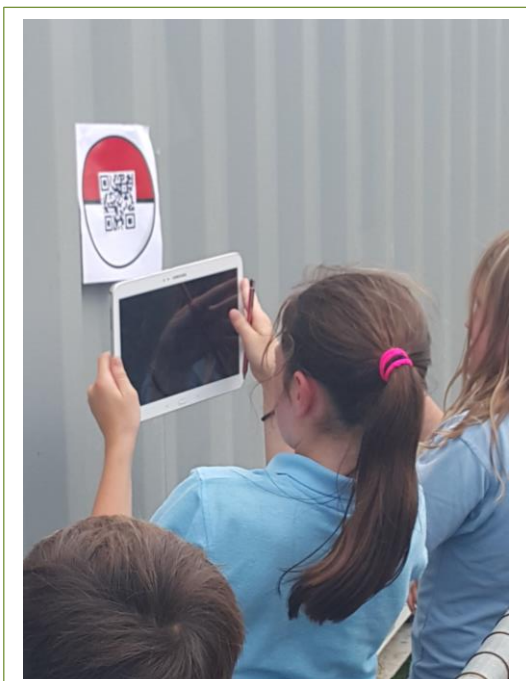
Fundraiser PTA:

Our PTA are doing a fundraiser with NZ
Bulbs 20% of the sales goes to the PTA to be
spent on new Maths equipment . All orders
must be returned to the school office by
Friday 24th March.
We only have limited number of catalogues
so have sent some home if you don't get one
and you would like one they are available
from the office.

Junior School Art Work:



On Friday, St Joseph's
was overrun with Pokemon but
have no fear: Room 4
worked hard at catching them
all! Some Friday Maths fun
catching Pokemon (we created
for writing) and adding their
poke-points together.



DREAMS
Don't
Work
Unless
YOU Do.

Free Books for our school:

At New World Morrinsville, our
school has a 'St Joseph's box'. If
anyone in our school community
buys 2 Kelloggs products, they
can put their receipt in our
school box. We receive a book
for every receipt. Also, any spare
towels would be greatly
appreciated.

