

# ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## St. George's Parish Community Newsletter

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### ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL CENTENARY

**Next Meeting: WEDNESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2021** at 7.30 pm in the school basement. ALL WELCOME. Come and contribute to this great milestone in our history!



### JOB VACANCY - SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

Our Board of Trustees have a position available for a Board Secretary. The position is for 10 hours a month and is a paid position. The board is looking for someone who is able to self manage and work in collaboration with the school and the board, attend board meetings once a month at night and has an eye for detail. For the job description please click on this link.

#### [Board Secretary](#)

Please contact  
Nikki Taylor on  
027 223 9073 if you're  
interested.



### WHAT ARE WE UP TO ?

PLEASE HEAD TO OUR SCHOOL CALENDAR ON OUR WEBSITE VIA THIS LINK

<https://www.stjosephk.school.nz/calendar/>

### WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL

We would like to welcome Charlotte Downey to our school. She is in Mrs. Boroevich's class. Charlotte is the daughter of Tom and Shaina Downey and youngest sister to Cameron and Sophie Downey. We hope you will enjoy learning with us, Charlotte!



### COVID ALERT LEVEL 2

Please take note of the rules set out further in this newsletter. Thank you.

### AGRICULTURAL DAY / PET DAY MEETING

Our Ag / Pet Day will be held on 21 October, which is the first Thursday back after the school holidays.

***There will be meeting on Monday, 27 September at 7.30pm to discuss arrangements for this year.***

Pet Day forms - remember to return them. It's great to see so many entries! ***We need the parents of some of those entered to turn up at the meeting on Monday night***

### TEACHER ONLY DAY - TUESDAY 26 OCTOBER 2021

Please take note our school will have a Teacher Only Day for Professional Development on

***Tuesday, 26 October.*** That is the Tuesday after Labour long weekend. Please ensure that you have childcare in place on that day. Thank you



FROM MRS. DOWNEY'S DESK ...

## **Whanaungatanga Connections**

**Together we are more**

**No longer living for ourselves but for Christ (2 Cor 5:15)**

Ki Ora, St Joseph's Whaanau



Thank you to our community for attending to the Alert Level 2 requirements. There is a reminder again in the newsletter today. As our sports practices start up again after school and we are looking at hosting events again, these are a timely reminder of how we are keeping each other safe.

### Speech and Poem Finals

The Juniors Year 1 - 4 Finals were held on Wednesday.

A huge thank you to Mrs Judy Billcliff who was able to come and judge these for us. We really did appreciate Judy's expertise and extra advice as she shared the results with us.

Thanks to our parents and the staff, Belinda Cammock and Kelly Williams for the speech and poem preparation and support through lockdown and into the start of the term.

It is admirable, to be inclusive, that our staff send every family the video of their child's presentation and organise a finals day. The Seniors Year 5-8 Finals are to be held on Monday 27th of September at 11.30 in Kahikatea. A separate note has been sent out to the students and families involved.

The invitation is open to all who would like to come and listen.



### Keeping Ourselves Safe

As outlined in last week's newsletter Constable Kat has been in the school in her role as the School Community Officer. Constable Kat has taken two lessons with each year group from the Police Initiated Programme 'Keeping Ourselves Safe' Staff will continue with the other two lessons next week.



### Agricultural Day

Please note the information in the newsletter today regarding the meeting for this event on Monday 27th September. If your child has entered we would value your attendance at this one meeting to plan the day. See you in the staffroom at 7.30pm

### Catholic Schools Day - Next Wednesday 29th September

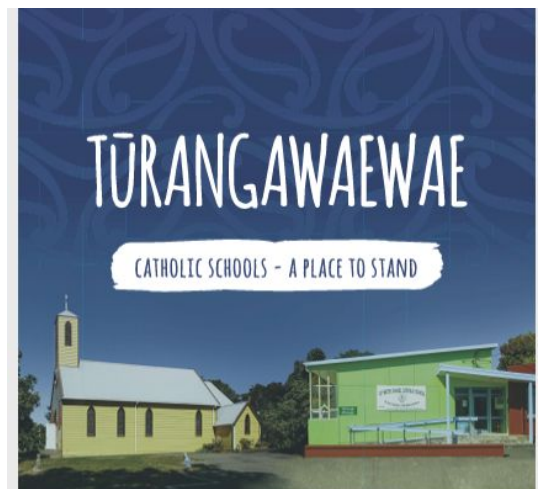
Bishop Steve is going to say Mass for the students of the Diocese at 9.30am. It will be livestreamed to our diocese youtube channel -

<https://www.youtube.com/c/CatholicDioceseofHamiltonNZ>

The school will participate in this. We also have a few other activities on the day that celebrate our Turangawaewae. A poster and information on the theme will go home with this newsletter today.

