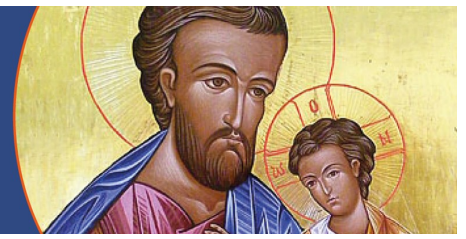




St Joseph's School

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EMPOWERING STUDENTS TO BECOME CONFIDENT, MOTIVATED LEARNERS, LIVING GOSPEL VALUES.



NEWSLETTER ~ TERM 2 - No. 1 - 3 May 2018

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK - Aaron Richards

Term 2 - Welcome back

Welcome one and all to another great term at St Joseph's School, Papanui. This term is all about SCIENCE. The science concept for the term is DIVERSITY. This will be an engaging topic that will involve learners in a range of hands on activities.

This week I visited the senior classrooms that were in the first stages of organising their projects for the Science fair that will take place later this year. The discussion was initiated by a visit from Jocelyn Papprell (Youth Engagement) from Environment Canterbury Regional Council who talked about possible science fair projects. I can't wait to see the result of the research at the Science Fair.

A huge welcome to a number of new students and their families who have joined our school community this week. A special welcome to Miss Smith who is the new teacher in Mercy 3. Also a big welcome back to Mrs Boyce who has returned to St Joseph's after a small break in Term 1. Mrs Boyce has taken up the teacher aide responsibilities from Mrs Gill who has taken up a teacher aide position at St Francis of Assisi. A large number of children benefitted from the dedication and support provided by Mrs Gill. Her enthusiasm also for sport advantaged our students to achieve outstanding results at championship level.

The sunshine returned just in time for the school photos. This year the photographer chose to use the autumn leaves as a backdrop from the photos. I have seen the first proof that looks awesome.

Today the school was visited by the Playhouse Theater Company who performed Rock on Riding Hood. This was a fun theatrical performance for all the children to watch.

A special reminder that the Pasifika Community Consultation meeting will take place in the staffroom at 5pm, Monday 7 May. Individual invitations have been sent home to all Pasifika families. It would be greatly appreciated if parents could confirm their attendance by contacting the office - 03 3528779.

The school cross country takes place next Thursday 10 May. All students are participating in this event. Please note that students may wear their sports uniform (junior school - appropriate sports clothing) to and from school. Please ensure that children bring a warm jacket with them. Approximate times of the races are:

Year 7 boys: 1:10pm (3 Laps)

Year 7 Girls: 1:20pm (3 Laps)

Year 6 boys: 1:30pm (2 Laps)

Year 6 girls: 1:35pm (2 Laps)

Year 5 boys: 1:40pm (2 Laps)

Year 5 girls: 1:45pm (2 Laps)

Year 4 boys: 1:50pm

Year 4 girls: 1:55pm

Year 3 boys: 2pm

Year 3 girls: 2:05pm

Year 2 boys: 2:10pm

Year 2 girls: 2:15pm

Year 1 boys: 2:20pm

Year 1 girls: 2:25pm

Year 8 boys: 2:30pm (3 Laps)

Years 8 girls: 2:45pm (3 Laps)

Reminders

Monday 7 May

Tuesday 8 May

Thursday 10 May

Sunday 13 May

Monday 14 May

Wednesday 16 May

Friday 18 May

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Pacifica Community Consultation

ICAS Digital Technology

School Cross Country

Ascension of the Lord

Parent Teacher Meeting (PTA)

North Zone Cross Country

Senior Winter Sport Begins

Michael Mangan visit



Monday was the first day of school for these 5 year olds.

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

SCHOOL CHARTER

In our previous communication to you in term 1, we mentioned the school charter. What is the school charter and what is its purpose?

The charter is a key planning document that sets the direction for the school by setting out the school's objectives and targets. This guides the teaching and learning programmes and the activities of the school and identifies the key areas of focus for the next 3-5 years.

At the beginning of every year the Board of Trustees reviews and updates its charter and submits this to the Ministry of Education. This is a legal requirement of the Board set out in the Education Act.

You can find the charter document on our school website, and a link is included here to take you directly to this document - <http://stjopapa.ultranet.school.nz/Web/48/>

The key components of the St Joseph's school Charter are:

1. **Strategic goals for 2018-2020:** These are the key goals for the school over the next 3 years. Each goal is supported by annual action points over the next 3 years which work towards achieving these goals.
 - All members of the community are provided the opportunity to celebrate the Eucharist and participate in faith events
 - All members of the community can support students' faith development
 - The physical environment reflects the school's special Catholic character
 - The school provides a purposeful authentic curriculum that develops deep learning
 - The school consistently provides high quality teaching practice throughout the school
 - Students are provided the opportunity to develop their unique and diverse potential
 - The gospel virtues are reflected in the interactions of all members of the community
 - The school uses positive behaviour strategies that reflects the gospel virtues
 - The school provides an environment where all members of the community feel they belong, are valued and accepted
 - The school and parish work together as one faith community
 - The school works in partnership with parents and families
2. **Annual Plan 2018:** The Annual Plan details the actions that will be taken by the school to achieve the objectives outlined in the Strategic Plan. An Annual Plan includes Student Achievement Targets set by the board. The Achievement Targets were developed in consultation with the teachers through the school leadership team. The targets are not exclusive which means that the school will continue to improve student performance throughout the school. However school-wide data has identified that specific emphasis needs to be placed on the following target areas:
 - Increasing the proportion of **Year 4** students working at or above standard for Reading.
 - Increasing the proportion of **Pasifika** students working at or above standard for reading, Writing and Mathematics
 - Increasing the proportion of **Year 6** boys working at or above standard for Writing
 - Increasing the proportion of **Year 5** girls working at or above standard for Mathematics
 - Improve the proportion of **Year 7** students working at or above standard for Mathematics
3. **Action plans for 2018:** The student achievement targets for mathematics, writing and reading are supported by specific and detailed action plans for 2018, detailing what will be done, who will do it, when it will be done and the indicators of progress.

