

# St Joseph's Catholic School

*"Excellent Education befitting our Catholic Character"*

94 Seddon St, Pukekohe 2120



Week 5 Term 4

12 November 2020

Newsletter #20

## Principal's Message

*Tena Koutou Katoa*

*Talofa Lava*

*Kamusta*

*Malo e lelei*

*Mauri*

*Hello Everyone*

We've really had an eventful couple of weeks after many Covid interruptions in our first three terms.

Our Piripono / Year 5 & 6 camp at Totara Springs was a great success. I was able to travel down and join them for dinner on their first night and they were having a great time. The venue really suited the age group, and teachers, parents and children thoroughly enjoyed their time there. Having the opportunity to go to camp is so valuable for our children in so many ways but cannot happen without the support of the school community. Many thanks to all of you who contributed in some way.

The First Communion / Confirmation Mass last Sunday, concelebrated by Monsignor Paul Farmer, Father Robert and Deacon Thomas, was a lovely celebration with 22 of our students receiving this holy sacrament. Monsignor Paul's homily was directed clearly at our children's level and we appreciated his message. The children looked stunning. We thank Nancy Fox and the people of the parish who support our children's journey in becoming full members of our Catholic church.

Our building continues to grow towards completion and now is being made watertight. All going to plan, the building will be ready for us at the beginning of next year. The site, however, will not be finished. Our old classroom block will be demolished in January but we won't have our grounds reinstated until March. We are becoming excited about the prospect of moving in. We anticipate that our Year 4 & 5 pupils will occupy the top floor and our Year 2 & 3 students will be on the ground floor. We have a large group of Year 6 students and they will be in Rooms 14 & 15. Our Year 7 & 8 students will stay where they are, and our Year 0 & 1 students will be in Rooms 3 & 4. So, there will be a lot of classroom movements for our new year.

Tomorrow, Friday, we will be having our annual tabloid sports postponed from St Joseph's Day in Term 1 due to a rainy day. Each year a house is awarded a cup at the end of year prizegiving for winning on this day so it is great that it can now finally take place. Children are asked to wear their house colours tomorrow to support team spirit. Following this, the PTA are organising fun activities in the afternoon as a way of treating the school after all the events they have missed out on due to our Covid year.

Although we need this rain to fill our dams, let's hope we have a fine day tomorrow.

Stay well and God bless.

*Ursula Hall*

Principal - Tumuaki

**Blessed Virgin Mary**

**14 November**



Most Holy Virgin Mary, Mother of the church, you are the fairest fruit of God's redeeming love; you sing of the Father's mercy and accompany us with a mother's love. In this time of pandemic we come to you, our sign of sure hope and comfort.

**Hail Mary**

*Hail Mary, full of grace.*

*The Lord is with thee.*

*Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.*

*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen*

## Key Dates

## Special Catholic Character

**Fri 13 Nov** Mass: Te Rōpū Ako School Tabloid Sports/PTA Fun Day (late St Joseph's Day Celebrations)

**Mon 16 Nov** Assembly: Te Rōpū Ārahi

**Tue 17 Nov** North Group Athletics

**Wed 18 Nov** Year 7&8 Tech  
Tiny Joes  
BOT Meeting 7pm

**Thu 19 Nov** Zone Athletics

**Fri 20 Nov** Mass: Te Rōpū Piripono  
Aroha Trip to MOTAT  
Big Foot Adventures EOTC Day - Ārahi

**Wed 2 Dec** Carol Service 6pm

**Fri 11 Dec** Prizegiving 11.30 \* time TBC

**Mon 14 Dec** Assembly: Final Year 8

**Tue 15 Dec** Gifts for the Elderly - Gift Giving

**Wed 16 Dec** End of Year Mass/Leavers Mass - time TBC

**Thu 17 Dec** Term 4 ends 1.15pm Finish

*Please note these dates are subject to change  
For further dates see calendars on the Skool Loop app or at:  
[www.stjosephs.co.nz](http://www.stjosephs.co.nz)*

*Our First Holy Communion is such a holy, joyful occasion. Our souls become the bride of Christ. That is why girls wear white dresses and boys wear white shirts or suits. Relatives are invited. Parents take pictures. We celebrate and the very act of celebrating reveals our belief in the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.*



**Congratulations to the following St Joseph's students who celebrated the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation last weekend:**

**From Ako** - Daniel Regala, Maeve Glynn, Lauren Hartland, Rangi Hawkins, Alisa Cha, Cedric Dena, Deanna Fermin, Grace Fonseca, Bru Muir, Sawyer Mravicich, Frian Pena, Lillian Hewitt, Kennice Roldan, Nooroa isaia, and Simon Vicente.

