



IMPORTANT DATES

- Assembly – Friday 9 am
 - Room 1 – 8 May
 - Room 6 – 22 May
 - Room 5 – 5 June
- Room 5 Technology – Mondays
- Powhiri – Fri 24 April
- ANZAC Day Holiday – Mon 27 April
- Rugby Skills – Fri 1 May
- School Mass – Sun 3 May
- Student Leadership Day – Tues 5 May
- Cross Country – Thurs 7 May
p/p - Thurs 14 May
- Super Mums & Side Kicks Day – Fri 8 May
- Doughboys Pie Delivery – Fri 15 May
- Interschool Cross Country – Thurs 21 May
p/p Thurs 28 May
- Teachers Only Day – Fri 29 May
- End of Term 2 – Fri 3 July
- Start Term 3 – Mon 20 July

ATTENDANCE

100%



of our students are currently attending more than 90%, an average of 9 days a fortnight, for this term. Great start to term 2! St Joseph's target aligns with the Government's, 80% of students to attend regularly, that is to attend school more than 90% of the time.

Term 1 - 82% of our students attended more than 90% of the time!!



PRINCIPALS NOTE

Kia Ora

It has been wonderful to see our students back this week. We would also like to warmly welcome our new students, Bryn, Frankie and Sophie. They, along with other students starting this term, will be formally welcomed at the **pōwhiri tomorrow morning at 9:00 a.m.** and at the **school Mass on Sunday, 3 May.**

We have an exciting term ahead. Stage 1 of the refurbishment will be completed meaning a change of classes for Rooms 1, 2 and 3 before stage 2 starts. The new doors and windows are looking fantastic.

The playground has also been timetabled for installation in the next school holidays. The Board property committee are also working on the development of the long grass area next to the courts. Exciting things happening in that space. We are looking forward to sharing our plans shortly.

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

Megan



PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS



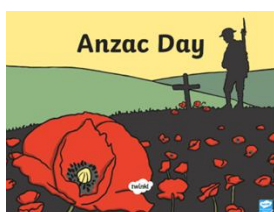
These clever little SAINTS spent the holidays building Jesus on the cross! It is very cool boys!

CATHOLIC CHARACTER

Wise God, As we begin this new school term, we place all students, teachers, and staff into Your hands. Thank you for the gift of education and the opportunity to learn. We pray for students: give them minds that are eager to learn, courage to ask questions, and the confidence to take risks. Surround them with positive friendships and help them to shine brightly.

Protect everyone within our school community from harm. When they feel overwhelmed, remind them they are never alone.

May this term be a time of growth, kindness, and joy. Amen



ANZAC Day Prayer

God of all things, all times, all people, we are grateful for the sacrifices made by the ANZACs. God of earth and heaven, on your world the sun rises and sets on every nation; we commend to you our innocent sisters and brothers who suffer through warfare and violence. Be with them now; be their strength and their hope. Amen

School Mass – Sunday 3 May 8.45am

We warmly look forward to welcoming all our families to our termly Mass next Sunday. As part of your commitment to being part of a Catholic school community, we ask that each family makes every effort to attend this one Mass each term.

Helen Collier

DRS

MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE

The Home & School Mother's Day Raffle is due back to school by next Friday, 1 May. There are more books in the office if you are able to sell some extra tickets.

Home & School Meeting
Wednesday 29 April
After school in the staffroom
All welcome.

SPORT REPORT

Mrs Brown is currently on leave and Mrs Larsen and I will be looking after the sports co-ordinator role over this time.

Winter Sports

Teams are organised for the start of winter sports in the coming weeks. Draws will be put on our school Facebook page and on the Skool Loop App. Please ensure you have joined the appropriate groups on the app so you can receive relevant information for your child's sport. If you need help with this don't hesitate to ask at the office.

Hockey

We still require coaches/managers for our hockey teams. Contact the school office if you are able to help.

Inter School Cross Country

Thursday 14 May

(postponement – Thursday 21 May)

St Joseph's School is organising the interschool cross country this year at the Show Grounds. We will require parental assistance to run the event and will be asking for helpers closer to the time. Please mark this date on your calendars if you are able to assist. See below for information about our school cross country.

Megan & Rae

DOUGHBOYS PIES

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL
RANUI CAMP FUNDRAISER

DELICIOUS FAMILY SIZED
DOUGHBOYS PIES
ORDERS CLOSE 5 MAY
DELIVERY - 15 MAY

\$11.50 **\$12.50**

CHICKEN & VEGE HAM & EGG MINCE MINCE & CHEESE	MINCE & VEGE STEAK STEAK & MUSHROOM STEAK & CHEESE	APPLE APRICOT BLACKBERRY & APPLE
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We're raising funds to help reduce the cost of Camp at Ranui Farms for our Year 5-8 students in Term 4. We appreciate your support, every contribution helps make this experience possible for all students!

