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### Welcome to Term 3 Week 6

Kia ora,

#### School Production Tickets:

Tickets for the school production are strictly limited. They will be sold for \$7 a seat (\$5 for children aged up to 12 years who are big enough to have their own seat). All our school children who will be performing do not require tickets. Tickets cannot be reserved and will be on sale from **Wednesday 6th September**.

Please note that tickets sell quickly and the seats are numbered, so first in, best seated!

#### Totara Springs Sports Camp:

We wish our five senior school athletes all the very best as they head for the annual inter-school sports camp and competition with our friends from Te Aroha Primary School. We look forward to hearing all about their successes at the end of the week.

#### Principals and DRS Conference 2017:

This week, Emalene and I will be heading to Rotorua to attend a conference with all the Principals and DRS's (Director of Religious Studies) from Catholic schools in the Hamilton Diocese. Speakers for the event come from across the country and Bishop Steve will be in attendance also.

God Bless  
Kristine Osburn

**Save the dates!**

**St Joseph's Catholic School presents...**

**School Production 2017**

**'Back in my Day'**

**Wednesday 20th September, 7pm**

**Thursday 21st September, afternoon matinee**

**Thursday 21st September, 7pm**

*"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven. Matthew 16:15-17 [NIV]*

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A HUGE thank you to our PTA for our new Science equipment. They applied for a grant. We received \$500 and they paid the balance of \$600. When our children learn with hands-on experiences it is so much more real and meaningful!

## Inter School Cross Country:

Congratulations to all of our competitors who took part in the Interschool Cross Country at Manawaru on Wednesday. You all competed superbly! We had some of our student's make the podium and many qualify for the Thames Valley X Country. Congratulations to all of the following people for making the Te Aroha team. Only the top 6 of each race get invited so they did extremely well.

James 1st 8y boys

Millah 1st 8y girls

Tirza 2nd 9y girls

Ciara 3rd 10y girls

Annabelle 4th 11y girls

Brooke C 1st 12+ girls

Libby G 3rd 12+ girls

Carsen 3rd 12+ boys

Thank you to the parents that helped with transport, managing and marshalling.

## School Production Update:

Last week, the staff visited the Little Theatre, to talk about costuming and view the stage for their planning of scenes. We are so lucky in Te Aroha to have the Little Theatre as a resource and truly appreciate their support in our School Production this year.

The Logo competition in classes continues this week. Keep a look out for our winners on posters next week!

Mrs Koolhoven has washed and matched 32 pairs of school socks. They will be with Mrs Gray in the office - in case you might be missing any!



Springs Trust is hosting a coffee morning and we have a guest speaker coming to talk with us about creating great food cheaply. Recipe sharing opportunity bring your favourite along. St Davids Parish Lounge, Thursday 31st August 2017, 10am - 11.30am, Morning Tea Provided. (Children welcome).

## Science Fair:

Our Senior Year 7/8 are currently working on Science Fair projects. The Science Fair will be set up in our Parish Hall on Monday 18th September and be open to the public after judging. Viewing times will be Monday 18th September, 2.00pm to 4.00pm & 5.30pm to 6.30pm and Tuesday 19th September 9.00am to 1.30pm.

## Welcome:

On Tuesday last week, Fr JeLo introduced Fr Fernando to our school. We warmly welcome Fr Fernando, who will be helping to support our parishes and also those in the Waihi parishes. Welcome to our community!

## HELP WANTED

A devoted team of ladies from our parish have catered for funerals for our local parishioners for many years and although still willing they are elderly and not always able. They would really appreciate any help they can get even if only for an hour. The duties range from setting up the hall the day before to making sandwiches on the day, heating and plating food, serving cups of tea and coffee and cleaning.

If you are able to help you will be placed on a phone list and will be rung a few days before to see if you are available on that given day, remember even if just for an hour it will be a big help to our devoted team. We can never have too many on the list as given the nature of funerals they are at short notice, so please leave your name and phone number at the school office.



### School Speech Competition:

Our Annual School Speech Competition will be on 6<sup>th</sup> September at 11.15am in the Parish Hall. Everyone is very welcome to come along and support our speakers. Many thanks to Anthony Gray and Wanda Brittan for giving their time to judge for us.

### FREE HEARING & VISION CHECKS for CHILDREN

Future Te Aroha Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August 10am to Noon

Technician available for hearing & vision checks for children aged 4 years and over.

