ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Community Newsletter

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ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL CENTENARY

A huge thank you to the parents who have contributed to the Op Shop this week. The Centenary committee has the Op Shop to raise money for the reunion. It is also hoped that some funds will be made available for the planned quiet buddy place/ prayerful memorial that has been proposed using the old cross garden.

A special thank you to Sharon Mason who has managed the roster and made herself available at the start and end of each day. Sharon you certainly

are a treasure - thank you.

Next Meeting: <u>WEDNESDAY 14 JULY</u> at

7.30 pm in the school basement. ALL WELCOME.

Come and contribute to this great milestone in our history!





WHAT ARE WE UP TO ?

JULY 2021

02: REPORTS OUT

09: END OF TERM 2; SAUSAGE SIZZLE

26: START OF TERM 3

WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL

We would like to welcome Thomas van der Poel to our school. He is in Mrs. Boroevich's class. Thomas is the son of Peter and Angela van der Poel. We hope you will enjoy learning with us, Thomas!



THE BAPTISM ARRANGEMENTS FOR TE AWAMUTU AND TE KUITI ARE

TA - 3rd Tuesday of even months TKI - 3rd Tuesday of odd months

BAPTISM PROGRAMME FOR PARENTS

Te Awamutu -Tuesday, 17th August 7.30-9pm, St Patrick's Parish Lounge. For parents with children (of all ages) getting ready for this sacrament. Please text or phone Anita 027 259 1330 to register. Te Kuiti - Tuesday 20th of July, 6.30pm in the school basement.



For a series of short educational videos that are designed to kick off a deeper discussion on Baptism. Visit <u>https://www.cdh.org.nz/baptism-program</u>

FROM MRS. DOWNEY'S DESK ...

Whanaungatanga Connections Together we are more No longer living for ourselves but for Christ (2 Cor 5:15)

Bula Vinaka St Joseph's Whānau

KEEP THE DATE - STUDENTS NEEDED AT SCHOOL!!

PLEASE PUT A BIG RING AROUND THE CALENDAR FOR SATURDAY NOVEMBER 20TH 2021 PLEASE.

This is the day of the St Joseph's Centenary. There will be a request for students to participate and have a presence in these celebrations. There will be opportunities to be involved in the many areas of hospitality/manaakitanga, (Welcoming), Mass ministry, the memorial opening, cake cutting, choir item, waiata and kapa haka and general care of our past pupils/teachers/friends of the school. Please help celebrate our 100 years by keeping Saturday November 20th 2021 free.

REPORTING TO PARENTS - MID YEAR 2021

The mid-year reports will come home tomorrow (Friday 2nd July). They will be enveloped as usual and we would appreciate it if they could be opened at home with your children.

For those new to our school. The school reports twice yearly in writing to our parents. Each report is followed up with an invitation to have a 10 minutes hui/interview with your child's teacher/kaiako. This interview is booked either with the google form link (<u>https://www.stjosephtk.school.nz/permissions-slips/</u>) or with a paper filled out form.

These interviews are specifically related to the report. They give opportunity for both teacher and parent and student to clarify/question/celebrate what is written.

We want to achieve transparency and honest two way conversation about your child's learning.

These 10 minutes interviews are not the only time you may meet with your child's teacher. Of course our teachers will meet with parents/whanau at any time throughout the year as the need arises for both teachers/parents. All that needs is an appointment through the office.

HOW DO YOU KNOW WHAT TIME YOUR MID-YEAR INTERVIEW IS?

A slip of paper will come home with your child on Friday confirming the time. We will also publish the timetable on the website under Information - Permission Slips and Return Forms.

CLASS TRIPS

Both Rimu and Kahikatea Year 7/8 have held class trip meetings this past week. Kahikatea Year 7/8 parents have supported a trip to Waitangi in August (Week 3 Term 3). Mrs Erasmus will be able to travel with the children and minutes and budget will be out this week. A sausage sizzle/bake stall fundraiser for the trip will be held on the last Friday of Term 2.

