ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL ONEHUNGA

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UPCOMING DATES

Week 5

5 March - Get Set Go - Rms 1 3 4 6 **6 March** - Ki o Rahi - Rms 7 8 9 10 and 11

- 6 March Sports Academy @ 8am
- 6 March Ash Wednesday Mass @ 9.30
- 7 March Art Intensive Day
- 7 March IOL parent meeting 3-4pm

Week 6

12 March - Get Set Go - Rms 1 3 4 6 **13 March** - Ki o Rahi - Rms 7 8 9 10 and 11

13 March - Sports Academy @ 8am
13 March - Year 7/8 ASB Polyfest
17 March - Sacramental Programme
starts after 10am Mass - SJS staffroom

Week 7

18 March - TEACHER ONLY DAY
19 March - St Joseph's Feast Day
19 March - PTFA AGM @ 6.30pm
21 March - BOT meeting @ 6.30pm

SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS

Sacred Heart College - Tuesday 5 March 2019 - Open Day Baradene College - Thursday 7 March 2019 - Open Evening 6.30pm St Mary's College - Thursday 7 March - Open Day (2.30pm and 6.30pm) Marcellin College - Saturday 9 March 2019 - Open Day 10am - 12pm Marist College - Tuesday 12th March - Open Day (3pm-6pm)

Kia Ora, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Bula, Mabuhay, Annyeong, Ni hao, Greetings to you all.

Student Leadership

At St Joseph's we value and are committed to providing a Catholic Education that strengthens faith, develops pride and seeks excellence.

What a joy it was to present this years student leaders to our community at our

recent Family Mass. A student leader is one who knows the way, is strong in their faith and in themselves, is confident and sets high expectations for themselves and for others, and always seeks to do their best.

We congratulate and offer all our support to:

Head Boy - Francisco Fidow Head Girl - Sea Lealaogata

STUDENT LEADERS

Susana Havili Kaufusi Jadah-Lee Kulatea Rangi Otuhiva Hope Lafoniu Papa George Jones Jonah Lawrence Tevita Finekifolau Sitiveni Ravouvou-Debalevu





LENT

Wednesday the 6th of March marks the beginning of Lent for 2019. St Joseph's will gather as one in church for the Distribution of Ashes at 9.30am. You are more than welcome to join us.

Lent is the Church's season of repentance; a time to reflect on our relationships with God and with each other. We recall Jesus' forty days in the desert and preparing for his ministry. We take time out during Lent to think about our own lives, and to face those thinks in our lives and in our world that are not as they should be.

Below are a few Lenten practices which your families could do together to encourage spiritual growth and renewal during this period of Lent.

Drawing a prayer: Take time every morning to draw in a sketchbook - "God Time." making each day of Lent special by taking time to reflect on God and your relationship with God.

My Lenten jar: We all have nice things we want to do, but never seem to make time to get to: write a letter to a friend, visit people. At the beginnning of Lent, write down 40 plus tasks, one per piece of paper, and put them in a jar. Then, each morning of Lent, pull one out and do the task written there. This is a simple way to concentrate on doing good for others.

TEACHER ONLY DAY - Monday 18 March

School will be closed for instruction on Monday 18 of March while the Teachers participate in Professional Learning with Dr Jannie Van Hees on Language acquistion.

Should you require childcare on that day please be aware that SKIDS will be open for the day. You are able to apply on a casual basis.

Please contact Rebecca de la Vega @ becca@skids.co.nz for costings and bookings.

Strategic Goal # 4 - WELLBEING

Strong spiritual, physical, social and emotional wellbeing of students, staff and community

We aim to promote Health and Wellbeing amongst students, staff and community, and to maximizes space and environment to enhance student wellbeing. Two such events that have occurred recently to help us achieve these goals are the opening of the bike track and Round the Bays.



Strategic Goal # 5 - PARTNERSHIPS

Actively engaged community that are empowered, valued and with a strong sense of belonging

IOL PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

THURSDAY 7 MARCH 3-4pm in Room 1 This session is for the parents and caregivers of our Room 1 and 3 tamariki (who are welcome to attend - afternoon tea will be provided)

IOL (Intensive Oral Language) is a specialised programme to support your child's education and give them a great start to school