

# ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## Community Newsletter

Term 2 - Week 10  
26 - 30 June 2023

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## RIMU FIREWOOD RAFFLE - AND THE WINNER IS...

**Mr. Andrew Downey!**

We would like to thank everyone who supported this fundraiser.  
The funds will go towards Rimu's camp in Term 4.



## DATES TO ADD TO YOUR DIARY!

PLEASE KEEP UP TO DATE WITH WHAT IS HAPPENING AT OUR SCHOOL BY HEADING TO THE SCHOOL CALENDAR ON OUR WEBSITE: [St Joseph's School Calendar](#)

## FROM MRS. DOWNEY'S DESK THIS WEEK

Kia Ora Koutou e te Whanau. Talofa, Kumasta



What a fun day we had on Wednesday this week! LEARNING CELEBRATIONS!! Teachers' held five workshops of mixed aged groups for the first part of the morning. There was; a matariki play, an opportunity to learn to use the poi, the making flax crosses, learning a use rakau stick to play games and a matariki dance.

At 11.30 each group performed their learning to the school and parents. A shared lunch followed with parents staying to have lunch in the sun with their children.

The student voice was united 'We had such fun' 'It was a fun day' 'It was great to have my Mum here' Thank you everyone for supporting this activity, even if you were not able to attend, it meant so much to the students to be able to participate in the shared lunch.

Tomorrow the students have a mufti day - dress or bring props for your future career or the career of your parents! Traditionally at the end of Term 2, we have MUFTI MANIA. It is a nationwide fundraiser for Caritas (the social justice arm of the church). The gold coin donation is collected from all Catholic Schools and distributed throughout New Zealand and the Pacific.



Rimu has Guinea Pigs to visit.  
Thank you to Mr Laver and Eleanor for bringing the Guinea Pigs to visit Rimu last week!



Thanks to Mrs Kirkland for bringing Sam and Hollie's goats to visit. Cocoa and Snickers were very happy enjoying the special attention of the students.

There has been some amazing learning stories, progress and activities this term. We had an excellent turn out to interviews. Thank you. See you all next Term.  
God Bless your families  
Suzanne Downey

The school remembers with great fondness the contribution that Mrs Kathleen Marich gave so freely to St Joseph's.

Kathleen began at St Joseph's in 2016 teaching reading recovery and relieving across the school. Kathleen will be remembered for her enthusiasm and passion for learning and the desire she shared for all students to enjoy music. Kathleen's funeral service is on Monday 3rd July at Te Awamutu at 1pm.







# Religious Education

Wishing Everyone a  
Happy Feast Of

## ST. PETER AND PAUL

29th JUNE



### 2nd July 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Today's Sunday gospel reading presents a catechesis on discipleship, with two steps. In the first step, Jesus defines the disciple's path: the disciple must be able to make Jesus his fundamental choice and follow his teacher on the path of love and dying to oneself. In the second step, Jesus promises a reward to those who generously and lovingly welcome the missionary-disciples of the "Kingdom." So what really have we sacrificed in following Christ? Apparently, following Jesus is not an easy task; as stated earlier, it involves a cost – a life of total surrender and preference of Jesus and a loving gesture towards our neighbour. It is a radical path, which often demands sacrifices. When it comes to choosing between Jesus and other values, what should the Christian's option be? Moreover, choosing Jesus and following Him to the cross is not a path of failure and death, but a path of life.

### 29th June Saints Peter and Paul

A liturgical feast in honor of the martyrdom in Rome of the apostles Saint Peter and Saint Paul. St Peter is often considered the Apostle to the Jews and St Paul to the Gentiles.

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PREFERS	FATHER	MOTHER
WORTHY	DAUGHTER	CROSS
FOOTSTEPS	LIFE	WELCOMES
PROPHET	HOLY	WATER



### PARISH NEWS

#### JESUS YOUTH NEW ZEALAND (JYNZ) - EXULT 2023

13-16 July Narrows Park in Hamilton. Exult is a festival that brings together young adults from all over New Zealand. A unique opportunity for individuals to join us for three days filled with worship and ministry. Our aim: to provide attendees with a profound experience of powerful worship, dynamic teachings from esteemed international leaders, and personal ministry. Registration at

<https://www.cdh.org.nz/diocesan-bulletin>

#### PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Sunday 2nd July the Annual Peter's Pence collection to assist the Holy Father with his charitable work.

