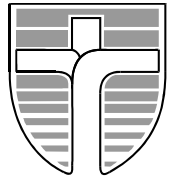




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A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE JOHN PAUL COLLEGE COMMUNITY
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Ma te pono Me te aroha – Through Faith and Love
2015 School Theme : ‘Per Ardua Ad Astra – Through Adversity To The Stars’

Dear Parents/ Caregivers

Kia Ora, Malo e Lelei, Talofa, Greetings

OPENING OF THE BISHOP DENIS BROWNE CENTRE / INVESTITURE MASS

This Thursday, 12th February, is a very special occasion in the life of the College where we:

- Open the Bishop Denis Browne Centre; a state of the art technology building accommodating Woodwork, Metalwork, Art, Photography and Graphics. It is an honour to name the building after Bishop Denis Browne who retires after 38 years as Bishop. His service to the Church, Catholic Education and John Paul College has been outstanding.
- The Investiture Mass provides for a blessing on our student leaders and allows us as a Catholic school to gather to celebrate in the Mass.

A FEW VACANCIES AT YEAR 8 AND 9 AT JPC

We have a few limited places for students in Years 8 and 9. If you or someone you know wants a JPC education for their child, please contact Sue Rowles on sue.rowles@jpc.school.nz for more information or check out the College website www.jpc.co.nz to download application forms.

COLLEGE LEADERS FOR 2015

I am delighted to announce the following students have been selected for leadership positions in 2015 after a vigorous selection process.

Head Boy	Arvin Pingol	Head Girl:	Rebecca Colby
Deputy Head Boy:	Matthew Goodall	Deputy Head Girl:	Rebecca Veitch
Prefects:	Connie Alarcon	Max Baird	Connor Broughton
	Pius Ersando	Moomooga Filipo	Ella Florence
	Steven Glyde	Darcy Harris	Harriet Klava
	Nikolaus Konlechner	Andre LeLievre	Ciaran Lett
	William McCurdy	Samuel Mickleson	Daham Nanayakkara
	Shivani Patel	Jodi Pepping	Genaia Sewell
	Zoe Spence	Pearlina Taliauli	Renee Thumma Lorrin Tiedt
Catholic Character	Renee Thumma	Academic	Puis Ersando / Andrew Fairweather
Music	Max Baird	Dance	Harriet Klava
Drama	Zoe Spence	Maori	Darcy Harris
Sports	Loren Tiedt/ Matt Armstrong	Pacific	Pearlina Taliauli
Languages	Madison Keightly-Phillips	Digital Technology	Rawiri Berryman-Kamp
La Sallian	Ella Florence	Arts	Cindy Huang

Rice House	Peter Chapman/ Ciaran Lett
McKenna	Amy Dennis/ Pius Ersando
McKillop	Nik Konlechner/ Tiana Hunia
La Salle	Mikal Higgins/ Moomooga Filipo
Kanea	William McCurdy/ Danielle Marks

ROTORUA ENERGY TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS

The Rotorua Energy Trust generously offers 45 scholarships to high schools in Rotorua with a net value of \$7000 each. John Paul College, through their academic results, leadership and community involvement, have secured 17 of these scholarships. We congratulate the following students:

Damanadeep Basra	Timothy Bradley	Jonathan Cooper
Hannah Gimblett	Aiyana Grigsby	Jemma Horne
Iona Kelly	Manjot Lall	Ruiteng Liu
Sandi Mahar	Maggie-Jean Pike	Eillish Satchell
Ana Smith	Conor Sutherland	Fintan Walsh
Jaimee Wiggins	Louise Woodhouse	

God bless
Patrick Walsh
Principal

PLEASE NOTE:

2015 UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

New hours for the Uniform Shop in 2015

Monday to Wednesday (*Term Time Only*) 8.00a.m – 4.00p.m
CLOSED 11.30a.m-12.30p.m lunch

Mrs C Constable - Uniform Shop Manager

E: Carolyn.constable@jpc.school.nz

DAILY TIMETABLE

Students **are expected** to be in Form Time for roll call and daily notices at 8.35a.m

Form Time	8.35am to 8.55am
Period 1	8.55am
Period 2	9.55am
Interval	10.55
Period 3	11.20am
Period 4	12.20pm
Lunch	1.20pm
Period 5	2.05pm
End of Day	3.05pm

INVESTITURE MASS

Families who wish to donate a plate of finger food for the Investiture Mass and Opening of the Bishop Denis Browne Centre, please bring into the public reception between 8.00 and 9.00a.m on Thursday 12th. Thank you in anticipation

WHANAU SUPPORT GROUP HUI TONIGHT

Tena koutou katoa, nga mihi o te tau hou.

