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ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL – CENTRAL HAWKE'S BAY

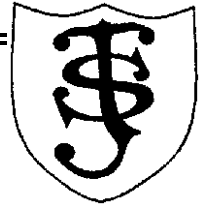
Term 3 Newsletter – 2nd September 2015

VISION

ASPIRE TO EXCEL

MISSION STATEMENT

To Excel in Education embracing the values and Teachings of the Catholic Faith.



Dear Parents, Caregivers, Pupils and Parishioners,
Tena Koutou Nga matua o te kura.

"PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT"

Over the last two weeks we have had 2 incidents in our community that have highlighted the need to ensure we all know what to do in an emergency. (dangerous offender, earthquake)

This has led to us reviewing our school procedures for a situation where students can't go outside safely, i.e. dangerous animal, stranger on school grounds, poor weather.

We will have another practice this week to ensure students know what to do and our systems/structures are effective. Ask your child to share this with you. It is also a great time to review/practice your home escape plan in an earthquake or fire.

I would like to thank our P.F.G. who are putting together the finishing touches to the cook book. They have put in a lot of hard work to make this book and deserve all the thanks and praise they get. Raising funds in today's environment is tough and they do a great job. Thanks ladies.

As a staff we are unpacking our school values, starting with **Respect**. Our aim is to have clearly defined expectations and a vision of what this looks like in a range of contexts – class, playground, church, sport, trips. We have started collecting student voice this week and will also be asking parents for their thoughts using the following question:

- **What would you expect to see if Respect was active across our school?**

This is on display in the office window. Please write your thoughts on a stickie note (see Trish.) Please email us as well if this is easier and we will write a stickie note for you.

Maths Quiz

We have four families booked into our Maths Quiz Evening on Thursday 17th September starting at 5.30pm. Registrations, which are free, are available at the office. (You can book via phone) Join us for a great evening of problem solving and fun. I have asked the Senior Room to prepare nibbles for this event. I look forward to seeing you there!

I.T. Development – School Website and Parent APP

We have the School Website being developed. Remember the address is www.stjosephschb.co.nz. Our aim is to use this for our wider community and future parents.

In addition to this we have a phone app being developed, that runs on both Android and iOS systems. This app is designed for parents/whanau so they are able to get regular updates and notices from school as they are entered.

I am really excited about this app and the value it will add to how we communicate with parents. Once it is completed we will have training sessions on how to effectively use it. We are aiming to have it up and running to start Term 4 with. Watch this space!

Cross Country

Given the current weather, we have a Plan B. If too wet to race we will try to cancel on Thursday (a note will come home) otherwise we will wake up and see what Friday morning brings.

If we cancel on Friday we will hold a special Cross Country on **Tuesday 8th September**, racing around Russell Park so that we may find runners for the CHB Cross Country and our School Champions. This will involve only 8 – 12+ year old students at different times of the day as only these students can qualify for the CHBCC.

Welcome

A very special welcome this week to new entrant **Ella Jackson** and her family. We look forward to sharing the wonderful educational journey with Ella.



Regards
Craig Henderson
Acting Principal

Sacramental
Preparation



SPECIAL CHARACTER

The **Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation** (commonly called **Confession, Reconciliation or Penance**) is one of seven sacraments of the Catholic Church and sacred

mysteries of Eastern Christianity, in which the faithful obtain divine mercy for the sins committed against God and neighbour and are reconciled with the community of the Church. By this sacrament Christians are freed from sins committed after Baptism. The sacrament of penance is considered the normal way to be absolved

from mortal sins which would otherwise condemn a person to Hell.

This Sunday, 6th September, is the first Session for those who are making their first Reconciliation. We have 7 candidates and they will be meeting after Mass on Sunday in the presbytery. ***If you would like your child registered it is not too late. Just contact the school or parish office.***

“There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle.”

— Albert Einstein

ALTAR SERVERS

For this week are Samantha, Savannah & Rixel.

BIRTHDAYS

Zyra Mugot – 9 years old on the 1st September

SNAP YOU'RE CAUGHT

Last week's winner was **Haelie McClelland-Paul**.

Others who were also in the draw were:

Greta Minehan, George Te Amo, Toby Owen, Amelie Hanham, Tony Lyon, Kate Apolonio, Rueben Taylor, Emily Nesbit, Jaelim Dudding, Annabelle Berry, Stella Minehan, Caleb Costales, Amber McMullan, Riley Winchester, J.D. Mananes, Hugo Mabin, Jonty Kohleis, Molly Wagstaff, Charlotte Ashton, Malachi Bucknell, Kate Lawrence, Alice Lawrence, Curtis Murdoch, Raeleen Del Mar and Aidan Cairns.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

These are happening on the morning of **Wednesday, September 23rd**. Information and Order Forms will be sent home next week, so keep an eye out for these.

P.F.G. UPDATE

Hi all,

Just a quick reminder in case you didn't get the flyer on Monday, but we are finalising photos for our recipe book, and we are hoping to include a school photo and some very cute photos of our kids.

However if you would prefer not to allow photos of your children to be included, then please let the office know before the end of this week.

A reminder to the PFG group that we will be finalising the book on Friday after school, for those that can attend.

Its great excitement this week with the cross country on Friday (weather permitting).

The PFG have decided to sponsor a sausage sizzle for kids and parents, as we know there is nothing like a cross country to work up an appetite! Thank you to the parents who have offered to assist with the BBQ on Friday. You are going to make our kids very happy.

Good luck with the run everybody!

Regards

Jacqui Mabin

THE VALUE OF RESPECT

Respect is being courteous and caring for ourselves, others and the environment. This week's children who have shown respect are **Hannah Del Mar, William Bean, Jiva Rose Niegos and Stella Minehan.**



SPORTS ROUNDUP

The final games of rugby were played on Saturday with some great results for the season.

- **Toby Owen, Hugh Kyle, Curtis Murdoch and Piper Taylor** were in the winning Under 11 Rugby Team (Central Blue) who played Central Red on Saturday.
- **Heath Lawrence** plays in the U9 Grade (Central Blue team) who all received medals for getting through the season unbeaten.

Well done to our Rugby players!!

WAIPAWA M & D PRESENTS.....

The Musical **“Whistle Down the Wind.”**

September 30th – October 10th at CHB Municipal Theatre.

Tickets available from Ticket Direct 06 857 8117.

Good luck to the following pupils from our school who are involved in this musical – **Rebekah Minehan, Isobel Thomson, Jemma Nesbit and Ben Berry.**

COMING EVENTS

September

4th - School Cross Country

7th - Science Roadshow Yr 6 – 8

10th - CHB Cross Country

16th - School Speech Competition (Note the new date)

17th - Maths Trivia Evening 5.30pm

21st - Rotary Speech Competition

23rd – School Photos

25th - Term 3 ends

Oct

12th - Term 4 begins

Room 5

We have been learning to become independently word conscious when we are reading. This means we pay attention to new words and understand what they mean within different contexts.

Based on "the Boring Book" our goal was to create a visual using tagxedo based on a category of our choice.



Sport words By Rebekah Minehan



Exciting words By Tony Lyon



Maths words by Rixel Tumagos



Happy words by George Te Amo

This week is money week. We have been completing activities based on Money for the past two weeks. Below are photos of groups of children learning to make the best choices when shopping within a budget. Thank you to Angela Robinson from Budget Services for supporting us with this activity.

