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Welcome to Term 3 Week 7

Kia ora,

School Production Tickets:

Tickets go on sale this Wednesday and 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. Please note that tickets sell quickly and the seats are numbered, so first in, best seated!

Principals and DRS Conference 2017:

Last week, Emalene and I attended the annual Principals and DRS (Director of Religious Studies) Conference which was in Rotorua this year. The conference was all themed around the story of the disciples meeting the Risen Christ on the road to Emmaus. Bishop Steve was there and will be, over the coming months, releasing a series of reflections to help all of us to continue to grow on our faith journey.

School Speech Competition:

Our Annual School Speech Competition is this Wednesday 6th 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.

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

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Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." Matthew 16:24 (NIV)

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



Production Logo Design Winners:

Congratulations to Bella (Yr2), Tanika (Yr3), Ethan(Yr6) and Annabelle (Yr7) who were the winners of our design a production logo competition. Their stunning logos are displayed around our school. Thank you for sharing your creativity with us all!

Production Update:

We are now looking for parents to help with our children during the school production performances. Our parent helpers will be assisting with costume changes, supervision and setting the stage. To enable all our helpers to see the show, we would like different helpers for each performance. If you are able to help, please send back to school the enclosed slip.



Emily travelled to Taupo for a gymnastics competition on the weekend and ended her competitive season on a massive high note. She placed 3rd on vault, earning her a bronze medal and 5th overall as well as getting personal bests on beam, bar, vault and floor.

Agricultural Day:

Agricultural Day is hosted this year by Te Aroha Primary School on Friday 20th October. For more information and registration forms, please see Mrs Gray before Friday 22nd September.

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.

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.



Week 3 Term 6:

Bella: Independent thinker and worker

Ryder: Great team player

Caleb: Great sportsmanship

Scarlett: Excellent work ethics.

Carsen: Working hard and staying on task

Benji: Amazing writing for your dinosaur egg

Samiuela: Learning his alphabet

James: Respectful and responsible

Joban: Respectful and responsible.

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. Please note that Mass for 1st Communion and Confirmation will be Sunday 13th May, 9am here in Te Aroha.

Totara Springs Sports Camp:

A warm congratulations and welcome back to our students who competed so well in this year's Totara Springs Sports Camp. It is always a highlight to visit these students on camp and watch them compete in the many different sporting codes with such skill and enthusiasm.

Mass Times for 9th/10th September

Saturday – 6pm Paeroa

Sunday – 9am Te Aroha

Sunday – 11am Morrinsville

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>

or contact Lisa on 0278601806

MARIST 200 Celebration – Saturday September 9th. 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.

Mass for Bishop Denis:

Bishop Steve and the Catholic Diocese of Hamilton invite you to join us for the celebration of Mass on Friday, 8 September 2017 at 6.00 pm for the Most Rev Denis Browne Bishop Emeritus of Hamilton as he reaches the combined milestones of his 80th birthday, 55 years ordained a priest and 40 years as Bishop. To be held at the Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Hamilton. A light supper will be served in the church foyer after the Mass.



The Senior school competing in Tabloid sports this week. Making the most of the sun.



Wet day antics in the Junior class. 😊



As part of our preparations for our school production, Room 4 have been creating costumes. Here are a few of our tie dyed t-shirts drying on the swimming pool fence. What amazing results!



Some of our Junior Superkids are very happy with their Father's Day creations.