ONLINE ORDERS ONLY
[HTTPS://RAISED.NZ/CAMP-FUNDRAISER0294](https://raised.nz/camp-fundraiser0294)

Online Orders can be made following the link below but please see us in the office if you need assistance ordering.

[Doughboys Pie Orders](#)

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday 7th May 2026

(Postponement Date Thursday 14th May 2026)

Venue: A & P Showgrounds

Start/Finish: In front of Grandstand

<u>Grades</u>	Primary	5, 6, & 7 year olds
	Junior Boys & Girls	8 and 9 year olds
	Intermediate Boys & Girls	10 & 11 year olds
	Senior Boys & Girls	12 years and over



AGE AS AT THE 21st OF MAY 2026

Participation: All children will participate unless we receive a note from parents/caregivers stating why their child is unable to.

Primary Grade (5, 6 & 7 Years) will be escorted around their course. All other participants will have walked the course prior to the event, which will be well marked with cones and guides at strategic or hazardous points.

This is an inter house competition and ALL participants receive points for their House.

Sports Uniform / dress: Sports Tops and Plain Black Shorts, sports muffi with house colours to keep warm

Footwear is recommended. If your child will not be racing in footwear, please send a note on the day to confirm this. Please be aware that there may be hazards underfoot, and choosing to go without footwear is at your own risk.

Timetable: Racing will start at 12:00pm

12:00 p.m	Junior Boys
12:20	Junior Girls
12:40	Intermediate Boys
1:00	Intermediate Girls
1:20	Senior Boys/Girls
1:40	Primary Grades

Lunch: Children will eat lunch before leaving for the event.

Marshalls: We will need people to help marshall the course. Please leave your name at the office.

This is a school event, and we encourage all students to take part and then stay to support one another. It's a house competition, with house points and bragging rights up for grabs. Go xxx House!!

Please pray for pleasant conditions for this day.

If a postponement is necessary, a decision will be made at 11:00 a.m. on the day and posted on our Facebook page and the Skool Loop app.

TERM 2 PLAN

2026

YEAR FOCUS: NURTURING SPIRITS, ENCOURAGING EXCELLENCE.
AMDG



TERM THEME: SPIRITS

SAINT VALUE FOCUS: NURTURING FAITH - TE POIPOI I TE WHAKAPONO

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
20 - 24 APRIL 1	START OF TERM 2 TECH - R5 HUI KARAKIA	YR 5 - 8 CAMP MEETING	CLASS MASS RMS 1 & 6		POWHIRI
27 APRIL - 1 MAY 2	ANZAC DAY		CLASS MASS RMS 2 & 5 HOME & SCHOOL MEETING		(SCHOOL MASS - SUNDAY 3RD) RUGBY SKILLS RAFFLE TICKETS DUE BACK
4 - 8 MAY 3	TECH - R5 HUI KARAKIA	YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP DAY DOUGHBOYS PIE ORDERS DUE RUGBY SKILLS	CLASS MASS RMS 3 & 4	CROSS COUNTRY	SUPER MUMS & SIDE KICKS DAY ASSEMBLY - R1
11 - 15 MAY 4	TECH - R5 BOARD MEETING WHEELS WEEK → → →		CLASS MASS RMS 1 & 6	P/P CROSS COUNTRY	DOUGHBOYS PIE DELIVERY
18 - 22 MAY 5	TECH - R5 HUI KARAKIA		CLASS MASS RMS 2 & 5	INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY	HOUSE OF BRICKS ASSEMBLY - R6
25 - 29 MAY 6	TECH - R5 HUI KARAKIA		CLASS MASS RMS 3 & 4 WHĀNAU HUI	P/P INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY	TEACHERS ONLY DAY
1 - 5 JUNE 7	KINGS BIRTHDAY		CLASS MASS RMS 1 & 6		ASSEMBLY - R5
8 - 12 JUNE 8	TECH - R5 HUI KARAKIA		CLASS MASS RMS 2 & 5		
15 - 19 JUNE 9	TECH - R5 BOARD MEETING HUI KARAKIA		CLASS MASS RMS 3 & 4		ASSEMBLY - R3
22 - 26 JUNE 10	TECH - R5 HUI KARAKIA				
29 JUNE - 3 JULY 11	TECH - R5 HUI KARAKIA				END OF TERM 2 ASSEMBLY - R2

PLEASE NOTE THESE DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. MORE INFORMATION WILL BE PROVIDED IN SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS AND ON THE APP.

A copy of this plan is available on the app, pinned to the top of the notices tab.