



NEWSLETTER ~ TERM 1 - No. 10-6 APRIL 2017

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK - Aaron Richards

Term One Review

I would like to thank the St Joseph's School community for the warm welcome I had this term. As a new member of the community I can certainly see how St Joseph's has maintained the positive reputation it has had over many years. I have enjoyed meeting the children. From an outsider's perspective it has been a delight to witness the supportive and caring environment we have around the school. It is obvious that our Catholic values have a positive impact on the way that people relate to each other.

Like any effective team it takes time to develop relationships. I believe the key is to value the skills and experience that individuals bring to the group. St Joseph's School is not lacking in this department as we have a very effective mix of long serving staff, who maintain stability and preserve the essence of the school, and teachers who have transferred to St Joseph's from other schools bringing with them different experiences and ideas. I truly have been impressed with the commitment that the St Joseph's staff have to ensuring that all children receive a quality faith based education.

One of the attractions of working back in the Catholic system was redeveloping a strong connection to a parish on a regular basis. We are lucky to have a parish that possesses much energy. Both Father John and Father Thanh love this school and it shows in the way that they connect with us.

It has been a very busy term getting to know a new school. However time waits for no man and there are plenty of things to do. I would like to thank the Board for their ongoing support. Apart from getting to know everyone, I've focused a lot of energy on plans which I hope will upgrade our buildings and grounds. This is not only limited to the new buildings currently being built, but also updating existing buildings.

Work has also started on reviewing the quality of education we provide our children. It is always good to look at how we can enhance what we do. Parents and students will be included in this process. Please look out for information for upcoming parent consultation workshops that will be designed to gather your feedback on the future direction of the school.

I wish everyone a happy Easter and a safe term break.

Parish Mission Trip

Last month the school made a donation to the parish mission trip to the Philippines. I'm pleased to report that the funds were used to buy a projector and screen for the village. While the mission team were there they used the projector for a graduation ceremony at the playcentre, a graduation of the hairdressing course that they ran, and also for a youth seminar run by Fr John. It will also be used in the village church.

Signing-in and Signing-out of school

The school has implemented a new digital sign in and sign out process. This will only affect students if they arrive at school late, go home sick, leave and return to school or leave school early. It is also important that parents sign in as a 'visitor' if they are helping in classrooms etc. This process replaces the sign in/sign out books and ensures that we know who is on the school site especially in an emergency.

Starting from next week all children arriving late to school are asked to use the ipad on the reception counter to sign in. They will be given a card they need to give to the teacher to prove they have signed in. This way we can adjust our records to show that the child has arrived at school. Starting from next week all children leaving school before 3pm will need to use the ipad to sign out. If they return again they will need to sign in again.

Parents and staff members will do the same thing. As noted above in an emergency the information on the ipad will enable us to confirm the whereabouts of individuals. This will prevent unnecessary panic if a child is not located when they are actually at an appointment with a parent.

Past Pupil Success

Marian College has written to the school to inform us of the success of two past pupils. A huge congratulations to Isabella Crowther and Hannah Kofoed who gained NCEA endorsement with Excellence. We like to hear about the success and achievements of past pupils. If you have any news, please contact the office so we can acknowledge these St Joseph's families.

Jesus

This Easter I have no palm leaves to wave, to honour You as King. All I have, are the empty palms of my outstretched hands. Take my hands today and use them to honour You.

Amen



JROCK

A detailed letter went home this week to all children involved in the JRock performance at the Horncastle Arena next term. If you wish to purchase tickets through school please ensure your orders are placed with the school office by **TOMORROW 7 April**. Payment can be made by direct credit to 03-0855-0335068-88 or cash / EFTPOS at the school office. Please indicate the payment option on the form.

CONGRATULATIONS

to the following students who received Merit Certificates last week:

Nathan D'Cruz, Sophia Sutherland, Sophie Hanley, James Myers, Zac Ryder, Isla Bendall, Charlotte McLaughlin, Joshua Thornley, Elle Read, George Townshend, Harry Gorman, Claudia Vivian, Sophia Cathro, Isabel Staiger, Leo Porter, Grace Darnbrough. Oliver Jones, Queency Espinosa, Molly Bone, Kate Young, Charlie Harris, Lily Sherwood, Ruby Moore. Jaeger Pryce, Emma John, Aidan Walker, Finn O'Donnell, Zoe Blacklow, Melissa Drury and Shandrei Claveria.

LITURGIES

Tomorrow Kealy 2 will lead the school liturgy in the school hall at 11am and 11.45am. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Holy Week Liturgy

On Holy Thursday, 14 April Mrs Kreft and McAuley 1 will lead us in the Stations of the Cross. We will have two liturgies on that day; the first one is at 11:45am and the second at 2:15pm. Parents are most welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES FOR APRIL

Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th—Presentation of 'The Creed' at either one of the four Masses (Palm Sunday)
Wednesday 12th, 7.00—8.00pm—2nd Parent Meeting—The Beauty of the Mass and the Gift of the Sacraments, St Joseph's Parish Centre (Work Sheets 4,5, and 6 given out)

PTA NEWS

Lunches tomorrow—Bacon Butties—\$2.00 Thank you to our volunteers, **Vicki Daldry** and **Barb Tecofsky**.

