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Kia ora

BOT Elections:

NZSTA are preparing for the upcoming Triennial BoT elections. NZSTA would like to encourage parent and whanau participation on school boards in order to help shape and support the education of their children. To that end, we will be rolling out the Korari Programme for anyone interested in finding out about standing for the school board elections and having a say in the education of their children. We have attached the following resources. Feel free to share these widely in your community. They are also available on our website.

1. **Korari:** a programme that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees.
We will be rolling out information sessions for Korari in terms 1&2
2. **Korari form:** NZSTA will support anyone who advises us they are interested in becoming a trustee, by way of the workshops, but also providing access to our Learning Management System where online modules re. school governance, student achievement etc. can be completed.
Attached is a form for completion which can be emailed to korari@nzsta.org.nz
3. **Community member guide to the role of the board of trustees:** This explains a lot of commonly asked questions and information about becoming a trustee.

I hope you find the attached useful.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

Melanie Pilcher

Regional Manager



New Zealand School Trustees Association

Te Whakarōputanga Kaitiaki Kura o Aotearoa

NZSTA
e tipu e rea

13 Clifton Road

Hamilton, 3204

God Bless

Kristine Osburn

About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. Luke 9:28

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

Congratulations: Term 1 Week 5



Arliyah: Outstanding writing

Ivy: Fantastic writing

Osai: Positive attitude to learning

Cameron: Role model of the week

Blake: Making good choices for learning

Brooklyn: Super focused reader

Braxton: Working on writing letters of the alphabet

Gabby: Role model of the week

Grayson: Role model to younger children and excellent help

Elisapeta: Role model to younger children and excellent work



Gabby: Role model of the week

Loni: Positive learning and contribution

Michaela: Completing all work to a high standard

Angelica: Excellent citizenship

On Wednesday we gather as a school at 12pm to celebrate Ash Wednesday. All families are welcome to join us in the Church. Please see below a Lenten Prayer:

*Lord,
Teach me a new freedom.
Freedom to reject comparison
And to embrace uniqueness.
Freedom to cut ties with greed
And feast on love.
Freedom to abstain from over
indulgence
And feast on self-control.
Freedom to leave behind selfish
thoughts
And to focus on the needs of others.
Freedom to fend off insecurity
And to embrace grace.
Lord, at this time of Lent,
Thank you for the freedom you bring.*

School Leaders: Year 7 & 8 students were invited to apply for leadership positions. Congratulations to the following students: Ethan, Lache', Trinity, Ciara and Emily.



SAVE THE DATE

ASH WEDNESDAY: 6TH MARCH

TE AROHA DISTRICT SWIMMING: WEDNESDAY 6TH MARCH

GOAL SETTING EVENING: THURSDAY 7TH MARCH

EAR CLINIC: TUESDAY 12TH MARCH

THAMES VALLEY SWIMMING: MONDAY 18TH MARCH

ST JOSEPH'S DAY: WHOLE SCHOOL MASS TUESDAY 19TH MARCH

Free Hearing & Vision Check for Children

No appointment required as this is a drop in Clinic.

For enquiries regarding this service please phone 07 8680040 Ext 25211 or 021 2793294.

Please note clinics may be cancelled without notice due to unforeseen circumstances.

Date:

12th March at Future Te Aroha Community Centre, 10am to noon.

School Term Dates:

The term is racing by. Please note these dates on your calendar.

End of term: Friday 12th April

Anzac Day: Thursday 25th April

Term 2: Monday 29th April

St Joseph's Day:

This year we will be celebrating St Joseph's Day independently. We will be having a whole school mass at 10am and then a tabloid afternoon.

Nits: Parents have informed us that they have discovered their children have nits. Please see some information below regarding this....

While they're frustrating to deal with, lice aren't dangerous. They don't spread disease, although their bites can make a child's scalp itchy and irritated, and scratching can lead to infection.

Signs that your child has nits can include...

- head scratching, especially around the nape and hair line
- lice eggs, usually found at the root of the hair.
- adult lice, look around your child's hair line by their ears
- You are able to purchase treatments via the supermarket and the chemist.
- We have also been told, soaking your child's hair in conditioner and combing through with a nit comb for seven days, gets rid of them
- Using a hair straightener every night for seven days
- Combining tea tree oil into your shampoo / conditioner can act as a deterrent.

The most important thing to remember is that nits cannot be removed in one go and need monitoring and treatment for up to two weeks.

