



Principal: Kristine Osburn

Email: [principal@stjosephs-tearoha.school.nz](mailto:principal@stjosephs-tearoha.school.nz)

Office:

Email: [office@stjosephs-tearoha.school.nz](mailto:office@stjosephs-tearoha.school.nz)

Phone: 07 8849480

## 24th September 2018 Newsletter No 30 Welcome to Term 3 Week 10

**Kia ora**

### **Whaea Em:**

This week is Whaea Em's last week at St Joseph's, after serving the school and parish in Te Aroha for over 10 years. During the weekend she was formally welcomed at Bishop Edward Gaines Catholic School, Tokoroa, with a powhiri. We wish her all the very best in her new role as principal.

On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September we will be hosting a shared morning tea in the school library to farewell Whaea Em. The shared morning tea will begin at 10.50am. All families are welcome to attend, please bring a plate to share.



***It has been my great privilege to serve the community here in Te Aroha for the past (almost) 11 years. St Joseph's Te Aroha will always have a special place in my heart - my family's big extended whanau! Ma te Atua koutou katoa e manaaki, e tiaki hoki - May God bless you all. Whaea Em***

Next Term we welcome Noelene Dean who will be working with our Year 3 and 4 students in Room 3. We look forward to having Noelene on our teaching team

**God Bless**

**Kristine Osburn**

*"Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with each other." Mark 9:50*

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

## Mercy Day:



Today, 24th September, marks Mercy Day. On the 24th of September every year, Sisters of Mercy and their friends around the world celebrate Mercy Day. This is the day on which Catherine McAuley first opened the House of Mercy in Ireland and dedicated it to Our Lady of Mercy. This is a day to celebrate all the wonderful work Sisters of Mercy and their friends do around the world. Our school is one founded by the Sisters of Mercy over 100 years ago. As such, today the whole school celebrated Mercy Day with Mass and Tabloid Sports. Children also learnt more about our founding order, the Sisters of Mercy, and ways we can show mercy through love in action.



## Te Aroha Kapa Haka Showcase:

On Thursday afternoon last week, our Kapa Haka group participated in the Te Aroha Kapa Haka Showcase. The Recreation Centre at Stanley Ave was packed, with four schools and two kindy's performing. Our group were awesome and we received very positive feedback from a great many people. Many thanks to parents and friends who came to support the children, and also to those who helped with transportation. A special thank you to Whaea Em for helping to prepare the children for the event.



**Mass Times: 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> September**

Saturday - Paeroa 6pm

Sunday – Morrinsville 9am

Sunday – Te Aroha 11am

## Rotary Speech Competition:

Last Thursday, 5 of our students represented our school at the Annual Interschool Speech competition, hosted by Rotary. All our students spoke exceptionally well, and again this year one of our students brought home the trophy. Here are the results:

**Year 7: 1st Lache, 2nd Ethan**

**Year 8: 2nd Samantha**

The trophy for best speaker of the competition was awarded to Lache.

Congratulations to all speakers.



## Kaimai Speech Competition:

On Friday, our school was represented in Waihi at the annual Inter-Catholic School Kaimai Speech Competition. This year, our students were recognised for their gifts in speaking. Here are the results for our students:

**Year 7: 1st Ethan, 2nd Lache**

**Year 8: 2nd Samantha**



## Speech Preparation:

A big thank you to Anthony Gray and Wanda Brittain, two of our speech judges, who worked with our students in preparing them for the recent interschool competitions. We are so very lucky at St Joseph's to have the support of people with such expertise and a willingness to work with our students.



## Term dates

**This Friday 28th September marks the end of Term 3. Term 4 begins on Monday 15th October.**



# Congratulations: Term 3 Week 8



**Maison:** Role model of the week

**Penny:** Super work in maths

**Jaxin:** Great effort in all learning

**Esme:** Using Numicon to learn about numbers

**Natasha:** Beginning to learn her alphabet

**Blake:** Working on adding detail

**Majella:** speech writing, amazing independent speaking

**Brea:** Amazing descriptive writing

**Seren:** Great persuasive writing

**Ashley W:** Great reading in Mass

## Calendar Art:

It's that time of the year again!  
Our children are working very hard at completing their wonderful artwork.  
Orders can be placed from the beginning of Term 4, and need to be finalised by the 26th October.

Expressions of Interest for Term 4  
Cricket  
For Girls and Boys, Year 3-8.  
If your child is interested in playing please call  
Hermione Barrow on [0273558345](tel:0273558345)

FIRST WEEK OF THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

# FUTURE TE AROHA SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Book your place now!

**BE CREATIVE  
BE ACTIVE  
BE YOU**

**Monday - Thursday**  
\$20 FULL DAY 10AM-3PM  
\$10 HALF DAY 10AM-12PM  
OR 1PM-3PM  
FAMILY RATES AVAILABLE

**BYO LUNCHBOX**  
13 Boundary Street - (07) 884 9489 - [futureta@extra.co.nz](mailto:futureta@extra.co.nz)