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Welcome to Term 1 Week 11

Kia ora

Teacher Only Day:

On Wednesday last week all our staff listened to Nathan Wallis at the events Centre. He was speaking about how children develop. Below are a few of the interesting ideas he shared with us based on his research.

- The brain grows rapidly in the first 1000 days of a baby's life
- Face to face communication is the absolute best to develop language and learning
- The same teacher for two years has definite advantages
- Under 2 years old no screen time – it has a negative impact on development
- Music and movement is excellent to help the learning brain

Catholic Review:

On the second week of Term 2 we have two people coming from the Diocese to review our Catholic Character. As part of this review they talk to everyone involved with the school, visit our classrooms and review all our R.E documentation. I am sure they will be very excited to look at all our updated classrooms. We are looking forward to sharing our work with the Review team. I have enclosed a parent questionnaire to hear your thoughts on the Catholic Character of our school. Please return to school.

Passion Play:

Many thanks to all those who participated in and supported us in our Passion Play on Holy Thursday afternoon. A special thank you to Mrs Joyce for her work on costumes, Whaea Em for putting together the show, and the Main Cast for this commitment to our play.

Hope you all have a safe and happy break.

God Bless

Kristine Osburn

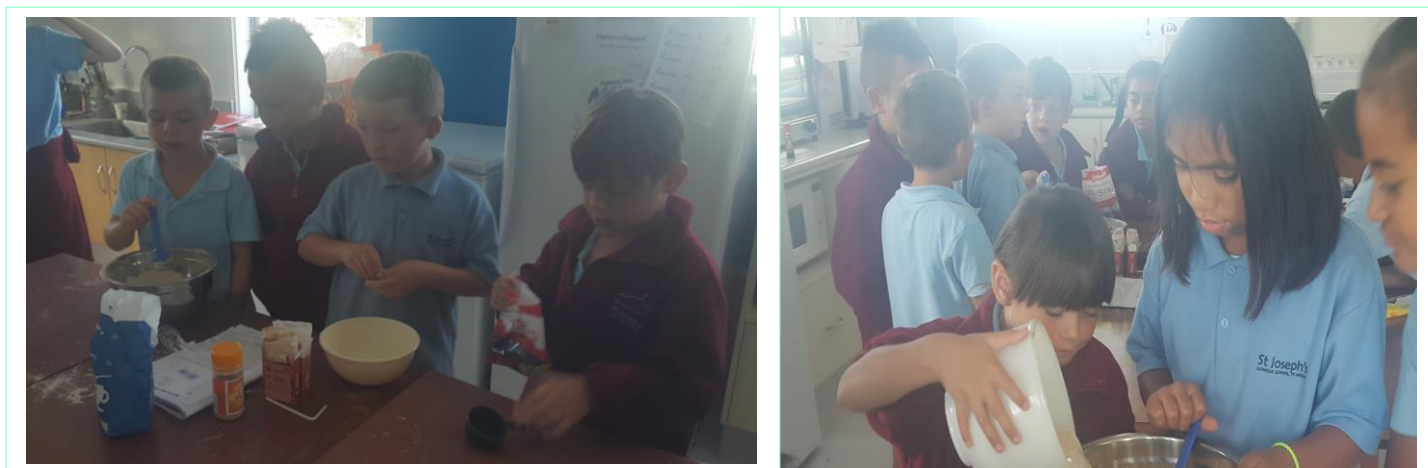
"Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him." Mark 16:6

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

Term Dates:

Last day of Term 1 - Friday 13th April 2018

First day of Term 2 - Monday 30th April 2018



Hot Cross Buns:

During Holy Week, Room 3 made hot cross buns. After some taste testing of different hot cross bun brands, and making our own according to a recipe, we changed the recipe, making the buns with more fruit or more spice in groups according to our personal preference. After that, we made packaging for our hot cross buns, thinking about logos, nets for box building and construction. What an amazing learning experience!

ANZAC Day:

ANZAC Day falls in the coming school holidays on Wednesday 25th April. This is the Wednesday before school resumes for Term 2 (ie the 2nd week of the holidays). Each year, we as a school participate in the civic service at the clock tower at 10am. We gather at the RSA and march in the parade to the Clock Tower where wreaths are laid. We are currently looking for students who will definitely be there on ANZAC Day to lay the wreath on behalf of our school community. If you are going to be available, please let Mrs Gray know in the office before the end of this Term (next Friday 13th April).

Save the Date!

Mark your calendar and save the date for our upcoming School-Parish Mass - Pentecost Sunday 20th May, 11am.

Congratulations: Term 1 Week 10

Kenshin: Showing care and responsibility

Tirza: Creative and engaging writing

Millah: Enthusiasm towards her learning

Paea: Positive attitude to learning and helping others

Simione: Willing to help with extra jobs



End of Term Mass:

On Tuesday 10th April (tomorrow), the whole school will gather for Mass for the end of Term

1. Everyone is welcome to join us for this special occasion. Mass is at 10am.



Chrism Mass:

Our diocese celebrated the Chrism Mass on Tuesday 27th March. Some of our students, who are also preparing to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion, were there to witness the blessing of the oils. These oils will be used in a few weeks for their Confirmation. After Mass, they met with Bishop Steve. A very special evening!

Mass Times 14th/15th April

Paeroa – Saturday 7pm

Te Aroha – Sunday 11 am

Morrinsville – Sunday 9am

Sacramental Programme 2018:

There is one more lesson left this Term on Tuesday 10th April at 3.30pm. Please continue to pray for our candidates as they prepare to receive the Sacraments. First Communion and Confirmation Mass is Sunday 13th May at 9am here in Te Aroha. Mass will be presided by Bishop Steve.

Te Aroha Arts Centre Inc.

Rewi Street

Children's Holiday Art & Craft Programme

Monday April 23rd – Friday April 27th

9am – 12noon

No programme on ANZAC day (Wednesday 25th)

\$3 per child per session

Limited to 20

5 to 12 year olds

Ring 884 7796 to book

Congratulations: Term 1 Week 9



Ryder: Superb work with hot cross bun packaging

Madison: working hard on presentation

Alikia: Completing tasks with her best effort

Beth: Focused on editing skills

Kalolaine: Focused on work

Josh: Role model – responsibility and kindness

Nikita: Happy 6th birthday

Rose: Star student – great attitude to learning

Penny: Super effort – keep it up

Ivy: Wonderful writer – wonderful use of wow words

Trinity: Positive attitude in all areas of her learning

Kasey: Great descriptive writing

Alex: Being a kind Room 1 student

Samuela: An amazing role model

Lucas: Working on being an independent writer

Results Thames Valley Primary School Swimming Champs:

Millah: 2nd 9 year girls 25M Breaststroke

Annabelle: 2nd 12year girls 25M Freestyle

Majella: 2nd 10year girls 100M Freestyle
and 3rd 9year girls 50 M Backstroke

Lache: 1st 11year boys 50 M Breaststroke



Penny and Cameron are proud as punch! They were the winners in our Egg-knocking contest at Kakano's assembly. Well Done!