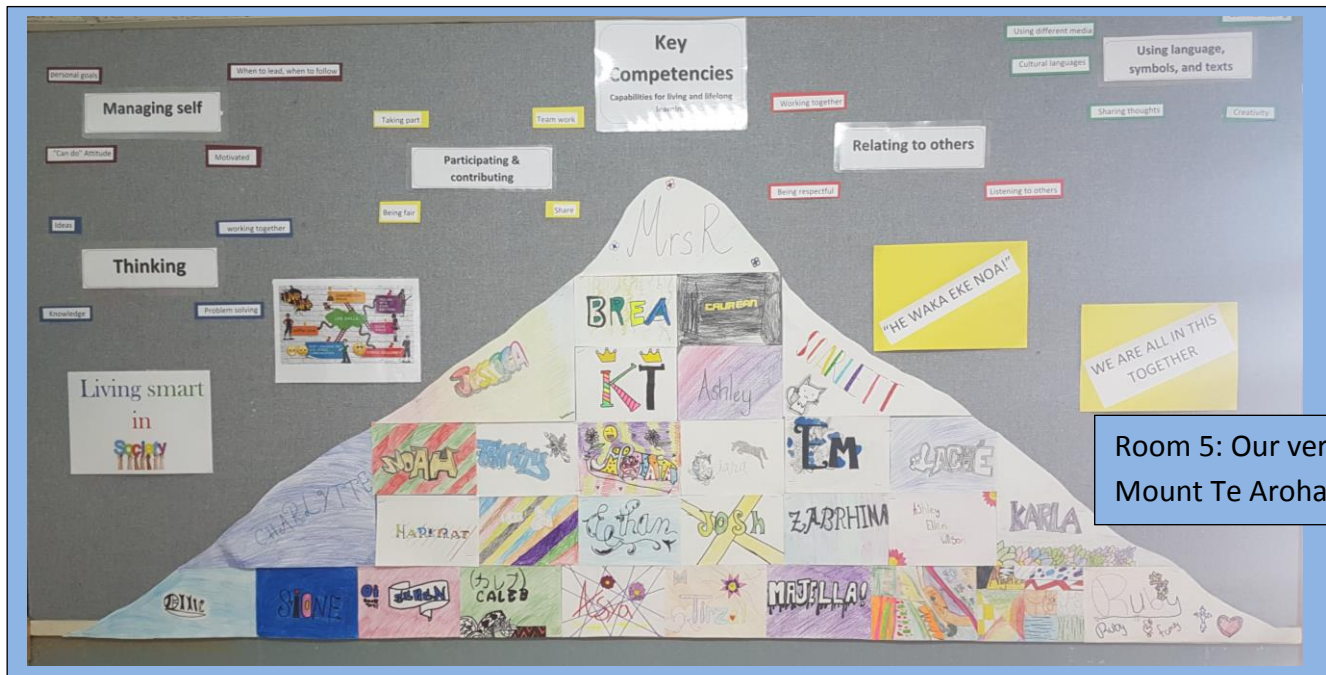
Paid Union Meeting:

Last year primary school teachers and principals started negotiations with the Government with regards to pay and working conditions, and did not come to a resolution. This year we have been called to Union Meetings to discuss next steps in our campaign.

Our Union Meeting for the Matamata Piako Area will be Tuesday 19th March. There are two sessions: 9.30 and 1.30.

The school is not closing but all staff will be given the opportunity to attend a meeting.

SCHOOL HAPPENINGS:



Family School Link Meetings:

Family School Link meetings are this Thursday 7th March. Meetings will start at 3.00pm. School ends for instruction at 2.30pm and the buses will be running at the normal time. These meetings about your child's learning are very important, as we acknowledge that you as parents and caregivers know your children best. As teachers we always value your input. Thank you to the families who have booked appointments already. We still have spaces available. Please contact Lynmarie

PTA AGM is Monday 8th April 5.30pm in staffroom.

Immunisation Forms:

A reminder for students in our senior room. Outstanding immunisation forms need to be returned to the office as soon as possible, regardless of the decision made for or against immunisation.



Te Aroha Junior Rugby:

Ages 6 years and above.
 Registration and first training starts on Tuesday 12th @ Boyd Park
 3.30-4.30.
 Fees \$60.
 Existing players check your emails for your 2019 registration form. New players please follow this link.
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/tearohajuniorrugby>
 The Season starts on 6th of April, last game 6th July.
 Please phone Andrew Gemmell 0274866233.