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Dear Parents/Caregivers and friends,

Welcome back to the new school year for 2012 and welcome to all our new students. I trust you all had a good break and were able to make the most of the weather, when it was good, all refreshed for the year ahead.

Yesterday at school Mass we welcomed our school new students Maya and Jakob Dodd, Hamish Mudford, Lydia Pennell, Cassie Walker and Payton Takimoana who received their welcome candles by their House Captains. We wish them all a happy and successful time at St. Joseph's School.

Congratulations also to our new house team leaders who were announced at Mass. They are as follows:

McAuley (Yellow house) - Captain - Ashlee Laing

Vice Captain - Martin Bernabe

Pompallier (Red house) - Captain - Kathleen Hennah

Co -Vice Captains - Benjamin Gray & Katelyn Tamihere

Chanel (Green house) - Captain - Kayla Seath

Vice Captain- Jack Boggiss

Aquinas (Blue house) - Captain - James Dridan

Co -Vice Captains - Will White & Stephanie Gerrand

A special thank-you to parishioner Diane Pratt who painted emblems on our new School House Shields. These shields were made by John Anderson at the end of last year and the house emblems were designed by last year's house leaders. Diane has done a wonderful job in bringing the shields to life with her awesome paint work.

Swimming has started. Music Lessons will start on Monday of next week, please get your return slips in to the office so you won't miss out. Tomorrow (Thursday) our Yr 7 & 8 students will have their first day of Technology classes for 2011. The bus will leave from School for Paeroa at 8.30 am, so please have your children at school in time to go.

Shaun O'Leary

Looking forward to a great year ahead!

Principal

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School Lunches:

As in the past lunches are available to purchase from school every **Monday** as a fundraiser for the P.T.F.A. The following is available and orders are to be placed in the Library before school with the senior students.

Small Mince Pie - \$2.00
Std Mince & Cheese Pie - \$3.00
Hawaiian Pizza - \$3.00

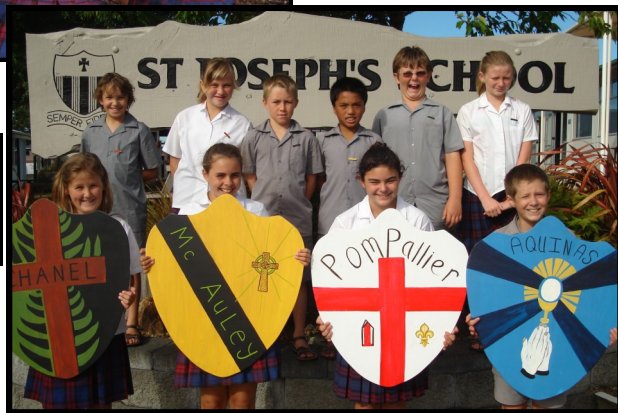
AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP:

A friendly reminder that when you are collecting your children from School **please** come across the road to meet them. Also please do not park in the bus stop or the church turn around area.



A big Welcome to our new Students:
Payton & Jakob in Room 4
Hamish, Lydia, Cassie & Maya in Room 1.

House Captains and Vice Captains with the new shields.



COMING EVENTS

13th Feb Music Lessons begin
16th Feb B.O.T Meeting at 7.30 p.m
22nd Feb Ash Wednesday
2nd March St. Josephs Swimming Sports at Central School
7th March Waihi Cluster Swimming Sports
16th March North Cluster Swimming Sports
19th March St. Joseph's Day

Parish Annual Picnic:

This Sunday 12th February at Anzac Bay
From 11.00 a.m.
Come along and join in the fun, bring along a picnic lunch or a pot luck picnic and share with others.
There will be fun games for everyone.

Young Mothers - we would love to have you join us in our Lenten Bible studies in St. Joseph's Church hall, 21st February at 10.00 a.m. Pre-schoolers welcome. Phone Joan Kennington on 2128338 for details.

Lucky Book Orders:
Please return your orders to Mrs Corney by next Thursday 16th February.

SMART SWAP #2

SNACKS
Potato chips, corn chips, crackers and dips can be very high in fat.

- Replace potato chips with rice crackers, pretzels or pita crisps
- Instead of creamy dips try hummus or salsa
- Instead of chips in your children's lunchbox try plain popcorn

Small packet chips = 6g fat or 1 tsp fat → 1 cup plain popcorn = .3g fat or 1/8 tsp fat