

Newsletter No 10

Tuesday, 27th July 2010
Tena Koutou Katoa

*School Photos Monday 16th
August*



Dear Parents,

On Friday a newsletter went home giving you detailed information about the programme 'Keeping Ourselves Safe' that will be run throughout the school for two weeks beginning 2nd August. Please contact the school if you would like any more information about the programme or about child abuse. Also in the newsletter we brought to your attention of a nasty winter flu that has hit many of our pupils. **Please remember, to keep your children home if they are unwell (for flu at least 7 days – help limit the spread of infection) and phone the school office (3481362 or text 0278183849) if your child is absent.**

Thank you

Many thanks to the PTA and their many helpers for a successful Garage Sale. We are so lucky to have such wonderful parent support which we value very much. Also special thanks to all those families who have been supporting Ana Waqairawaqa and her family with their bereavement especially your prayers, flowers, the lovely baking and gifts for the funeral.



Welcome New Families

A very warm welcome to the following new families. We hope you enjoy your time here at St Michael's:-Ruth & James Broadley (Ella Rm4), Natalee & Douglas Swinyard (Bailee Rm4), Dawnie Emani (Chanelle Rm7), Kelly Lunam (Imogen Rm9), Anna & Matthew Crosby (Joseph Rm7) Audrey & Sean Taylor (Steven Rm4)

School Photos

Envelopes will be going home shortly for prepaid, classroom, individual & sports photo orders. These must be returned before **Monday 16th August**. Parents please make sure your children are sent to school in correct winter uniform eg:

Girls: Winter tunic with white skivvy, navy $\frac{3}{4}$ socks or stockings, **black leather shoes** : optional royal blue sweatshirt or polar fleece

Boys: Grey winter shorts, grey $\frac{3}{4}$ socks, Navy skivvy, **black leather shoes**: optional royal blue sweatshirt or polar fleece. **No trackpants** to be worn on this day.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- Wednesday 28th July:- JPC Y6 enrolment interviews
- 5th & 6th August:- Tennis Lessons
- Monday 16th August:-School Photos- 'Correct Winter uniform please'
- Wed 18th August:-Yr5/6 boys League Training
- Thursday 19th August:- School Mass
- Saturday 21st August: Maori Mass at St Michael's church 6pm
- 23rd & 24th August:- Golf Lessons
- Thursday 26th August:- Whole school Cross Country
- Tuesday 31st August:-Rms1,2,3 & 9 Cross Country

Sports

Term 3 sports dates:

- Year 5 & 6 boys League training Wednesday 18th August and Thursday 9th September 1.30 to 2.30pm at school. Boys need to wear PE gear, suitable shoes and mouth guards.
- Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 9 cross country at Redwoods on Tuesday 31st August and Thursday 2nd September.
- Whole school cross country Thursday 26th August.
- Whole school Tennis lessons at school Thursday 5th and Friday 6th of August.
- Whole school Golf sessions at school Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th August.
- Whole school Gymnastics lessons at MIGS on Friday 10th September.
- RATS Duathlon for yr 4 to 8 boys and girls. Tuesday 26th October at Waipa Car Park. For more info email ariki@sportbop.co.nz or contact Whaea Liz.



Netball Draw 31st July

9.30am St Michael's Junior V Kawaha Pt Greet Court 17

10.15am St Michael's Midgets v Kiwis Lynmore Sting Court 2

10.15am St Michael's senior v WHP Panthers Court 3

Results for Saturday 24th July

St Michael's Seniors 23 v Kaharoa Kiwis 1

St Michael's Junior 7 v Westbrook Kiwis 4

St Michael's Midgets DWn v WHP Kiwi DLs

Kapa Haka

Kapa Haka practices are every Monday between 1.45pm to 1.30pm

Mobile Ear Clinic

Free ear checks for children for: Glue ear assessment and management; grommet checks; treatment of discharging ears & wax and foreign body removal. The mobile clinic will be at the following venues between 9am – 2pm:

2 August, Monday: Rotorua Primary School

4 August, Wednesday: Western Heights Primary

9 August, Monday: - Rotorua Primary School



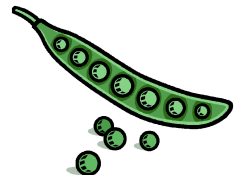
Newsletters

This newsletter goes out once a fortnight with the eldest child of each family. This newsletter is also available on our school website at www.stmichaelsrotorua.school.nz or if you wish it can be emailed out. To go on our emailing list please send your email details to the school office.