## RETURN FROM TATSUNO



The students who went to Tatsuno were hosted by the Waitomo District Council earlier this week. To read the speech they wrote please go to our school website: [Tatsuno Speech](#)

## PLEASE TAKE NOTE

### START DATE TERM 3

Term 2 finishes tomorrow, Friday 30 June 2023. Term 3 will start on Monday, 17 July 2023. We wish you a safe and restful holiday.



### SPORTS PHOTOS

The photos of the sports teams will be taken on Thursday, 20 July 2023, which is the Thursday in Week 1 of Term 3.

We usually collect the sports uniforms which were issued at the beginning of the winter sport season on this day. Please ensure that the uniforms are neatly washed. Thank you



### MOBILE DENTAL UNIT

Please take note that the mobile dental unit will be parked at our school. We have not heard from them yet, and we will notify you when to expect them. If you need to contact them, please call 021 487 914. Thank you



### HELP NEEDED IN THE OFFICE - FROM 09 OCTOBER TO 20 OCTOBER 2023

We are advertising a temporary position in the school office for the period stated above. The position is available for the first two weeks in Term 4 and it involves being in the office and attending to daily administrative duties. Training will be provided. Please contact Suzanne or Elmarie if you are interested in helping us in the office at that time.





## CHILD CARE FOR THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The Kiwi Kids Club at the Anglican Church Hall open Mon to Friday from 7am to 5.45pm ages from 5 to 13 years Winz subsidy available. I will be putting on a van to pick up Te Kuiti children's limited seats pickups about 8-830am drop offs 5pm. Our programme is Ten pin bowling, Waingaro Hot Springs. Leap Trampoline laser tag and trap, Hamilton Zoo, Menz Shed. Te Awamutu Movies, Jewellery making, Technology and McDonalds, Carnival Day To enroll your child for what days you need contact Wiggs 021491616



## St Joseph's Catholic School

### Movie Night



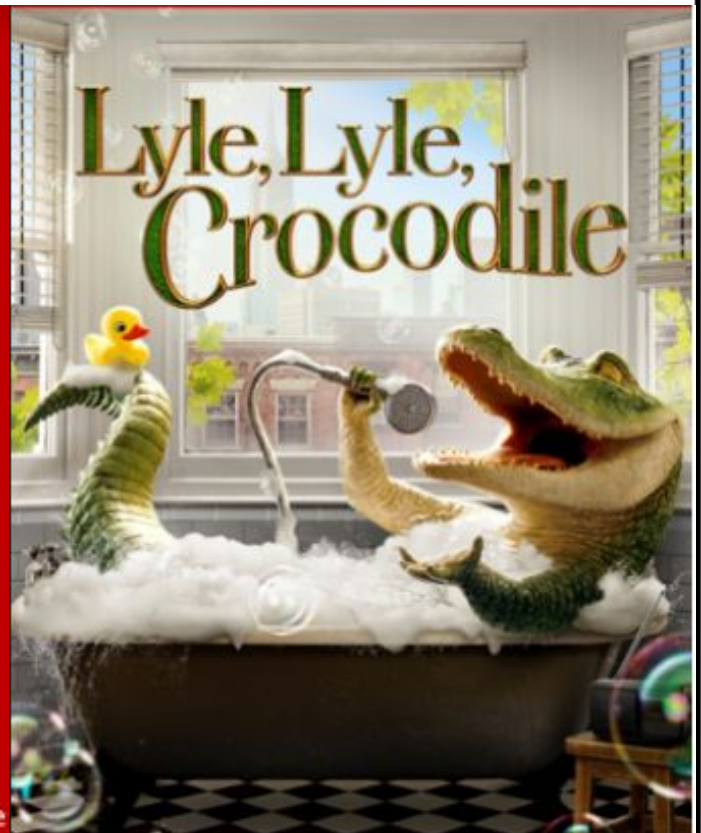
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June – 5.40pm (movie starts at 6pm)

St Joseph's School Basement

Bring bean bags or blankets to sit on

Popcorn and hot chocolate for everyone!

