

Issue 11: 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023

# **Principal's Page:**

Nau mai haere mai

#### <u>Welcome</u>

We welcome three new students and their families to St John's School:

James Badillo (Year 2)

Yuri Torres (Year 3) Colleen Torres (Year 6)



#### Maniototo Cross Country

Congratulations to all the children for their efforts at the Maniototo Cross Country that was held at the Stadium on Tuesday 22nd August. Attached are the results.

A very special congratulations to Eddie Weir, Marley Weir, Xavier Love and Joshua Barroga who broke records on the day. Well done.



Otago Cross Country 16 children were eligible (through their times) to attend the Otago Cross Country held in the Kaikorai Valley College grounds today, Friday 1st September. Seven have decided to participate in this event: Xavier Love, Joshua Barroga, Isla Jeffries, Ethan Chisholm, Marley Weir, Josie Herlihy and Eddie Weir. We hope they had a great day and enjoyed the experience.

### Daffodil Day

Thank you to everyone for their gold coin donations for Daffodil Day and the Cancer Society, last Friday. We raised \$86.00 for this cause.



#### Parent Consultation

Thanks to those parents who took the time to fill in the online or paper survey for strategic planning and Health and Physical Education planning. We appreciate your input.

#### Performer - Bob Bickerton

Next Thursday 7 September we have performer, Bob Bickerton, coming to school in the afternoon to perform his show called, "Te Ao o Taonga Puoro". Bob is a musician and has been traveling around schools presenting musical shows for many years. This performance features 20 different traditional Maori instruments. He will discuss how to play them, how to make them and he will tell a number of old stories that give background stories to these taonga (treasures).

#### Puketeraki Marae Visit

We have a school trip planned to Puketeraki Marae at Karitane on Tuesday 24th October (after Labour Weekend). Please keep this date free if you are interested in helping with transport and supervision on this day.

The Middle Class will be staying on for an overnight sleepover at the Marae.

#### **School Holidays**

The end of term is very quickly approaching. Term 3 finishes on Friday 22nd September and Term 4 begins on Monday 9th October.

School is also closed on Monday 23rd October for Labour Weekend.

# **Special Character:**

In Faith Focus times over the next three weeks students will be learning and taking part in activities to do with Caritas Social Justice week which runs from 3-9 September. The theme is: "Imagine Peace for All." For the next three years the focus for Social Justice Week will be on peace and responding to conflict.

-We wish all Dads a Happy Father's Day on Sunday. Here is a prayer for all Fathers:

God our Father,

We give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.

We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice. We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.

Amen.

### **Junior Class News:**

Here are some stories recently written by some of the Junior Class children:

At the cross country I got 1st. I ran fast. Bryleigh came 4th. We went down a ditch. I went on to the 1st podium. It was fun. They said, on your marks, get set, go. The clapper said bang! It was loud. It hurt my ears. I went under the rugby posts. It was fun. Izzy Eketone

At the cross country I got 3rd. Greta got 2nd. Xavier got 1st. I stood on the podium. George Love

I like Friday night fry ups at Grandma's. I have chicken nuggets and chips. Nika Miller

On the weekend Ruby had her birthday. Mum made a white chocolate cake with lots of sprinkles. She got horse toys and a rainbow saddlecloth. It was a family birthday. Dad had some cake too. It was fun.

Georgia Dodds

On the weekend I got a puppy. It was black and white. We got it off Liam. There were heaps of puppies. I saw my cousin, Olivia. My puppy is playful. He is sleeping in a kennel. Arthur Dowling

Arthur came to my house to get 2 calves. Lochy Barnish Green looks like party jelly. Green smells like a green pen. Green is the colour of trees. Oscar Jeffries

# Middle Class News:



Tēnā Koutou Katoa,

Over the past few weeks we have been working on our descriptive writing. The children have watched short films and then have had to describe in detail what is happening in the story by using different language features such as onomatopoeia and similes. Here are some examples of their writing:

In the pitch black temple, mist slowing gloomed in. Suddenly a blinding light of a door glowed with the outline of a man standing there. Click, clack - the sound of boots echoed everywhere. The lantern just showed enough light for the man to see. Rumble, Rumble. Shock filled me as I turned the next corner. Butterflies in my stomach, I surged on not knowing what was going to come next.

A musty, dirty smell filled the old building. Rock fell from the roof. I came to two paths. What way should I go? Then the rumble again, almost like a guide showing the way. So I decided to follow it. It almost felt like this old ancient building was watching me. Black all around me. Scared - I carried on. Had I gone the right way or not? Just as I thought to turn back I walked into a huge building and stared up at what I had found...

