

Newsletter no.1 - 3 February 2020

STAFF 2020

Senior Leadership

Mrs Carolyn Massey - Principal Mrs Valerie Anderson - DP Mrs Pata Beazley - DRS/Rm 11

Team Leaders

Mrs Cheryl Peters - Rm 1 Mrs Pauline Calvert - RM 8 / ALiM 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 Margaret Lavulavu - Rm 9
Mrs Pata Beazley - Rm 11
Mrs Kathryn Powick - Classroom
release, music and makerspace
Mrs Rebekah Vallabdas - Reading
Recovery - ALIM 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 Mr Cliff Tuckey - TA Mrs Saleshni Prasad - TA Mrs Helena Mahoney - TA Mr Olo Tuputala - Caretaker

WELCOME

Warm Pasifika greetings and welcome to the 2020 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 8 4. These hats can be purchased from the Warehouse Royal Oak.
- 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

Mercy Value for Term 1 - RESPECT

The mercy value of respect is about recognising the gifts and talents of the people around you. It is also about being responsible for our own actions and our own choices For more information about the value of respect visit the Mercy Schools website

...when I am polite ...when I am a good listener ...when I keep promises that I make ...when I follow the school rules ...when I show good manners

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.



School Uniform

At St Joseph's Catholic School, we have a compulsory school uniform which is to be worn correctly to promote pride in our school. Our uniform provides several options for students and aims to be smart, practical, and comfortable.

All students are expected to be in the new school uniform this year. You will be aware that he BOT of St Joseph's Catholic School approved uniform change in 2018 with transition of the uniform happening at the start of 2019. Students were given a years grace in which they could continue to wear the old uniforms.

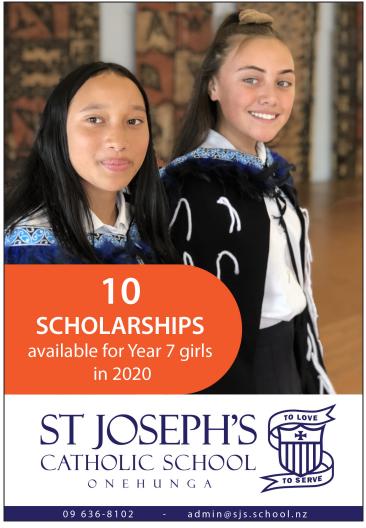
There is no longer a separate winter and summer uniforms. One uniform for the year.

The uniform is stocked at The Warehouse Royal Oak.

FOR UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS GO TO http://www.sjs.school.nz/2019schooluniform/

SJS GIFTING FUND





Wishing you God's richest Blessings in 2020 From the SJS Team



Mangere whanau - Rooms 1, 3 and 4

Tena koutou katoa, Talofa Lava, Malo e lelei, Kamusta, Namaste, Ni sa Bula Vinaka and a warm welcome to 2020.













As we begin our year we would like to introduce to you our Mangere Whanau teachers of the Year 0 to 2. students. As we will be working together we believe that your children will be all our children. Your child will be aware of their class expectations and routines. We will also work with you to give them the best education they deserve.

The Mangere Whanau teachers from left - Mrs Nadine Fa'alili, Mrs Judi Greenham, Mrs Cheryl Peters. Mrs Kathryn Powick (absent).

Introducing Mrs Cheryl Peters - Room 1

Welcome to the new school year for 2020. May it be a good one for you and your families. I am Cheryl Peters and II will be teaching in Room 1 which is a New Entrant / Year 1 class. I am the team leader for the Mangere whanau as well as Tutor teacher for Mrs Fa'alili in Room 4. I have been involved with St Joseph's and the school community since 2003 as a parent and staff member. I love St Joseph's school both as a parent and a teacher, it's like my second family. Your child will be part of our SJS (St Joseph's School) family. They will be loved as well as nurtured into the school system so that they have the best start to their school life. I look forward to working alongside you to support your child this year.

Introducing Mrs Judi Greenham - Room 3

Hello I am pleased to be in my forth year of teaching at St Joseph's Primary School previously having taught Reading Recovery, different class levels and literacy groups. This year I am teaching in Room 3 – Year 1 – I have been in teaching for many years, having taught in different schools in New Zealand and Internationally. I have taught many different levels through to tutoring University Student Teachers. I hold a Post Graduate Diploma in Teaching English as a Second Language. I enjoy spending time with my husband and daughter and also love spending time in the garden, playing tennis, quilting and craft work. This year I am looking forward to sharing times and teaching your lovely children.

Introducing Mrs Nadine Fa'alili - Room 4

Talofa lava. Hello and welcome to the school year! My name is Nadine Faalili and I will be the teacher for Room 4. In 2016 I started as a teacher aide at St Joseph's School and began teaching here in 2019. I am excited and delighted to have your child in my class.

I am of Samoan descent. My husband and I have 6 children and were blessed with our first grandchild last year. We have a strong connection with St Joseph's community as all our children have attended this wonderful school. Spending time with my family is what brings me the most joy. I look forward to working with my amazing children and their families this year.

Introducing MrsKathryn Powick - Room 3 and 4

Kia Ora, my name is Kathryn Powick. I will be working in the Mangere Whanau this year as well as teaching music and makerspace. My husband Stephen and I have 5 children who will all be at St Joseph's this year. I am also on the Board of Trustees as a teacher representative. I am passionate about education and providing the opportunity for our students to develop skills to be lifelong learners. My Catholic faith is very important to me and my family and I love the opportunity to be able to share that with the children I teach. It is a privilege to be a part of this wonderful school community and I look forward to an exciting year ahead with you and your Whanau.