



## IMPORTANT DATES

- Assembly – Friday 9 am
  - Room 1 – 8 May
  - Room 6 – 22 May
  - Room 5 – 5 June
- Room 5 Technology – Mondays
- Super Mums & Side Kicks Day – Fri 8 May
- Walk & Wheels Week – 11 – 15 May
- Doughboys Pie Delivery – Fri 15 May
- Interschool Cross Country – Thurs 21 May  
p/p Thurs 28 May
- House of Bricks – Fri 22 May
- Teachers Only Day – Fri 29 May
- Kings Birthday Holiday - Mon 1 June
- Home & School AGM – Wed 3 June
- End of Term 2 – Fri 3 July
- Start Term 3 – Mon 20 July



## PRINCIPALS NOTE

Kia Ora

Next week, we will welcome our new teacher, Mrs Mithula Parvathi, who will be teaching in Room 4. We would also like to sincerely thank Angela Irwin for supporting us over the last three weeks.

There has been a bit of excitement in classes this week and I'm not just talking about the students! Thanks to the Board, each class has now been provided with a CommBox to enhance teaching and learning opportunities across the school. A CommBox is an interactive touchscreen designed for classrooms. These screens allow teachers and students to work collaboratively through touch, screen sharing, interactive learning activities, and video conferencing without needing a separate computer. In a sense it is a giant Ipad!



## ATTENDANCE

97% ↓ 2%

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

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.

Year to date – 69%

We are getting close to the end of stage 1 of our refurbishment. Exterior painting is well underway, carpet is down and cabinetry has been installed. We are hoping to be shifting in before the end of the month.



Mā te Atua koutoue  
manaakii ngā wā katoa  
May God always bless you.

*Megan*

## CATHOLIC CHARACTER

### Mother's Day Prayer

Good and Gentle God, we pray, in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. We also pray for all those mothers in war torn areas who are suffering, anxious and grieving.

Amen



*Helen Collier*  
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## SKOOLBOOKS

Our Skool Books website is now up and running and the teachers are able to share the goings on of the class on a weekly basis. A reminder that the link to this website is on one of the click boxes on the Skool Loop App.

Currently the providers are working on a stand-alone app which will be much easier to check, this will be done by the end of the year. All whanau were sent an email to join last term. Because a password has not been set, you will need to click 'forgot password' and create your own. You will only need to sign in once and you will be joined up to multiple classes if you have more than one child. We encourage you to like, comment and talk to your children about what's happening in their class!



## SPORT REPORT

### Cross Country Results

Beautiful day for our cross country today. Thanks to those who helped out including Tararua Youth Services. We are really proud of all our runners. Thanks Home & School for ice cream at the end of the day.



| Junior Boys   | Junior Girls   |
|---|--|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Brodie Gore<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Jonty Stevenson<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Porter Rowe | 1 <sup>st</sup> Maci Jones<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Tilly Smyth<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Marley Lowe         |
| Intermediate Boys   | Intermediate Girls   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Rocky Hales<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Lucas Walsh<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Hudson Smyth    | 1 <sup>st</sup> Poppy Buchanan<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Rilee Stevenson<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Ruby Ransom |
| Senior Boys   | Senior Girls   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Tanner Ransom<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Zac Wrenn<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Tyson McKenzie  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Quelan Hape-Taite<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Jayda Gore<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Zoe Jacinto   |

| 5 Year Old Boys  | 5 Year Old Girls  |
|--|---|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Miles Walsh<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Charlie Ashworth<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Opie Lohead         | 1 <sup>st</sup> Daisy Diamond<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Myla Rowe<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Daisie Jones          |
| 6 Year Old Boys  | 6 Year Old Girls  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Harvey Lohead<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Knox Lowe<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Faitelle Taiwi           | 1 <sup>st</sup> Frankie Last<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Emily Perret<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Freya Scott         |
| 7 Year Old Boys  | 7 Year Old Girls  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Ollie Walshe<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Greyson Schoenwald<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Hadley Macdonald | 1 <sup>st</sup> Phoebe Bell<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Amilah-Rose Hickey<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Andriya Joseph |

Certificates and trophies will be presented at assembly tomorrow at 9am in the hall.

## SPORT REPORT contd

### Player of the Day

Congratulations Quinn & Milla

(Don't forget to share your Players of the day with us!

- Email or messenger)



Our new netball uniforms look amazing!!



*Megan & Rae*

## SAINT WAY FOCUS



Our fortnightly focus is on strengthening respectful behaviours and helping our students build important social skills that will support them both at school and in the wider community. At school, we will be focusing on speaking respectfully, using good manners, and following instructions respectfully.

You can help at home by:

- Encouraging children to use polite words such as "please," "thank you," and "excuse me."
- Modelling respectful communication and behaviour in everyday situations.
- Talking with your child about including others and showing kindness during play and conversations.

## WALK & WHEELS WEEK

Join us for

# WALK AND WHEELS WEEK!



- Bus students - can arrive at school and walk the block with Mrs Larsen to earn a "clip" off their ticket.
- Bikes and scooters can be stored in the hall on **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday** afterschool, if needed.
- Bring your bike and scooter ramps (if you are happy to share) and ride with your classmates during morning tea and lunch times!
- **Helmets and footwear must be worn.**

Concession Cards will be handed out to all students.

- 5 "clips" = 5 Gospel Values Vouchers
- 4 "clips" = 4 Gospel Values Vouchers
- 3 "clips" = 3 Gospel Values Vouchers
- 2 "clips" = 2 Gospel Values Vouchers
- 1 "clip" = 1 Gospel Values Voucher

Double your vouchers each time, if you walk with someone from your whānau!

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

# WRITE YOUR OWN RAP!

Join author John Carr for a fun, high-energy session where you'll learn how to create lyrics, find your rhythm, and perform like a pro.

Dannevirke Library  
18<sup>th</sup> May 3:30 PM

(Session runs for roughly 45 minute-1 hour)

Ages: 9 and above

No need to register, just come along!