Manuia le aso (have a good day) Suzanne













Religious Education

Happy Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul!

We have in Deter and Paul a study in contrasts. Deter was an unlettered fisherman from the remote village of Capernaum. Paul was a scholar of the law, born in the cosmopolitan city of Tarsus and educated in Jerusalem. Together, they testify that the call to holiness is addressed to everyone whether you're somebody or a nobody. In Cod's eyes, all of us are potential saints!



Saint Thomas the Apostle Dear Saint Thomas. you were once slow in believing that Christ had gloriously risen; but later. because you had seen him, you exclaimed: "My Lord and my God!" According to an ancient story, you rendered most powerful assistance for constructing a church in a place where pagan priests opposed it. Please bless architects, builds and carpenters that through them the Lord may be honored. Amen. Feast Day July 3

4th July 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Those who were familiar with Jesus found it difficult to accept his wisdom, power and vision. Why not ask God to heal us of any poor spirit of cynicism or doubt that prevents us from recognising how God is at work where we are. Lord, we pray that we never allow ourselves to not see the spirit moving in those who are known to us, that pride does not enter our hearts.

St Peter and St Paul - June 29th

St. Peter and Paul's day is the feast day that honours the martyrdom of the two saints. Tradition says that this is the day that they were both martyred in Rome by Emperor Nero. Both are considered cornerstones of the Church. St Peter was one of the 12 apostles as well as the first Pope and founder of the Roman Church. St Paul was responsible for much of the New Testament. He is widely acclaimed as one of the most important apostles who spread the word of Jesus and Christianity.

St Thomas the Apostle - 3rd July

St. Thomas is best known for his role in verifying the Resurrection of his Master. Initially unwilling to believe earned him the title of "doubting Thomas." Eight days later, on Christ's second apparition, Thomas was gently rebuked for his skepticism, seeing in Christ's hands the point of the nails. Thomas even put his fingers in the nail holes and his hand into Christ's side, convinced of the reality of the Resurrection he exclaimed, "My Lord and My God," thus making a public Profession of Faith in the Divinity of Jesus.

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SPORTS NEWS

INTERSCHOOL ORIENTEERING RESULTS

Please follow this link to our website to see the Interschool Orienteering Results. https://www.stjosephtk.school.nz/other-sports/

SPORTS REPORTS

"On Saturday the Cowboys played Otorohanga and the score was 75 -65 to them. Brayden got Player of the Day. I got two tries." By Peata Fagan - Rimu

"On the weekend I played rugby for the Broncos against Otorohanga. I got a try and I tackled a big person and we had a big feed after the game. We had a presentation and Oscar and I got Player of the Day. The score was 30 - 35." By Flynn Kearins Te Whare - Rimu

"On Sunday, I went to the prize giving for the Te Kuiti Swimming Club. There were lots of certificates and trophies handed out. I got the trophy for the most improved swimmer in the development squad." By Zoe Hitchen - Kahikatea

"On Sunday the 27th of June the Te Kuiti Swimming Club had their annual prize giving. This year was all about this kids so we didn't just get prizes and trophies, we also dressed up in the "S" theme, had some yummy food and gifts for all our hard work.

This year I got a lot of trophies, or a lot more than I thought anyway. The first trophy I got was for 100 yard intermediate freestyle which is 3 lengths. Then 12 year girls backstroke trophy, followed by 12 year 100 yard Junior Girls Championship trophy. I also got the breaststroke 100 yard fastest time for 12 year girls and lastly I was awarded the 50 yard boys and girls 12 and over trophy and the points trophy for the whole season for my age group. I was also excited to find out I got a club record for the 2 length freestyle and was presented with an engraved medal. The record was from 2007

and was held by Patrice Forgeson. I worked really hard on my swimming This year and I was proud of my results."

