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## 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020 Newsletter No 2 Welcome to Term 1 Week 2

**Kia ora, Talofa, Malo e lelei, Kumsta, Namaste, Xin chao, Goeie Dag & Hello**

It has been great catching up with everyone and hearing about their holidays.

All classrooms are well underway with their learning programmes and have some exciting things planned.

### **School Assemblies:**

Each Friday starting at 2.20pm all the classes join together in our library to share learning from the week. Parents you are always welcome to join us.

### **Coronavirus:**

As you have probably seen in the media, there is international concern over the virus.

For a child who may be at high risk of exposure, who has been in close contact with someone confirmed with the virus, I encourage you to consider having your child stay home for 14 days and let us know.

Often at the beginning of the year families can experience financial pressure. Should you require assistance in any way please do not hesitate to come and see me. All conversations are treated confidentially. I am also definitely able to help with fees paid to the Diocese.

### **A Reminder:**

Please remember that students are not to be at school before 8:15am; unless previously arranged. During this time teachers are in meetings and preparing for their day. We have had children arriving at school before teachers, which is not safe. Thank you for your understanding.

**God Bless**

**Kristine Osburn**



**School Closed  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>  
February**

### Sunhats:

Our school policy is 'no hat, no play'. We are a sunsafe school. All students need to wear a navy blue hat. School logo hats can be purchased from the office for \$15.

### Swimming:

Please ensure your child comes prepared for swimming, with togs and a towel daily. Our focus for swimming is to move skilfully and safely in and around the water. It's a good time to also ensure that school uniforms are named. It can get very confusing with 25 school t-shirts that all look the same and aren't named.

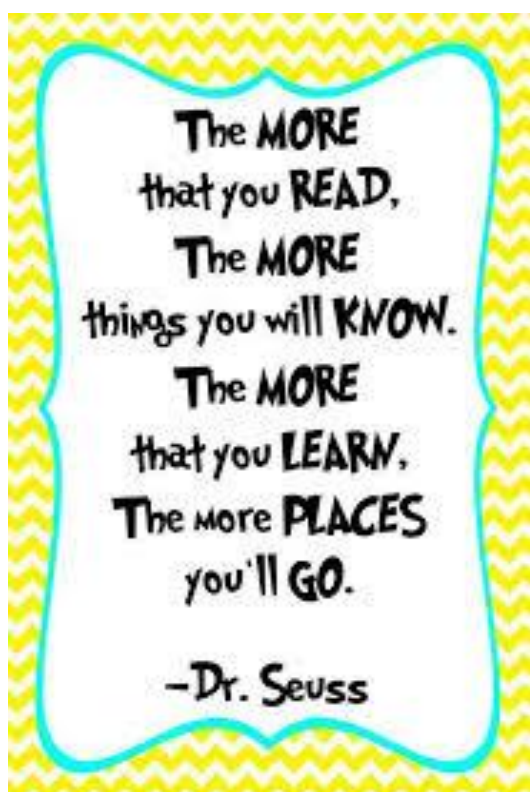


### Technology:

Year 7 and 8 technology classes start on Tuesday the 4<sup>th</sup> of February. The bus leaves St Joseph's at 8.45am to go to the Te Aroha College.

Year 7 –Engineering

Year 8 – Dance/Drama



### School Bus:

As part of our school Health and Safety Policies all bus pupils are to sign a bus transport code of conduct.

All bus children will bring one home this week. Please return as soon as possible.

Thankyou for helping us keep our children safe.

### School Mass:

Our welcoming Mass for the new year will be on Tuesday 11th February. All families are welcome to attend Mass with us.

