



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 Saleszni 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 & 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](#)

I show the Mercy Value of Respect ...

...when I am polite

...when I am a good listener

...when I follow the school rules

...when I keep promises that I make

...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 the 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 year's 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/>

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SCHOOL UNIFORM
+ STATIONERY

For the first 40 new entrants students for 2020

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09 636-8102 - admin@sjs.school.nz



10
SCHOLARSHIPS
available for Year 7 girls
in 2020

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



Maungakiekie whanau - Rooms 9, 10 and 11

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 Maungakiekie whanau teachers of Year 5-8. As we will be working together we believe that your children will be all our children. Your child will be aware of which class they will be this year and our expectation is that we will also work with you to give them the best education they deserve.

As follows are our teachers Ms Elena Figota (Room 10 - Year 5 & 6), Mrs Margaret Lavulavu (Room 9 - Year 5 & 6)

Introducing Ms Elena Figota - (Room 10 - Year 5 & 6) Maungakiekie Whanau Leader

Talofa lava and welcome. My name is Elena Figota and I will be your child's classroom teacher in Room 10. I am of Samoan descent, born and raised here in Aotearoa, New Zealand. I was brought up in the Catholic church and schools and continue to build my faith with our loving Father God. I have a wonderful family who bring me the most joy. I love to spend all my spare time with my children and extended family. I am excited to work along side your child this year and look forward to creating a safe, active, fun learning environment together. Many blessings and God Bless.

Introducing Mrs Margaret Lavulavu- (Room 9 - Year 5 & 6)

I am grateful to be the teacher of Room 9. Just a snippet about me. I was born and bred in Wellington. I am of Tokelauan/Samoan descent and I am married to Andrew who is Tongan/Kiwi. This is my twentieth year in teaching, I have spent 4 years teaching in London and Manchester, then majority in Wellington and Auckland. I am proud to have had all my 3 sons attend St Joseph's Catholic School, currently 2 of them are still here. In our spare time, we enjoy staying active as a family exploring local parks, beaches and the beautiful Maunga.

I'm passionate about teaching; seeing children excel and reach their potential under a faith based school that embraces the unique cultural fabric of our community.

My students become confident, resilient young learners.

Introducing Mrs Pata Beazley - (Room 11 - Year 7 & 8)

Pata Beazley; Year 7&8 teacher. NZ born Samoan. Catholic. Married. Experienced teacher, BEd Primary pathway. Certificate for YouthWork. My responsibility will be to teach every curriculum area except Numeracy. Mrs Rebekah Vallabdas will take our Ladies for Numeracy from Monday-Thursday.

This is my third year of teaching Year 7&8. I will continue to work hard with you and our families to support our daughters to excel to the best of their ability, be open to learning and be problem solvers in this changing and innovative world we live in today.



E te Afua aroha nui, God of great love:

Jesus told us that you Forget no one, and that each person is worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

Help us to remember that we are all special in your sight, and that you call each of us by name.

May we treat one another with respect and love because we all belong to you.

Amen.