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Welcome to Term 2 Week 1

Kia ora,

Welcome back.

It has been a very busy term break with visits from builders, plumbers, electricians, painters and carpet layers. Different people every day have been working continuously to finish the classroom. There are still a few touch up jobs but the classroom is ready for Years 3-6 to move into.

Years 5-6 will work mainly at the kitchen end and the other end will be Years 3-4.

Inside, is looking very smart. The classrooms are much bigger than normal rooms and they are all sound proofed, e.g fancy sound proofing bumpy ceiling tiles, autex and double glazed windows and ranch sliders.

The kitchen has been enlarged and modernised. It will easily accommodate a class for cooking and for doing school lunches. We even have a servery window.

It is very flash come and have a look.

Thank you all for your patience while the classrooms were being modernised. We are working on a day with Bishop Steve to officially open the new classrooms.

Building site - Health and Safety

A 'Health and Safety' Message: Please note that though our renovations are complete enough for us to use the new spaces, there is still some work being completed and some areas are still identified and cordoned off. Thank you for your patience and cooperation during the building process.



*Thank you to
Mitch and Tira
and their team.*

**God Bless
Kristine Osburn**

Do you want to see Jesus? The Bible says, "you will find him if you look for him with all your heart and with all your soul."

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

School Photos:

Save the date! - Monday 12th June, Photolife will be coming for class and individual photos. More information will be provided closer to the date.

Rippa Rugby Tournament:

Unfortunately, due to bad weather, the Year 5-8 Rippa Rugby Tournament was postponed. The new date is Tuesday 9th May 2017 with all details remaining the same.

Class Names:

With the renovations now complete, we are currently working on renaming our classrooms. If you have any suggestions, please contact Mrs Gray in the office via email at office@stjosephs-tearoa.school.nz. We already have a few ideas but it is not too late for your family's idea to be included in the decision making process.

Fundraising for our School Trip:

At the end of the term we will be doing a whole school visit to the Hamilton Museum. We are going to fundraise to keep costs at a minimum. Throughout the term we will be organising a variety of events. We would like helpers for the following dates: Friday 19th May, Friday 2nd June and Friday 16th June. These 3 dates are for a sausage sizzle, toasties and burger day.

If you would like to help out, please email office@stjosephs-tearoa.school.nz or alternatively see Lynmarie in the office.

New Enrolments:

We are always ready to welcome new students into our St Joseph's family. If you know of a new family in the area, or someone interested in learning more about what St Joseph's has to offer, please let them know they are very welcome at our school.

ANZAC Day:

Last Tuesday turned out a beautiful morning for Anzac day celebrations. Senior representatives laid the Anzac wreath on behalf of St Joseph's school down at the memorial clock, and they also walked proudly in the march from and to the RSA. Thanks to all who turned out to represent and support the Anzac Day services. We have also placed our Anzac crosses down on the front grass of the school to remember the soldiers in all wars from the Te Aroha area.

School Assembly:

This week our Junior Room will be hosting assembly. All are very welcome to join us in the Hall on Friday at 9am.

Class Newsletters:

This week, each teacher will be sending home newsletters specific to the learning programmes and homework requirements for their classes.

Athletics prizewinners - well done Millah and all those involved in the athletics club this season.



School Uniform:

We are now heading into the cooler, Winter terms. Our school Winter Uniform is similar to our Summer Uniform, with the key change being knee high socks (or stockings for girls) and black shoes. Please support us at school by ensuring your child comes with correct uniform. If for any reason your child is unable to wear their uniform, please send a quick message or note through to your child's classroom teacher. We also have uniform available in the office.



If your child has lost any property, please check cloak areas and the office. Please help us to manage lost property by naming your child's clothing.

Monday Liturgy:

The whole school gathers at 9am each Monday morning in our Church for a short liturgy. Everyone is very welcome to join us and start the week with prayer.

Stepping Stones:

Our first Stepping Stones session starts in the second week of the Term, Wednesday 10th May. Sessions run from 1.35pm until approximately 2.30pm. If you know anyone in our local community please pass our details on to them. If you have any queries please come and have a chat with Mrs Koolhoven in Room 2.



Room 5 made ice cream on the last week of school and this was the results. It was delicious!



Thank you:

A massive thank you to Mrs Van Bysterveldt who knitted a pair of slippers for each child in Years 3-6. Thank you for helping to keep our feet warm in our new room!



Sacramental Programme:

The preparation programme for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion resumes this week. We will be meeting in the Parish Lounge at 3.30pm this Tuesday. Please keep in your prayers all our candidates and their families.

First Communion and Confirmation Mass:

During the holidays, all those families involved in the Sacramental Programme this year will have received an email regarding possible changes to the date for the Mass for First Communion and Confirmation. This is to confirm that the date has not been changed and Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 18th June at 9am in Morrinsville.

Mass Times for 6th/7th May

Saturday – 6pm Paeroa

Sunday – 9am Morrinsville

Sunday – 11am Te Aroha



St John's College

INFORMATION EVENING

Tuesday 16 May 2017
6.30pm - 8.30pm
St John's College Gym, 85 Hillcrest Road, Hamilton

All parents and prospective students welcome:

- + Meet the Principal and staff
- + Meet current students
- + Tour the school facilities
- + Explore options for 2018 enrolment

For more information: Phone (07) 856 7091 or Email principal@stjohns-hamilton.school.nz

Thank you to Bill Mulgrew for organising lime on the bottom field and Peter Jones from Computerized Bulk spreaders

LIP SYNC COMPETITION 2017 ADULTS ONLY

A few people have been asking "what is lip sync"? well.....

Lip Sync is an R18 competition for groups or solo Acts. each Act chooses a song to preform and adds their own moves and costumes. Acts don't actually sing the song out loud, they move their lips in sync with the song (lip sync) while the original song play's in the back ground. With four category's each Act has the chance to win cash prizes. Te Aroha Primary School PTA challenge you! There is still time to enter your Act. We have seen a lot but we have not seen it all! let us know your interested in entering an act and we will get a entry form to you ASAP! Leave us a message on facebook at Lip Sync Te Aroha or txt Tiara on 0210644535.



Year 1 children loving their new space

