

# St Joseph's Catholic School

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94 Seddon St, Pukekohe 2120



Week 1 Term 3

23 July 2020

Newsletter # 12

## Principal's Message

*Tena Koutou Katoa Talofa Lava Kamusta Malo e lelei Mauri Hello Everyone*

Welcome back to our third school term. Hopefully, our school year is back on track. We are so privileged to be living in New Zealand during this worldwide pandemic.

We ended last term with a celebration assembly for our Matariki Week. It was a lovely occasion with a visiting kapa haka group from Holy Cross, Papatoetoe, performing, followed by a showcase from our own kapa haka. Their portrayal of the Matariki story was beautiful. Many thanks to Mrs Francis and Mrs Clarke for coordinating this for our school to enjoy.

As you would have noticed, the building project is in full swing with Room 11 demolished over the break and the construction area completely fenced off. After separating Rooms 10 and 11, it took 8 minutes for Room 11 to be demolished! You might be interested to see that post on our PTA Facebook page: St Joseph's School Pukekohe - PTA & Friends.

Entry to the school can still be made through the front Seddon St gates and Dublin St gate. To reduce congestion on our steps down to the court area, children with scooters/bikes are asked to enter the school through the driveway gate and use the steps next to the driveway to wheel their scooters/bikes into school. We ask that children, coming from the north end of town, do not walk on the school side of Seddon St until they cross the pedestrian. You may consider following the "Park and Walk" procedures by parking away from school and walking in. Please remember to use the pedestrian when crossing your children to enter the school gates.

This term we obviously won't have the courts available. The reduced hard surface during our wet winter months will be annoying at times and on very wet days the bottom field is often closed. We will, however, be utilising our hall during interval and lunch with supervised activities enabling all our children across the school to have an opportunity to use this space. Children are reminded that they need to wear old clothes when playing on the fields during the winter terms.

Two of our girls, Jessica Lapwood-Hamilton (Y6) and Emily Stalworthy (Y7) represented us at our Franklin Speech Competitions this week. They presented their speeches beautifully in front of a large audience. We were very proud of them.

Yesterday, I went through to Auckland with Mrs Francis (DRS) and three student representatives, to attend Bishop Pat's Catholic Caring Foundation Caring Mass. It is always a special celebration when so many Catholic schools come together to celebrate Mass.

Next week we have our Franklin netball competitions involving children from Year 3-8 over three days. The following week we have our school cross country so sport is all on again! Thank you to all our parents who support these sporting activities to help them run so smoothly.

You will be receiving your Team Newsletters this week or next. Please read them as they are really informative giving you lots of specific information about your child's learning and other activities for this term. We look forward to our next ten weeks of school.

Stay well and God bless

*Ursula Hall*

Principal



*"Let the mustard seed be hidden for a little time, continue to water it with prayer before God, and soon you will see it yield fruit a hundredfold."*

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Key Dates		Special Catholic Character
Fri 24 July	Mass: Te Rōpū Ārahi and Te Rōpū Aroha 1 Franklin Gymnastics	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." - Galatians 6:2</b></p> <p>Yesterday we went to the Catholic Caring Mass, a mass where the Catholic Foundation of the Auckland Diocese celebrates the donors and organisations that their foundation funds. They also get schools to come and celebrate students who are seen as caring and helping others in their schools. So myself, Ursula and three of our lovely year 6 class councilors came along to support the foundation. Below is a little piece of writing from Oliver Pile, Pipa Dykes and Lydia Lynch about their experience.</p> <p><i>On Wednesday the 22nd of July, Oliver, Pipa and Lydia, accompanied by Mrs Hall and Mrs Francis, went to a Caring Mass In Auckland. At the Mass, we sang songs and prayed for those who didn't have enough food to eat, who were at refugee camps, and people that need a bit of love in their life. Children from schools and other people who helped the Catholic Caring Foundation, were given certificates. It was very interesting to see all of the other kids from Catholic schools there in their different uniforms.</i></p>  <p>God bless,  Anna Francis DRS</p>
Tue 28 Jul	Yr3 & 4 Franklin Netball	
Wed 29 Jul	Yr5 & 6 Franklin Netball	
Thu 30 Jul	Yr7 & 8 Franklin Netball	
Fri 31 Jul	Mass: Te Rōpū Piripono 1 & 2 & Te Rōpū Aroha 2	
Sun 2 Aug	Pasifika Fono Meeting after Mass	
Wed 5 Aug	Year 7&8 Tech School Cross Country	
Fri 7 Aug	Mass: Te Rōpū Ako Whole Team Saving Day School Cross Country	
Fri 21 Aug	School Photos	
Fri 11 Sept	Teacher Only Day	
Fri 25 Sept	Term 3 ends	
Mon 12 Oct	Term 4	
Fri 23 Oct	Teacher Only Day	
Thurs 17 Dec	<p>Term 4 ends</p> <p><b>NB: There may be another TOD organised by our COL. This was to take place in Term 2.</b></p> <p>Please note these dates are subject to change For further dates see calendars on the Skool Loop app or at: <a href="http://www.stjosephs.co.nz">www.stjosephs.co.nz</a></p>	

