



# SAINT JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**“Ko te ahurei o te tamaiti arahia o tātaou mahi” Let the uniqueness of the child guide our work.**

At St Joseph's School we pride ourselves on the values we uphold as a Catholic School. Among the **DRIVE** values that we hold dear are Respect and Love.

This week we have had a number of students doing good deeds within the community that provided the perfect showcase of these values in action.

Firstly, a big thank you to Bradley Mason, Keagan Sharkey, Caleb Grant-Atack and Ryo Sribunwongsa who independently organised and completed a sausage sizzle to raise funds for families within our school that struggle to purchase the school essentials such as stationery. Also, a big thank you to Joey Moorman, Ella Tansell, Mikaela Woodhead, Cassidy Papier, James Metcalf-Burton, Irihapeti Tuiletufuga-Nicholls and Grace Moorman who have been making and selling comic books, rock art, lucky dips and loom band bracelets to raise funds for Red Cross to help with their Operation Christmas Children Campaign.

Whilst we expect our students to act in this manner it is reassuring when these behaviours become a natural response from the children rather than something we have to ask of them.

The values of love and respect are also some of the core values at the heart of the white ribbon campaign who visited the school as part of their “Ride18” campaign.

After taking the pledge to speak out and act to prevent men's violence towards women (Family violence in general), I am now encouraging other men to ‘Stand Up’ and join me by taking the online pledge and committing to take one or more actions at <https://whiteribbon.org.nz/>

Andrew Herrick - Principal

## **RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS START AT HOME - By Michael Grose**

### **LOOK AND LISTEN**

As a parent or carer it's important to be aware of how young people interact with each other. Be prepared to challenge negative and disrespectful attitudes, but also be mindful that your children's attitudes may mirror those of people they respect, which can be confronting when you don't like what you hear.

### **TEACH THEM TO TREAT OTHERS WELL**

Sometimes it's not what we say, but what we don't say that makes all the difference. Insist brothers and sisters treat each other well. If there is conflict or a relationship problem to solve then they need to keep their hands to themselves. Listen to the language they use and insist that they don't become personal – focus on the behaviour, not the person – when they speak to each other. Don't accept put downs of any type. It is important that we don't let disrespectful behaviour go unchallenged.

### **DON'T ACCEPT EXCUSES**

If a boy tries to control a situation by being aggressive, don't excuse the behaviour as just him ‘being a boy’. Our job as parents is to teach boys to handle their frustration in socially acceptable and respectful ways. This could include giving them the words to verbalise feelings rather than use verbally aggressive or even physical ways to express themselves.

### **PROVIDE KIDS WITH THE RIGHT SKILLS**

Help young people give voice to their concerns constructively, fairly and assertively. Coach your sons to ask for what they want and to express frustration properly. Mentor your daughters to stand up for themselves when they feel disrespected or unsafe, and don't shy away from conversations about relationships and consent – these build trust and will ultimately bring you closer together.

## TALK UP RESPECT

As parents we set the standards for acceptable behaviour in the home. The more you talk about and model respectful behaviours, the more your kids are likely to adopt those attitudes. Don't be afraid to challenge poor behaviour or disrespectful attitudes. Tell your children how you feel when you see disrespectful behaviour and explain how it affects other people. This gives them a window into your thinking and helps them form their own views about fairness and respect.

With the year drawing to a close our students are getting tired and with that their tolerance and resilience is getting a little frayed at times. If your child is experiencing any form of frustration with the behaviours of others around them, please do let their teachers know about this so something can be done.

## Religious Education Corner:

### Gospel Reflection for the 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

(Mark 13: 24-32)



Jesus said that He will return at the end of time. He also said that no one knows the date or time, except for the Father-the creator aspect of the Holy Spirit. Jesus tells us that the signs of His return will be unmistakable-everyone will see them and be left in no doubt of what is happening. So, what must we do to be ready to welcome Jesus? If we try to live each day in the way that Jesus showed us, then our lives will always be pleasing to God. God will judge us by the love we have shown to Him and our neighbours each day of our lives. How should we greet Jesus on His return? Remember that He is coming to gather the good people of the world and to welcome them into the Kingdom of Heaven. There they will share everlasting life and happiness with God.

## Upcoming Masses and Liturgies:

### *Feast for Christ the King - Cultural Mass*

This Sunday, (Sunday 25th November) is the feast of Christ the King. To celebrate this day, St Joseph's Parish is having a Cultural Mass. On this day there will be no 9am or 10.30am Mass, but instead, there will be a 10am Mass. If possible, everyone is encouraged to wear dress attire from their own culture.

### *First Sunday of Advent Full School Mass:*

At St Joseph's School, we celebrate two Sunday Masses a year together as a school. The first of these was celebrated earlier in May this year with Trinity Sunday. The second is scheduled for Sunday 2nd of December at 10.30am in St Joseph's Church, Upper Hutt. As we are a Catholic School, it is important that we celebrate our school's Catholic Character together. All St Joseph's School students are expected to be at this Mass and to be wearing their full school uniform. Following the Mass, there will be a light morning tea. More information about this Mass will be available next week.

### *End of Year Leavers Mass:*

To celebrate the end of the 2018 school year, and farewell our year 8 leavers and staff, we will be having one last Mass together. This will take place at 9.15am on Friday the 14th of December at St Joseph's Church.

