



SAINT JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Newsletter
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GREETINGS TO YOU ALL

The final newsletter of term two offers the perfect opportunity to reflect on the wonderful achievements that each of our students have made this term. These achievements were highlighted in the written reports and parent interviews over the past fortnight and will continue to be celebrated via Seesaw over the coming term.

We have also achieved some wonderful results in the sporting arena throughout the term. The students reaching the regional cross country, Netball teams winning regional tournaments, Jump Jam teams earning many awards along with the individual students who have made representative teams for their winter codes all highlight the amazing talents that our students possess.

Thank you to all of the parents and whānau for taking the time to attend the student conferences this week. Our teaching team put a significant amount of thought and effort into the reporting cycle and certainly appreciate your shared commitment to the students.

Thank you also to the parents who have supported the teaching staff with their ongoing negotiations with the Ministry of Education by collecting their students from school early today. Whilst the media will focus on teacher pay, our teachers are ultimately fighting for your children and for an education system that values, attracts and retains the amazing teachers who are entrusted with the education of your children.

Please take some time over the holiday period to enjoy the company of your children. As much as they love coming to school each day, we hear so often how much they treasure the fun times spent with their Whānau during the weekends and holiday breaks. Stay safe, have fun and prepare for the spring term ahead.

Andrew Herrick

I had the pleasure of attending the 'Friends of St Joseph's School' (FOSS) meeting last night. This hard working group of parents, caregivers and community members play a very important role within our school by providing opportunities for community entertainment and raising and distributing funds for school-based projects. On behalf of the wider school community I take this opportunity to thank all of the members of this group for your ongoing support.

Last night's meeting was the first since the annual AGM where the chairperson and secretary were elected. We welcome Mrs Tina Goodwin, Mr Jonathan Woodhead and Mrs Brenda Neville to their roles.

A personal thank you must be given to Angela Gemmell, Nellie Boynton, Juliet Clout, Teresa Crosbie, Chris Steffensen, Steven Coulam and Selina Peauafi for your ongoing support over the past 12 months. Your hard work has led to many opportunities that we would not have been able to offer our students without your support.



The FOSS are always looking for new members with energy, enthusiasm and new ideas to join their team. If you think FOSS might be an avenue that you can become involved with our school then please contact the office staff for more information.

Religious Education Corner:

Gospel Reflection for the Solemnity of the Birth of St. John the Baptist: (Luke 1:57-66, 80)



Inspire Others to be Followers of Christ

Some of you may be wondering why the Catholic Church commemorates Saint John the Baptist in its Liturgical Calendar. What is so special about him? According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "John the Baptist was more than a prophet. In him the Holy Spirit concludes His speaking through the prophets. He completes the cycle of prophets that began with Elijah. John came to bear witness to the Light. "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptized with the Holy Spirit. And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God... Behold the Lamb of God." [Jn. 1:33-6]

John the Baptist was the last of the prophets. The patriarchs, prophets, and certain other Old Testament figures have been and always will be honoured as saints in all the Church's liturgical traditions.



As Pope Francis said, "embrace all those fleeing from war and hunger, or forced by discrimination, persecution, poverty and environmental degradation to leave their homelands." The Rohingya are an example of his message. Caritas invites you to stand in solidarity with the Rohingya by supporting our emergency appeal. Right now, each donation is doubled (up to \$250,000) by the New Zealand Aid Programme. To give, call 0800 22 10 22 or go online to www.caritas.org.nz/donate.

St Joseph's Youth Group:

When and Where: St. Peter Chanel Centre Friday Nights from 7-9pm. If you are aged 13 and 18 years, then this group is for you! Come along and join in some great fellowship, games and sharing of our faith. For further information please contact either Fr. Maleko 528 2028 or Matt Morrison 526 6910 or 021 208 1683

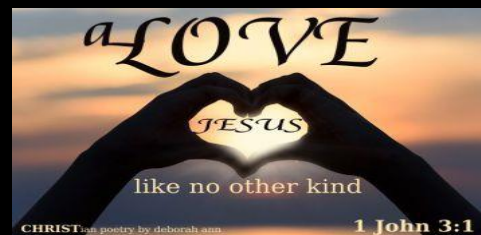


Key Dates for the Sacramental Programme 2018:

- Confirmation Practice will be on Saturday 21 July, 4pm in St Joseph's Church.
- Confirmation Mass will be on Saturday 21 July, 6pm in St. Joseph's Church.
- First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday 11 November, 10.30am in St. Joseph's Church.

