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Welcome to Term 3 Week 6

Kia ora

Consultation Meetings:

Thank you to those from our Pasifika community who were able to meet with us last week. We are very grateful to have your input in discussing how our school can better reflect and celebrate our Pasifika learners.

Student Led conferences:

This is a heads up that on Tuesday 18th September we will be holding our Student Led Conferences where your children discuss their learning with you. It is a great opportunity to share learning with your child.

Speeches:

All the teachers are working with their classes on speech making. Rooms 4 & 5 will choose their top speakers who will go on to our School Speech Competition on the Thursday 13th of September during our middle block.

Big Thank You:

Thank you to the parents who supported us at the Te Aroha schools Cross Country on Thursday, it was a very cold and wet day.

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**

Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Ephesians 6:13

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

Toastie Sandwich:

This week Room 5 will be doing toasted sandwiches on Friday. A form has been sent home with this newsletter for the orders later this week.

Kapa Haka:

We have a group of almost 40 students learning poi, haka and action songs on a Friday afternoon in preparation for the upcoming Kapa haka showcase at Stanley Ave. More information to come home in the coming weeks.

It was great to see some of our St Joseph's children at dinner last night to farewell Fr Fernando. Yesterday was his last Mass in our Parish before he heads to his new post. He will be assisting in the South Waikato collegial area that is in Matamata and Cambridge, and in Tokoroa and Putaruru.

Many blessings to you Fr Fernando from your friends at St Joseph's Catholic School, Te Aroha.



Fr Fernando's Farewell

Mahuri Class Trip:

Children in Mahuri Rooms 3 and 4 have all been given a newsletter regarding our upcoming class trip to Heritage Park at Mystery Creek, Hamilton. Due to our fundraising efforts, we have managed to keep costs to only \$5 per student. On behalf of the children from these classes, thank you one and all for supporting our ongoing toastie lunches. Permission slips are due back over the next couple of weeks.

Totara Springs:

This week Annabelle, Ashley F, Paea, Tevita, Simone and Sione will be heading off for Totara Springs Sports Camp. We wish them all the very best as they compete alongside our friends from Te Aroha Primary, and against teams of Year 7/8 students from around the region.

Daffodil Day:

This Friday, the children are welcome to come to school in mufti to mark the Cancer Society's annual Daffodil Day. We will be taking donations from all those who are able to give money and all proceeds will go to the Cancer Society.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

31st August - Daffodil day (mufti)

13th September - School speech finals

14th September - School Disco

18th September – Student Led Conferences

Mass Times: 1st/2nd September

Saturday - Paeroa 6pm

Sunday – Morrinsville 9am

Sunday – Te Aroha 11am

Senior Camp Fundraising - Reusable Produce Bags:

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



Interschool Cross Country:

Last Wednesday, a team of cross country runners from our school braved the bleak and cold conditions to compete in the annual interschool cross country. We had some amazing success in Manawaru.

Results:

Millah 1st 9 year old girls

Ciara 1st 11 year old girls

Tirza 2nd 10 year old girls

Majella 3rd 10 year old girls

Rugby prizegiving:

Congratulations to Simone, Tevita, Maumi and Sione who all received recognition for a superb season of rugby.

Maumi - Most Improved

Simone - Best tackler and Most outstanding player

Tevita - Most Valuable player

Thames Valley Cross Country:

Congratulations to **Liam, James, Millah, Tirza, Majella and Ciara** who have been selected to represent our cluster in the Thames Valley Cross Country. Information has already been sent home for these students, and permission slips are due back as soon as possible.

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

Congratulations: Term 3 Week 5



Niamh: Huge improvement in her basic facts knowledge recall

Leo: Imaginative creative inspiring writing

Jessica: Writing and role modelling the ideal speech to her peers

Grayson: Huge effort and achievement in reading

Alikia: super writing this week

Jaxin: Being a focussed writer and helping others with spelling

Seth: Doing a great job of using “telling” and “talking bits” in his writing

Benji: A great role model in all learning

Shae: Working very hard at writing

Sophia: Amazing writing using speech marks

Scarlett: Excellent attitude

Ashley F: Excellent attitude

Technology:

This Term's curriculum focus is on Technology. Technology is about designing and building to meet a set criteria or to solve a problem. In Mahuri Room 3, the children have been learning about inventions and how inventions have changed as technology changes and improves. They are now building models of existing inventions, imagining what they might be like in 10.... 20.... 50.... 100 years!

