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TERM DATES

Term 4

Mon 14 Oct - Fri 13 Dec
(finish at noon)

Term 1 - 2020

Wed 29 Jan - Thu 9 Apr

Term 2 - 2020

Tue 28 Apr - Fri 3 Jul

EVENTS

Thank You Morning Tea
Thu 5 Dec, 10am

Year 6 Graduation
Wed 11 Dec, 6pm SHGC

End of Term 4
Fri 13 Dec, 12 noon

Start of Term 1, 2020
Wed 29 Jan

Community Group Meeting
Wed 12 Feb, 7.30pm



End of Year Reporting: This year our reporting format has been considerably different from prior years. Reporting on aspects of our curriculum every term has been challenging for staff but at the same time efficient in sharing what we know about you children. End of year reports will be released soon. They too will be different from our traditional reports. We will notify you via email when they are released. The end of year report will contain information about your child's writing and maths. It will also contain a personal general comment in relation to the years work. All other areas have been reported on over the past three terms and equate to what our traditional mid and end of reports would have contained (In Fact you've received a whole lot more).

Change of classroom allocation for 2020: Now we have nearly completed our whole school modernisation we will have one final change of classroom organisation. The final change will ensure that collaborative teaching teams are closer together and next door to the teacher they are collaborating with. This will also mean that class names will now stay with the class they will be attached to in 2020 and not change like they have during our developments. Our 12th classroom will also take the name of Ti Kouka (Cabbage Tree). In 2020 this will be a spare space that will be utilised for music, wet day PE etc... My vision for 2021 is that it will be a learning space with the intent of further reducing class sizes across our school. See map attached.

Teaching Organisation for 2020:

Room Kauri	Year 5/6
Mrs Crystal Smith	
Room Totara	Year 5/6
Mr Ryan Fleming	
Room Rimu	Year 4/5
Mrs Cushla Young	
Room Karaka	Year 3/4
Mrs Lisa Haenga	
Room Pohutukawa	Year 3/4
Mrs Jodie Mehana	
Room Kowhai	Year 2/3
Mrs Trisha Welsh	
Room Horoeke	Year 2
Mr Matthew Moorby	
Room Nikau	Year 1/2
Miss Natalie Jones	
Room Koromiko	Year 1
Miss Tara Mosten	
Room Kawakawa	Year 1

Mrs Bethany Haveswood
Room Puriri Year 0
Ms Catherine Allen
(Opening Term 2/3)

Classes and Stationery for 2020: Children will receive a note during week 9 of term 4 stating which class they will be in for 2020. Please keep in mind that we have invested a lot of time in considering the best learning environment for your child. We really want the best for them. We will also hold class swaps in the last week of school so children can spend some time with their teacher and get to know the children in their class.

We are also currently investigating the best option for families to purchase stationery for next year. Information about stationery will also come home during week 9.

Sunhats: Sunhats are now a really important part of our school uniform. Please ensure children's hats are named and with them everyday.

School Pool: We opened our school pool last week and some classes were lucky enough to get some swim time in. Heading into the end of the year classes will be in the pool at some stage. It would be great if kids could pack their togs each day in the hope that they will get in the pool.

End of Year School Prize Giving / Year 6

Graduation: Please keep next Wednesday 11th December free. This will be our end of year graduation and final school assembly for the year. During this assembly we will farewell our year 6 students and leaving families. Our Senior prizegiving will take place with our end of year cups being awarded. Each year we also present two students from each class with diligence awards. This will be held at SHGC Events Centre and start at 6:00pm.

We have been working hard the past 2 years trying to make this our final

chance to thank our community for their support over the year and have really appreciated the efforts families have made to attend the final assembly / graduation. As it is a formal school event children are required to wear full school uniform.

Last Day 2019: It's really hard to believe that we are only a few days away from the end of the 2019 school year. Our last day will be Friday 13th December. School will finish at 12:00pm on this day.

Holiday Programme: Bookings are now open for the December / January Holiday Programme. This will be open from Monday 16th December - Friday 20th December and then from Monday 6 January - Tuesday 28 January. Please get an enrolment form from either Cherie or Andrea. See the school facebook page for the activities taking place.

