



## IMPORTANT DATES

- Assembly – Friday 9 am
  - Room 3 – 13 March
  - Room 2 – 27 March
- Room 6 Technology – Tuesdays
- Swimming – Tues, Wed, Thurs
  - Weeks 4, 5 & 6
- School Swimming Sports – Mon 16 March
- GRIP Leadership Conference – Wed 18 March
- St Joseph's Day – Thurs 19 March
- Board Meeting – Monday 30 March
- Interschool Swimming Sports – Tues 31 March
- End of Term 1 – Thurs 2 April
- Good Friday – Friday 3 April
- Start Term 2 – Mon 20 April



## PRINCIPALS NOTE

Kia Ora

We would like to welcome Jahnaya who has started in Room 3 this week.

Please let the school office know about any changes to your child's after school plans, such as someone different picking them up or if they won't be going on the bus as usual. It's also really helpful to make sure your child knows their plan before they come to school each morning, especially if they are travelling home on the bus as the bus list is completed first thing in the morning. Clear communication ensures everyone gets home safely. Thank you for your support!

Refurbishment update....

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



## ATTENDANCE

94% ↓ 1%

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

St Joseph's School target – 80%  
Ministry of Education target – 80%

## YUMMY STICKERS

Collection sheets are coming home today. Stickers can be found on apples, nectarines etc and can be exchanged at the end of the year for sports equipment.



## HOME & SCHOOL

### Upcoming Fundraising Events

- Doughboys Pies
- Mother's Day Raffle

The Home & School would love more members to help with fundraising ventures, whether you are able to attend meetings or be available to call on when extra assistance is required. A notice was sent home yesterday, please complete the form and return it to school. Thanks.

A big thank you to MCI & Associates who have supported the school with auditing costs. Much appreciated.



## CATHOLIC CHARACTER

### Religious Education

In RE this term our theme is ā tātou Whakapapa. The themes in our Religious Education programme are broad categories of knowledge and learning that overlap, weave together and build upon each other. Ā Tātou Whakapapa is about just that - Our Story. Children will be given opportunities to develop an understanding of the Church in terms of significant events and people that have shaped our Church and the world. They will be able to explore their own whakapapa as well as their communities, connecting with this past, present and future story in which we all belong.

### Baptism

Please contact the school office or Mrs Collier if you are interested in Baptism for your children. Classes start shortly.

### Upcoming Masses

St Joseph's Day – Thursday 19 March followed by morning tea at school  
The Feast of the Annunciation – Wed 25 March.

*Helen Collier*

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## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

As well as essential academic life skills like reading, writing and maths, school teaches students:

- About the world and their place in it
- How to interact with others
- Ways to manage their emotions
- How to be critical thinkers
- Confidence in their abilities
- Ways to problem-solve
- Structure and routine
- Discipline, time management and good habits
- What they may like to do as a career
- The value of Kotahitanga (unity) and whanaungatanga (sense of belonging) in the school community
- Diverse perspectives
- Empathy, respect and relationship skills
- Subjects, sports and ideas they may spend their whole life loving.
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It's what we mean when we say 'every day matters'.

*Ministry of Education*

## SPORT REPORT

### Hockey

The 2026 season runs in term 2 from Friday 24 April to Friday 3 July.

Registration fee is \$35 with a 15% discount for additional players. Please enter all players individually.

Teams will be confirmed and mouthguards (included in registration fee) will be issued week 1 of term 2.

Registrations are now open online

[Hockey Registrations](#)

### Football

Registrations for Saturday morning football is now open online through the link below.

First Kicks – 4 – 6 years - \$10

Intermediate – 7 – 10 years - &25

Seniors – 11 – 13 years - \$45

[Football Registrations](#)

### School Swimming Sports

Monday 16 March

Timekeepers will be required for the day. Please mark this date in your diary and give us a call in the office if you are able to help out.

### Junior Swimming Display

Wednesday 18 March

An opportunity to see what we have learned!

Yours in sports!

*Jo B*



## THE SAINT WAY

Our focus is about being The best version of ourselves not just when adults are watching.

We want our students to make Good choices, who respect And act with kindness, even When no one is watching.

You can help at home by encouraging children to make positive choices and praising them when they show kindness, honesty and responsibility.