Manuia le aso (have a good day)

Suzanne







# Religious Education



*God of mercy You chose a tax collector, St Matthew, to share the dignity of the apostles. By his example and prayers help us to follow Christ and remain faithful in Your service. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy*

## 26th September 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus words this week teach us that his followers are not meant to be an exclusive group which despises the good work that others do. We are encouraged to work with other Christians, and indeed with anyone of good will. The old slogan, 'Outside the Church there is no salvation' was a stumbling block to many good people, and must be left in the past. Boasting has no place in the kingdom of God. The Holy Spirit blows like the wind wherever it pleases, and is at work incognito in every heart. God has a large imagination and labours to orchestrate all things for the world's good.

## 21st September St Matthew the Apostle

A close companion of Jesus, Matthew was a tax collector, a despised occupation when called to join him. He is known for writing the first book of the New Testament, the Gospel of St Matthew and also for his immediate response to the call 'come follow me'



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## **SPORTS NEWS**

### **MINIBALL**

The Senior and Intermediate Miniball Season has begun. A draw has been sent home with students along with the Level 2 rules. Junior and Midget grades will begin in Term 4. We do not have a start date for this yet.



## **SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

We held our Junior Speech Finals this week. Here are some photos and the results from this event:

### **Year 4's**

Lilly Belle Le Grange 1st - Sharks

Aria Bourke 2nd - My Whanau

Isabella D'Ath 3rd - St Joseph and my Dad

### **Year 3's**

Ava Murrell 1st - I Don't Want to go to Bed Dad

Eden Bradley 2nd - Once I Saw a Little Bird

Derrick Penny 3rd - My Friend

Havey McWilliam 4th - The Olympic Race

### **Year 2's**

Madelyn Were 1st - The Lost Tooth

Paeta Fagan 2nd - Smile

Angel Taie 3rd - Farmyard

Macie Kearins 4th - A Hunting Girl

### **Year 0/1's**

Mason Walker - 1st I Have A Little Frog