St Joseph's School End of Term Mass:

To celebrate the end of another school term, we warmly invite you and your family to join us at our end of term Mass. This will be held next Thursday (5th July) at St Joseph's Church, and will begin at 11.30am. We look forward to seeing you there.



I searched this world over,
but true love I found not
for there is none greater
than the one for me God's got.

I sought wide and far,
for love that was forgiving
but love unconditional
no one was giving.

I looked high and low,
scanned about everywhere
but real love like God's . . .
wasn't to be found anywhere.

I scoured deep and broad,
scraped down into the barrel
but all I came up with
was love cold and sterile.

I searched and I searched,
for my one true love . . .
and I found it only comes
from God up above!

God Bless,
Steve Coulam (Director of Religious Studies)

St Joseph's Sports

Jump Jam LIVE was Thursday 21st June and our 30 students represented our school with pride. They won 3 sections for, Technical, Artistic and Showing School Spirit. We are so proud of both our teams and what they have achieved.

This competition was wonderful for their self-confidence and self-esteem, for many it was their first time on stage. We are looking forward to entering more teams next year and having our year 1's and 2's involved in term 4!



Y7/8 Interschool Cross Country Congratulations to all our year 7 and 8 students who participated in the Inter School Cross Country last Thursday at Trentham Memorial Park, and extra special congratulations to Marco Coetzee and Jada Cant who have qualified for the Regional Event happening on Tuesday next week at Harcourt Park.



Kiwihoops Hoop Club Basketball Our basketball students are enjoying the Kiwihoops Hoop Club held on a Wednesday afternoon. Thanks very much to Scott who is coaching our teams.

Y4-8 Interzone Cross Country is to be held on Tuesday 3rd July at Harcourt Park 10am - 1pm. Best of luck to our 5 students competing. We look forward to hearing how it goes! Niamh Shannon, Chelsea Bennett, Sebastian Fleetham-John, Jada Cant, Marco Coetzee.



After School Basketball Tournament Y5/6 starts in Week 3 of Term 3 on Tuesday evenings at YMCA Gym. If your child is interested in joining, please email sports@stjosephsuh.school.nz

After School Basketball Tournament Y7/8 starts Week 1 of Term 3 on Wednesdays at Walter Nash. If your child is interested in joining, please email sports@stjosephsuh.school.nz

Jack Sharkey-Burns Congratulations to Jack Sharkey-Burns who made the 2018 Capital Football Youth National Squad, Under 12 'A' Team, St Joseph's School is so proud of you Jack, What an amazing accomplishment, Fantastic.



Tough Guy and Girl - Most supportive school Popcorn prize - On Friday of week 10, our students will be given popcorn as a prize our school won at the Tough Guy and Girl event last month, for being the most supportive school, we know the kids will all enjoy the prize :)

As always if you have any questions regarding sports in our school please email Ms Harrison sports@stjosephsuh.school.nz

Wig Wednesday

Thank you to you all for your donations for Child Cancer. We raised a total of \$157.60.

FOSS Mid-Year Raffle

Please return all money and butts or unsold tickets to the School Office by Friday 29 June.

The raffle will be drawn Wednesday 4 July.

12 prizes of half a ham and a bottle of wine.

Winners will be notified by phone.

Is your child turning 5?

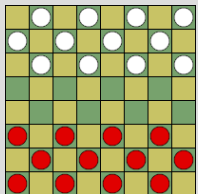
Pop into the School Office to pick up an enrolment pack or phone 528 4910 and the office staff can post one out to you.

Alternatively the forms are available on the School Website www.stjosephsuh.school.nz

Father Maleko is available to sign preference forms on a Tuesday afternoon between 3 – 5pm at St Joseph's Catholic Presbytery. No appointment is necessary.

Board Games Wanted

If anyone has any board games that they no longer use please could you drop them into the School Office. These will be used during break times by the students when they cannot get outside.



2018 Term Dates

Term 1	31 January - 13 April
Term 2	30 April - 6 July
Term 3	23 July - 28 September
Term 4	15 October - TBC

Public Holidays

Labour Day 22 October

Sacred Heart College Enrolments

Application for Enrolment at Sacred Heart College closes on Monday July 2.

