



## Jireh School Newsletter

27 July 2017

### Dear Jireh Parents

Welcome back. I trust that everyone has had a good holiday and managed to have some special family time. I will briefly discuss what is ahead as we launch into Term 3.

Our achievement outcome for students this Term is to be **'Connected'**. Students will be encouraged to think, reflect and apply these values in their lives and within their community as part of this valued outcome;

- Seek to **serve** the community and to be inclusive.
- **Respect**, appreciate and celebrate the ideas and cultures of others.
- Be **sustainable**.

As a school, students will be part of learning activities that will support their understanding of this outcome and to connect and collaborate with their peers, teachers, community and God.

**Our theme for this Term is 'God is Generous'.** Students will understand that God is generous and has created plants for us to eat. They will understand that we are called to be responsible stewards of the earth. At the end of this unit, students will have a greater understanding and appreciation of God's abundant generosity in His world and our part to play as His gardeners. They will respond with gratitude and generosity through acts of service to other students, teachers and wider community.

Year 5-6 will be participating in Dance Sports, learning various dance sequences. Middle and Senior Primary will explore the NZ bush at Arataki, as part of their Inquiry learning. The whole school will have expert art lessons. **Graeme Dodd's workshop, to be held at school.** Cross country training will happen for Fitness in the mornings. A team of students will be chosen to represent Jireh School at the Auckland Christian Schools cross country. All students will receive cricket coaching from experienced cricketers for 6 weeks. This will prepare some of the Year 5 and 6 students for the Blitz tournament in Term 4. Young Engineers and Chess will continue this Term which will operate at lunch time and after school. The ICAS exams for English will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> August. The main topic for this Term is the Plant world. One of the highlights of our year is honouring our grandparents at Grandparents Day. A walkathon will take place near the end of the Term. This

will be organised by the Parent Association. Year 6 **students will have sessions in the area of 'Leadership'** with the Head Teacher, to equip them with the skills and confidence to be godly servant leaders. To end off the Term, there will be parent teacher interviews to **discuss your child's progress in their learning journey.**

We look forward to a Term of stimulating learning as a Christian community of learning.

Yours in partnership, *Malliah Tato.*

### Welcome to our new Deputy Principal



Kia ora koutou! My name is Vicki Morris and I am absolutely delighted to have been appointed Deputy Principal of Jireh. I am excited about working alongside Sandra, and have already enjoyed spending time with some of the Jireh teachers at the recent NZACS Conference. What a great team! I have been teaching since 2000. After

completing my Diploma of Teaching and Bachelor of Education at Bethlehem Tertiary Institute, I was offered a position teaching Year 8 at Bethlehem College in Tauranga. In my 3<sup>rd</sup> year of teaching I felt a call to teach in the primary part of the Bethlehem campus and taught Year 5. 2003 was a momentous and miraculous year in my life which resulted in my moving to Auckland to work at Immanuel Christian School. I LOVE teaching children and I LOVE working in strong teaching teams, encouraging teachers to be the best they can be in God. Most importantly, I value and respect the fact that parents are first-teachers of their children. It is a privilege to partner with you in raising godly young people who know their God and want to stand for truth for His glory in this crazy old world. I will be in and out of Jireh for the next 2 terms as Sandra, the team and I prepare for 2018. Please say hi. I am looking forward to getting to know you all, and am believing that God is doing something truly incredible in the midst of the **Jireh and Immanuel school communities. It's ALL for Him!**

A very successful and fun Cultural evening 1 July ☺



Term 3: 24 July to 29 September

4 August—Dance Sport (1) and weekly for 5 weeks for Year 5 and Year 6

15 August—**7.30pm Parents Meeting**

16 August—Art Workshop

4-8 September- Wai Care Visit

13 September- Arataki Trip Year 5-6

14 September- Arataki Trip Year 3-5

15 September- Grandparents Day

25 September- Parent/Teacher Interviews

26 September- ACS Cross Country / **7.30pm Parents Meeting**

29 September- MUFTI Day/End of Term

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