Darcie 2nd - The Apple

Brayden Rickit 3rd - The Snowball

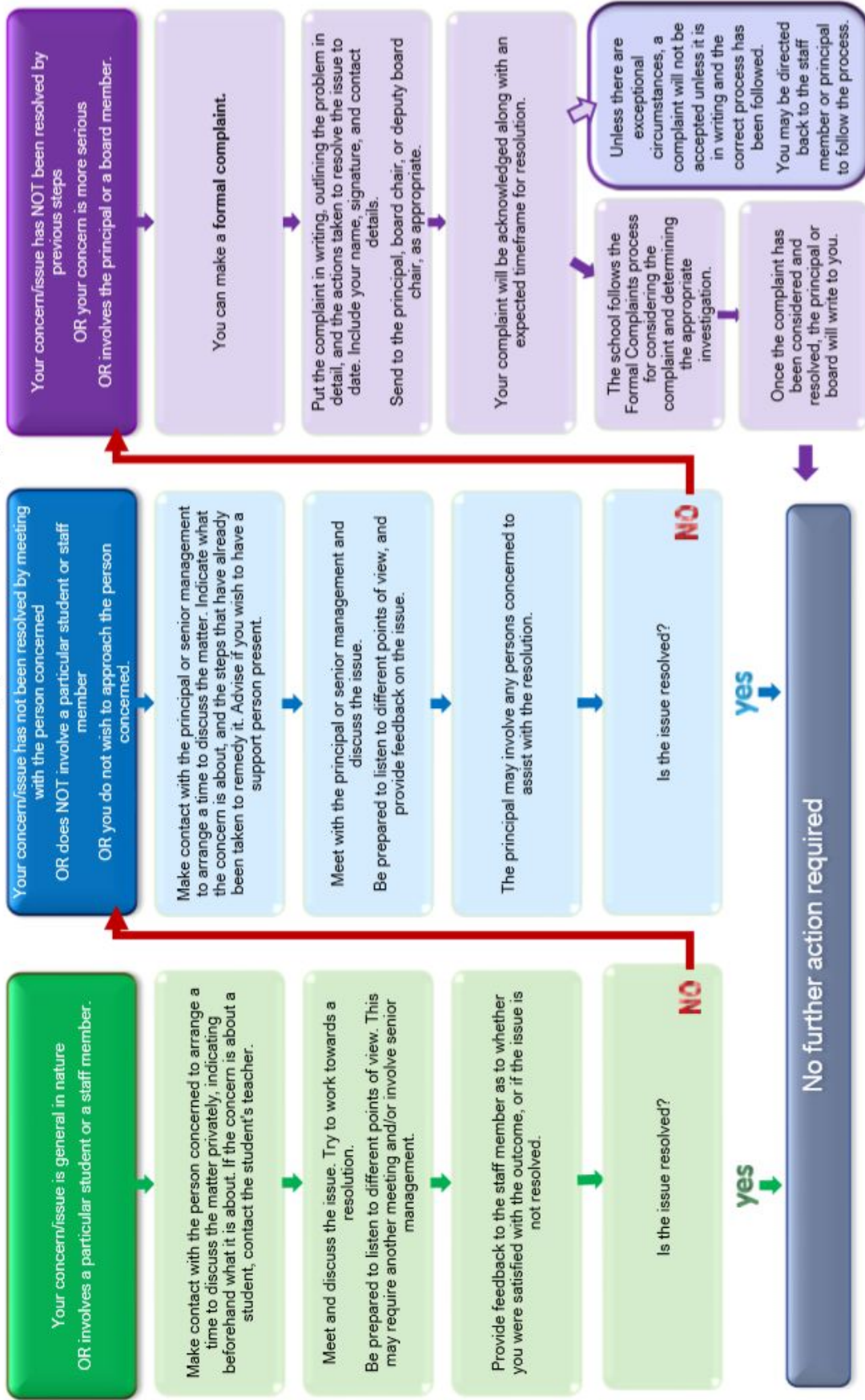
Iona Hutson 4th - When I Was Six





# Concerns and Complaints Process

Most concerns can be resolved informally by discussions with the people concerned.



This flowchart aligns with the school's Concerns and Complaints policy and procedures.

## **PLEASE TAKE NOTE**

### **PHOTOLIFE ORDERS**

We have been advised by Photolife that our orders for class and individual photos should be sent to us by next week. Thank you for your patience regarding this. The Covid Delta Strain has caught everyone unaware and delayed several actions.



### **REMINDER OF SOME RULES AT LEVEL 2: SPORTS PRACTICES, ENTERING THE BUILDING, MASKS INSIDE ALWAYS FOR VISITORS**

Please take note that due to the current Alert Level we're in, ***ALL VISITORS to the school must come to the office. PLEASE DO NOT GO TO THE CLASSROOMS DIRECTLY.*** We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

As soon as an event or activity brings people onsite who are not there for education purposes, including students, parents and caregivers, then the rules for gatherings do apply, including limits on numbers attending. This would include performances such as school plays, cultural events and sporting activities.

If we have people working at a gathering (paid or unpaid) they must wear face coverings to meet the requirements in the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Alert Level Requirements) Order.

We'll need to treat the running of any large programmes with strong caution, particularly if there are a number of different schools participating or large numbers of students (and parents and caregivers) involved at the same time/indoor space. It is recommend that these types of events **are deferred until our school returns** to Alert Level 1.

If we do decide to go ahead, it is recommended that a specific health and safety plan for managing the programme is developed so we are able to meet all the required health measures and public health recommendations. Minimising congestion should be a key priority for that plan, including in the classrooms or spaces being used for delivery.