Smoke Alarms

If there are any families who do not have a smoke alarm in their home, Fire Emergency NZ can come along and install a free photo-electric long life smoke alarm. Smoke alarms save lives and having at least one alarm will protect the family home.

Either give your name and contact details to Tracy Sharpe in the office or email Paul Carline at Paul.Carline@fireandemergency.nz

Change of Details

Please remember to advise the School Office of any change of contact details. This is important in case of any emergency.



Faith in the Future, Love of Learning, Love of Life

Term Two – 2018 – Key Events

Week 9	Monday 25 – Friday 29 June	Monday – Meet the Teacher 3.15pm – 8pm Tuesday – Meet the Teacher 3.15pm – 8pm Thursday – FOSS Meeting 7pm in the Staffroom Friday – Paid Union Meeting – Children to be collected at 1pm if possible Sunday 1 July – Mum's and Daughter's Great Bake Off – 3pm School Library
Week 10	Monday 2 – Friday 6 July	Tuesday – Regional Cross Country. Postponement day is Thursday. Tuesday – Junior Syndicate Trip to Junglerama Thursday – End of Term Mass 11.30am St Joseph's Church Friday - Last Day Term 2. School closes at 2.50pm

Term Three – 2018 – Key Events

Week 1	Monday 23 – Friday 27 July	Tuesday – Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm in Staffroom
Week 2	Monday 30 July – Friday 3 August	

PLEASE PUT CHILDREN'S SAFETY FIRST AT ALL TIMES

Stopping on broken yellow lines, double parking and exceeding the P5 time limit is illegal.

If you stop or park illegally you contribute to congestion and chaos outside the school gate which makes it unsafe for our children and other drivers and you risk receiving a fine.

The parking from the end of the yellow lines near the crossing to the Saint Joseph's school sign is a Drop-Off and Pick-Up Only area between 8.30am-9.00am and 2.30pm-3.15pm.

- Stop for a maximum of 5 minutes to drop-off and pick-up only – this does not give you time to go in to school



If you need to go in to school please drive past the Saint Joseph's sign to find a park.

CHOOSE SAFETY OVER CONVENIENCE

Learn to Play Tennis

Holiday Programme for Children from 5 Years- 13 Years
Supported by Hutt Valley Tennis Association

Dates: Wednesday 11, Thursday 12 and Friday 13 July, 2018. (wet or fine)

Venue: St Joseph's School Tennis Courts, Royal Street, Upper Hutt.

If wet the programme will be held in the St Joseph's School Hall (Royal Street)

Timetable:

10.00am-11.00am- Boys and girls from 5-8 years old

11.00am-12 noon - Girls from 9 years +

1.00pm-2.00pm - Boys from 9 years +

Cost: \$33-00 for the 3 days. Money is to be paid on the first day.

Registration: Contact Gary Nelson –Ph. 5897178 or Email - a.nelson@xtra.co.nz

Note: Enrolments must be received by - Wednesday 4 July, 2018. EARLY ENROLMENT is advised as this programme is very popular and the first 12 enrolments in each age group will be accepted.

Table Tennis Coaching - Term 3

The school is offering table tennis coaching in term 3, for children from years 4-8. The coach will be Mr. Gary Nelson, an experienced teacher and table tennis coach. The programme will be operating in the school hall each Friday from 1.00-1.45pm, commencing on Friday 27 July 2018, and continuing for 6 consecutive weeks.

The cost of this block of 6 lessons is \$50-00 with payment to be made at the first lesson.

Table tennis bats and balls will be provided.

If you wish your child to be enrolled please phone Gary Nelson (Ph- 5897178) as soon as possible. Enrolments will be accepted on a first in first served basis.

Pita Pit Lunches – Available every Friday

Pita Pit lunches can be ordered using Lunchonline. This is an online service where parents/caregivers set up their own account, order lunch **and pay online. The lunch is then delivered** to school on Fridays in time for our lunch break. Our Food Provider(s) offer healthy choices along with some treat options. So to view the menu or to set up an account and/or place an order, just click on the link below:



New Tuck Shop Menu

The Tuck Shop has a new menu. Available on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Please send all orders to the School Office before 9am in an envelope with your child's name, class and what they would like from the menu.





MUM'S AND DAUGHTER'S

The Great Bake Off!

Bake something at home together and bring it on
Sunday 1st July, 3pm to the School Library.
We will have an afternoon of tasting and judging the
cakes. Prizes!