



IMPORTANT DATES

- Assembly – Friday 9 am
 - Room 5 – 27 Feb
 - Room 3 – 13 March
 - Room 2 – 27 March
- Room 6 Technology – Tuesdays
- Swimming – Tues, Wed, Thurs
 - Weeks 4, 5 & 6
- Home & School Meeting – Tues
3 March @ 6.30pm
- School Swimming Sports – Mon
16 March
- GRIPLeadership Conference –
Wed 18 March
- St Joseph's Day – Thurs 19
March
- Interschool Swimming Sports –
Tues 31 March
- End of Term 1 – Thurs 2 April
- Start Term 2 – Mon 20 April



PRINCIPALS NOTE

Kia Ora

Thank you to all parents who attended our recent student interviews. These meetings are a valuable part of our home / school partnership, helping to maintain clear communication and ensuring there are no surprises when it comes to your child's learning and progress.

Earlier in the week in the an intruder was seen on our school grounds attempting to enter buildings at night, including the builders' cordoned-off area, and trying door handles. The individual was carrying a backpack and torch and appeared to know exactly what he was doing. Thankfully, our security cameras captured the activity, and a police report has been made. Please keep an eye out when travelling past the school and report any suspicious activity to Police. Thank goodness for our cameras!

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

Megan

ATTENDANCE

95% ↓ 4%

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.

Please remember that we are now a nut-free school, and no nut products (including nut bars) are to be brought in lunchboxes.

LENTEN PROMISES

Room 2, Ms Haigh and Mr Amer have written their Lenten promises this week, something they can give up or do for Lent. Some examples...

"I'm giving up chocolate."

"I'm going to donate some toys."

"I'm giving up healthy food."

"I'm giving up school!" 😂



CATHOLIC CHARACTER

Sacramental Preparation Baptism

Marie Streeter will soon begin preparation sessions for Baptism. These 2 sessions will take place during Religious Education time at school and are designed to help children develop a clear understanding of the meaning and significance of Baptism.

If you would like your child/ren to be baptised, please contact me at school at helen@stjosephsdvke.school.nz or speak with Sheryl in the office.

Opportunities for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will be offered next term. Further information will be shared in the coming weeks.



Helen Collier
DRS

BOARD REPORT

Refurbishment

Morris & Bailey builders are making great progress and are on track to get stage one completed on time.

We now have the opening for the doors between Rooms 1 & 2. Fortnightly site meetings are held with the property committee, architect, property manager and tradespeople.



There are a couple of sinks available if anyone wants them.

Playground

The playground is under construction and looking to be ready early term 2. Another interested party is considering taking the existing structure.

Adam Roe
Board Chair

SPORT REPORT

Hockey



DANNEVIRKE JUNIOR HOCKEY 2026



Registrations now open for junior hockey!
Register before 20 March 2026

- 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 2026 is planned for Term 2 commencing on Friday 24th April.

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 (please note all children need to be registered individually).
**A mouthguard is included in registration fees and must be worn. This will be given out at school before first games.*

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/689b6f>

Rugby

Dannevirke JAB AGM

JAB "DATE CHANGE"

Thursday 26th Feb, 6pm Dannevirke RSA



AGENDA:

- *Elect committee members
- *Discuss Rep coaching availability
- *Handover of 2026 school delegates

All are welcome 🙏

Basketball

Starts next Tuesday.

Have you paid?

Yours in sports!

Jo B

SAINT Way Focus

Be a
"SAINT"



Serving Community
Acting Justly
Inspiring Dignity
Nurturing Faith
Taonga mai i te Atua

St. Joseph

COMMUNITY NOTICES



WELCOME TO
REDWOOD HOUSE
ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE SILVERSTREAM

- ~ LEADERSHIP ~
- ~ BROTHERHOOD ~
- ~ EXCELLENCE ~
- ~ WHĀNAU ~
- ~ SUPPORT ~

Redwood House warmly invites all Year 8 boys for our annual Try Boarding Experience. Come along for a **free trial night of boarding** and see what makes our boarding school such a special place to be a part of.

Register online at www.stream.school.nz/try-boarding

LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE

We hope to meet you soon!



ELECTRONICS COLLECTION Services

From laptops to power tools and LED bulbs, we collect a wide range of electronic items for safe recycling.

Home & Entertainment LED Light Bulbs Small Appliances (excluding Whiteware) TVs (excluding CRT) Stereo Equipment (including Speakers)	Computers & Accessories PC's Laptops Mouse Cables Printers Flat Screen Monitors	Power Tools Corded Power Tools Battery Power Tools (including Batteries & Chargers)
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Free Disposal Local Collection Available Reliable & Timely Service

Email - Peter Schoenwald
splitter978@gmail.com

We have received information from a private before- and after-school caregiver. Please see Sheryl in the office if you would like further details.

WHĀNAU DAY OUT

Celebrating Children's Day
Te rā o ngā Tamariki

Fun, free, interactive whānau day connecting communities with service providers in Taranua

SATURDAY 7 MARCH, 2026

10.00AM TO 2.00PM

DANNEVIRKE A&P SHOWGROUNDS INDUSTRIES HALL

SPOT PRIZES

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Strengthening Families
Te Huarahi ki te Whakapipiri i Ngā Whānau

SPORT everyone active. kia mātao tātou.

Health New Zealand Te Whatu Ora

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Wonderful to see some of our student leaders volunteering to assist the school and parish by volunteering to help at the St Joseph's stand!! Great example of service!