



St Joseph's School

TE KURA O HATO HOHEPA PAPANUI

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



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK - Aaron Richards

SCHOOL SPEECH COMPETITION

On Wednesday night, fifteen finalists from years 5-8 gathered in the school hall with their family and friends for the school's speech finals. This event provided the students with an opportunity to refine their presentation before they move through to the Rotary Speech competition. A huge congratulations to the following students who presented powerful speeches. Speeches that were persuasive, compelling and entertaining.

- **Emma Richards** - *Amelia Earhart*
- **Keira Conyers** - *English History*
- **Ben Fraser** - *Greek Mythology*
- **Harriet Darnbrough** - *Her Story*
- **Samuel Thornley** - *Ups and downs of being small*
- **Niamh Quayle** - *Being a child in the 80s*
- **Kate Lee** - *Grilled Cheese Sandwich*
- **Gabrielle Segar** - *People overcome their disabilities*
- **Emily Ng** - *The future of humans*
- **Emma Walsh** - *Phobias*
- **Campbell Behrens** - *Nicholas Tesla*
- **Catherine Grant** - *Suck it up*

KAPA HAKA

The school's Kapa Haka Team has been preparing all year for the Christchurch Cultural Festival. Tomorrow they will perform at the Horncastle Arena in front of a huge audience. I wish them well and look forward to seeing all their efforts come to the fore. A big thanks to Mr Harrison who has organised the group.



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Thank you to the families on next week's roster.

Monday 16 September

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Tuesday 17 September

Gorman

Hubble

SKI DAYS

Recently the Year 6 students enjoyed their ski experience at Mt Hutt despite the average weather conditions.

In contrast the Year 7 students had the pick of the days up the mountain on Tuesday. It was a spectacular day at Mt Hutt with clear skies, no wind and lots of snow.



A great day skiing and snowboarding was had by all. All students had a 2 hour ski or snowboard lesson and were then able to use the rest of the time to practice their skills.

Let's hope the weather conditions are as favourable for the Year 8 ski trip next Tuesday.

A huge thanks to Mr McGuire and Mrs Kreft for organising and coordinating these events and a special thanks to the parents for their assistance.

PREPARATION FOR 2020

Today the Leadership Team went into conclave to start planning for the 2020 school year. The focus of the meeting was how we could enhance learning at St Joseph's School. Students are at the centre of all decisions that we make at the school with the goal to make us stronger in providing each and every child with a quality faith based education.

2020 ENROLMENTS - LAST CHANCE

If you are enrolling a child at St Joseph's School next year, please **help us confirm your child's place at the school by ensuring you have a preference form submitted to the school office no later than 27 September 2019.**

A huge thanks to the families who have notified the school that their child would not be returning to St Joseph's School next year. If your family is moving away or your child will not be attending St Joseph's School next year, please let the office know as soon as possible so that we can offer a space to a child on the waiting list.

WEETBIX TRYATHLON

The Weetbix Tryathlon will take place on Sunday 23 February. Entries to the event open soon. It is best to be in early because the Tryathlon is very popular and has limited spaces. St Joseph's School Papanui is a registered group. You can help the school earn points by registering for the Tryathlon under the school name. Click on the following link to enter under the school name:

<https://www.registemow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=35577&G=100386>

CHRIST THE KING DANCE

Our Year 7 & 8 students are invited to the Christ the King School Disco on Friday 20 September from 7.30pm to 9pm. St Joseph's students wishing to attend must register their names with our school office. The cost is \$5 and is to be paid on the night.

WAIMAIRI TENNIS CLUB

This Saturday 14th September, Waimairi Tennis Club in Watford Street, Strowan, will be holding a free Red Ball coaching session for 4-8 yr olds from 8.45-9.30am. For more information on Waimairi Tennis Club go to <http://www.wtc.co.nz>

EARTHQUAKE INSURANCE SURVEY

A PhD student at the University of Canterbury is conducting a research into the effects ongoing earthquake insurance claims have had on mental wellbeing. Anyone can take part, including those who haven't had ongoing claims. It involves a 25 minute anonymous survey and once completed participants can enter into a draw to win one of eight \$50 Westfield vouchers. The link for the survey is

http://canterbury.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0MnzXkqN9vRw7GZ

For further information about this survey contact Jenny Brown, 0274246046.

Week 8: On Sunday 15th September it is the **memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows**. This feast dates back to the 12th century. The title "*Our Lady of Sorrows*" focuses on the sorrows of Mary's life from "Bethlehem to Calvary", most especially "her intense suffering during the passion and death of Christ." (Saint John Paul II). Because of this Mary knows our sorrows and our pains too. We honour our Blessed Mother Mary, as a faithful disciple and exemplar of faith.



PTA FRIDAY LUNCHES

For the rest of this term the PTA will be selling **HOT DOGS for the Friday lunches—\$2.50**

Please ensure that all orders are placed BEFORE school on a Friday

Thank you to the following volunteer helpers:

Friday, 13 Sept—Suzy Smith & Jess Fyall

Friday, 20 Sept—Jo Bradley & Sara Golding

Friday, 27 Sept—Catherine de Bruin & Kim Ric Hansen

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL PTA UNIFORM SALE

On **Thursday 19 and Friday 20 September 2019** at 2.30pm, the PTA will be holding a second-hand uniform sale. If you would like the PTA to sell a uniform or part of a uniform on your behalf, please fill in the form below and leave the items in a plastic bag in the school office no later than end of day **Wednesday 18 September 2019**. The PTA will take 50% commission on all items sold and gratefully accept donated items. We are happy to price up items – equally you can nominate the sale price below. You will be notified by phone shortly after the sale to collect the payment and/or the unsold items.

Item (one per line)	Size	Price	This side PTA use only	
			Sold	Not sold
A		\$	\$	
B		\$	\$	
C		\$	\$	
D		\$	\$	
E		\$	\$	
F		\$	\$	
	Total			
<i>By allowing the PTA to sell uniform items on my behalf, I understand that the PTA will take 50% commission on all items sold. The PTA will take care of your property but cannot be held responsible for any unforeseen circumstances such as fire or theft.</i>	Less 50%			
	To Pay			

Name: _____ Mobile Number: _____

Signature: _____