WHAT'S COMING UP

Pasifika community consultation: The school is committed to serving all members of the community. On Monday 7 May Pasifika Community Consultation meeting has been organized to gather information on how the school can better serve the Pasifika members of the St Joseph's Community.

2017 Annual Report: The annual financial report has been drafted and is currently with our auditors. We will report on this at the end of term 2.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Certificates at our school Liturgy at the end of Term 1:

Aaliyah Johnston, Maddy Porter, Lydia Armstrong, Ryan Conyers, Zaydee Arthur, William Thornley, James Myers, Patrick Woodnutt, Zac Ryder, Maeve Malone, Cole Baker, Joanne Ng, Greer Cathro, Elle Read, Kyrollos Habachi, Emma Richards, Mia Desquitado, Benji Morrison, Thomas Woodgate, Ella Walsh, Annabel Woodbury, Luke Norton, Matilda Maynard, Ryan Cooke, Megan Kirwan-Broughan, Emmanuel Navarro, Louis Sharp, Alisha Mawhinney, Molly Maynard, Jayde Liang, Lucy Eccleton-Allen, Cameron Howison, Isaac Jones and Millie Clarkson.

BISHOPDALE SPORTS

With the senior winter sports starting soon, please note that the school sports socks are in stock at Bishopdale Sports.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Further to the flyers which families should have received this week, the entertainment sample books will be sent home (1 per family) on Tuesday next week. Thank you for your support.

PTA LUNCHES TOMORROW—HOT DOGS, \$2.50

Thank you to our volunteers—Tash Edlin and Suzie Smith.

ST BEDE'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL FUNDRAISER

Ethel and Bethel Bingo evening

- Saturday, 5 May at 7pm
- \$20 per ticket including pizza supper and one bingo card.

Additional bingo cards, Raffles, Chocolate wheel, Silent auction, Spin the bottle can all be purchased on the night, so bring lots of cash!

Tickets from <https://goo.gl/forms/kofyZBTAZna7Y1f02> or email Ali on howard.ali@xtra.co.nz.

In Sympathy

*We offer our deepest sympathy to **Tim Avery (Hanrahan 2)** on the recent death of his grandmother. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family at this sad time.*



YOUTH GROUP

“Youth Group is back for Term 2! We are kicking things off with a Masterchef evening ~ Sunday 6th May, Year 8s 6.00pm-7.30pm at St Gregory's Parish Centre. Any questions please email stjoespapyg@gmail.com

MOTHER'S DAY MASSES

We warmly invite ALL mothers to our Masses on the weekend 12/13 May to celebrate Mother's Day.

There will be a special presentation and blessing offered to each mother during each of our four Masses. We are all invited to light a candle before or after Mass, in remembrance and thanksgiving for Mothers who have gone before us. May they rest in peace. All are then invited to supper after the 6.00 pm Mass and morning tea after the 8.30 and 10.00 am Masses – please feel welcome to join us in the Parish Centre after these Masses. Mary, spiritual mother to us all - pray for us.



PLAY HOCKEY-2018
Come join the
"GREEN MACHINE"

Register
**ONLINE
NOW!**

Marist Hockey Club Fun Sticks Programme (Year 1 & 2)

The Fun Sticks programme has been developed by Hockey New Zealand, it is a club driven twelve-week programme that teaches basic skills along with games. We still have spaces available for Year 1 & 2 players to join, if you are interested please register via our website - www.maristhockey.co.nz

Groups of friends are encouraged to play together and have fun while learning skills

Saturdays 9.50 – 10.45 from 12th May 2018 – 11th August 2018 - Marist Park at St Bedes

Subscriptions \$70.00 for 12-week programme

OPEN DAY AT ST BEDE'S COLLEGE

THURSDAY 10 MAY 2018

Boys and their parents are invited to the College's Open Day on Thursday 10 May. Senior students will be available to provide guided tours of the school and senior and specialist staff will be on hand to assist with your enquiries. Parents only are invited to the Information Evening where we will provide further information about the College. The Prospectus including application forms for enrolment will be available on the day. Parking is available in the grounds.

OPEN DAY: Thursday 10 May, 9am - 12 noon
INFORMATION EVENING: Thursday 10 May, 7pm (parents only)

THE BEST WAY TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT US IS TO VISIT US



Visit for a tour of the College



Request a Prospectus



Check out the College website



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