

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

We learn with faith for tomorrow.
Me ako tātou. Ma te pono. Mo apopo.
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Hi everyone,

Just a short one today. I know we will be getting another one out during the week. Please get in behind our gala and help support our school and parish.

Working Bee

We had about 15 people come to this over the weekend. Thank you very much, the school looks very spic and span. There will be an extra 100,000 house points for those families who gave up time over the weekend to help out.

Just one aside which I am not sure people know about. The lawn around our grotto is Parish land and whilst the school is not involved in the upkeep we become part of the parish when we join the school and attend St Peters. Therein lies one of the many ways in which we support our parish.

Coming to church on Sundays

Last week we had 6 students of the school attend mass on Sunday. If you would like your children to go but cannot attend, give me a call and I would love to pick them up. 021888339.

Uniforms

Parents thank you for your support in this. Again, if there are issues with you being able to provide this let me know and we can source the uniforms through other ways.

Pet Day

Thanks to everyone who made this a successful day for the students and the pets. I know that lots of fun was had and many teachers have flowers on their desks. Another way of how we show commitment to making our school calendar fun and enjoyable for the students. Thank you to staff and teachers for all the extra work you put in. Well done students for getting your pets and flowers organized.

Cups and Trophies

It is that time of year again for sending back in the cups and trophies from last year. So make sure that you get pictures of your children with them and then pop them back into the office.

Enviroschools

At the moment we are finding projects for our students to do to enhance our school under the Enviroschools ethos. These are the five guiding principles.

- Sustainable Communities
- Empowering Students
- Maori Perspectives
- Respect for Diversity of People and Cultures
- Learning for Sustainability

If you know of a project that could happen and you would like input into this let your child know. They in turn can bring this to the forum of the planning groups.

We now have our enviroschools planning committee.

GALA MEETING

TOMORROW AFTERNOON 5.30 IN THE STAFF ROOM. KEEP THE GEAR COMING PARENTS. THANKYOU..

Kapahaka

Just a reminder to families that this is on the 9th November if you are looking to get time off to see the performance.

Health survey

Coming to you today is a health survey form. This form lets us know what focusses you would like to see over the next two years. Please fill in and return. There will 5000 house points to each family that sends them in. Send it back to the class teacher.

GALA COLLECTIONS

We need lots more things to sell. SEND THEM IN PLEASE.

What a glorious day!

Have a good one,

Leonie McEwan

Delivery of the Health Curriculum at St Joseph's Catholic School

By law we are required to consult with the community every two years about the delivery of the Health curriculum. Please complete the following questions to help us in the design and delivery of this important curriculum area.

What is an effective Health Curriculum?

The Health Curriculum aims to help students develop their understanding of factors that influence their health and the health of others in our community. This includes knowledge about:

- mental wellness
- reproductive health and positive sexuality
- personal safety management
- nutrition
- managing change and loss
- personal identity
- self-worth and self-esteem
- responsible decision making
- relationship skills

How are we doing?

The Health Curriculum is taught through the following programmes. Please indicate how effective you believe these programmes to be.

Lessons with Bernie and Harold in the Life Education Caravan			
Very Effective	Effective	Only Somewhat Effective	Completely Ineffective

The Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme taught in conjunction with the NZ Police			
Very Effective	Effective	Only Somewhat Effective	Completely Ineffective

Our Religious Education Curriculum, taught daily by classroom teachers			
Very Effective	Effective	Only Somewhat Effective	Completely Ineffective

Responsive classroom teaching as the needs arise (eg: Term 2, bullying)			
Very Effective	Effective	Only Somewhat Effective	Completely Ineffective

Is there anything from the bullet points above (listing elements of the Health Curriculum) that you would like to see more focus on at school?

Our current beliefs on Sexuality Education are affected by our beliefs on Catholic social teaching. Do you believe that Sexuality Education should be taught from Year 3-8 or would you consider different age group rankings?

- a. *Yr 5- 8*
- b. *Yr 7 -8*
- c. *All year groups*

Does this statement adequately reflect your own thinking on the topic of Sexuality Education?

☐ Yes ☐ No

What are your comments about this statement?

Our Health Programme follows the Catholic teachings, in regards to the idea of life being a gift from God and an emphasis on the preciousness of each child.

Do you have any comments about this?

Do you have any other comments about delivery of the Health Curriculum at St Joseph's?

Thank you for your time in completing this survey. Please return to the teacher.

This information will be collated for analysis by the Board. You will see changes made to future programs.