### **SENIOR SPEECH FINALS**

Kia ora Kahikatea whānau,

You are invited to come along and support the senior speech competitions held Monday 27th September 2021 at 11:30am. Please let us know if you are intending on coming along. Some speakers have already sent their forms back that were handed out, thank you. We hope to see you here in Kahikatea Hub.

***Here are a few Level 2 guidelines for Monday's competition;***

***Please enter up the main stairs, past the office, sanitise and sign in.***

***Come along the hallway and enter Kahikatea Hub.***

***We ask that you wear a mask while you are inside the school grounds/ buildi***



Thank you, Shelley Matthews and Genevieve Jones

## **PLEASE TAKE NOTE**

### **BREAKFAST IN SCHOOLS**

Please take note that our school will not be serving breakfast to the students during Alert Level 2.



### **WHEELS ON FRIDAY**

Reminder: Bring your wheels for some fun on Friday!! Non motorised wheels only please! Please remember not to take your wheels on the school buses as a Health and safety precaution. Please contact the school to arrange for your child's wheels to be stored at school if you are unable to pick it up to avoid it going home on the bus.



### **SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

The Kiwi Kids Club open from 7.00am to 5.45pm Monday to Friday venue Anglican Church 54 Hearehuka St Otorohanga. Depending on daily activity cost range from \$43.00 up to \$60.00 +GST a day. Winz subsidy available.

We will also put on a van to pick children up from Te Kuiti around 8.00am drop-offs 5.00pm. We can pick up drop off at home if you live in town,

limited seat spaces. What's on our Programme Trip days Leap laser tag and trap, Te Splashy pottery, Inflatable World, Hamilton McDonalds, Museum Otorohanga Movies Te Awamutu. In club days, Photo transfers, plant vegetables seeds, Fabric painting Technology and Party day. To enrol your child for what days you need care Phone Wiggs 021491616.



### **THE BAPTISM ARRANGEMENTS FOR TE AWAMUTU AND TE KUITI ARE**

TA - 3rd Tuesday of even months and TKI - 3rd Tuesday of odd months

Next Baptism in Te Kuiti will be on November 16.

### **BAPTISM PROGRAMME FOR PARENTS**

Due to Alert Level 2 there will be no programmes offered in a group setting.

To book a meeting please contact Theresa D'Ath on 0211832459 or

Bernie Addy on 07 8786170 or Father Joseph on 07 8786417

For a series of short educational videos that are designed to kick off a deeper discussion on Baptism. Visit <https://www.cdh.org.nz/baptism-program>



### **AFTER SCHOOL JUNIOR TENNIS**

Piopio Tennis Club is offering a fun introduction to tennis for children 5 years and over. Mondays 3.15 - 4.30pm

Starts Monday 1st November Cost: \$10 Term fee + \$10 Club Membership (unless on a family membership)

Some parental help will be needed. Business House is Back!! Get a team of 4 players together. Monday

evenings from 5.30pm Starts Monday 1st November Club members free / Non members - \$25 For more

information or to register for either of these tennis opportunities contact Sue Keeling

pandskeeling@gmail.com or ph 07 8787891

## **PARISH NEWS**

### **SUNDAY MASS**

To accommodate Covid restrictions around social distancing there will be a vigil Mass on Saturday at 5.30pm as well as Sunday 9.30am. With a safe limit of 25 at either Mass, parishioners will need to register how many will be in attendance from their households. Please contact Father Joseph George 0221742365 or Sharon Mason 0210719774. Other restrictions apply until further notice: no Holy Water, no handshaking, no singing, no chalice, no Communion on the tongue. Please remember these restrictions are temporary but necessary and we will all need to exercise patience and consideration at this time.



**First Reading**

**Numbers 11:25-29**

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

*The word of the Lord*

**Psalm 18 (19): 8,10,12-14**

**R: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.**

**Second Reading**

**James 5: 1-6**

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

*The word of the Lord*

**Gospel**

**Mark 9: 38-43,45,47-48**

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us.'

'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

*The Gospel of the Lord*

***'Anyone who is not against us, is for us.'***



**Readings for next week:**

1st Reading Genesis 2:18-24

2nd Reading Hebrews 2:9-11

Psalm 127 (128)

Gospel Mark 10:2-16