The first whanau support group hui for 2015 is scheduled for Monday 9 February, 5.30pm to 7.30pm in the whare.

We will be looking at a strategic plan for the whanau group and planning our activities and priorities for 2015. This includes what our vision is for our tamariki, academic, cultural and sporting goals, increasing the Maori presence at the school including more Maori enrolments and professional development for staff.

We can also look at our calendar of events so that we can prepare and plan for the year. We normally hui 5.30pm to 7pm then share kai from 7pm, we look forward to seeing you there.
Na Eugene Berryman-kamp –chairperson, Whanau Support Group.

KAMAR PARENT PORTAL

The username for the parent portal has changed to your son or daughters student id number. An email has been sent with the changes outlined on it.

Any concerns regarding the Parent Portal please contact maree.stewart@jpc.school.nz

School Website

Our school website has been upgraded. One new feature is the search button. Please have a look at the new website. We would appreciate feedback to maree.stewart@jpc.school.nz

Our website address is www.jpc.co.nz

!! PRE-WARNING – YEAR 12 CAMP !!

At Finlay Park will be held on
Tuesday 28th April to Friday 1st May 2015

Cost will be approximately \$220.00 *approx*
It is expected that all Year 12 students attend
the camp.

Mrs S. Brewer - Year 12 Dean

Sherry.brewer@jpc.school.nz

JPC HOMEWORK CENTRE

Mondays and Wednesdays

In the Library

Between 3.10pm & 5.00pm.

Mrs M Stokes

E: Margaret.stokes@jpc.school.nz

HAMILTON DIOCESE ATTENDANCE DUES: INCREASE

The Hamilton Diocese will be notifying parents of a small increase in the Attendance Dues for 2015: Years 7 and 8 = \$416 p.a Years 9 to 13 = \$832

Attendance dues are a compulsory charge, invoiced from and payable directly to, the Catholic Integrated Schools Office in Hamilton. If any Parent/Caregiver has a problem in paying Attendance Dues please make contact with the Parish Priest, myself or directly to the Diocese Office. Dues will be invoiced this month.

RAPID RESPONSE SERVICE FOR THROAT AND SKIN CHECKS

The Ministry of Health has directed an initiative to address unacceptable rates of rheumatic fever in our community which provides a rapid response service for sore throats and skin infections. A nurse led service will initially operate out of Western Heights Health Centre. There will be no capitation deductions for the home general practice for children seen by the Rapid Response Service.

Drop in free clinic

A drop in clinic for free throat and skin checks for 4-19 year olds is operating 3:00pm – 6:00pm, Mon-Thu, and 3:00pm – 5:00pm on Fri at Western Heights Health Centre, 1 Brookland Rd, Rotorua.

Nurses assess and treat sore throats, scabies, head lice, infected eczema and Impetigo. Those presenting with other conditions will be redirected to their own general practice providers. Treatment requires parental consent, will be administered by nurses according to standing orders, and will be free of charge. While the service is directed towards the Western Heights community, it is available to any child or young person presenting. Where possible, pre-disposing factors affecting health, such as housing, will be addressed.

Following treatment the child's home GP will be notified.

Please note negative throat swab results will not be forwarded to home GPs to prevent duplication of work.

School visits

The following schools will be visited:

- Western Heights Primary School
- Aorangi Primary
- Selwyn Primary
- Kaitao Intermediate
- Sunset Primary

We have had three confirmed cases of strep throat with complications already; please ensure you have your child's throat checked/swabbed at one of the clinics, as this is condition HIGHLY CONTAGIOUS and can lead to rheumatic heart fever.

**ADVISE YOUR CHILDREN
NOT TO SHARE
FOOD OR DRINK BOTTLES**

Need to learn the times tables?

**** Join the Times-Tables sessions at JPC on Tuesdays and Thursdays ****

MULTIPLICATION TABLES BLITZ!

Lessons for JPC Students and Primary School Siblings

"It is vitally important for students to be fluent with times tables. If they don't have this basic skill, it is like asking a builder to build a house without hammer and nails" (Val Cooney, JPC Maths Teacher)

"If you want your child to enjoy their education and be great problem solvers, ensuring that they have their times tables committed to memory is a great start" (Jenny Somerville, JPC Maths Teacher)

"It takes so much stress off your child's shoulders if they know their times tables and can recall them without having to waste time working it out" (Carien Botha, JPC Maths Teacher)

GAMES SESSIONS FOR ANY STUDENTS FROM YEAR 5 AND ABOVE WHO NEED TO LEARN THE MULTIPLICATION TABLES

Computer and desk-based Multiplication tables games and quizzes
Student progress carefully monitored and recorded
Parents will receive a progress report at the end of the term

Sessions start on Tuesday 10th Feb to Thurs 2nd April
at 4.15 – 5.00pm in Room C17 at JPC
Cost: \$50 for as many sessions as you like

Spaces Limited – book your place now
Contact: Natalie.erasmus@jpc.school.nz before Thurs 5 Feb

EXTRA TUITION AVAILABLE FOR LITERACY AND NUMERACY

The College offers a highly successful, individualised computer programme called 'SuccessMaker'. The numeracy lessons are best suited to students from Year 3 to Year 8, and the literacy tuition is suited to students from Year 3 to Year 10. It is possible to offer numeracy and literacy tuition during one lesson. We have used the programme since 2008. In many cases it has raised reading ages of students by 3-4 years.