Community Group AGM 2020: Our AGM and first meeting for 2020 will be Wednesday 12th February at 7.30pm in the school staffroom, please come along and be a part of our small but friendly committee.



Dear Parents/Grandparents who have helped out this year

We want to say a huge THANK YOU for all of your support this year

You are invited to our SJB thank you morning tea!

When: Thursday 5th December
Time: 10am
Where: Parish Hall

Please RSVP to Andrea by Monday 2nd December
758 3165 or office@sjb.school.nz

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for December That every country determines to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

ADVENT

Advent began this Sunday. Advent is a time to prepare ourselves for the arrival of the Messiah Jesus Christ. During each of the four weeks of Advent we light one of the candles on our Advent Wreaths. Each has a specific meaning and a focus. The white candle representing Jesus is not placed in the centre of the wreath until Christmas Day.

Thank you to our Special Character Leaders Cassie Colbourne and Charlotte Murray who represented our school at the Advent Wreath Blessing last week.

Advent Prayers for Families

Heavenly Father, your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us, a great sign of your love. Guide us as we strive to walk in that love together as a family this Advent. As we prepare our hearts for Christmas, bring us closer to each other and to your son. Give us the grace and strength we need every day. Help us to always trust in you. Come, Lord Jesus, lead all people closer to you. Come and dispel the darkness of our world with the light of your love. Amen.



Week 1, Hope

Dear Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on what's really important. We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas. Amen.

Week 2, Peace

Dear Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent, as we strive to become the-best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.

Week 3, Joy

Dear Jesus, help us focus on you during this busy season. May we stay aware of the joy you bring into our lives. We want to find you in the everyday moments and come with hearts of gratitude to your manger on Christmas. Amen.

Week 4, Love

Dear Jesus, may the light of your love always shine in our hearts. As Christmas draws closer, we marvel at your great love for us. Let your love transform every aspect of our lives and touch everyone we encounter. Our hearts are open to you, Jesus. Amen.



We welcome kids to Children's Liturgy at our parish – OLHC during Sunday 9am Mass. We LOVE to see new faces. This week's teacher is: Kim Sigley

Class Mass Timetable

Week 8	Wednesday 4th December	Ruma Rimu, Pohutukawa, Nīkau
Week 9	Wednesday 11th December	Ruma Karaka, Horoeaka

Pest Traps

We still have a large number of traps (from NPDC) that we were selling last year, as part of the 'Predator Free Taranaki Project'. They are safe, easy to use, good value and **MUST be sold.**

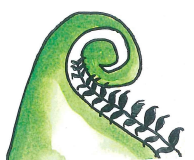
\$10 each - includes wooden box and trap

Please see Mr Moorby or email matt@sjb.school.nz



Mission Statement

To provide a Catholic environment where children's rights and individual needs are always considered, independence and confidence are fostered and children are challenged to produce their best efforts.



News from the Community Group

School Pool keys for the summer:

We are pleased to announce that with the support of the BOT we will be opening the school pool up once again. The cost for a school pool key will be \$50 plus a \$15 bond (**both need to be paid before collection of a key**)

Each family will also be asked to sign a pool use contract on pick up of their key with Andrea at the school office.

Please pay online with your name in the reference so we can tick off who has paid

The SJB Community account number is:

Bank: TSB Account name: SJB Community Group

Account number: 15-3944-0007510-00

Reference: your child's first and last (so that payments can be checked before the pool keys are handed out)

Pool keys will be available for pick up from the office during the last week of school.

We do need a few parents to be able to volunteer to help assist with keeping the pool running smoothly over the summer break, please email Ben Siffleet the committee president ben.siffleet@gmail.com if you can help out.

Highlands Swimming Club Summer Holiday Programme - January 13th to 17th January and 20th to 24th January
Times to be confirmed. **New members welcome.** Cost is \$50 for one week or 2 weeks for \$90.00.

For more details please email: highlands.swim.club@gmail.com



Fashion Design & Sewing Sessions for Kids



Come and join us these school holidays for some Christmas sewing fun, or complete a Fashion Design and Sewing course! Suitable for ages 7-14 years, no experience is required, all equipment & materials are provided.