Food Wrap—Orders for this fundraiser are due in to the school office by **TOMORROW**. Delivery start of next term.

Entertainment Books—Available for ordering now.

UNIFORM SALE

TODAY & TOMORROW, 2.30pm in the school hall

GOOD QUALITY 2ND HAND UNIFORMS

MARIAN COLLEGE OPEN NIGHT

Due to the unfortunate weather today the Marian College open night has been postponed.

It will now be held on Tuesday 9th May 3.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. An open afternoon will also be held on Monday 15 May 1.20 to 3.00 p.m.

We would be very grateful if you could inform your year 7 and 8 students of this change.

ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY COLLEGE

Open Morning Wednesday 10 May, 8.30am to 10.30am. For enrolment enquiries email eels@stc.school.nz or phone 348 7010.

ST BEDE'S COLLEGE

Open Day 10 May 2017, www.stbedes.school.nz

DENTAL CARE OVER THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The Community Dental Service will operate an emergency service over the school holidays. This service is to provide relief of pain only and will not undertake 'routine' treatment. The service will be available each working day from 8:45am until 12:30pm from the Hillmorton Community Clinic, Sylvan Street, Christchurch for the following times: Tuesday, 18th April to 21st April 2017 (excluding weekends) and Monday, 24th April and Wednesday, 26th April to Friday, 28th April 2017
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This service will operate by appointment only and if we are unable to see your child, alternative options will be given. If your child has dental pain as a result of an accident please contact your dentist in the first instance.

You can phone and make an appointment for the emergency clinic by ringing 0800 846 983.

PAPANUI TOC H ATHLETICS CLUB CROSS COUNTRY

Register online from 1 April at http:// www.papanuitochathletics.org.nz/. For questions please contact the Club Captain Jason on 0274702596 or Wilcock by email wilcock84@gmail.com. Papanui Toc currently the holders of the junior boys National Road Relay title and have a number of national junior and secondary school champions in their running group. We offer top-level coaching and a supportive and friendly environment to children of all ages.

MOTIVATIONZ NETBALL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

26/27/28th April at Graham Condon Centre 2:30pm-4pm Cost: \$70 for ages: 7-12 yrs

A lot of fun, challenge and game time makes this popular with the youngsters. To book, please contact Marg or Anthony on 3562110 or email through your name, DOB, address and phone number to anthony@motivationz.co.nz For more info, go to our website: www.motivationz.co.nz

Term 1 2017 Holiday Programme St Joseph OSCAR - Papanui

	** Half d	lay bookings now av	ailable**	
Tues 18 th - Fri 21 st /	April 2017	Week 1		
17th	18th	19th	20th	21st
Easter Monday	Crafty Rockets	Outdoor Fun	Air Force Museum	Swimming
	Design and create colourful crafty rockets Group experiment	Bring your wheels, bikes, scooters & Skateboards Map out cool & crazy tracks.	Travel by bus Return by 2.30pm Design your	Swimming at Graham Condon Pool Fish'n chip Lunch
Signaith	creating a flying rocket	Outdoor games	paper plane & Paper plane races	Afternoon relaxing with card & board games
Happy Easter	Afternoon Games & Origami fun		*bring \$4.00 bus fare*	*bring \$7.00 pool entry 8 lunch*
Tue 24 th April - Fri 3	30 th April 2017	Week 2		
24th	25th	26th	27th	28th
Anzac Craft & Games	ANZAC DAY	Games Day	Movies	Swimming
Making Poppy Wreaths & painting Medals		Human board game Rats & Rabbits Dead Ant & more	The Boss Baby! Walking bus to Hoyts depart 9.15	Swimming at Graham Condon Pool Pizza Lunch
Building Army bases	A A	All day fun Bring your drink	Chips & Iollies provided	Afternoon fun with craft
Can you capture the flag?	Public Holiday	bottle	Afternoon games *bring \$11 movie ticket*	& games *bring \$6.00 pool entry lunch*

WHAT TO BRING DAILY: morning tea, lunch AND afternoon tea.

A jacket & appropriate clothing for indoor/outdoor activities & excursions Additional cost indicated on required days

WATER BOTTLE a must please.

8.30am - 5.30pm \$40 per day per child (full day) 8.30am - 3.00pm \$35 per day per child (early pick up)

8.30am – 12.30pm \$20 per day per child (half day) (not available 20/04/17)

Full non-refundable payment is required to secure a booking.

Booking are not confirmed until payment is received.

All fees are required in full within 2 working days from the booking date.

There is no refund, credit or transfers for days booked, If your child is absent full fees apply.

Please note that there is no guarantee of casual spaces being available, as there are limited numbers for the Holiday Programme.

Bank Account No: 12-3494-0002148-00 Please reference: Hol prog + child's name