Fundraising competitions

McCann Frozen Vegetable bar codes

Many thanks to those families who have been collecting the barcodes from McCann's frozen vegetables and McCain's purely potato packets. Every bar code earns us points towards great new equipment for our veggie patch, like wheelbarrows, hoses, fertiliser and seeds. There is over \$500,000 worth of goodies to give away.



Many thanks for your Yummy Apple stickers

Don't forget to keep collecting yummy apple stickers, they are most appreciated. Each sticker earns us points towards free sports equipment for our school. Spare collection sheets are available from the school office.

Misplaced Home Reading Books

We are very short of junior home reading journal books especially now due to the increase in our school roll. Over the last few years our supply has slowly been depleted due to them not being returned. Parents and children could you please have a good hunt around home to see if you can find any to return to school. Your co-operation with this matter would be most appreciated.





Waanaga Kaiarahi

Tonight (July 27) Father Gerard Paterson will be speaking to the group on Ministry in the Church. We meet at St Michael's Church for one hour beginning at 6pm. Nau Mai, Haere Mai. All are welcome.

Weekday Mass Times:

- Monday 9am (St Mary's)
- Tuesday 9am (St Michael's)
- Wednesday 12.05 (St Mary's)
- Thursday 9am (St Michael's)
- Friday 9am (St Mary's)
- Saturday 9am (St Mary's)

Congratulations

Special congratulations goes to **Archie Tombleson** of Rm 1 for making the Central Bay Rugby Squad for the under 11's. Well done Archie!

**No reira, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena
St Michael's School Staff**

Two More Days Till School (by Leslie Kimmelman)

I'm finally going to school this year, and now the big day's almost here
I'll learn to write and count and read; only two more days till school.

I got new pants and shirts and socks, a brand-new red and blue lunch box;
I'll paint and sing and dance and play; only one more day till school.

My hair is washed, my sneakers squeak, I'm so excited, I can hardly speak!
New things to do, new friends to meet; Hooray! It's the first day of school!



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Winter's freezing, you will need a fire place.

Icy, cold mornings.

Nice hot chocolate.

Tons of flames in the fire place.

Eggs and baked beans on toast.

Raining just about every day.

By Liam



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Wild windy days.

I run a hot bath and hide from the pouring rain.

Nothings going to stop it from bucketing down.

Thunder and lightning putting out the power.

Eating toast and drinking hot chocolate by candle light.

Really freezing outside.

By Ellie.

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White and icy, cold and frosty

Icy mountains in the afternoon

Numb toes and feet

Tea with hot chocolate

Eating some nice cakes

River steams in the mornings

By Dale

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White frosty cold mornings

Icy cold ice crystals

Natural ugly disastrous storms

Thunder claps and bright lightning

Everyone going crazy about the freezing

Rainy cold frosty winter days

By Makayla

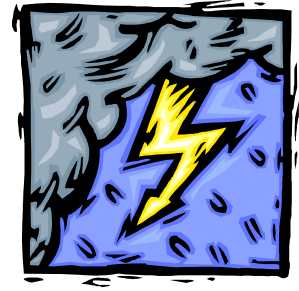
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Wild wet days.
I hide from the rain.
Never can be worse.
The shoot of lightning is bad.
Ever will it end.
Rivers over flooding.

By Brianna.



Wild winter days.
It is icy and windy in winter.
Numb freezing cold fingers in winter.
Taking nice hot baths after being caught in the rain.
Eating nice delicious hot soup.
Rainy cold days in winter.

By Sophie

Wild bleak dismal days
It was very cold today
Numb fingers and toes picking up ice
Tea and hot chocolate after dinner
Everyone grumbling about the bitter cold days
Ready for spring tired of this shivery weather

By Nakita

Warm hot chocolate.
I like winter because you can slide on the ice.
Numb cold fingers
Tough hard ice.
Eating hot food.
Rough hard rain.

By Phoenix

