



ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL, DANNEVIRKE

'Nurturing Spirits, Encouraging Excellence' AMDG

Manaakitia e te Wairua, Whakatenatena I ngā Hiranga

22 February 2024 TERM 1 WEEK 4

IMPORTANT DATES

- Assembly – Fridays 9 am (even weeks)
 - Room 3 – 28 Feb
 - Room 2 – 14 March
 - Room 1 – 28 March
- Room 6 Tech – Monday 3 March
- Rm 4 & 5 Mass – Wed 12 March
- Swimming – Tues, Wed, Thurs – Weeks 4 – 5 & 6
- Swimming Sports – Mon 17 March
- St Patricks Green House Muffi – Tues 18 March
- St Joseph's Day – Wed 19 March
- GRIP Leadership Conference – Year 8's – Wed 19 March
- Wheels Week -24 – 28 March
- Junior Swimming Display – Fri 28 March
- Interschool Swimming Sports – Tues 1 April
- End of Term 1 – Fri 11 April
- Start of Term 2 – Mon 28 April



PRINCIPALS NOTE

Kia Ora

The SAINT Way
(Formally PB4L)

FOCUS – ALLOW OTHERS TO LEARN

As a school and followed up in classes we discuss what we have to do as individuals to make the most of our learning opportunities for ourselves and others. Some examples we will be talking about are listening and following instructions, getting on with the task quickly and quietly, focussing on our own work so as not to distract others etc.



How you can help at home...

- Encourage children to get themselves organised for activities
- Ensure that homework is completed
- Encourage nightly reading
- Practices listening and following instructions when asked

Mā te Atua koutou e manaaki
i ngā wā katoa
May God always
bless you.

Megan

ATTENDANCE

80% (↓9%)

of our students are currently attending more than 90%, an average of 9 days a fortnight. Contact will be made regularly with parents of students who have dropped below 80%.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Talented artists in Room 4 and 5.



Zac & Remi



Kaylem



Rico & Miles



Ruby & Tanner

**TECH FOR
ROOM 6 IS
ON MONDAY
NEXT WEEK.**

SPORT REPORT

School Swimming Sports – Monday 17 March

Timekeepers needed. Please mark the date in your diaries.

Winter Sports

Local sports associations are now holding meetings to prepare for the upcoming season. Please consider what sports your child/ren will be playing this year and join the relevant group on the school app.

Hockey Registrations

[Registration link](#)



DANNEVIRKE JUNIOR HOCKEY 2025



**Registrations now open for junior hockey!
Register before 31 March 2025**

- This is an interschool competition for all children Years 0 – 8.
- All players welcome
- Each team will require one parent/caregiver to be their manager.
- Our junior competition for 2025 is planned to start Term 2 commencing on Friday 2nd May.

This is a fast, fun introduction to hockey.

If your child would like to give hockey a go we have hockey sticks available to borrow.

\$35 per player (including mouthguard)*
15% discount for additional children registered
*Mouthguards are included in registration fees and must be worn.

If you have any questions email: dscjuniorhockey@gmail.com
Visit our DSC Junior Hockey Facebook page for the link to register:
<https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/7f1d96>

Basketball

Thanks Rocky for managing our basketball teams on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. If anyone is able to help out with this, please pop down to the Sports Centre. All our basketballers should be in correct sports uniform before taking the court.

Don't forget to let us know any special sporting achievements including players of the day so we can celebrate our students.

Takaro Kaha, Kia Tika
Play Hard, Be Fair

Jo Brown

Sports Co-ordinator

CATHOLIC CHARACTER

Ash Wednesday Mass

9.10am - 5 March

All welcome to attend.

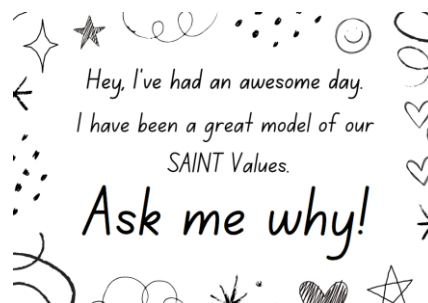
Ash Wednesday is one of the most important holy days in the liturgical calendar. It marks the beginning of Lent, a season of fasting and prayer.

Ash Wednesday is 46 days before Easter Sunday. During Ash Wednesday Mass, the priest puts ashes in the shape of a cross on the forehead. The ashes symbolise the dust from which God made us and grief that we have sinned. The Church asks that we are prayerful, reflective and seek penance during the time of Lent.

The ashes are made from the blessed palms used in the Palm Sunday Celebrations from the previous Year.



"ASK ME WHY"



Our staff are always handing out SAINT values vouchers to students who demonstrate our SAINT values. These vouchers contribute to house points for the termly competition. Since they go into the classroom kete, parents might not always know when or why these are awarded. To keep you in the loop, students will also receive an 'Ask Me Why' voucher to take home, so you can ask them about their achievement!

ATTENDANCE DUES

All families will have an information letter regarding attendance dues emailed with the newsletter. Please contact Sheryl in the office if you have any queries.