



## IMPORTANT DATES

- Assembly – Friday 9 am
  - No Assembly - 22 May
  - Room 5 – 5 June
- Doughboys Pie Delivery – Fri 15
- 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



## PRINCIPALS NOTE

Kia Ora

Along with our new teacher, Whaea Mithula, who is teaching in Room 4, we would also like to warmly welcome Jimmy and Maddie to our school. They have started this week in Room 1.

This week, we celebrate the wonderful contributions of our Support Staff. A heartfelt thank you to Sheryl, Jo, Wendy, Jacinda, Kristi, Rocky, Cathy and Shaken for the incredible support you provide to our teaching team and our tamariki. We are so grateful for everything you do to make our school a better place.



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

*Megan*

## HOUSE OF BRICKS

**Friday 22 May**

**UNLOCK THE POWER OF CREATIVE BRICK PEDAGOGY: ONE DAY, ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES.**

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Why Teachers Love Us:

- Unmatched engagement for every learner
- Curriculum-aligned, hands-on learning
- From play to problem-solving in every challenge.

## ATTENDANCE

94% ↓ 3%

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.

## SAINT WAY FOCUS

Our focus for the next fortnight is Care For God's Creation.

We will be concentrating on: -

- Keeping our environment clean and tidy.
- Making responsible choices by Rubbish disposal, recycling, Water and electricity
- Showing kindness, respect and inclusion to everyone in our community as we are all part of God's creation.

These are simple goals that can be reinforced at home.

We care for God's creation.



Nga kaihiaki o te hanganga a te Atua

**Pies will be available for collection from the Hall tomorrow morning. Keep an eye on the Facebook page for a time.**

## CATHOLIC CHARACTER

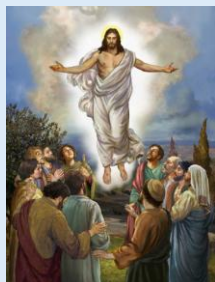
### Sacramental Programme

Preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation begins next week. There is still time to involve your child. Please contact me at school.

### Faith Facts

Last Sunday was the feast of the ASCENSION of the LORD

What is the Ascension? For 40 days after his resurrection on Easter Sunday, the Bible says that Jesus travelled and preached with his apostles, preparing them for his departure from Earth. Ascension Day marks the moment Jesus literally ascended into heaven before his disciples, at the village of Bethany, near Jerusalem.



Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday.

One week after the Ascension, on the 50th day after Easter, the feast of Pentecost is celebrated. Pentecost commemorates the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the apostles, which empowered them to go out and begin spreading the Gospel. On Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the founding of the Church (sometimes called "the birthday of the Church") and the beginning of its mission to all peoples.



*Helen Collier*  
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## SCHOOL HOURS

Please note that students are not supervised at school until 8.30am, except for bus students. The first bell rings at 8.55am.

If your child arrives at school after this time, please ensure they report to the school office so their attendance can be recorded correctly. This also applies to students who leave and return to school during the day for appointments.

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain accurate attendance records and ensure the safety of all students.

## SPORT REPORT

### Player of the Day.



Wonderful to see our students demonstrating SAINT Way values on the sports field!

### MotoCross

A few weeks ago, Amilah-Rose competed in Tokoroa and achieved some fantastic results. She placed 10th overall out of 36 competitors in the under-12 age group and came 3rd in the girl's competition. Wow!



### Interschool Cross Country

Best of luck to our interschool cross country team running at the Showgrounds on Thursday.

Tanner, Zac, Quelan, Jayda, Zoe, Rocky, Lucas, Hudson, Flynn, Breyton, Poppy, Riley, Ruby, Izzy, Brodie, Jonty, Porter, Bryn, Maci, Tilly, Marley, Adelaide and Milla.

Don't forget to share your children's sporting achievements with us so we can share them with our community.

## HOME & SCHOOL

The Home & School will be selling sweets, biscuits, and cakes at the interschool cross country and would greatly appreciate donations of home baking to help support the stall. Donations can be dropped off at school on Wednesday afternoon or Thursday morning. Thank you for your support!