



SAINT JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Newsletter
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Kia Ora Whānau

We awake to promising news in relation to the ongoing negotiations between the teachers union NZEI and the Ministry of Education and hope that all parties can reach a satisfactory outcome that ultimately leads to greater outcomes and learning conditions for the kids at St Joseph's School.

On behalf of the teaching team I wish to thank the parent community once again for your support during this time. Our teachers love teaching your children and I can assure you that the first consideration when deciding to strike was the impact on the students well ahead if the dent in their pay packet.

The Well-Being Budget delivered last week also contained some positive news with the announcement that decile 1-7 state and state integrated Boards of Trustees will be able to choose to receive a \$150 per student, per year payment instead of seeking donations from parents.

Our current donation of \$100 per family generates approximately \$8,000 per year in funding which is used to supplement the operational grant the school receives from the Ministry of Education to provide our teaching and learning programme. Under the new initiative, designed to alleviate the pressure and expectation on our parents, we will receive approximately \$67,000 in additional support that immediately helps your children.

Our school Boards of Trustees will need to opt-in to the scheme by 14 November 2019 and discussions about this will take place at the up-coming meetings.

As part of the process our Board of Trustees will be consulting you, our school community, to ensure the final decision reflects your views about whether to opt-in to the scheme or not.

Kind Regards Andrew Herrick

Positive Behaviour for Learning

Throughout the year we aim to showcase our school values and the expectations so that you can help reinforce these at home with your children. Up first is:

DETERMINATION / MAIA

At St Joseph's School we believe that Determination means:

"No matter how great the challenge we never give up"

Within our school settings we expect the children to use Determination in the following ways:

Learning Spaces

- Believe you can learn
- Set goals and strive to achieve them
- Take risks and persevere

Shared Spaces

- Greet all visitors & adults politely
- Use the office only when needed by showing a Pit Stop card

Playground

- Follow the rules of the game or instructions
- Take your time to make good decisions
- Return to class on time

Formal Gatherings

- Arrive on time
- Enter and exit quickly & quietly
- Be a good audience member

Community

- Walk to the closest crossing
- Keep ourselves safe
- Carry your own school bag

Religious Education Corner:

Gospel Reflection for Feast of the Ascension of the

Lord: (Mark 16: 15-20)



In Sunday's gospel reading, Jesus clearly tells us that the mission of the Church is to carry on His work. He commissions us to preach the Good News leading people to a life with Him through baptism. By doing this as Disciples of Christ, we continue the work that He started before His Ascension to heaven. In this way we witness to others that the kingdom of God is being established through the work of the Church. Jesus wants us to proclaim the Good News through our thoughts, words and actions. He also tells us that the power of the Holy Spirit will help us.

PENTECOST - HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the CHURCH:



This weekend, the Catholic Church throughout the world celebrates one of the most important feast days of the Liturgical Year - Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost Sunday not only concludes the Easter Season, but is also regarded as the birthday of the Catholic Church. When Jesus ascended into heaven he made a promise to the disciples that they would have support to do His work on Earth. This promise was the Holy Spirit.

At Pentecost, the Apostles and their followers were gathered in a room. Jews from all over the world were gathered with Peter, the leader of the Apostles and the Eleven. At this time, a great wind blew and a flame appeared as a tongue of fire, which split itself into many individual flames above the heads of all those present. The Holy Spirit came upon these people and each began to speak in tongues. Despite the fact many had no common language, they were perfectly able to understand one another.

The word Pentecost is Greek and it means "50th day." Fifty days after Easter Sunday, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and their followers, and the beginning of their Earthly ministry to make disciples of all nations. With the gift of the Holy Spirit we too are able to carry out Jesus' mission on Earth.



St Joseph's School Trinity Mass

St Joseph's School alongside St Joseph's Parish warmly invite you and your whānau to our school Mass.