By Bella Larsen - Kahikatea

"In the weekend I jumped 1 metres bareback on my pony, Omega. She was really good. I nearly slipped off over the jump in our arena." By Sophie Downey - Rimu









PHOTOS

INTERSCHOOL ORIENTEERING



JUNIOR SCHOOL ORIENTEERING



SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

FATHER JOSEPH'S VISIT TO RIMU HUB

Last week Father Joseph visited Rimu Hub and had a Q and A session with the students. Some very interesting questions were asked of him.



MATARIKI CELEBRATIONS - THURSDAY 8 JULY

Next Thursday the students will take part in some Matariki celebrations. There will be a Treasure Hunt, They will do some work with feathers and decorate some biscuits. After morning tea some music based activities are planned and after lunch, they students will do some weaving. We would appreciate some parent helpers to join the weaving session after lunch and help our students with this activity. Please contact the office.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

TEACHING POSITION AVAILABLE: MATERNITY LEAVE - FULL TIME FIXED TERM

We invite you to consider joining our enthusiastic, supportive team. We are looking for an energetic and reflective teacher who can work collaboratively. Start date 23 September 2021 and finishing on 23 September 2022. Please email your CV and cover letter naming two referees to suzanne@stjosephtk.school.nz or office@stjosephtk.school.nz Application closes Friday 9th July 2021.

BREAKFAST IN SCHOOLS

Our school have joined the "Breakfast in Schools" programme from next term. We are provided with milk and Weetbix for the students. We would like to make our parent community part of this project. If you are able to assist in this project, please contact Elmarie in the office on 878 8190 for more information.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND BAKING FOR SALE - FRIDAY 9 JULY 2021

Our Year 7/8 students will be selling sausages and baking next week Friday, 9 July 2021 to raise funds for their trip to Waitangi next month. Remember to bring your money to support them!!

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

School Holidays The Kiwi Kids Club open from 7.00am to 5.45pm Monday to Friday venue Anglican Church 54 Hearehuka St Otorohanga. Depending on daily activity cost range from \$42.00 up to \$58.00 +GST a day. Winz subsidy available. We will also put on a van to pick children up from Te Kuiti around 8.00am drop-offs 5.00pm. We can pick up drop off at home if you live

in town, limited spaces. What's on our Programme Trip days Leap laser tag and trap, Ten pin bowling, Time Zone, Splashy pottery, Hamilton Movies Te Awamutu, Menz shed Otorohanga. In club we are making Sock Puppets, Jewellery and dream catchers, Tie dying, Technology and pizza day. To enrol your child for what days you need care Phone Wiggs 021491616. Here's the link to their Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/The-Kiwi-Kids-Club-591319800908796/

PARISH NEWS

MARIAN MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP

Meeting once a month on a Friday after Mass at approximately 10am. At this stage there is no set Friday but notice will be given. Open to all 'spiritual mothers' in the parish. For more information see Theresa D'Ath and Jess Hutson.

SILENT DIRECTED IGNATIAN RETREAT

Fr Richard Shortall SJ will direct a *silent* Ignatian retreat at the Cluny Retreat Centre in Tauranga from July 11 - 16. This offers you the time and opportunity to pay closer attention to God and be more aware of the ways God is at work in your life. Involves personal prayer and individual spiritual direction with Fr Shortall. The retreat is live in and fully catered, beginning at 7:30pm on Sunday July 11 and finishing after breakfast on Friday July 16. Cost \$220 -payable to the Catholic Diocese of Hamilton. Places are limited to 5 participants only. Registrations close Wednesday 7 July. To register visit cdh.org.nz/events or email Shonar@cdh.org.nz or phone 07 856 6989









READINGS AND GOSPEL FOR 14th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 4th JULY 2021

First Reading

Ezekiel 2: 2 - 5

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

The word of the Lord

Psalm 122 (123) R: Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 12: 7 - 10

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

The word of the Lord

Gospel

Mark 4: 35 - 41

Jesus went to his hometown and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

The Gospel of the Lord

'A prophet is only despised in his own country.'



Readings for next week: 1st Reading Amos 7: 12 - 15 2nd Reading Ephesians 1: 3 - 14

Psalm 85 (86): 9 - 14 Gospel Mark 6: 7 - 13

