



Junior Syndicate Newsletter

Term 3, 2018

Talofa, Kia Ora and Welcome to Term 3!

We hope you have had a fantastic holiday and managed to spend time doing the things you love with the people you love.

We are delighted to welcome back Marian Cole, who has once again joined the Junior Syndicate.

This term we will continue our successful Play Based Learning. The children thoroughly enjoy this time developing skills in problem solving and working cooperatively. This term we will continue to focus on a Religious Education theme of loving your neighbour, the world and ourselves. This theme will also be included in all our Curriculum areas.

Please take time to visit the Junior classes so that you can share in the children's learning. All Junior classes will continue to use 'Seesaw' as a way to communicate and share the children's learning. The children are currently learning to take photos of their work and then share it with you, to encourage those very important end of the day conversations.

EVENTS THIS TERM

23/7/18 to 30/7/18		Life Education visiting the school
27/7/18	Friday 9am	Whole School Assembly Juniors hosting
8/8/18	Wednesday 10am	Powhiri to welcome new families (<i>note new date</i>)
10/8/18	Friday 9.30am	Juniors to Parish Mass
15/8/18	Wednesday 9.30am	Assumption day Mass
17/8/18	Friday 9am	Whole School Assembly
27/8/18 to 31/8/18		St Brendan's Book Week
31/8/18	Friday 9am	Whole School Assembly
4/9/18	Tuesday	Trip to Expressions
7/9/18	Friday 9.30am	Juniors to Parish Mass
10/9/18	Monday (TBA)	Grandparents Liturgy
21/9/18	Friday 9.30am	Juniors to Parish Mass
28/9/18	Friday 9am	Whole School Assembly

Keep an eye out for other key Term 3 dates in our school newsletter next week!

Parent Help

If you are able to help your child's teacher, in any way, please do not hesitate to approach them. We are always in need of help with resource making, photocopying, laminating, putting away reading books, publishing or helping in class with reading or writing.

Uniform

It's the Winter term! Please ensure you have the correct winter uniform. It is important that your child is warm enough at school, with a sweatshirt and a coat, each day.

TERM 3 CURRICULUM AREAS

Religious Education	LOVE your neighbour, LOVE the world and LOVE ourselves
Writing	Recounts. Punctuation, sentence structure, describing words. Word and alphabet knowledge.
Reading	Variety of shared and guided reading texts. To include, narrative, reports, poetry and procedural writing.
Spelling	Phonics Training Programme, Early words.
Handwriting	Magic Caterpillar Handwriting programme.
Mathematics	Number knowledge and Strategy. Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division. Algebra and Measurement.
Tikanga Maori	Hauora integrated with RE/Topic and Inquiry.
Te Reo	Numbers, days of the week, months and dates.
PE	Cooperative games and foundation skills integrated through Play Based Learning, Gymnastics and PMP.
Inquiry/Topic	Integrated through Play Based Learning.
The Arts	Integrated through Play Based Learning.
Technology	Incorporated into Curriculum areas where appropriate.
Social Science	Integrated into P.E. and Play Based Learning.
ICT	Seesaw, Reading Eggs, Bobblewrite and Apps for Learning.
Homework	Reading and Early Words.

As always, if you have any concerns about your child's learning or behaviour, please see the classroom teacher first. The key to success in dealing with issues and concerns is being prompt and speaking to the appropriate person - the classroom teacher. This way you get the correct information.

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We look forward to an exciting term!

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