Sunday 16th June, 10.30am
St Joseph's Church, Main Street

Please bring a plate of food to share

One of the things that makes St Joseph's special is our Catholic Character. In fostering our relationship with our parish and community we require students and their whānau to attend two school Masses a year. Attendance is required at the Trinity Mass on **Sunday 16th June, 10.30am**. Students to attend in school uniform

Sports

Y5/6 AFL

Well done to our Competitive & Competitive AFL kiwi kick teams!

Our students represented our school with pride & we are super proud of them!

Thank you to our parent helpers who supported our students with transport & on the BBQ.

A special thank you to our year 7 & 8 helpers; Jayden Lansdown, Tyler Hill, Samuel Forbes & Jakson Bentley who coached the teams & helped with the sausage sizzle.

A special Congratulation to Noah Sadler and Vaughn Erika who received Player of the day for their respective teams!



Y5/6 Inter-school Swimming

Best of luck to our students who are representing our school in Y5/6 Inter-school swimming at h2o Xtream on Tuesday next week (11th June).

Thank you to Michling Werder and Cushla Hunter who are parent helping this day.

A reminder to our swimming students to please remember your togs and towel this day!

Y7/8 Basketball Tournament

Wishing our Y7/8 Basketball teams best of luck in their tournament on Tuesday next week (11th June) We have entered one Boys team and one mixed team. These students also play after-school basketball on a Wednesday evening at WalterNash Stadium.

We know they will represent our school with pride and thank the coaches, managers and parent supporters for taking time to support our students in this tournament.

Y7/8 Inter-zone Cross Country

We have 20 Intermediate students participating in the inter-school cross country on Tuesday 18th June at TMP, Participating students please keep an eye on your emails for communications regarding this.



Jump Jam Competition

On Friday we have 56 students representing our school in a JUMP JAM competition at Scots College, St Josephs School has entered 5 teams into this competition, all who have been training really hard for the last 2 months during their lunchtimes and on Sundays at school. We know these students will shine bright on the stage!

Best of luck St Josephs Students!



PB4L Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who received PB4L certificates at this week's School Assembly.

Room 1. Jackson Gray
Room 2. Tarnick Asovale
Room 3. Yasmin Holsted-Russo
Room 4. Nathan Travers
Room 5. Charlie Esau
Room 6. Ella Goldsmith
Room 7. Aryan Adhikari
Room 8. Nikisha Kumar
Room 9. Lilly Fortune
Room 10. Elizabeth Morrison
Room 11. Hopa Nihoniho-Russell
Room 12. Malakai Finau
Room 13. AJ Peleti
Room 16. Samuel Forbes
Room 17. Liam Cassidy
Room 18. Joshua Wanden



St Mary's College Open Day
June 13th 2019, 9am.

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

Tuesday 8.15 – 8.45am
Wednesday 2.30 – 3.00pm

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Dates for the rest of the year:
Staff room, second Tuesday of the month, 7pm.
Hope to see you there.

Term 3 2019

Week 4: Tuesday 13th Aug
Week 8: Tuesday 10th September

Term 4 2019

Week 5: Tuesday 12th November
Week 9: Tuesday 10th December

\$5 ENTRY
BLACK AND WHITE THEME
IT'S DISCO TIME!

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL HALL
FRIDAY 28TH JUNE 2019

JUNIORS 5.30-6.30 PM
MIDDLES/SENIORS 6.45 7.45 PM
INTERMEDIATES 8-9 PM

THERE WILL BE A SHOP TO PURCHASE:
- DRINKS
- CHIPS
- LOLLIES
- GLOW STICKS

TICKETS ON SALE AT THE OFFICE BEFORE SCHOOL

THE ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

**WEDNESDAY 5TH JUNE
AFTERNOON ONLY - 2:50 - 3:30PM**

**THURSDAY 6TH - TUESDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER
8:30 - 9:00AM & 2:50 - 3:30PM**

For any enquiries, please email toni@stjosephsuh.school.nz

WIDE SELECTION OF BOOKS, POSTERS AND STATIONERY TO CHOOSE FROM

FREE GIFT WITH EVERY PURCHASE

FANTASTIC PRIZES TO BE WON



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