



ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL, DANNEVIRKE

'Nurturing Spirits, Encouraging Excellence' AMDG

Manaakitia e te Wairua, Whakatenatena I ngā Hiranga

11 December 2025 TERM 4 WEEK 10

IMPORTANT DATES

- Rm 6 Class Trip – Fri 12 Dec
- Thanksgiving – Tues 16 Dec - 6pm
- Poroporoaki – Wed 17 Dec – 1pm
- End of School Year – Wed 17 Dec
- Term 1 2026 – Mon 2 February

A term 1 calendar of events will be put on the school loop before school starts next year.

ATTENDANCE

65% =

of our students are currently attending more than 90%, an average of 9 days a fortnight.

POROPOROAKI

Wednesday 17 December 1.00pm
Room 5 & 6

All welcome to attend to farewell our leaving families.

REPORTS

End of year Reports will be sent home with students on Tuesday. Please keep an eye out in their bags.

SWIM & PICNIC

Wednesday 17 December
MUFTI DAY

- 10am Walk to Wai Splash
- 11.30 Swim
- 12.00 Fish & Chip lunch at Domain (school if wet)
- 1pm Poroporoaki



PRINCIPALS NOTE

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Kia Ora

It's hard to believe we've reached the end of another year, 2025 has flown by, and this will be our final newsletter of the year. As we look ahead, there's a lot to be excited about in 2026, and we look forward to what's ahead for our school community."

The refurbishment of the junior block will start at the end of January next year. It will be undertaken in 2 stages so as not to disrupt classes too much.

At the start of next year, Mrs Larsen and Room 1 students will be in the library. Ms Haigh and Room 2 will be working in Room 4. Room 4 will be moving to Te Whare. All classes have been busy preparing for this shift so students can visit their new space on Monday.

Stage 2, Rooms 3 and 4 and the library are scheduled to begin in May. We have also completed our fundraising for the playground, thanks to the Home & School and have finalised designs and colours. Construction will begin early next year off site, and it will hopefully be installed late term 1.

"I'd like to acknowledge our incredible staff—their dedication to our school and community is evident in everything they do, and we're fortunate to have such a fantastic team. I wish them all a restful, well-deserved break.

Ngā mihi nui to you all.
Have a very Merry Christmas and a restful, enjoyable holiday break.

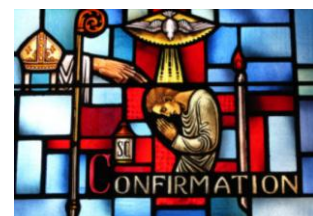
Mā te Atua koutou e manaaki i ngā wā katoa
May God always bless you.

Megan



CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Mass
Sunday 14 December
9am
St Joseph's Church
All Welcome to attend.



STATIONERY FOR 2026

Classes for next year are currently being finalised. Students will visit new classes on Monday to meet their teacher and classmates. Split levels are organised by age unless prior arrangement.

Stationery will be supplied to every child at the beginning of next year. Payment for this can be deposited into the school account from now and needs to be paid by Monday 26 January to enable individual packs to be ready for learning on day 1. Bank account - 02-0612-0089632-00. Please put students name in reference.

| Room | Year Level | Teacher | Stationery Cost |
|-----------------|-------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | NE – Year 1 | Mrs Rae Larsen | \$50 |
| 2 | Year 2 & 3 | Ms Maxine Haigh | \$40 |
| 3 | Year 3 & 4 | Ms Sarah Newell | \$50 |
| 4 | Year 5 & 6 | Mrs Jo Brown | \$60 |
| 5 | Year 6 & 7 | Mrs Helen Collier | \$60 |
| 6 | Year 8 | Ms Leah Thompson | \$55 |
| Release Teacher | | Mr Stuart Amer (Junior Team) | |

All students will be issued with their own mini whiteboard funded from the donations scheme.

If you are looking for Christmas gift ideas felt pens, coloured pencils and a pencil case will be needed.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS



Great effort with art Ava & Bayleigh!

Awesome literacy work Te Haerenga!



THANKSGIVING CELEBRATIONS

Tuesday 16 December, 6pm

We look forward to seeing you all at next week's End of Year Thanksgiving celebrations.

Following the celebrations, supper will be served in the staffroom. Please bring a plate of food to share. The staffroom will be open prior to the event. This celebration gives us an opportunity to reflect on our year, acknowledge our achievements, and farewell our Year 8 students and others who are leaving St Joseph's.

Some seating will be reserved for Board, students and the families of our Year 8 leavers. Additional seating will be available in the gathering area, and the upstairs area of the church will be open for up to 50 people.

All students are expected to wear the correct, clean, and tidy school uniform.

Some students have roles within the celebration and will need to be at the Church by 5.40pm.

Please notify their teacher if they will not be attending.

All other children should arrive no later than 5.50pm.

We look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday.

| Room 1 | Room 4 |
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| All Students | Izzy Brooklyn Maia |
| Room 2 | Room 5 |
| Amilah Zariah Fern Willow H Tayla | Anvil Winter Jayda Ruby G Remi Lani Poppy Azaleah Tanner Prenter Quelan Tori Zac Levi C |
| Room 3 | Room 6 |
| Acacia Brodie Whillow Milla Maci Tilly Lexi Adelaide Porter Lilly Ava J Bayleigh Betty Hunter Te Haerenga | All Year 8 students |