



St Joseph's School

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK - Aaron Richards

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the residents located on the Port Hills. At this time many of their lives are on hold while they await news of their homes. We also need to keep in our prayers those courageous individuals who risk their lives to fight the blaze which has ripped across the Port Hills landscape. Condolences go out to the family of David Askin who died in the helicopter crash.

Events like this are a good wake up call and remind us all to be ready for emergencies like this. You would like to think that most Cantabrians would be fully prepared for such an event. However, it is amazing how time and busy lives can lead us to be complacent.

The school will use this week's civil emergency as a catalyst to review our emergency response procedures. We initiated the review yesterday with an emergency evacuation drill. The power outage was a good opportunity to test if the alarm system worked without power. The system and the teachers response to the drill was very smooth and effective.

Effective communication during an emergency is essential. It not only ensures that we get the help we need when we need it, but also enables the school to reassure parents. Please assist us to help you by ensuring the school office has your correct contact details.

The school currently uses School-links to send out emergency texts. We also use Facebook to send out a range of notices as well as the school website. A good way to keep yourself informed is by downloading the Facebook app on your smart phones. The school will be working with School-links over the next month so see if we can further enhance the system.

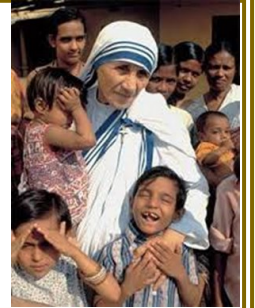
WELCOME

We welcome **Collin Augrich** who started as a New Entrant in Timoney 3 this week. We hope he enjoys his time at St Joseph's School.



Taken from a wall hanging in Mother Teresa's Convent in Calcutta

A little more praising,
a little less jeering,
A little more trusting,
a little less fearing,
A little more patience in trouble
and pain, A little less willing at
times to complain,
A little more kindness worked into strife - Are all
that is needed to glorify life.
A little more honor, a little less greed,
A little more service; a little less creed,
A little more courage when pathways are rough,
A little more action, a little less bluff,
A little more kindness by you and by me,
And oh; what a wonderful world this would be!



SOLIDARITY DAY (RICE AND WATER DAY)

In week five on **Friday 3 March** the whole school will participate in Solidarity Day (Rice and water day) This is the day we are called to stand with those people, particularly children, who do not have enough to eat and do not have access to a regular supply of clean water.

On this day the children will receive a bowl of rice for lunch and we will eat together.

In the past this has been arranged and co-ordinated by Siew Lai Manzano. If you would be willing to take on this role, or would like to be part of a team, please contact Jacque Culling in Kealy 1 or email office@stjopapa.school.nz

SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

Our sports for Years 5-8 will be held at Jellie Park on Wednesday 8 March commencing 11.30am. Students will travel to and from Jellie Park by bus.

We require parent helpers especially 8 timekeepers. Please let Rachel Cook know if you can help. Thank you.

LUNCHESS TOMORROW—BBQ SAUSAGES—\$1.50

Thank you to our helpers, **Catherine de Bruin and Kay Hickey.**

WINTER UNIFORM DESIGN CHANGE

The pinafores and skirts for girls will look different from now on. The company responsible for pleating the fabric has relocated to Auckland, which will increase the price of the uniforms. Mainland Uniforms decided to change the design to less and larger pleats which can be done locally and keep the cost down. There are other benefits of the new design like the ability to shorten or lengthen the hem easily. If you want to view the new winter uniform design, it will be on display in the administration foyer.

CYCLE SAFE

From February 27th till March 3rd the Year 6 children will be participating in a Cycle Safe Programme. It is run by the City Council with trained instructors and children are taught how to maintain their bikes/helmets and to ride safely on the road using the road rules.

Children will need to bring their bikes and helmets on the following days:

McAuley 1 & 2 - Monday - Wednesday

Mercy 3 & 4 - Thursday and Friday

If there are any issues regarding bikes please speak to the classroom teacher.

100% ATTENDANCE

Attendance records have been analysed for 2016 and the following 11 students had 100% attendance. We congratulate them on this remarkable achievement: They will be presented with a special certificate later in the term.

Freya Christie, Danielle Damalan, Daniel Hefford, Gemma Kendall, Angus Nevin, Emily Ng, Scarlett O'Donnell, Sophie O'Sullivan, Bridie Quayle, Lola Romero and Kate Young.

NETBALL

Anybody who wants to play netball this year, please sign up with a local club. The school does not enter teams unless a group of parents take the initiative to register and coach a team.

YEAR 4 ST JOSEPH'S NETBALL

Any Year 4 students keen to play netball for St Joseph's this year please contact Nicole Vivian at nicolevivian1@gmail.com to register their interest.

Skills training and games will be on either Thursday or Friday afternoons from 3.40 - 5pm at the Hagley Netball Courts.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION

Details and forms available from the school office or the Parish Website—

<http://stjosephspapanui.weebly.com/sacramental-programmes.html>

ST ALBANS CATHOLIC SCHOOL GALA

Friday 10th March, 5-8pm. Entrances on 49 Rutland Street and 58 Somme Street.

Gather friends, family and neighbours to attend our fabulous Gala.

Come for dinner - there's a great variety of food. Enjoy the fantastic entertainment, as well as the amazing prizes offered on the chocolate wheel and auctions.

PIANO AND THEORY

Experienced registered piano teacher has vacancies for 2017. Situated close to St Joseph's School. Contact Diane 0276623544 or 3528073.

CELLO LESSONS

One-on-one lessons for a variety of performance levels (including beginners). Studio in Avonhead. For more information, contact Rebecca at rbccloteaching@gmail.com or 0204115365.

MARIST ALBION JUNIOR RUGBY

Marist Albion would like to welcome those wanting to play junior rugby this season. Registrations can be completed online at www.maristalbion.co.nz or on February 27 and March 13 (5-7pm) at our clubrooms located in the Papanui Bowls Club, 181 Condell Avenue, Papanui. Our family-friendly club caters for players aged U6-U13. Membership enquiries can be directed to: Brendon Feary 021 226 4003 and Steve Kinder 027 271 6671

CHRISTCHURCH FOOTBALL CLUB

This is an invitation to ALL U6 and U7 Children who wish to play RIPPAS RUGBY in 2017 to come down and Register to play for the mighty Red and Blacks.

Where : Christchurch Park

When : Sunday 19 February 2- 5 pm

Tuesday 21 February 6 – 8 pm

Monday 27 February 5.30 – 7.30pm

Cost: \$85 for the season

- coaching, mouth guard, rippa set and playing jersey provided.

Contact: Scott 0274 333650



Play Football in 2017

Join in the fun this year at

Papanui-Redwood Football Club

Grades for All Ages

First Kicks - \$50
6 years and under

7th & 8th Grade - \$90

9th & 19th Grade - \$115

Seniors & Masters - \$225

Registrations now open Online at

<https://www.facebook.com/PapanuiRedwoodAFC>

click on our Sign Up button to register.