**From Piripono** - William Perenara, Jenna Mae Enriquez, Isaac Fern.

**From Arahi** - Riley Fern, Max Agnew, Luisa Tuilealiifano, Madeiline Vicente.

May we keep in our prayers those who have received that they may remember this day and develop a love for the Eucharist and our church.

God bless,

Anna Francis (DRS)

## SCHOOL NOTICES

**Epro8 Challenge:** Congratulations to the High Voltage Epro8 team who won the Year 5 & 6 Franklin Competition last week. Members of the team were Pipa Dykes, Vann Kaire, Nathan Nazareth and Oliver Pile.

**Piripono Camp:** Year 5 & 6 students have just returned from an amazing 3 days at Totara Springs Christian Camp in Matamata, totally exhausted but very happy. They took part in many different activities, all teaching new skills and self management - rafting, kayaking, abseiling, rock wall climbing, crate challenge, team rescue, giant hydro slide to mention just a few. Many thanks to the parents who came along as helpers - you were wonderful!



**Chickenpox:** A reminder that we have a few cases of Chickenpox in the school. It is highly contagious. Early symptoms include: fever, headache, runny nose, a cough, temperature, loss of appetite, tiredness. Children that have these symptoms and Chickenpox spots should stay away from school, daycare and public places as they are infectious. Children will need to remain absent from school until the spots are scabbed over and dry - this may take 5 - 7 days. For further information please go to [www.kidshealth.org.nz](http://www.kidshealth.org.nz)

**Aroha Cross Country** Last Friday, Te Rōpu Aroha, held their Cross Country. We were so lucky that we had a short window of fine weather to allow our students to get out there, run hard and do their best. It was wonderful to see the students support their houses too with lots of cheering and great team spirit! We would like to say a huge congratulations to all our Aroha students who ran with enthusiasm and perseverance to make it to the end - for many it is a very long way! It was lovely to see our Intermediate students support our younger students around the course when it was needed. Thank you! And a big thank you to all the parents who were able to come along to support and cheer all our tamariki.

We would like to recognise our students who placed from Year 0 to Year 2.

**Year 2 Girls** - 1st: Gwen Stallworthy; 2nd: Honey Onehi; 3rd: Isla Shields

**Year 2 Boys** - 1st: Renzo Johnston; 2nd: Marius Vicente; 3rd: Keith William

**Year 1 Girls** - 1st: Macey Donelley; 2nd: Lily Maria; 3rd: Tessa Hartland

**Year 1 Boys** - 1st: Kalan Farrell; 2nd: Rene Barrington; 3rd: Imanol MacGilloway

**Year 0 Girls** - 1st: Frankie Farrell; 2nd: Kyla Hampton-Batten; 3rd: Tamana Takaria

**Year 0 Boys** - 1st: Asher Teoro; 2nd: Tapuaki Ahokava; 3rd: Felix Teoro





### Student leadership Day

Four students from St Joseph's school were selected to go to Holy cross for a student leadership day. We learnt about leadership and what it means to be a leader . We made new friends with kids from other schools and some older boys from De La Salle had a talk to us about what leadership is and why being a leader is Important and even if you don't get a role you are still a leader no matter what. We did a blind folding task and it was a person we have never met before and it was fun . I had an amazing time and everyone was nice and we all enjoyed it . Next year the other year 7 kids will enjoy it and will have a good time .

By Emily Lapwood



## SCHOOL EVENTS

**Tabloid Sports** This Friday is our annual Tabloid Sports. This would normally be held in Term 1, however, due to wet weather and then Covid Lockdown we were unable to hold it earlier in the year. Students are able to come to school in their house colours. The school will assemble in front of the Hall at 10:30 and we aim to begin at 10:45am. It is held on both the top and bottom fields. Family and friends are more than welcome to come along and support our students.

