



## STAFF 2019

### Senior Leadership

Mrs Carolyn Massey - Principal

Mrs Valerie Anderson - DP

### Team Leaders

Mrs Cheryl Peters - Rm 1

Mrs Pauline Calvert - DRS/ RM 8

Mrs Elena Figota - Rm 10

### Classroom Teachers

Mrs Judi Greenham - Rm 3

Mrs Nadine Fa'alili - Rm 4

Mrs Mavis Lawrence - Rm 6

Mrs Sheela Sesh - Rm 7

Mr Mark Weedon - Rm 9

Mrs Pata Beazley - Rm 11

Mrs Kathryn Powick - BT release

Mrs Rebekah Vallabdas - Reading

Recovery - ALiM - CRT release

### Support Staff

Mrs Melanie Duarte - office

Mr Greg Hall - accounts

Mrs Lon Lauaki - TA

Mrs Hazel Pangan - TA

Mrs Loretta Wanden - TA

Mr Justin Wishart - TA

Mrs Saleszni Prasad - TA

Mrs Helena Mahoney - TA

Mr Olo Tuputala - Caretaker

## WELCOME

Warm Pasifika greetings and welcome to the 2019 school year at St Joseph's Catholic School.

We hope you had a very enjoyable and restful holiday and are looking forward to a happy and successful first term.

We especially welcome our new students and whanau. We trust that your time spent with us will be a memorable experience of great growth and learning.

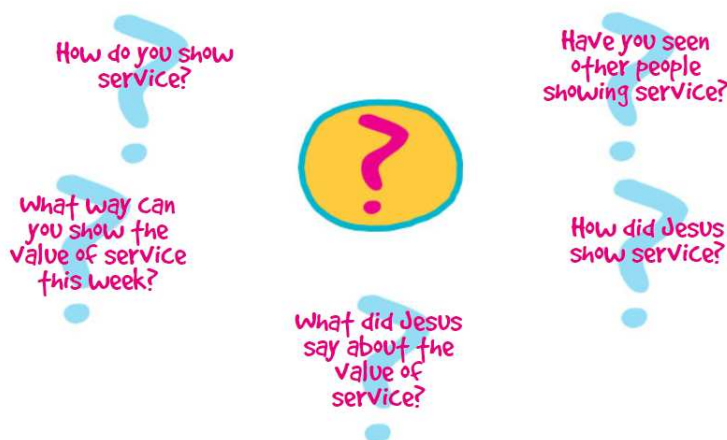
## EXPECTATIONS

- **SCHOOL HOURS** - Our school hours are 8.45am to 2.50pm. It is important that the children arrive on time to begin school. When children are late to school this creates disruption to teaching staff and the students in the class. If your child is going to be late or absent from school please phone the School Office by 9.15am on 6368102, text through to 021 02298254 or use the School App. It is very important that we know where children are for their safety.
- For the health and safety of your children it is compulsory for your child to wear a School Hat during Terms 1 & 4. These hats can be purchased from the Warehouse Royal Oak. There are also still some sizes available from the school office. (S, M XL)
- This week your child will bring home a [Student Data Form](#) to be completed. Please ensure that you complete it and return it to school ASAP. Many Thanks

## SJS Values for Term 1 - SERVICE

**The mercy value of service is about helping others.**

For more information about the value of Service visit the [Mercy Schools website](#)



## School App

One of our communication tools is our School App

To download the app just search SchoolAppsNZ in the app store, and then enter St Joseph's School Onehunga to find our School App.

