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Newsletter



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2018
term 4

NEWSLETTER

Congratulations!



As a parish and school we joined together on Sunday to celebrate Mass with Father JeLo, and had the privilege of being a part of a very special day.

This was the baptism of nine children in to the Catholic Church.

The children have been a part of baptismal course and are now on the next step in their Faith Journey.

We extend our congratulations to these children and wish them all the best.



**Father JeLo with Keira Martin,
Isabella Kumar, William Patten,
Alexis Martin, Evelyn Hinton
Mila Williams, Kelvin Kumar, Alvin Kumar
and Bailee Horan**

This years finalists for the 2018 Scripture Reading Festival were of a very high standard, and the presentation of the readings were a credit to all those involved.

Congratulations goes to our overall winners

**Caitlin Bennett ...Year 7/8
Pigou Memorial Cup**

**Aidan Butler ...Year 5/6
St Josephs Parish Cup**



Scripture Reading

Our Scripture Reading finals took place last Wednesday. A special congratulations to our year 5 / 6 and 7 / 8 finalists. You did an amazing job of reading scripture with reverence. The winners of the Scripture Reading competition were:

Aidan Butler Year 5 / 6

Caitlin Bennett Year 7 / 8

Baptisms

It was so lovely to see our school families at Mass last Sunday. Eight students from our school received the sacrament of Baptism at the ceremony. We would like to congratulate Bailee, William, Kelvin, Alvin, Keira, Alexis, Mila and Evelyn. It was such an honour to be part of this special day.

Year 5 and 6 Camp

Our year 5 and 6 students were waved off this morning as they head for a two night camp at Finlay Park. We wish them all the very best and hope for good weather. A special thank you to our parent helpers and to Mrs Bennett and Mrs Horan. Have a great time!

Classes for 2019

We are pleased to announce our teachers and year levels for 2019

Mrs Emma Hyde

Mrs Simone Campbell

Miss Ashlee McPherson

Miss Olivia Yates and Mrs Catherine Barnett

Mrs Julie Bennett

Mrs Lee White

Mrs Kerry Horan

Mr Jeff Bennett

Year 1/New Entrant

Year 2 and Year 1

Year 2 and Year 1

Year 4, Year 3 and Year 2 (Hub)

Year 5 and Year 4

Year 6 and Year 5

Year 6 and Year 7

Year 8 and Year 7

Students will be informed next week of who their teacher/s will be for next year. We will also have a meet my teacher afternoon where the 2019 classes will spend some time with their new teacher/s to be. We will keep you posted.

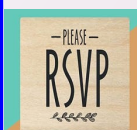
As you know we have been expecting renovations to take place in our hub space and in Room 7 and 8 to transform the buildings into a hub space. We are currently waiting for the tender process to take place. At this stage the renovations are likely to occur early next year. We will inform you shortly of classroom spaces. Please note this may change due to the building process. Plans of the renovations are available to view in the school foyer.

Christmas Raffle

A special thank you for the items which have been donated thus far for the Christmas Raffle which is organised by the PFC. This Friday is our final mufti day where students can bring a stocking filler.

The Hits Toy Fun Run

On Monday 3 December at 9.30, the Toy Fun Run Bus will arrive at our school to collect new and pre-loved toys for those children in need. We spoke to the school yesterday to ask them if they can have a look through toy boxes to see if there are any toys to donate. We would love to support this worthy cause to help others in our community.



Thank you Morning Tea

We are hosting a thank you morning tea for parents and supporters who have volunteered countless hours of their time to help in our school. Invitations were sent out a few weeks ago and we are still awaiting many responses. Please RSVP to the school office by Friday if you are able to attend or not for catering purposes. Thank You

Mission Day

Our Annual Mission Day is happening on Thursday 6 December from 11 am - 1.30pm. There are lots of different stalls and activities so invite your neighbours and friends to come and join us. Please come along to support. All proceeds will be donated to our supported overseas Missions in need...Holy Childhood Foundation, Sisters of the Mission and St Columbian Mission.

Returning School Items

As we are nearing the end of the school year, it is a great time to clean out and return any school items that may be hiding under beds, in the back of cupboards and wardrobes. This includes library books, reading resources, hockey shirts, and any other gems found. This would be most appreciated.

Policy Review

We have two policies that are currently under review and we would like your feedback. Our Religious Instruction Policy and Improving Educational Outcomes for Māori Students are available via our school docs link. Please take some time to read them, click on the 'under review button' and give your feedback.

We invite you to visit the site at <http://stjoes.schooldocs.co.nz/> (note that there's no "www"!). Our username is **stjoes** and password **faith**. The link to school docs is also available via our school website www.stjoes.school.nz.

School Desks for Sale

We are selling off our surplus desks for \$20. They are in great condition and can be utilised in so many ways. If you would like to purchase, please contact the school office.

Have a fantastic and blessed week as we lead into Advent. Take care of yourselves and each other.