Younger siblings accompanied by parent/guardian welcome



## Career Day Mufti Mania!

On Friday the 30th of June, there is going to be Career Day.

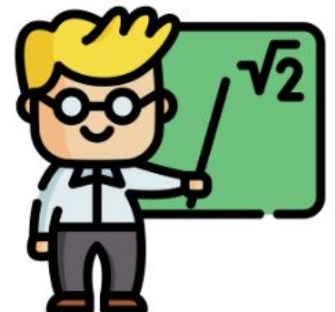
Career Day Mufti Mania means that you are going to dress up as what you want to be, when you are older!

If you don't know what you want to be, dress up as what your parents job is.

There will be a **prize** for the winners, 2 juniors, 2 seniors so dress up as well as you can!

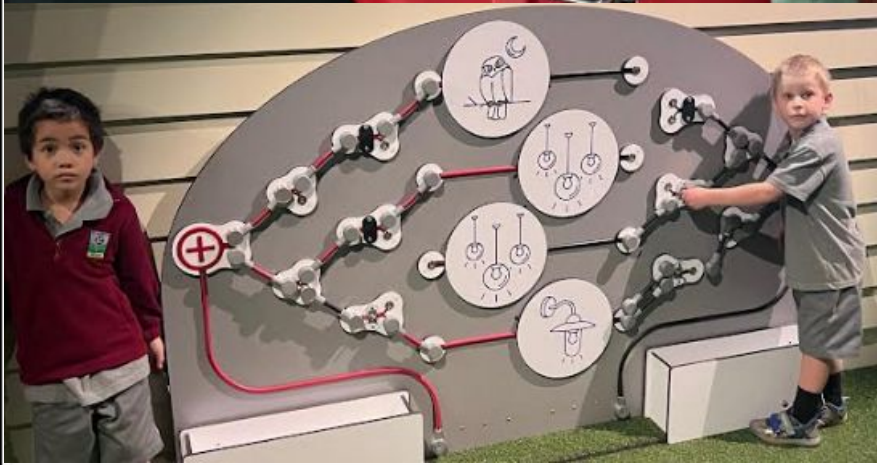
Your pay check is; Bring a gold coin donation for Caritas - the Catholic organisation for Social Justice

# Career Day





**NIKAU'S MUSEUM TRIP LAST WEEK**







WINTER SPORTS



WOW! What an amazing winter sports season it has been. With majority of sports finishing this weekend, we would like to say a huge THANK YOU to all the parents who have put up their hands to help coach and manage the teams, without you this would not have been possible. Thank you to parents for transporting your children to and from practises and matches. Well done to all players for giving it your best and enjoying the game.



Blue sticks won their finals and completed the season undefeated.



Fun Ferns participation award.

St Jo's/  
Rangitoto  
Netball team  
won the  
Efficiency Cup -  
most efficient  
and organised  
team getting to  
the courts on  
time and  
warming up.



Junior Boys Cross  
Country team came 3rd  
overall at Interschools.



Junior Girls  
Cross  
Country team  
came 3rd  
overall at  
Interschools



Interschools  
Orienteering  
participation awards,  
with Madelyn Were  
coming 3rd overall for  
year 4 girls.



## READINGS AND GOSPEL FOR 2nd JULY

### First Reading

**2 Kings 4:8-11,13-16**

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.' One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. He said to his servant Gehazi, 'Call our Shunammitess. Tell her this: "Look, you have gone to all this trouble for us, what can we do for you? Is there anything you would like said for you to the king or to the commander of the army?"' But she replied, 'I live with my own people about me.' 'What can be done for her then?' he asked. Gehazi answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. This time next year,' he said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

*The word of the Lord*

**Psalm 88 (89): 2-3,16-19**

**R: Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord**

### Second Reading

**Romans 6:3-4,8-11**

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

*The word of the Lord*

### Gospel

**Matthew 10:37-42**

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

*The Gospel of the Lord*

***Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me***



### **Readings for next week:**

*First reading Zechariah 9:9-10*

*Psalm 144 (145): 1-2,8-11,13-14*

*Second Reading Romans 8:9,11-13*

*Gospel Matthew 11:25-30*