The College will offer this tuition to students after school hours at a fraction of the cost of other tuition methods. If you wish to supplement your child's learning in English and Maths, please contact Natalie Erasmus on Natalie.erasmus@jpc.school.nz

Places are limited and there was a waiting list last year, so reserve your place as soon as possible. Lessons will begin in the second week of the term, and run from 3.15 – 4.15pm, Mondays to Thursdays. Students may attend one or more lessons per week.

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

YEARS 7 and 8: MATHS BUDDY: Learning Online - Mathematics At Home

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

The Mathematics Teaching Staff of John Paul College have decided to incorporate the online Maths Buddy resource as part of the compulsory teaching program for 2015 for year 7 and 8. This is instead of the Mathematics homework book. The website is designed to provide support to students in their Mathematics learning.

The key features of the Maths Buddy website are:

Virtual Tutor: An on-screen lesson for different mathematical concepts with a pause/rewind/fast forward facility which allows your child to learn and control the lesson at a pace that suits them or to go over a lesson as many times as they wish.

Homework setting: Teachers will be setting homework through the Maths Buddy website. The homework will be tailored to your child's ability in Mathematics and all marking of work is done immediately

Progress reports: Parents can receive automatic weekly reports on their child's programme use and mathematical progress.

Before access is given to any student, the following acknowledgement form must be filled out and returned to Mrs Boyce in the accounts office, with a payment of \$24. An individual login will be given to your child giving them access to the entire Maths Buddy program and its improvements until the end of January 2016. For students who do not have computer access at home, there will be an opportunity to access Maths Buddy in the library during break times and during the homework club run by John Paul College on Monday and Wednesday after school.

Please fill in the following notification, and return the portion below the dotted line to school ASAP in an envelope

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Student Name: _____ . Form Class : _____

I, _____ (Parent/Guardian Name – Please

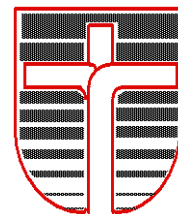
Print); enclose \$24 for my child's subscription to Maths Buddy.

I agree to the terms as explained above;

Signed: _____ Date: _____

29th January 2015
Kia Ora,

JOHN PAUL COLLEGE LAKE SAFETY 2015



Re: Yr 9 Lake Safety Safety Programme, Wednesday 11th, and Friday 20th Feb 2015

The above Programme is scheduled to be held at the Blue Lake, Rotorua.

The Lake Safety programme is an opportunity for students to experience a fun, safe educational day in a lake setting. The Programme is delivered in a structured manner by qualified instructors based at the Rotorua Aquatics Centre in a disciplined environment that sees the students taught lake awareness through a combination of theory and practical participation.

The morning programme will run at the Blue Lake from 9.30am to 11.30am and the afternoon programme from 12 Noon to 2.00pm. Mr Kowalewski, the Year 9 Dean will run the Bush craft Skills programme. A decision will be made before 8.30am if the weather is unsuitable for safety reasons.

All students and parents assisting with supervision are to meet at the JPC Bus Bay ready to depart by 8.45am. The bus will return to JPC in the afternoon before 3.05pm

The following classes are scheduled for:

Wednesday 11th February - 9BC / 9VC / 9PK
Friday 20th February - 9TW / 9MO / 9SM

Students will need sufficient food and fluids for the full day. There is no access to shops. Some suggestions are filled rolls/sandwiches/pita breads, snacks, fruit and a drink etc. It would be advisable that students involved in the morning programme have a hearty breakfast or eat some food before we depart.

They are to wear appropriate mufti, suitable for both activities.

Please ensure they have the following:

Towel / Food / Togs /Wetsuit (If available,very worthwhile)	
Suitable footwear for the bush walk (including socks) e.g sports shoes	
Warm change of clothes	Jersey
Jacket/Rain coat	Beanie
Sun Hat / Cap/Sun Block	Plastic bag for wet gear.
Day pack	Water bottle

Caregivers / parents are more then welcomed to attend but no supervision will be needed on the day..