## School Notices

**2021 Enrolments at St Joseph's School:** As we begin to look at our school organisation, it is important that we know how many children we need to cater for at each class level. If you have a child or know of any child wishing to attend St Joseph's School later this year or in 2021 (including at the Year 7 & 8 level), please request an Application for Enrolment from our school office or email [stjoesoffice@stjosephs.co.nz](mailto:stjoesoffice@stjosephs.co.nz), complete it and return it as soon as possible. This information is really helpful for us as we plan ahead. Thank you

**\*\*Please find Key Dates for Term 3 below in this newsletter\*\***

**Farewell:** Today is Mrs Alison Murphy's, one of our amazing teacher aides, last day at our school, Alison has worked at St Joseph's for 6 years and this year has worked mainly in Rm 3 as well as taking a STEPS Reading group. Thank you for everything you've done for our children Alison and we wish you good luck and many blessings for your future. We will miss your friendly smile!



**ICAS** - ICAS stands for International Competitions and Assessments for Schools and it provides an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. Students who participate will each receive a Certificate and a detailed Results Letter indicating which questions they answered correctly. The Results Letter also highlights student strengths and weaknesses.

If you wish your child/children to either the English or Maths, please pay by sending the required money to school in an envelope **clearly** labelled with your child's name, year, and room number and the competitions they wish to enter. These are listed below with the sitting dates. Each competition costs **\$16.00 ea.** Please note these competitions are only available to children in **Years 3-8.** Entry fees must be paid to the school office by **Friday 14th August** No late entries.

*Your envelope/and or email should resemble the following:*

I would like my child \_\_\_\_\_ Room \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ to sit the

(Circle one or both please):    English: Mon 24th August                      Mathematics: Mon 31st August

Please find enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ entry fee.

Or I have paid by Cheque/Cash/Eftpos/Internet Banking (ASB 12 3023 0338374 01) Ref: ICAS / name

**Crossing Dublin Street:** Families using the Dublin Street gate please use the crossing provided for you - This is a VERY busy road with cars coming out of the intersection. There are too many children crossing just by the gate. Please remind your adult that picks you up that you must come down to the crossing. This is for your safety!

**Winter Uniforms:** It is a requirement of our school uniform policy, and agreed to by parents on enrolment, that all children be wearing black waterproof winter shoes (no white soles or other colours). Please make sure your child is wearing the correct footwear and if there is any need to occasionally wear other shoes, please send a note into your child's teacher.

**Year 5 & 6 Camp Fundraisers Coming Up:** Sausage Sizzle at Mitre 10 the next 3 Sunday mornings. Please come and buy some. Mr Samuels (Apparelland Clothing) will be in the Library Wednesday before and after school selling our school uniforms at a cheaper price than other outlets. Percentage of all sales will be given to the school for the camp Thai Shack is continuing to bring in lots of money for us - a great idea for lunch or dinner for the family. All of our students are busy selling boxes of chocolates at \$2 a bar. In the next week we will begin to sell tickets for 3 amazing prizes - keep your eyes open for that! Thanks to anyone who has supported any of these fundraising efforts.

**School Gardens:** We are very excited to get our school gardens back up and running. I am very passionate about getting our tamariki into the garden, learning about where food comes from, harvesting and eating their produce. If there is anyone that can help in any of the following ways please email Briar Shackleton on [briars@stjosephs.co.nz](mailto:briars@stjosephs.co.nz) to discuss further. Any help or contributions will be greatly appreciated.

- **Volunteer** - either in the garden or help with cooking sessions on a regular basis or even a once off.
- **Donations** - Seeds, small trowels, small forks, old whisks or other gardening tools that may be excess to requirements at home. Old gardening magazines would also be very useful. These can be delivered to Room 3.
- Any other ways that you can offer to help our children enjoy the gardens.

**Wanted: Old Samsung Phones** - We were kindly donated 2 VR Google Sets for our Steamroom but, to be able to make use of them, we need phones that can run the VR apps on them. If you have an old Samsung phone that you are no longer using please consider dropping it off to the school office where we can put it to good use.

**Take a look at the new classroom block!** It has six class spaces and will replace our older classrooms: Rooms 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and the Resource Room. The middle of the school will then be developed into a court area. Something to look forward to!



## School Events

**PASIFIKA FONO MEETING:** Kia ora, Tālofa, Malo e Lelei, Kia Orana, Ko na mauri, Bula, Greetings to all parents and caregivers.

