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Kia ora

Totara Springs:

We wish all our students good luck as they head off tomorrow to Totara Springs Winter Olympics. They have spent a lot of time training and preparing for this special camp so we hope it all goes well. Families and friends are most welcome to attend.

Science:

We have two staff members attending a science capabilities workshop. They will be looking at the NZ Curriculum document and what it means to be scientifically literate. They will also be learning about assessment and progressions in science.

Ordination of Father Danny Fraser-Jones:

On Saturday, Danny Fraser-Jones who grew up in our Parish, was ordained a Priest. Many blessings and heartfelt congratulations to him and his family! To celebrate, we will be having a potluck dinner with Father Danny and his family in the hall this Saturday 29th August at 5.30pm, followed by a Thanksgiving Mass said by Father Danny at 7pm. Please join us for this special occasion.

Winter Sport:

We are reaching the end of winter sport. It is therefore important to thank all those families and past pupils for the commitment they have given to St Josephs throughout the winter season. We have seen some real dedication to sport throughout the season and we feel very fortunate to be surrounded by such supportive parents and big brothers and sisters, who are happy to assist where possible to ensure our children are involved in Saturday Sport.

We have also had many parents help us with inter school events. We realise there is some winter sport still being played, however we would like to thank all of you for the ongoing support you have given to our children. (Results and photos of winter sports next week.)

God Bless

Kristine

"You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve. Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God." 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

Congratulations: Term 3 Week 5



Can you help?

We are looking for old headbands that we can use for costuming for our production. They need to be no longer wanted because they will be glued on and won't be returned. We are also looking for one long black wig - like witch costume wig. This will be returned to the owner. If your family can help with either a wig or headbands, please see Whaea Em as soon as possible.

Servers for Mass this Weekend:

Aria, Sam and Heni See you on Saturday.

Old Newspaper

Any newspaper would be greatly appreciated as we start to look at making and creating props for the upcoming school production.

PARTY IDEAS

IT ALL ADDS UP!

Lollies are packed full of sugar and no goodness. Did you know?

1 Jet Plane = 1 tsp sugar
1 Lollipop = 2 tsp sugar

Sugar adds up during a party, so look for naturally sweet goodies. Frozen blueberries and grapes taste great!

Developed by Sport Waikato 2015

Samantha O – Great responses to RE questions

Heni – Great work in geometry

Lester – Great work in geometry

Cole – Awesome contributions to RE discussions

Brianna – Excellent static image for production

Holly – Great response to RE questions

Majella – Fantastic report writing

Brea – Fantastic reading effort – well done

Samantha W – Great diligence during class

Danuson – Focused during learning time

Alikia – Wonderful independent writer

Millah – building and designing wonderful patterns

Dominik – Managing self during production

Declan – Senior scripture reading

Trinity – Junior scripture reading

Faith Cards – **Caia, Cooper & Mikaere**

Te Aroha College Visit:

Te Aroha College representatives will be speaking to the Year 8 students on **Monday 31st August** in our School library. At this stage the college visitors are booked in for **11:15 and 11:15** on the **18th of September**. This September visit will be to complete enrolments.

All parents are more than welcome to attended.

Next Free Ear Clinic Tuesday 1st September St Joseph's School car park 9.15 am to noon.

Cross Country Results:

Senior Boys – 2nd Roan

Intermediate Boys – 3rd Pieter Jan

Intermediate Girls – 1st Libby

Junior Girls – 3rd Ciara

Well done to all those that took part.

The following children have been selected for the **Thames Valley Primary Cross Country at Whitianga** on Wednesday: **Ciara, Darius, Rylee, Libby, Roan, Pieter Jan, Zxy and Samantha W.**



Disco Ball: Room 5 is looking to borrow a disco light for the production. If anyone can assist please can they let me know. Thank you Linda Keepa

Basketball:

We all had another fantastic night at basketball last Tuesday with both our teams executing some excellent moves on the court. We are playing some excellent basketball and both teams had very high scoring wins. Well done to all players. Thanks again to our coaches, managers and supporters.

A reminder to ensure all fees are paid before tomorrow night. Thank you.

Youth Group:

As part of our service to others St Joseph's Youth Group would like to use our Friday lunch times (1.00pm to 2pm) to help in our community. If you have jobs that need doing e.g sweeping leaves or carrying firewood etc please drop into the School or call Sinead Rogers 0272557591 to organise a date. (Must be in walking distance to School.)

This invitation is open to parishioners, grandparents and extended families.

Waikato Full Primary Cross Country:

We have 7 students entered into this event which will be held at Boyd park on the 2nd September. Arrival and registration is at 10:45. All supporters are most welcome. It will be a big event with approximately 54 schools eligible to compete.

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** will be commencing in or around the start of October. Our beloved Fr JeLo will be running this RCIA program which is a process intended for adults (and also for teens 16 years and older) who:

- a) Are unbaptised and wish to join the Catholic Church, or simply wish to inquire and learn more about the Catholic Faith
- b) Have already been baptised in the Catholic Church but have not received Confirmation and First Holy Communion;
- c) Have been baptised in other Christian churches and wish to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church.

Please accept this as **your personal invitation and welcome** to join in faith with the Catholic Family, both here in Te Aroha and with more than one billion Catholics worldwide. If you are (or you know someone who is) interested in becoming a part of The Church or wish for further information on the RCIA process then please contact Fr. JeLo or Maria Jenkins (Secretary) in the Parish Office on 078849477 or Steve or Georgina Warren on 0274038352 or see Whaea Em.

Science Fair:

The children in Room 5 are all well underway with their projects. It appears most children have collected their boards for displays. Please make sure your child is on track. All displays will be required to be in the parish hall by 9am Monday 31st August. Judging will take place between 11 and 1 pm. The event will be open to the public from 1:30 - 3:30 and then again from 4:45 till 5.30pm. Tuesday 1st September 9:00 – 1:30pm. All exhibitions are to be removed by 3pm.

Sports Uniforms:

Please can all cross country competitors please return their sports uniforms as soon as possible as we require them for our upcoming senior bowls tournament. Thank you for your support.

School Speech Finals.

We have completed our preliminary speeches at school. Selected to speak at our school speech finals will be:

Year 5: Annabelle, Grace

Year 6: Sam, Declan, Rylee, Chae-Min, Vanessa

Year 7: Quinn, Pieter-Jan, Zxy, Samantha

Year 8: Luca, Oliver, Roan, Tyla, Brianna

Congratulations to these students. School speech finals to be held on the 3rd September at 11:15 am in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Thank You:

Thank you to Mrs Gray for her donation of paper and odds and ends for art work. We always require containers, paper, wool, fabric and "stuff" to use for art. If anyone else has containers etc which you think would be suitable for our art stocks please leave them at the school office.

Te Aroha Combined Schools

Agricultural Day

Thursday 22nd October 2015



Calf, Kid Goat or Lamb

All animals to be born after 1st July 2015

The emphasis of the day is on fun, the child's effort and care of their animal.

If your child is interested and you would like more information please contact Megan Diprose—0275847250/ 8847250

Entry forms available from your school office from 24th August.

Anti Bullying Campaign

We sent 4 students to Te Aroha College last Tuesday to combine with the other schools to send a message out to the public that we do not tolerate bullying. This event was staged at Te Aroha College and the billboard will be erected within the town shortly. Thank you to Jillian for sorting transport.

Book Club orders in by Friday 18th September.

**Boarding St Paul's Collegiate
School
Open Day
Saturday 5th September @ 2pm**