Includes B4 school hearing & vision checks for 4 Year olds not previously checked or require a rescreen from previous checks.

GP, Nurse, Parent, Teacher referrals.

No appointment required as this is a drop in Clinic.

**For enquiries regarding this Service please phone 07 8680040 Ext 25211 or 021 2793294**

**Please note clinics may be cancelled without notice due to unforeseen circumstances.**

### Futsal Training Programme for 4 to 13 year olds

2017 term 4 Futsal at the Te Aroha Event Centre is Back!! Fridays: 20th Oct to 8th Dec (8 weeks)

4 to 6 year olds 3.30pm to 4.20pm:

7 to 9 year olds 4.30pm to 5.30pm:

10 to 13 year olds 5.30pm to 6.45pm:

This term we plan on extending our program out to the District, spaces are limited to keep the program as beneficial to all of the players so please don't miss out.

To register go to

<https://membership.sportstg.com/regofrm.cgi?formID=65023>

*MARIST 200 Celebration – Saturday September 9<sup>th</sup>. St John's College and the St John's College Old Boys Network invite all parents, Old Boys and associates of the school to a celebration event marking 200 years of Marist education. This will be a wonderful chance to connect with friends in the St John's community. The celebration starts at 7.30pm at St John's College – please RSVP at <https://marist200.eventbrite.co.nz> or contact the school office to register on 07 856 7091.*

### Baptism Programme:

A special programme to prepare children for Baptism will be beginning shortly. If you would like to have your family involved, it is not too late! Please make contact with Whaea Em at school or Fr JeLo in the Parish Office for more information.

### Mass Times for 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> September

**Saturday – 6pm Paeroa**

**Sunday – 9am Morrinsville**

**Sunday – 11am Te Aroha**

### Week 3 Term 5:

**Ciara:** Excellent writing

**Ethan:** Outstanding sportsmanship

**Beth:** Responsible and reliable learner

**Michaela:** Role model, helping others

**Anthony:** Becoming more confident as an independent learner

**Danuson:** Always being helpful

**Franco:** Making good learning choices this week

**Austin:** Star of the week, amazing learning this week

**Elispatea:** Wonderful speech writing

**Seth:** Being amazing and focused when working on writing numbers to 100 quickly

**Libby B:** Being confident when recognising and writing numbers to 10

### Sacramental Programme 2018:

This programme is beginning to come together for 1st Communion and Confirmation in 2018. As the date for this Mass will be a little earlier than usual, we will be beginning the programme in November. If you would like your child to be involved, please see Whaea Em to add your family to our list, so that information can be sent directly to you as this becomes available.





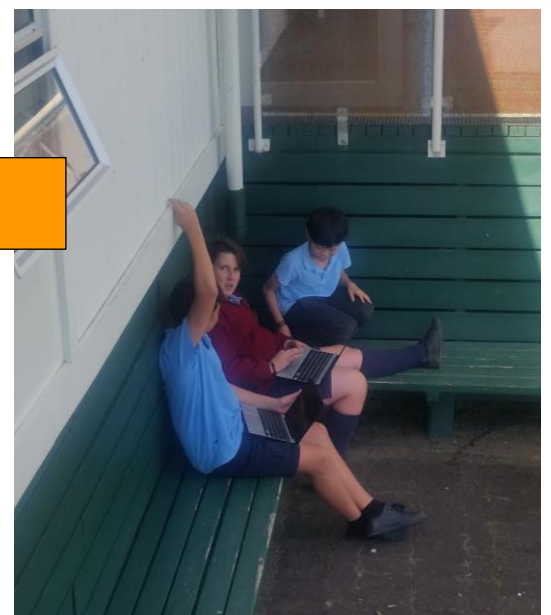
Mrs Koolhoven and Year 1 students were lucky to share some of their learning with Te Aroha Kindy kids last Thursday.



A big thank you to the Warren Family who kindly donated Nga Ahua & Te Taiao written by Sharon Holt. Kakano Kids will love listening to them.



Room 5 Puawai working hard on their Science Fair projects.



You have brains in your head  
 You have feet in your shoes  
**YOU CAN STEER YOURSELF**  
 in **ANY** direction you choose

If things Start happening,  
 Don't worry. Don't stew,  
 Just go Right along and  
 You'll start happening too  
 -Dr. Seuss



Today is your day!  
 Your mountain is waiting So...  
 get on your way. Dr. Seuss