

# JBS NEWSLETTER

## TERM 1, WEEK 9

DATE: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

  
**Jean Batten  
School**

Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Kia Orana,  
Fakalofalahi atu, Namaste, Ni sa bula vinaka,  
Konichiwa, Ni hao ma

Kia ora e te whanau

It's hard to believe that Term 1 is almost over! I am sure that you are all looking forward to the term break and spending quality time with your tamariki. This year Easter weekend does not fall in the school holidays, so please be aware that school is closed from Friday 2nd April and reopens on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April.

**Attendance Matters**  
NATIONAL GOAL 90%  
JBS Attendance 84%



**WE CAN DO BETTER!**



Congratulations  
to Room 1 who had the  
highest attendance last week  
with 91!!!



Room 13

### "My Culture Suitcase"

Many of our students come from multi-cultural backgrounds. Our Junior School have created their own "Culture Suitcase", sharing the different languages and traditions they each have in their own family.

The Suitcase helps Rm 13 students talk about 'themselves'.

"My family come from Fiji and Tokelau, I was born in Fiji and then I came to NZ" – Tekie Rm 13

"This is a photo album of my parent's wedding. My mum wore red. Red is an important colour in the Indian culture because it represents respect" – Ronav Rm 13

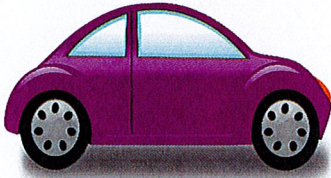
"I am named after my Uncle Augustine. He is an All Black" – Uini Rm 13

"In my house we speak Fijian Hindi" – Isaac Rm 13



## ROAD SAFETY MESSAGE

### KEEP OUR TAMARIKI SAFE



Last week an Auckland School experienced a tragedy at their school gate involving a car. It is with great sadness we learned the child hurt passed away this week. Our aroha and condolences go out to the whanau and the school community.

This gives us all a reminder, the well-being and safety of our students is top priority at Jean Batten School. With prevention and awareness, we can ensure that all our students arrive safely to school.

### BE SAFE AT THE GATE

#### Drop Off

- Use the ENTRANCE and EXIT driveways correctly.
- Children get out of the car quickly.

#### Pick Up

- **DO NOT** park illegally on yellow lines, across driveways, on the footpath OR on the grass verge. Drivers cannot see your children.
- **SLOW DOWN**
- **DO NOT** call out to your child from your car encouraging them to run across the road to get in the car. **DANGEROUS!!!!** USE the patrolled pedestrian crossing outside the front of the school.

**Please park down the road and walk to the school gate.**

#### LATE ARRIVALS / EARLY PICK UP

Being organized and having your child arrive at school on time helps reduce classroom interruptions and distractions allowing teachers to focus on teaching lessons to all students. We understand there are times when it is necessary for your child to leave school early. Wherever possible make appointments outside of school hours. Student attendance, along with effective teaching, has the greatest influence on student engagement and achievement. All students must be present at school so they can participate and engage in learning.