Please complete the consent form and return to your childs form teacher by Monday 6th February. If you do not wish to travel by bus with us to Blue Lake, please inform the student's form teacher. If there are any queries do not hesitate to contact me on 0275388466.

Kind Regards,

Natasha Rogers
Physical Education

JOHN PAUL COLLEGE
Consent Form
Lake Safety Programme

Swimming ability

- * Is your child able to swim 50 metres? **Yes** **No** **Don't know**
- * Is your child water confident in a pool? **Yes** **No** **Don't know**
- * Is your child confident in deep water? **Yes** **No** **Don't know**
- * Is your child able to tread water? **Yes** **No** **Don't know**
- * Is your child able to survival float? **Yes** **No** **Don't know**
- * Is your child confident in the sea or in open inland water? **Yes** **No** **Don't know**
- * Is your child safety-conscious in and around water? **Yes** **No** **Don't know**

Permission and Health

1. I would like
(*child's name*) to take part in the Lake Safety Programme
Yes **No**
2. I have read the information provided about the event and agree to my child taking part in the Programme.
Yes **No**
3. I consent to any emergency treatment required by my child during the course of the Programme.
Yes **No**
4. I confirm that my child is in good health and I consider him/ her fit to participate.
Yes **No**
5. Indicate any health information the college should be aware of: _____
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Signed: _____

Date: _____

Full name of parent/ legal guardian: _____

Phone: _____ **Day:** _____ **Night:** _____

To be returned to Form Teacher by: 6th Feb 2015

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Yr 7-10 Health books are to be purchased from the Uniform Shop (as soon as possible) and not from OfficeMax. Cost for the health books is \$10.

Year 7/8 students require them now. Year 9/10 will require them for Week 5.

The PE uniform for YR 7-11 is the PE black with red T shirt from the uniform shop and black shorts. The shorts must have no stripes down the side and need to have the appropriate leg length. No league shorts and no tights to be worn under the shorts. Students will not be allowed to participate without the correct PE uniform, in half gear or incorrect gear without a note explaining why the student is not in the correct gear.

PE uniform for Yr 12 is attire that is appropriate for physical activity. A T shirt is required. No league shorts please. The leg length must be appropriate.

Miss B Northey – HOF PE/Health

E: barb.northey@ipc.school.nz

CALENDAR OF EVENTS TERM 1

February

- 11 Caritas Leaders Day – Hamilton
- 11/20th Year 9 Lake Safety (RN)
- 12 Investiture Mass – 10.00-11.30am
- 16-27 ERO visit
- 17 Waikato Uni visit-Y13 Common Room
- 18 Ash Wednesday Liturgy - 2.15-3.05
- 19 Auckland Uni visit-Y13 Common Room
- 20 BOP Snr Tennis – Papamoa
- 24 Yr 9-13 Athletics (NB)
- Yr 11 to Waikato Uni (HS)
- 25-27 Yr 8 Pilgrimage (FB)
- 26 Yr 9-13 Athletics (NB)
- 27 YES E-Day (WM)

March

- 2-4 Yr 8 Beach Trip (LC)
- 6-8 NISS Rowing Champs – Karapiro
- 14/15 NISS Mountainbiking
- 14/15 WaiBOP Track and Field
- 16/17 Yr 13 Retreat – St Mary's Church
- 17 BOP Lawn Bowls (BM)
- 20 School photos
- Interim Reports Issued
- 23-29 MAADI Rowing (ST)
- 23 NZSS Ultimate Frisbee (CW) – Taupo
- 24 Parent/Teacher Interviews – 3.30-6pm
- Signum Fidei Meeting –Whare – 4-6pm
- 26 French Trip Departs (CH)
- NZSS U15/U19 Rugby 7s Tauranga
- Yr 12 Parish Mass – St Michaels
- Parent/Teacher Interviews – 3.30-6pm
- 26-28 Yr 13 SSC Camp (NB)
- 28 NZSS Track & Field – Auckland
- Shakespeare Festival (TG) – RLHS
- 30 Yr 11 Road Safety Expo (WM)

April

- 2 Holy Thursday Liturgy

Tweens and Teens Toolbox Parenting Course (12-18)

The teenage years can be like riding a roller coaster. Toolbox courses aim to take out a few of the nastier twists and turns on the track and also to help parents hold on and enjoy the ride.

Six week courses

Day course starting Thursday 12 February
at 9.30am to 11.30am
St John's Church
Cnr Ranolf & Victoria Streets
Central Rotorua

Night course

starting Tuesday 17 February at 7.30pm to
9.30pm
Open Home Foundation
17 Marguerita Street
Central Rotorua

Contact Dee Horne, The Parenting Place
Coordinator Rotorua

Rotorua@theparentingplace.com
0276139067 or 07 345 5447

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