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Welcome to Term 3 Week 5

Kia ora

Teacher's Strike:

The teachers and I would like to extend our thanks to all parents and caregivers for the support you have shown in making other arrangements last Wednesday to accommodate the strike. We know how disruptive such days can be for families. At the moment the union is heading back into negotiations with the government on behalf of the teachers. We hope and pray that these negotiations continue positively and that a settlement can be reached without further disruption.

Community Consultation:

This week we will be holding two meetings for community consultation. The purpose of these meetings is to discuss ways our school can better meet the needs of our Maori and Pasifika learners and their families. Our Maori hui is Wednesday 22nd August and our Pasifika talanoa is Thursday 23rd August. The meeting for Maori parents is 2:50pm this Wednesday and 11.00 am Thursday for Pasifika parents, **(this is a time change)**. Both meetings will be held in my office. Everyone is very welcome; these meetings are open to everyone willing to discuss the visions of these specific cultural groups.

God Bless

Kristine Osburn



PTA Raffle:

Please support the PTA raffle.

Be in to win a Husqvarna Weedeater, (donated by Te Aroha Tractors).

Tickets are \$2 for one, \$5 for 3 and can be bought from the School office.

Thanks for supporting our PTA in raising much needed funds for a brand new playground!

WE WANT A
NEW
PLAYGROUND

So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise. Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do. Ephesians 5:15-17

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

Toastie Sandwich:

This week Room 4 will be doing toasted sandwiches on Friday. A form has been sent home with this newsletter for the orders later this week.

Miha Maori:

A date to mark in your diary! Sacred Heart Girls' College have extended an invitation to our community to a special Mass in which the prayers and songs are said and sung in Te Reo Maori. Mass will be Sunday 9th September at 10.30am in the Cathedral in Hamilton.

Mass Times: 25th/26th August

Saturday - Paeroa 6pm

Sunday – Te Aroha 9am

Sunday – Morrinsville 11am



Bottle Tops:

Whaea Em is after some bottle tops for technology this term. Bottle tops from fizzy drinks and milk bottles please - no metal ones, just plastic. Thanks in advance!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

24th August - Fr Fernando farewell - 6pm Morrinsville

31st August - Daffodil day (mufti)

13th September - School speech finals

14th September - School Disco

Baptism Preparation Programme:

A programme for Baptism will begin shortly for all children interested in being baptised. If you have a child who would like to be baptised, please leave your name in the office with Mrs Gray or with Whaea Em, so that you can be contacted with further information before the programme begins.

Please check your child's school jersey.

We have a few named jerseys missing.

Interschool Cross Country:

We have a group of student athletes going to Manawaru on Wednesday to represent our school in the annual Interschool Cross Country. For those students, please continue to return permission slips. We wish them all the very best for Wednesday.

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

The next round of the RCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will commence on Wednesday, 22 August at 7pm at the Parish Centre in Morrinsville (1 Victoria Ave). This is a program for non-Catholics who are interested in getting baptised in the Catholic Church. Come along and join us! We have had parents in the past who inquired, joined the program and were baptised or received into the Church. This is also for baptised Catholic adults who have not yet had their Confirmation or First Communion.

For inquiries, contact Fr JeLo 021 874 618 or Barbara 027 309 4362 or email morrinsville@phf.org.nz

Paeroa Te Aroha Day Camp 2018:

Looking forward to the next school holidays already? 'Day Camp' is a fun outdoor 'day' camp running from Monday 1st October through to Thursday 4th October. Four days of outdoor activities – 'hands on' activities are encouraged, technology is discouraged, and children are cared for in a safe supportive environment by trained teen leaders and adult carers. Children are bused from a pick up /drop off point in Paeroa and Te Aroha. The event is organised by the Christian outreach missions of the Te Aroha Springs Trust and the Paeroa Community Support Trust, and is an OSCAR program. Registration forms and further information will be provided through your school towards the end of the term. Enquiries please phone the Hauraki Resource Centre 07 8626110.

Any queries, please phone the Paeroa Community Support Office, open 9 am - 4 pm daily.

Senior Camp Fundraising - Reusable Produce Bags:

We have spare reusable bags for sale, \$12.00 for a set of 4. Please contact the office.



St Joseph's School (St Mana) Combined Netball Team:

Last day of netball on Saturday they collected trophies for:
Winners – Grading Round
Winners – Championship Round
Winners – Closing Round
Co-Winners – Handicap Round
Winners – Most goals scored



Examples of impressions art with Mr Barker

All netball uniforms to be returned to school this week please.

Farewell for Fr Fernando:

In our Parish newsletter, was a notice regarding Fr Fernando's farewell. This will be held this Friday 24th August in Morrinsville and is a potluck dinner at 6pm. Fr Fernando has been assisting Fr JeLo for a number of months and will be moving on to assist parishes in South Waikato.

Congratulations: Term 3 Week 4



Samiuela: Learning high frequency words

Alex: Skip counting in 10's & 2's

Lucas: Skip counting in 10's & 2's

Leigha: Skip counting in 10's & 2's

Brooklyn: Skip counting in 10's & 2's

Blake: Skip counting in 10's & 2's

Isaac: Presenting an amazing speech

Isaiah: Reading and writing numbers

Ivy: Always having a positive attitude and a caring heart for others

Seth: Great speech presentation

Penny: Presenting a great speech

Arliyah: Independent worker of the week

Cameron: Great spelling

Sophia: Great spelling

Samiuela: Happy 6th birthday

Aaron: Welcome to St Joseph's

Mikaere: Great speech

Liam K: Positive learning attitude

Moana: Positive attitude to all learning

Brea: Working towards achieving her learning goals



Te Aroha Country Market

Held St Joseph's Catholic School

Te Aroha

Saturday 25th August

10am to 2pm.

St Joseph's Cross Country place getters 2018