



ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL, DANNEVIRKE

'Nurturing Spirits, Encouraging Excellence' AMDG

Manaakitia e te Wairua, Whakatenatena I ngā Hiranga

5 December 2024 TERM 4 WEEK 8

IMPORTANT DATES

- Wheels Day – Monday 9 Dec
- New class visits – Tues 10 Dec
- School Mass – 9.30 – Wed 11 Dec
- Thanksgiving Celebration – Thurs 12 Dec 6pm
- Poroporoaki – Fri 13 Dec 1.30pm
- Term 4 Ends Friday 13 December
- Teacher Only Day – Mon 16 Dec
- Stationery payment due – Mon 27 Jan
- Teacher Only Days – Thurs 30 Jan & Fri 31 Jan
- Term 1 2025 – Mon 3 February

PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Kia Ora

This is our final newsletter for 2024, and I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy start to the New Year. I hope you all find time to relax and enjoy the company of whānau and friends.

The Southgate family will be heading off to their new home in Australia before our Thanksgiving celebrations, we just want to say a massive thank you for everything they've done for our school. They've been such a big part of our community. We'll definitely miss having them around, but we're excited for what's next for them. Wishing them heaps of fun and success on their new adventures.

I'd like to give a big shoutout to our incredible staff. They're dedicated to our school and community, and truly make a fantastic team. We're so lucky to have them.

I wish them a restful and well-deserved break.

Ngā mihi nui to you all! Enjoy the holidays!

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

Megan



SWIM & PICNIC

Friday 13 December

MUFTI DAY

- 11.15 Walk to Wai Splash
- 11.30 Swim
- 12.45 Fish & Chip lunch at Domain (school if wet)
- 1.30 Poroporoaki

You are more than welcome to bring your lunch and join us.

Students will need to bring their togs and a towel.

FOOD BASKETS

We are currently collecting items for our Thanksgiving celebrations food baskets.

Items can be delivered to classrooms and will be donated to St Vinnies.

- Room 1 – Christmas Treats
- Room 2 – Baking Items
- Room 3 – Christmas Treats
- Room 4 – Pantry Basics – gravies, breakfast cereals, pasta, rice, soups, jams, tea, coffee etc
- Room 5 – Cleaning Products & Toiletries
- Room 6 – Pantry Basics – Canned food

Thank you for your support of those in need in our community.

UNIFORM

We will still be in summer uniform for term 1 next year. Holidays are the perfect opportunity to clean out any uniform that is too small. We would love it for the uniform store at school.

We would also appreciate students being in correct uniform from day 1 next year, including Roman sandals and hats.

Next Friday is the only mufti day and correct uniform is expected until then. We would appreciate your support with this.

REPORTS

End of year Reports will be sent home with students on Thursday. Please keep an eye out in their bags. Along with the report is a sheet with information about the report.

2025 CLASSES & STATIONERY

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

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 27 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	\$43
2	Year 2 & 3	Ms Maxine Haigh	\$44
3	Year 3 & 4	Ms Sarah Newell Mrs Jo Brown	\$58
4	Year 5 & 6	Mrs Malia Hema	\$54
5	Year 6 & 7	Mrs Helen Collier	\$57
6	Year 7 & 8	Ms Leah Thompson	\$48
Release Teachers		Mrs Jo Brown Mr Stuart Amer	

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

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATIONS

Thursday 12 December, 6pm

We look forward to seeing you all at the end of year Thanksgiving celebrations next week.

Following the celebrations there will be supper in the staffroom. Please bring a plate of food to share. The staffroom will be open prior to the event. This celebration allows us to review our year and celebrate our achievements and farewell the year 8 students and those leaving St Joseph's this year.

Some seating will be reserved in certain areas for students and the families of our year 8 leavers. Extra seating will be provided in the gathering area and upstairs in the church will be open but for a maximum of 50 people. **All students are to be dressed in correct, clean, tidy school uniform.**

All children, in their classes will be involved in presenting a small part of the nativity story so please notify your child's teacher if they will not be attending.

Thanksgiving Play participants who require a change of clothes need to be at the church by 5.30pm. They know who they are.

Please ensure that all children are at the church no later than 5.50pm, Looking forward to seeing you all on Thursday.

POROPOROAKI

Friday 13 December 1.30pm

Te Whare

All welcome to attend to farewell our leaving families.

WHEELS DAY - MONDAY

We will have the skateboard ramps here on Monday. Students are able to bring their wheels to school, bikes, scooters, skateboards or roller skates, along with helmets and other safety gear.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS



Awesome writing
Lucas & Eden.



Fantastic bug
house boys!

Tanner, Breyton
& Thomas