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KIDS PLAYHOUSE RAFFLE

Would you like this Playhouse donated and built by Chris Bell Construction in your backyard in time for Christmas.

Purchase a raffle today to be in the draw.

\$2 a ticket or \$10 a book of 5

To buy a ticket facebook message Gabby's Starlit HOPE for bank details or email gabbysstarlit hope@gmail.com

Proceeds to Gabby's Starlit HOPE and other Rotary Club of New Plymouth West projects.

Merrilands Kindergarten – Te Whare o ngā Puāwai

We are currently taking enrolments for 2020.

If you would like 30 hours free quality education for your child aged between 2 and 5 years you are welcome to pop in and see us or send an email to merrilands@kindergartentaranaki.co.nz

We are here until the 20th December.



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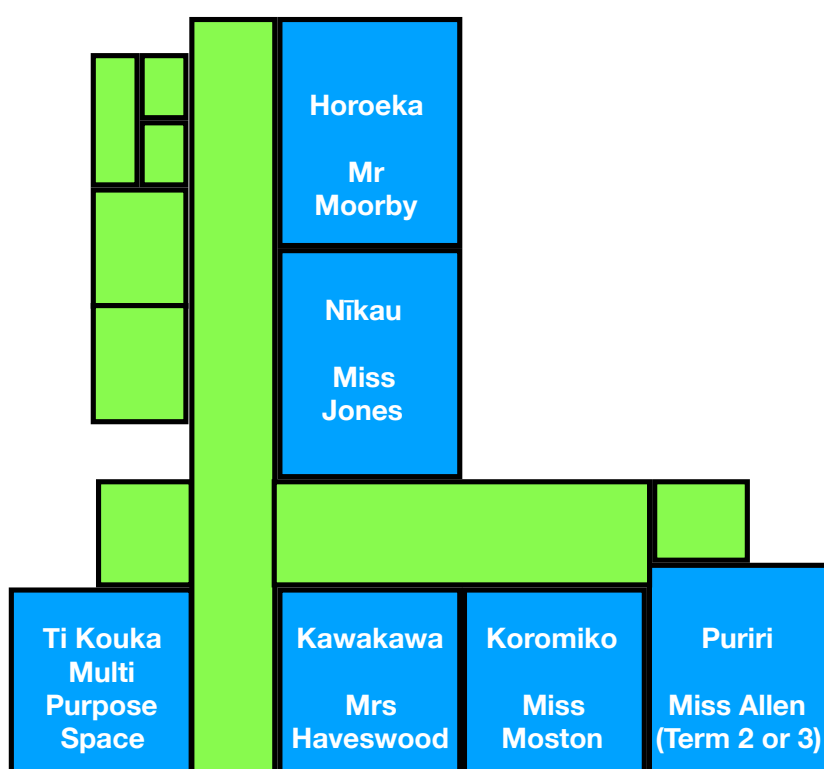
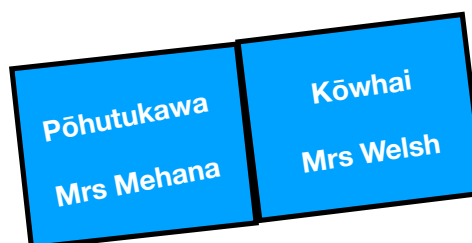
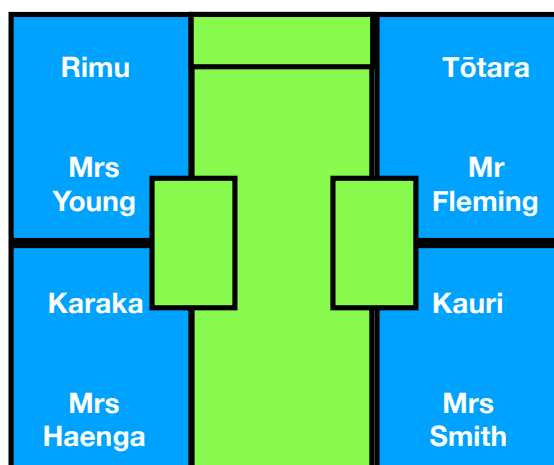


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Class Names and Spaces for Term 1 2020