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Welcome to Term 4 - Week 3

Kia ora,

At this time of the year, money can be very tight. If you still have any Diocese attendance dues to pay, and would like help, please do not hesitate to ask. I have special forms that we use to get rebates. All discussions are kept private and confidential.

Classrooms:

I have been speaking with the Diocese and it looks like it will be all go for the moving of the classrooms over the Christmas holidays.

More information will follow as we get closer to the end of the year. The first step will be to move Room 5 and Room 3 onto the tennis courts and fully upgrade the inside e.g new sound proof ceiling, new carpet, and wiring for future computers and upgrades.

Enrolments:

At this time of the year, I am organising classes and classrooms for next year and I hear by the grapevine that lots of new families have moved to Te Aroha.

Please let them know that we are open to all and that we are an excellent option. We have small classes, strong modern learning programmes, great sport and cultural programmes, and also give families a choice of colleges and a free bus service, just to name a few of our advantages.

God Bless
Kristine Osburn



Sausage Sizzle

Thursday 27th October

\$2.00

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

Reminders:

Friday 28th October Paeroa Athletics Day

Friday 11th November Hearing & Vision checks 10:45

Group Day:

Thursday 27th October at Springdale School.

Gates open 9.30am (please do not be earlier)

Judging starts 10.30am

Important: Ringworm:

If your calf has ringworm it **MUST HAVE** a

Certified Vet Clearance that the animal has been treated and it is not infectious.

If your animal has ringworm and no Vet Clearance it will not be able to participate.

NO EXCEPTIONS

Paeroa Athletics:

The whole school will be heading to the Paeroa Domain to compete in the Catholic Inter-School Athletics Day on Friday the 28th October. We will be travelling by bus to and from the Paeroa Domain.

The day begins at 9:30am and will finish around 2:00pm. We will be leaving at 9am so please make sure your child is here before 8:50am so everyone can enjoy this wonderful day. **We will be back at school in plenty of time for the regular school bus runs.**

Please make sure permission slips have been returned.

Nutritious food, water and a sun hat are essential. Children are to wear black or navy shorts and their school polo shirt.

Parents are warmly invited to support the children and assist with groups on the day.

Scripture Reading Competition 2016:

This year's Scripture Reading Competition is now underway, with children from Rooms 3, 4 and 5 practising scripture readings. The Scripture Reading Final will be Tuesday 1st November at 12.30pm, in our Church. Finalists will be chosen through class competition, and families of finalists will be notified by the end of the week.

Hearing & Vision Checks:

On Friday 11th November from 10:45am onwards, there will be Hearing and Vision checks, completed by the Waikato DHB, happening at school. If you do not wish your child to be checked, or if they are under specialist care for hearing or vision, please leave a message with Mrs Gray at school.

Basketball:

The official competition for Year 7 & 8 basketball starts this Thursday. The teams will be named and a draw will go home as soon as we have it available. Please remember to bring in the permission slip and payment as soon as possible.



On Friday **Room 1&2** had fun making poi and dancing with them.

PTA Fundraiser

Bull Calves Donations

Any farming families that have any bull calves

Please contact Jarrah Sheehan

Phone 027 2801079

Pickup this Wednesday 26th October

Scholastic Book Club orders in please by
Wednesday 26th October.

Congratulations: Term 4 Week 2



Once there was a kid called Marsha. She was a happy girl. She came outside. Dinosaur dog, Granny goat, Pig pig and Cheese chicken were all hiding. Then a pretty butterfly came past Marsha. The butterfly led Marsha in the spooky and scary forest.

Meanwhile in the middle of the day, Bear came outside to have a delightful cup of tea. After Bear finished his tea he went fishing and caught heaps of fish.

When Bear got home all his shiny trophies were on the ground. Bear went to his bedroom. Marsha was bouncing around on his bed and Bear was SHOCKED. "Why are you in my house?" asked Bear.

Next Bear got Marsha and rushed into the spooky forest. Bear put Marsha on a tree stump.

Then it became night time and Bear just remembered that Marsha might get eaten, so Bear ran to get Marsha. Marsha wasn't there. So Bear went home. But before he could get home a tree fell on him and he got a black swollen eye.

When Bear got home Marsha was in his house. Bear and Marsha bounced on his bed. He laughed so much and he never stopped laughing again!

Liam (6 years old, Room 2)

Bella – Learning about patterns
Benji – Amazing success with reading
Jaxin – Amazing first week at school
Ryder – Awesome maths
Joban – Great team player
Cooper – Working hard at all learning
Mikaere – Fantastic writing
James – Role model of the week
Lily – Writer of the week
Ethan – Excellent attitude
Oliver – Great attitude towards maths
Melissa – Asking great questions to help her learning
Danuson – Good writing and maths
Brooklyn – Helpfulness in class
Elisapeta – Bus award

Sacramental Programme 2017:

We are now taking enrolments for next years Sacramental Programme to prepare for the Sacraments of Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion. Candidates who are baptised and 8 years old or older are welcome to join the programme for 2017. Lessons will begin in Term 1 next year. For more information and enrolment forms, please see Whaea Em at school or the Parish Office.

Baptism Preparation:

We have three of our students who are about to begin a preparation programme for Baptism. If you would like your child or children to join in the programme also, please contact Whaea Em or Father JeLo by the end of this week.

Mass Times

Mass times for 29th/30th October

Saturday 6pm Paeroa

Sunday 9am Morrinsville

Sunday 11am Te Aroha

Altar Servers:

Declan, Sam & Tevita

HAPPENINGS FROM AROUND THE CLASSROOMS



Junior classes have been learning about the rosary this week. We have learnt in a decade you say 10 Hail Marys. Students made a portion of a rosary using beads and pipe cleaners

Room 5 were finishing written Recount stories about a moment from camp - this story is from Samisoni,

"Brmm brmm" As Danuson and I were racing down the Luge, I felt awesome because I was going so fast. I was laughing when I was speeding along. When I reached the end I crashed because I was too busy watching Danuson and I forgot to brake. After that we went up the lift to the top of the hill and did it again.

As we were going up, the lift went higher and higher. Then suddenly the lift stopped! At that moment I felt scared and worried. Then after about two minutes of waiting the lift began to move again. By Samisoni.



Room 4 have been practising 'Moment in Time' writing. We wrote about the moment when Maui was pulling up his enormous fish. Here is a writing sample and our artwork:

Roar! The sky turned dark. The waves rumbled. A huge shadow appeared under the waves. Maui was pulling with all his might. He kept heaving, heaving, heaving and the big fish jumped over Maui and his angry brothers. Still he kept heaving and heaving. Finally he caught it. What a catch! - Lily, Year 3.

