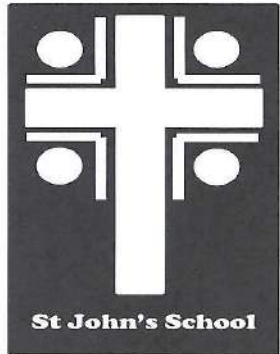


St John's School

Charter and Strategic Plan 2023 - 2026



*Creating confident, compassionate
and resilient learners who reflect our
school Mercy Charism and the
teachings of Jesus.*



Ma te whakapono

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Mā te tūmanako

Mā te titiro

Mā te whakarongo

Mā te mahitahi

Mā te manawanui

Mā te aroha

Ka taea e au

By believing and trusting

By having faith and hope

By looking and searching

By listening and hearing

By working and striving
together

By patience and perseverance

By doing this with love and
compassion

I can succeed

Contents

Welcome to St John's School.

The purpose of the school charter is to “set the direction for the school and identifies the priorities the board expects the Principal to be leading.”(educationalleaders.govt.nz)

The Charter is our guiding document - providing an annual opportunity to communicate the direction in which our school is going.

The Charter identifies both our future directions (our Strategic Plan) as well as our short term goals (our Annual Plan). This information is used to identify past successes and progress, as well as identify further areas for improvement, including targets for our school and students.

Introductory Section

- Our vision and values
- Cultural diversity and Maori dimension
- Strategic direction 2023 - 2026

Annual School Improvement

- Annual Plan
- School target



St John's School

St John's School is a rural, state-integrated Roman Catholic full primary school in Ranfurly, Central Otago. We welcome students from a variety of backgrounds. The Principal leads St John's School, working with 2 other full time staff, 2 part time teachers, teacher aides and our school administration officer. Staff work collaboratively, sharing ideas and supporting each other. There are strong links between the school and our wider parish and community. As a school we value close partnerships with families and whanau to ensure that every student thrives on their learning pathways. In recent years, the school has worked collaboratively with 9 other schools as part of the Dunstan Kahui Ako.

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Our Vision

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St John's School Values

Our values are expressed in everyday interactions both in our school and in our wider community.

Catholic Faith - Whakapono

*living out our Catholic
christian values in
our daily actions.*



Honesty - Pono

*in our own actions and our
interactions with others.*



Respect - Manaakitanga

*for ourselves, for
others and for our
environment.*



We want St John's School leavers to be:

Confident - learn and communicate together to be the best they can be.

Compassionate - take pride, are empathic and are active citizens of our community.

Resilient - able to solve problems, take risks and bounce back.



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Confident Classrooms

We will work together to provide quality professional practice in every classroom and learning programme.
Learning will happen together as a team.

Community

Students and staff will work with our community.

Culture

We will strengthen cultural practices through collaboration with whanau.

Environment

We will take care of, and improve our school and local environment.

Compassionate Relationships

We will care for each other and provide strong supportive networks where everyone is welcomed.

Experiences

We will provide varied and meaningful learning experiences.
Some of these experiences will reflect our Catholic faith, eg, Caritas activities

Resilient People

We will be a welcoming, inclusive, compassionate school and we will look after our students and staff.

Achievement

Learning will meet the diverse needs, abilities and interests of our students.

Faithful People

We will connect to our Parish, School, Community, Culture and Environment.

Confident

Classrooms



Culture



Community



Environment



St John's School

A place where our students learn to be:

Faithful

People



Compassionate

Relationships



Experiences



Resilient

People



Achievement



Cultural Diversity and Maori Dimension

St John's School celebrates the cultural richness of our community as well as all that is unique about New Zealand's heritage.

New Zealand's Cultural Diversity

Cultures within the school are valued, accepted and enhance the richness of our school. Staff members ensure that students and parents from all cultures are treated with respect and dignity. Information, parent meetings and newsletters provide information about our New Zealand Education system.

The Unique Position of Maori Culture

St John's School is committed to supporting the key principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi (Partnership, Participation and Protection). The teaching of tikanga Maori, te reo and waiata allow staff and students to celebrate and promote the significance of Maori culture in our school and in the New Zealand culture.



Incorporating tikanga and te reo into our School Curriculum

Classrooms and school celebrations reflect Maori culture through signage, waiata, kapa haka, greeting and te reo focuses each term. The school employs a Te Reo tutor and the whole school participates in these Te Reo lessons which take place three times a term. The school also plans Matariki celebrations, Maori language week activities and tikanga related to these activities as part of the schools curriculum plan. We work hard to ensure students are able to experience authentic learning about our unique New Zealand culture.