St Joseph's Pasifika Komiti are having a Pasifika Fono meeting on Sunday, August 2nd at 11 am (straight after the 10am mass) in the Church hall. Please come along, bring a plate of food if you would like, and we can gather together to talk about what we can do to support our Pasifika students for the rest of the year and plan our Pasifika week activities. We are looking for parents to come in to help with activities, such as helping with preparing some traditional food throughout the week.

If you can help, but can't be there Sunday, please let Mrs Mrvacich know. Hope to see you all there.

Malo 'aupito

The St Joseph's Pasifika Komiti.

**Pasifika Fono - *Have your say on your local area.***

**Franklin Local Board would like feedback from the community on our [draft local board plan](#)**

***This is your opportunity to influence what council does in your community. We need to know if we have our thinking right. You can give feedback using our [online survey](#). Or comment on the [Franklin Local Board Facebook](#) page – please use #lovelocal in your comments. Consultation is open until 13<sup>th</sup> August.***

***You could also add the following sentence in relation to the meeting – not sure if this goes out to the whole school or not or just to the Pasifika community – can you adjust as necessary please.***

***We will also be at your meeting at 11am on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August to hear your ideas.***

**Wednesday 5th August is the School Cross Country:** We need helpers to make the day safe and successful. Please look out for the permission slip and helpers slip coming home this week and let Mrs Sokimi know if you can help.

**Franklin Bulls Visit:** Yesterday we were lucky enough to have six members of the Franklin Bulls come by to have a session with some of our Years 5-8 students. They entertained the kids with their skills and we had some of our students impress them with their skills as well.



# PLEASE SUPPORT OUR MOVIE NIGHT

## ABOMINABLE - Friday 31st July

**Tickets:** \$7.00 per person

**Food & Drink available:**

**-Doors open at 5.00pm, Movie Starts 5.30pm,**

**Pick up Time 7.30pm**

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## Term 3 Key Dates

**These are subject to change - please check fortnightly newsletters for changes**

Mon 20 Jul	Term 3 Begins
Tues 21 Jul	Franklin Speech Competition Yr 5&6 @ Pukekohe Hill School
Wed 22 Jul	Year 7&8 Tech Franklin Speech Competition Yr 7&8 @ Pukekohe Hill School
Fri 24 Jul	<b>Mass:</b> Te Rōpū Ārahi and Te Rōpū Aroha 1 Franklin Gymnastics
Tue 28 Jul	Yr3 & 4 Franklin Netball
Wed 29 Jul	Yr5 & 6 Franklin Netball
Thu 30 Jul	Yr7 & 8 Franklin Netball
Fri 31 Jul	<b>Mass:</b> Te Rōpū Piripono 1 & 2 & Te Rōpū Aroha 2
Sun 2 Aug	Pasifika Fono Meeting after Mass
Wed 5 Aug	Year 7&8 Tech School Cross Country

Fri 7 Aug	<b>Mass:</b> Te Rōpū Ako Whole Team Saving Day School Cross Country
Fri 14 Aug	No Friday Mass
Mon 17 Aug	Proclaiming the Word Final
Wed 19 Aug	Year 7&8 Tech BOT Meeting 7pm
Thu 20 Aug	North Group Cross Country
Fri 21 Aug	<b>Mass:</b> Te Rōpū Ārahi and Te Rōpū Aroha 3 School Photos
Mon 24 Aug	ICAS English Test
Wed 26 Aug	Zone Cross Country @ A&P Showgrounds
Fri 28 Aug	<b>Mass:</b> Te Rōpū Piripono 3 & 4 & Te Rōpū Aroha 4 Daffodil Day
Sun 30 Aug	School Assisted Mass
Mon 31 Aug	ICAS Maths Test
Wed 2 Sep	Year 7&8 Tech ASB Mathex
Fri 4 Sep	<b>Mass:</b> Te Rōpū Ako Whole Team
Thu 10 Sep	Pasifika Language Week Celebration EPro8 Yrs 7&8
Fri 11 Sep	<b>Teacher Only Day</b> EPro8 Yrs 5&6
Wed 16 Sep	BOT Meeting 7pm
Wed 23 Sep	Year 7&8 Tech
Fri 25 Sep	No Friday Mass End of Term

## Community Notices

**St Patrick's Parish:** Our Parish AGM will be held this Sunday 26th July after the 10am Mass. This annual event is open to all Parishioners and is a great opportunity to learn more about our Parish Committees, Finances and Activities. You are invited to attend.

***Have your say on our three-year Franklin Local Board plan and help shape the future of your community. If you love local go to <https://akhaveyoursay.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/franklinplan> to find out more about our plan and watch a video on how local boards work. Or use #lovelocal while commenting on the post on our Franklin Local Board Facebook page.. We need you to tell us if we are on the right track, consultation closes 13<sup>th</sup> August.***

# FREE HAVE A GO BASKETBALL SESSION

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- BRING SHOES AND A DRINK BOTTLE

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