**Mission Day** On Friday 27th of November we have Mission Day. Tickets are available before and after school. More information will be coming out to you over the coming weeks.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Please support our newsletter sponsors below.**

"We just want to say thank you for helping us selling our old property and then purchase our new home which absolutely love!!!. We found you to be very professional, honest, hardworking and most of all very knowledgeable in understanding the local housing market. You did an excellent job and your service exceeded our expectation! We look forward to dealing with you again in the near future".  
Nancy and Victor.



Paula Tuhaka 027 238 9496 - Residential Sales - p.tuhaka@barfoot.co.nz  
Eugene Tuhaka 027 621 6678 - Associate Sales - e.tuhaka@barfoot.co.nz  
P: 09 232 6774 | barfoot.co.nz/p.tuhaka



We have a wide selection of quality and competitively priced. Dried Fruits, Nuts, Seeds, Wholefoods, Organic and Gluten/Allergy Free products. We have a wide range of healthy food options & are proud stockists of: Coconut Oils & Flours and Sugars, Chia Seeds, Coconut Yoghurts, Cacao Products, Paleo Cereals and Protein Powders, Superfood blends of essential nutrients, and so much more. Check out the range of Healthy Foods next time you shop at a Bin Inn Pukekohe Foodmarket.

f 4A Harris St, Pukekohe • 09 239 3042 **OPEN 7 DAYS**



Gymnastics for all ages and abilities  
Trampoline, Tumble, Gymnastics

**LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE, SECURE YOUR SPACE NOW**

**Ph: 09 238 8290**

Gate 2, A&P Showgrounds • 58 Station Road, Pukekohe  
info@franklingymsports.co.nz • www.franklingymsports.co.nz



the Difference is **DRAMATIC!**

Bringing out the **BEST** in Everyone  
**09 836 0233**

www.helenogrady.co.nz

Classes held in Pukekohe



HELEN O'GRADY DRAMA ACADEMY



**TOOTH CARE PUKEKOHE**

Receive the dental care you need for a beautiful smile

- Exam with 2 Xray for \$50
- Scale & polish from \$120
- Free ACC & WINZ Quotes
- Free under 18's

- Relief Of Pain
- Dental Fillings
- Root Canal Treatments
- Extractions
- Wisdom Tooth Extraction
- Veneers
- Teeth Whitening
- Crowns / Bridges
- Custom Made Mouth Guards
- Full and Partial Dentures
- Scale & Polish

09 238 2343  
027 238 2346

info@toothcarepukekohe.co.nz  
www.toothcarepukekohe.co.nz

Your Family Friendly Dentist  
166 King Street, Pukekohe 2120

educating dancers since 1965



40 Nelson St, Pukekohe  
(corner Nelson St and John St)  
09 238 7462 or 027 280 1517  
info@dance.net.nz  
www.dance.net.nz

EMPOWERED, CHALLENGED, STIMULATED, INCLUDED



Formerly Seddon Street Preschool

117 Seddon Street **PUKEKOHE** • 09 238 8745

f www.bespoke.org.nz

**Dr Fix iT** .CO.NZ  
AUTO AND TYRE

177 Manukau Road  
Pukekohe

**09 239 1424**

- WOF \$55
- BRAKES
- WELDING
- EXHAUSTS
- DIAGNOSTICS
- SRS ABS CHECK
- ENGINE
- NEW TYRES FROM \$65
- RUST REPAIRS
- SUSPENSION

**09 237 0470**  
**OPEN 6 DAYS A WEEK**



**GO WHERE GEOFF GOES!!!**



**NEW & USED VEHICLES, PARTS AND SERVICE**

New & Used Vehicles: Mark McDonagh 021 242 8990 and Paul Tupai 021 573 313  
Finance & Insurance: Kevin Jamieson 09 237 0470  
Parts Department: Irawan and Tania 09 237 0467  
Service Department: Karen, Madison and Garth 09 237 0466

Pukekohe Toyota | www.pukekohe.toyota.co.nz | 45 Manukau Road, Pukekohe | 09 237 0470