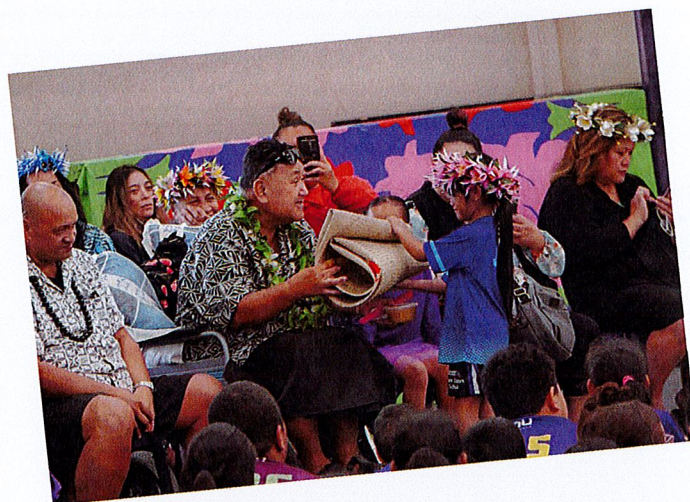
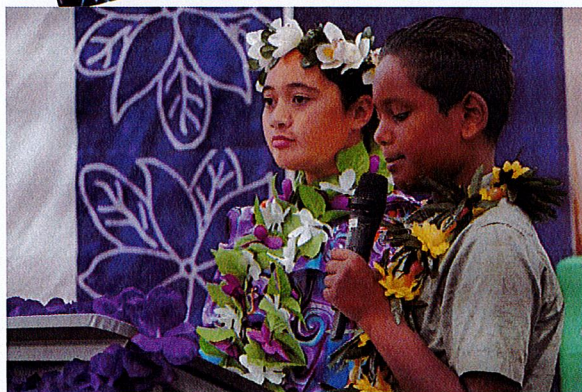
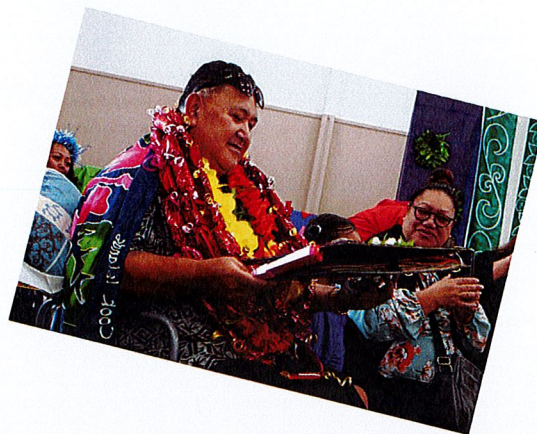
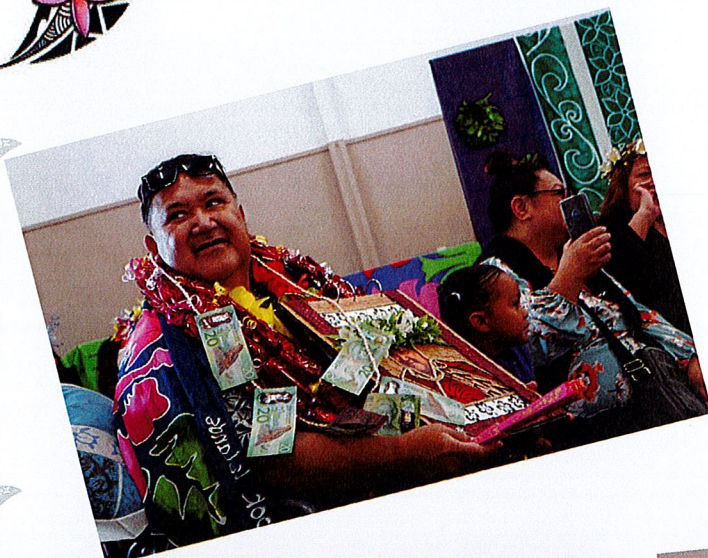
Regular and prompt attendance is essential to the academic success of students.

***Faith in God, Confidence in Oneself***



## *Aere Ra Mr Koi*

*Last Thursday we held a special assembly to farewell Mr Koi, who recently resigned due to ill health. This was a great tribute to a long-serving member of the JBS whanau. We sincerely wish you all the very best Mr Koi. We will miss you.*



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## JEAN BATTEN SCHOOL UNIFORMS

The wearing of our school uniform at JBS is compulsory. Students are not permitted to wear non-uniform items and will be asked to remove them on arrival at school. Hoodies are available to purchase for \$40 and our new track pants are \$35 each.

*Please ensure your child comes to school every day in the correct school uniform.*



## JBS BASKETBALL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME WITH A TWIST

Years 3-6 students

**Dates: 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> April**

**10am – 1pm**

**RAIN OR SHINE**

**What to bring: Water bottle, Activewear, Running shoes and a "Great Attitude"**

**Cost: \$15 (includes morning tea)**

**Basketball skills with a twist – Video technology**



## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

School closed	Good Friday	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April
School closed	Easter Monday	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> April
School closed	Education Act	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> April
Term 1 ends	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	
Term 2 begins	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	

*He aroha whakato*

*He aroha puta mai*

*If kindness is sown*

*Then kindness you shall receive*

*Kia pai to raa whakataa*

*Nardi Leonard – Principal*



*Kindness  
Corner*

*We rise by lifting  
others.*

*-Robert Ingersoll*

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