## Sports

### Flipperball

Congratulations to our Y4/5/6 and Y7/8 Flipperball Team who have all played for top 4 in their leagues this week. Keep up the good work teams! Many thanks to our coaches Caroline Tansell and Cushla Hunter for making the sport happen!

### Basketball - Miniball

Congratulations to our Y4/5/6 Miniball Team who are playing at YMCA on a Tuesday night. Well done to the team and the coaches for a successful term!

### Y4/5/6 InterSchool Athletics

Congratulations to our Y4/5/6 Athletics Team who competed at inter-school level today at Trentham Memorial Park.

We had a team of 38 students who should all be extremely proud of themselves! They represented our school with pride & displayed our DRIVE values throughout the day, We will post our teams results and our Regional qualifiers soon!

### Regional Athletics Qualifiers Y4/5/6

Congratulations to our inter-school place-getters and qualifiers for regionals!

*Year 6 girls long jump*

*Mackenzie Roil - 2nd Place*

*Year 4 boys high jump*

*Daniel Taing - 1st Place*

*Year 5 boys Quoits*

*Devon Muller - 3rd Place*

*Year 6 boys sprints*

*Ngarangi Nihoniho-Russell - 3rd Place*

*Back up for Regionals if qualifiers can't make it*

*Maddie Sharkey - Year 4 girls long jump - 4th place*

*Nicky Hill - Year 6 boys high jump - 4th place*

We look forward to hearing how our Yr 7/8's do on Tuesday!

### Yr 7/8 Athletics

Best of luck to our Y7/8 Athletics team who are competing at the interzone event on Tuesday, we know you will represent our school with pride and give it your all!



### Y7/8 Cricket

Our Y7/8 Cricket Team have been lucky to have coaching for the last 3 weeks by the Upper Hutt Cricket Club for their tournament on Wednesday. The boys are prepared and ready to go! We wish them all the best!

### Y5/6 Danish Rounders

60 of our Year 5/6 students will be heading off to Trentham Memorial Park on Tuesday for the UVPSA Danish Rounders Tournament. A reminder to please get your bus money into the office :)

### Congratulations Keagan and Mehtaav!

Congratulations to Keagan and Mehtaav who have just been selected for the JCUH Year 7 Representative Cricket Team to go to Hawkes Bay in January!

## Prize Giving 2018

Thursday 6 December

Heretaunga Christian Centre  
Lane Street

Years 1 - 4 Prize Giving 1.00 – 2.15pm

Years 5 - 8 Prize Giving 6.30 – 8pm

## Year 8 Leaver's Dinner

When: Tuesday 27 November

## Mufti day – 30 November

**Mufti DAY**



**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November, Week 7**

*Please bring the following items which will be used to make up the prizes in the Christmas Raffle. Last Mufti Day of the year, let's get in the Christmas Spirit and celebrate the last day of November with a Christmas Themed Day.*

<p><i>Juniors- Luxury item</i></p> 	<p><i>Middles- Bottles</i></p> 
<p><i>Seniors- Chocolate</i></p> 	<p><i>Intermediates- Grocery Item</i></p> 

## FOSS Annual Christmas Raffle

Tickets were sent home with the eldest child on Tuesday.

Tickets are \$2 per ticket or \$10 per book

Please return all tickets by 7 December

Prizes will be drawn on 11 December and winners will be notified.

## School Photos

Photos were sent home on Wednesday. If there are any issues please contact School Memories direct on 0800 437 447.

## Tuck Shop

The last day that the Tuck Shop will be open this year will be Thursday 29 November.

We wish to thank everyone who has supported it this year.

## Pita Pit Lunches

The last day for ordering Lunchonline will be Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

## Mum's and Sons



## MUM'S AND SON'S

St Joseph's School have organised a special event for our Mum's and their sons

**Sunday 9th December, 2.45pm**

**Flip out, 8 Te Puni St, Petone**

Tickets are \$10 per person

This includes one hour of jumping at the tramp park and a pair of socks

*Tickets are on sale at the school office, no door sales.  
Limited tickets so get in quick*

## 2019 Stationery – Available online from 26 November



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## 2018 Term Dates

Term 4 15 October – 14 December

## 2019 Term Dates

Term 1 4 February – 12 April

Term 2 29 April – 5 July

Term 3 22 July – 27 September

Term 4 14 October – TBC

## Uniform Shop Hours in January 2019

Monday 28 January 10am – 12pm

Tuesday 29 January 10am – 12pm

Wednesday 30 January 10am – 12pm

Thursday 31 January 10am – 12pm

Friday 1 February 10am – 12pm

## Term Four – 2018 – Key Events

Monday 26 – Friday 30 Nov  
Tues – Year 8 Leavers Dinner  
Fri – Mufti Day  
Sun: Combined School/Parish Mass

Monday 3 – Friday 7 Dec  
Mon – Wed: Senior Camp  
Thurs - Prizegiving at Heretaunga Christian Centre  
Sun – Mum's and Sons event at Flipout

Monday 10 – Friday 14 Dec  
Tues – Board of Trustees Meeting – 7pm  
Fri: End of Year Mass 9.15am



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