## HOURS

Before School Care 7:30 - 8:30am

After School 2:50 - 6pm



## SKiDs

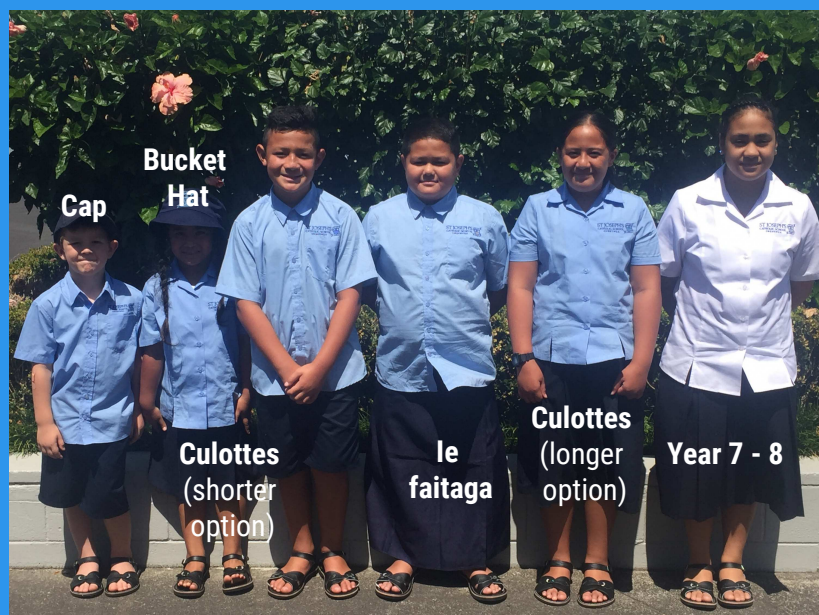
St Joseph's Catholic school are proud to be working with SKiDs from the beginning of Term 1 2019, offering before and after school care for our tamariki.

SKiDs is run through out New Zealand with more than 6,500 tamariki coming through their doors each day, they consider it a great privilege to support parents, schools, and communities.

SKiDs want all kids to feel AWESOME about who they are, so their programmes have been designed to grow core capabilities in kids, so they flourish in life.

For more information visit their website <http://www.skids.co.nz/>

## School Uniform



### YEAR 1 - 6 GIRLS

Culottes (shorter option for Year 1-2s)

Blue Blouse

### YEAR 1 - 6 BOYS

Shorts (2 options)

Blue Shirt

le faitaga - optional (please be aware that The Warehouse does not stock smaller sizes)

### YEAR 7 - 8 GIRLS

Skirt

White Blouse

### HATS

2 options - a navy blue cap or a bucket hat

Please note that hats are compulsory in Terms 1 and 4

### SHOES

Black sandals Term 1 and 4

Ballet flats as an option for Year 7 and 8 girls

Uniforms are available from The Warehouse in Royal Oak. Please see customer service or let us know if there are any issues.

PE uniforms are only available from the school office and all students from the Maungakiekie and Raraotonga syndicates are expected to have these.

Students will be given a years grace in which they can continue to wear the 2018 uniforms. By the start of 2020 every student of St Joseph's is expected to be in this uniform.

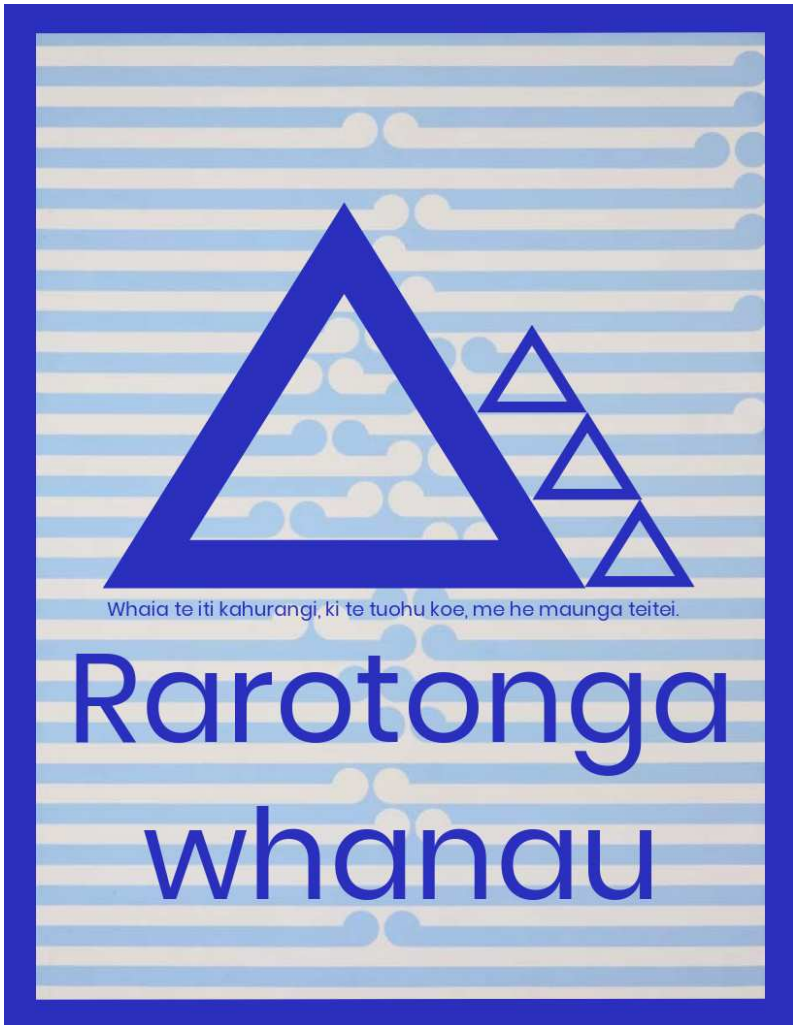
Wishing you God's richest Blessings in 2019  
From the SJS Team