God Bless Andrea Colebourn Principal



Reflection...

This Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent. Advent comes from the Latin word meaning "coming." Jesus is coming, and Advent is intended to be a season of preparation for His arrival. While we typically regard Advent as a joyous season, it is also intended to be a period of preparation, much like Lent. Prayer, penance and fasting are appropriate during this season.

ALL ABOUT THE Advent Wreath



Archdiocese of Toronto

www.archtoronto.org

Usually made up of evergreen branches or boughs placed in a circle, topped with four candles

The wreath is blessed and one candle is lit on the first Sunday of Advent; another candle is lit every Sunday until all four candles are burning brightly

PURPLE CANDLES symbolize our waiting, hoping, longing expectation for the arrival of Christ

The act of **LIGHTING THE CANDLES** banishes the darkness: a reminder of Jesus Christ, the Light who has come into the world through his birth, and who continues to shine brightly through his Church

O God, as light comes from this candle, may the blessing of Jesus Christ come to us, warming our hearts and brightening our way. May Christ our Saviour bring life into the darkness of this world and to us, as we wait for his coming. Amen.

Used as a prayerful way to reflect the passage of the Advent season

The **EVERGREENS** remind us of the everlasting life promised to us by the gift of Jesus Christ, who came among us to save us from sin and death

A **PINK CANDLE** for the third Sunday reminds us that the time of Christ's arrival is fast approaching and we must prepare

TERM 4

Friday Nov 30th
Bring an Item
PFC Mufti Days

GREAT Christmas Raffle

Tuesday, December 4th
Thank You Morning Tea

December 6th

MISSION DAY

Saturday, December 8th
Yr 8 Leavers Dinner

Monday, December 10th
Whole School
Prize Giving 7.00pm

Tuesday, Dec 11th
Yr 6/7 Leadership Day

Wednesday, Dec 12th
Yr 8 Retreat

Monday, Dec 17th
Whole School Picnic
No Buses Running
Morning or afternoon

Tuesday, Dec 18th
Last Day of Term
12.00pm Finish
No Buses Running



GREAT Christmas Raffle

LAST Mufti Day THIS Friday, November 30th

- Bring "A Stocking Filler" Mufti Day

All money raised from this fundraiser is to help with projects and curriculum assistance 2019

PFC Christmas Raffle Cards-

Each ticket is \$2.00 with more raffle cards available from the school office .

Raffle Card and money due back to school by **Tuesday, Dec 4th** please.

Happy Selling and Thank You for Your Support

MISSION DAY 2018

Thursday, December 6th
11.00am to 1.30pm

This year we will
once again be using **Money Cards**.

Order forms with info on this system coming home today.

**IMPORTANT...please see info sheet enclosed with
special request for your support . Thank You**

Mark the Calendar - Everyone Welcome



**School Pool Key for 2018/19
Swimming Season ...**

**NB: School Pool Open for Use
from December 1st**

Keys are available from the school office from to
Parent/Caregivers of our school families only at \$40.00
for the season. Strict rules and conditions apply.
Thank You

HOUSEKEEPING

Class Mass: Wed Nov 28th 10am
Rms 5 and 6

Masters Chefs: Thursday Nov 29th
Andrea Bruin



MASS
Sunday Dec 2nd
9.00am
Welcomers:
Room 7

MEAT & MEAT ALTERNATIVES



MUSSEL FRITTERS



Ingredients:

- 12 fresh mussels
- 1 egg
- 1 tbsp flour
- ¼ tsp baking soda
- pepper - to taste
- 2 tbsp parsley or chives - chopped
- lemon wedges
- 2 - 3 tbsp olive oil

Makes
6 - 8
fritters

Open mussels by steaming in an open pan with a little water. Remove from the shells, clean,

then chop finely.

With a fork, whisk together the egg, flour, baking soda, pepper and herbs. Mix through the mussels and chill the mixture for 1 hour, if you have time. Heat oil in a frying pan. Spoon large tablespoons of the mixture into the pan and cook until golden brown on both sides. Sprinkle with a squeeze of lemon.

Enjoy 2- 3 fritters as snack or serve with a salad for a meal.

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LIBRARY BOOK AMNESTY

PLEASE.... Search for those missing Library Books and return to school URGENTLY. Any missing books will have replacement cost charged to those concerned.

Library is now closed.

Thank You

TERM DATES 2018 AND 2019

Term 4	Mon	15th Oct	to	Tue	18th Dec
Term 1 2019	Mon	4th Feb	to	Fri	12th April



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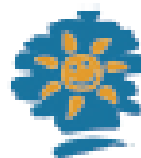
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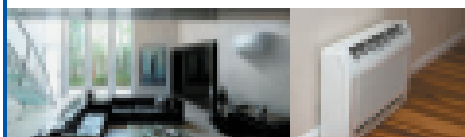
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