## SAVE THE DATE

**WAITANGI DAY:** THURSDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY SCHOOL CLOSED

**WHOLE SCHOOL MASS:** TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> FEB 11AM

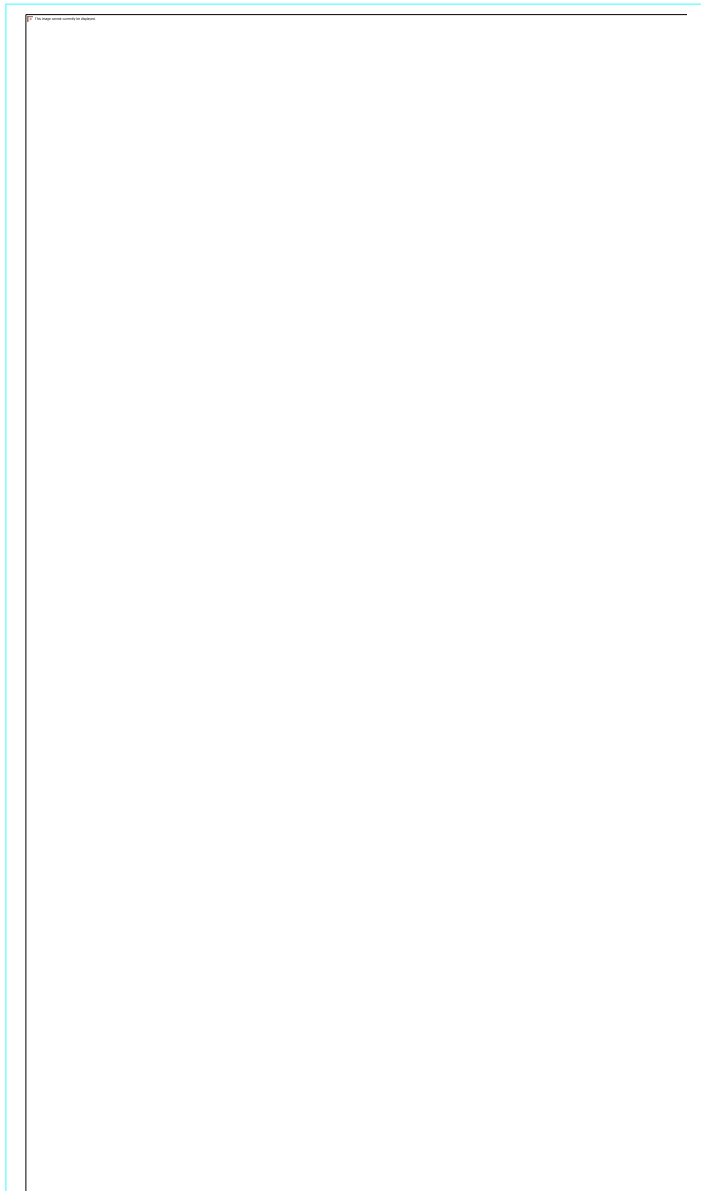
**SCHOOL PICNIC:** THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 5PM-7PM

### Consent Forms:

We have sent home a few different consent forms to be filled in and returned in the past week.

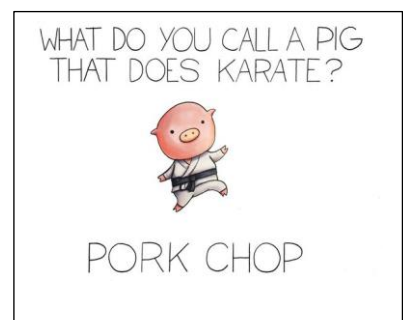
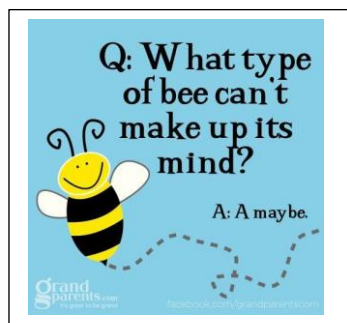
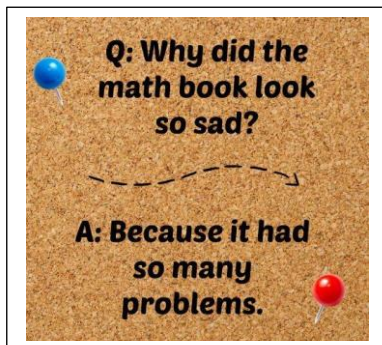
Please make sure to return all of these to the school office.

- Cyber Safety
- Image consent
- Bus conduct



### School Picnic:

We will be gathering as a school to celebrate the beginning of the year with our annual school picnic. This year, it will be held on Thursday 13th February from 5pm till 7pm. Bring a picnic, a rug and sit down and have a chat with other families. The pool will be open for children to have a swim.



## Sacramental Programme Te Aroha:

We start the programme for 2020 with a meeting for parents and children on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 3.30pm in the Parish Lounge. A timetable for lessons for the programme will be provided at this meeting.

Thank you to the parents who have already put their children forward as candidates.

Looking forward to seeing you.

If there are other children wanting to join our programme, they need to be 8 years old by April, and have been Baptised by then.

Please contact me or the school if you have any queries.

Dolores Maisey

Ph: 07 8849254 or 0276805021

Can you help?

Family looking for a support worker to help look after a 6 year old boy with Autism and medical condition.

If you are able to help or know anyone else who could please contact

Maarten

021 267 1525.

## School Stationery:

Invoices will be sent home this week for families who purchased their stationery at the school, through Office Max.

### ***Parish of the Holy Family PHF Youth Group***

*All youth aged 12-18 years are invited to our first event for 2020.*

*Meet at Wairere Falls for a walk, a swim and afternoon tea.*

*Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2-5pm. Bring walking shoes, togs, towel*

*and water bottle. For transport and more information contact:*

*Te Aroha*

*Moira 021 0766 550*