# Rarotonga whanau - Rooms 6, 7 and 8

Tena koutou katoa, Talofa Lava, Malo e lelei, Kamusta, Namaste, Ni sa Bula  
Vinaka and a warm welcome to 2019.





The three smiling ladies in the picture are the Rarotonga whanua teachers of rooms 6, 7 and 8.

We look forward to a positive year of fun as well as academic success with your child. Every child is blessed with talents which we hope to be able to recognise and develop.

With your valuable input, this can surely be achieved.

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much" a quote by Helen Keller.

## Room 8 - Mrs Pauline Calvert

Kia ora, I'm Pauline Calvert and I am delighted to be your child's class teacher for this year. Let me give you a glimpse of my life. I am a parent myself with two adult children. My son is married and is a senior commissioning engineer. My daughter is a nurse.

I moved to New Zealand with my family in 2001. My first year was fun teaching at a preschool. I was appointed at St. Joseph's Catholic School, Onewunga in January 2003. I enjoyed teaching year one for a period of ten years and then moved back to teaching the intermediate level for five years. Teaching in Catholic schools has given me a sense of fulfilment, enriching me and making me who I am today.

I feel privileged to be able to work with your child and welcome each one into my life. I look forward to working collaboratively with you and your child and ask God's blessings on us as we journey through this year together.

Arohanui  
Pauline

## Room 7 - Mrs Sheela Sesh

Namaste! I'm Sheela Sesh.

I grew up in the big city of Bombay and I did my Masters in Educational Psychology from Bombay University. 'How children learn' is a topic that interested me even when I was a student. After my studies I worked on a UNICEF project in Bombay and then after marriage at a learning center in Chennai. We moved to New Zealand with our two sons in 1996. With the Lord's grace I have had the pleasure of working with the students and serving the St Joseph's School community for over twenty years. It has been a blessing to get to know and interact with generations of some families.

I welcome you and your child to Room 7 and seek the Lord's blessings as we journey through 2019. I pray that your child is able to reach his or her full potential and has a happy time in Room 7.

Arohanui  
Sheela

## Room 6 - Mrs Mavis Lawrence

Kio Ora! I'm Mavis Lawrence

Teaching is an absolute passion for me and I am so excited to work with your child this year. It is going to be a year full of fun, learning, and adventure. In addition, I cannot wait to see what the year has in store for us!

I secured a job in St. Joseph's in 2015. My son is in Room 10 and happy to be a part of the SJS family. This is going to be a truly interesting and experiential journey in my teaching career with assistance from the management and staff.

I look forward to the year, hope to keep the lines of communication open between us, and would love to talk to you if you have any questions or concerns about your child. God's richest blessings and guidance as we journey together leaving lasting memories in our lives.

Arohanui and God Bless,  
Mavis