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Welcome to Term 1 - Week 2

Kia ora

We hope all the children enjoyed their first short week back at school.

ERO:

The staff and the BOT have been busy preparing for the ERO (Education Review Office) visit in Week Three. If you are at school and see visitors please feel free to introduce yourself. We are looking forward to discussing all the wonderful things we do at St Joseph's School with the Review team.

When the Education Review Office from the Ministry of Education, are visiting our school they would like to talk with a group of parents. This time has been timetabled for 2:15pm Wednesday in the school library. All are welcome to come. If you are keen to contact the reviewer Ann Roberts' email is ann.roberts@ero.govt.nz

Welcome to Natasha Bancroft:

We would like to welcome Natasha Bancroft to our school. Natasha is a distance learner and is studying towards a post graduate diploma in teaching. She already has a Bachelor of Health Science majoring in Physiotherapy however she has decided she wants to make a career change and become a teacher. Initially she will work in Room 5 for the term beginning with a 3 week block and then enjoying one day a week with the students. We look forward to having another teacher in our school.

God Bless

Kristine Osburn

Sacramental Programme 2016:

We are currently taking enrolments for those seeking the Sacraments of Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion this year. Candidates should be baptised and at least 8 years old by June this year in order to be able to join this year's programme. The 1st Communion date is Sunday 10th July 2016. Meetings will begin in March. Enrolment forms can be collected from the school office. For more information, please see Whaea Em or Mrs Maisey.

Immunisation:

All students in Year 7 along with Year 8 girls received notification of a presentation by the public health nurse on the 22nd Feb (9:30 am) in the school library. If you did not receive this notification please see me at school. All parents are more than welcome to attend this short information session. Thank you. Linda Keepa.

Commissioning Mass:

Each year Bishop Steve celebrates a Commissioning Mass for staff, students, board members, and families of the Catholic schools and colleges in our diocese. Some of our staff will be representing our school and attending this Commissioning Mass on Tuesday night at 6pm at the Cathedral in Hamilton.

St Johns First Aid:

We have a St Johns Instructor coming to school on the 3rd and 4th March to teach the students some basic first aid and to show them the workings of an ambulance. There is no fee required however if you are able to send your child with a gold coin we can give a donation towards meeting any costs that are incurred. We thank you for your support.

St Joseph's live on Facebook:

Our school has a Facebook page. Find us and like us to keep up to date with photos, recent news and upcoming events.

Thank you:

Thank you to Grandpa Jenkins for his donation of two softballs to our sports equipment. It was a lovely surprise when Harry brought in two new softballs for our students to use.

Guinea Pigs:

Room 1 is lucky enough to have Guinea Pigs as part of their classroom. There is the opportunity for families to have a 'weekend pet experience.' Cage, bedding, food and hay will be provided. If you would like to look after the Guinea Pigs (names still to be decided) please let Mrs Koolhoven know. Does anyone have any old towels lying around that they no longer need? We would love to have them in Room 1 for our Guinea Pig bedding. If you are able to donate any they can be dropped off either at the office or Room 1. Thank you, Mrs Koolhoven

School Website:

Our website has been updated and we will do our best to keep the website this way: updated and relevant at all times. If you think we are missing something or that something can be done better please let the school office know and we will endeavour to rectify it.

School Picnic:

A reminder to all families and friends of the school that you are all invited to our school picnic on Thursday beginning at 5:30 pm and concluding around 7pm. This is a "bring your own picnic" event. It is an opportunity to meet new people and catch up with old friends. Children will be able to swim in the pool and play with some sports equipment. We look forward to seeing everyone here.



Summer Uniform:

A reminder that all children should be in the correct summer uniform and a hat is a part of that uniform. If your child doesn't have the uniform hat they are available at the school office. With the sun being so intense it will be "no hat, no outside." Please assist us in caring for our children and enforcing sunsmart behaviour.

Swimming (Inter-School Champs)

25th February has been allocated for the district swimming event. Please note this date on your calendars as we will need time keepers and managers.

Ash Wednesday

The whole school will have a liturgy this Wednesday, where the children will receive the Ashes. All are welcome to join us in the church at 9am for this very special liturgy to start the season of Lent. There will also be a Mass held in Te Aroha on Wednesday night at 6pm where the Ashes will be distributed.

Bus Monitor Training

We have had Constable Brett Otto at school last Thursday training our senior bus students. They learn about bus safety and how to ensure our students are safe on their journeys to and from school. We would appreciate it if you could also talk to your child about correct bus behaviour to ensure their safety. Such things as being seated and using a quiet voice in the bus all help to make a journey a safe one. We do keep a bus roll and it is important that your child knows what their afternoon plan is so that they are aware of how they are getting home. We would appreciate it if you could make these plans clear at the beginning of each day. Should your plans change for any reason please contact the school office. Thank you.

Mass Times

1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays –

Morrinsville 9.00am

Te Aroha 11.00am

2nd and 4th Sundays: -

Te Aroha 9.00am

Morrinsville 11.00am

Paeroa: 7pm Saturday

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

Sun 14th Feb

Aria – Shane - Trinity

Altar Servers:

Congratulations: Term 1 Week 2



Baljoban – Welcome to St Josephs
Tanika – Excellent maths work and attitude
Paula – Happy 6th birthday
Harris – Excellent work in all subjects
Lache' – Excellent work in all subjects
Grace – Great start to the year

Vinsen – Being confident in the swimming pool
Austin – Welcome to Room 1
Grayson – Welcome to Room 1
Bella – Sharing ideas during talking friend time
Asya – Fantastic start to 2016
Josh – Being a fantastic role model
Caia – Outstanding attitude to learning this week
Brea – Superb effort in swimming
Elisapeta – Great working on numbers up to 10

Zxy – Excellent art work – sketching
Milese – Excellent art work – sketching
Damon – Enthusiastic start to 2016
Kase – Thinking quickly and carefully in maths
Quinn – Responses to vocabulary during novel study

EGG-CELLENT EGGS

SCRAMBLED EGGS

A great breakfast, lunch or dinner. Add some veggies to make you GLOW.

- 2 eggs
- 2 Tbsp milk
- Salt & pepper

Beat eggs & milk in a microwave-proof dish. Cover, leaving a small hole for steam. Microwave for approx. 2 mins, stirring regularly. Serve on wholemeal toast.