Xavier Love

On a dark gloomy night the wind was whistling through the village. The orphanage was dark and cold. Woosh, woosh, woosh. Light suddenly broke through the blinds shining brightly on the kid's faces. The door creaked open and the wind rushed through with just enough light from the glimmering stars to see. Flap, flap, flap. Suddenly a bug flapped through the darkness of the window with a bright, glowing sack. It stood there shimmering in the light and then he started flapping his wings and woosh he was flying. From the light into the dark. Softly, he landed at the edge of the girl's bed. The light of the sack was as bright as a normal light. Suddenly he picked up the bag and he softly picked a shimmering egg. Crack, crack,crack. He slowly cracked the egg open. It quietly fell down onto the girl's dance shoes and started getting brighter and brighter. Then the girl fell into a deep dream.

Kaylah McAuley

Ngā mihi,

Heather Dowling

### **Senior Class News:**

As Mrs Duncan is away there is no Senior Class news for this newsletter.

### **Board of Trustees:**

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 12th September at 7 p.m.

## **Notices and Dates:**

Term3	Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Sunday Mass at 4pm
Week 7		Altar Servers: Jacob Sutherland &
		Florence Dowling
	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Kiwi Sport Curling
Week 8	Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> September	Sunday Mass at 4pm
		Altar Servers: Mac, Finn & Charlie
		Dowling
	Thursday14 <sup>th</sup> September	Kiwi Sport Curling
	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Kiwi Sport Curling
Week 9	Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Sunday Mass at 4pm
		Altar Servers: Zach Tomalon &
		Harry Dowling
Week 10	Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	Sunday Mass at 5pm (NOTE:
		change of time)
		Altar Servers: Ethan Chisholm &
		Josie Herlihy

# Maniototo Primary School Cross Country Results

YEAR ONE BOYS	Year Group	School	Place
Blake Sutherland	2	MAS	1
Arthur Dowling	1	StJ	2
George Love	0	StJ	3
Bjorn Ball	1	StJ	4

YEAR ONE GIRLS	Year Group	School	Place
Georgia Dodds	1	StJ	1
Evelyn Cai	1	StJ	2
Stella Dykes			3
Briar Gillespie	1	MAS	4

YEAR 2 BOYS	Year Group	School	Place
Arthur Wilson	2	Strath	1
Max Stevenson	2	Strath	2
Hudson Crutchley	2	MAS	3
Kahu Houpapa	2	MAS	4

YEAR TWO GIRLS	Year Group	School	Place
Izzy Eketone	2	StJ	1
Aria Parker	2	MAS	2
Evie Steele	2	StJ	3
Bryleigh Barroga	2	StJ	4

YEAR THREE BOYS	Year Group	School	Place
Jack Jeffries	3	StJ	1
Liam Wilson	3	MAS	2
Archie Sutherland	3	MAS	3
Chrysler Houpapa	3	MAS	4

YEAR THREE GIRLS	Year Group	School	Place
Juliette Dowling	3	StJ	1
Greta Love	3	StJ	2
Abigale Graham	3	MAS	3
Mackenzie Davis	3	MAS	4

YEAR FOUR BOYS	Year Group	School	Place
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Toby McFadyen-Beck	4	MAS	1
George Dykes	4	Strath	2
Richie Lynch	4	Strath	3
Eliott Barroga	4	StJ	4

YEAR FOUR GIRLS	Year Group	School	Place
Osharne Huriwai- Kirk	4	MAS	1
	4	IVIAS	1
Truly Pilgrim	4	MAS	2
Esme Hore	4	MAS	3
		IIIAS	
Sophie McAtamney	4	MAS	4

YEAR FIVE BOYS	Year Group	School	Time	Place
Xavier Love	5	StJ	7.24	1
Joshua Barroga	5	StJ	7.25	2
Arthur Elworthy	5	StJ	8.16	3
Charlie Norman	5	MAS	8.34	4
Sam Hore	5	MAS	8.42	5
Marcus Carig	5	StJ	9.38	6

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YEAR FIVE GIRLS	Year Group	School	Time	Place
Thalia Hepi	5	MAS	8.09	1
Nikita Wilson	5	MAS	8.44	2
Isla Jeffries	5	StJ	8.48	3
Evelyn Hagen	5	MAS	8.5	4
Florence Dowling	5	StJ	8.53	5
Kaylah McAuley	5	StJ	9.16	6

YEAR SIX BOYS	Year Group	School	Time	Place
Jae McAuley	6	StJ	7.37	1st Equal
McKinley Francis	6	StJ	7.37	1st Equal
Ethan Chisholm	6	StJ	8.13	3
Cyrus Janerol	6	StJ	8.25	4
Harry Dowling	6	StJ	8.3	5
Axel McAuley	6	StJ	8.39	6

YEAR SIX GIRLS	Year Group	School	Time	Place
Laura Paterson	6	MAS	7.49	1
Vanessa Kinney	6	MAS	7.57	2
Madison Bankshaw	6	Strath	8.14	3
Annabelle Scott	6	Strath	8.29	4
Isla Drake	6	MAS	8.56	5
Tayla Smith	6	MAS	9.2	6

YEAR SEVEN BOYS	Year Group	School	Time	Place
Matthew Costelloe	7	Strath	11.44	1
Logan Suddaby	7	StJ	12.00	2
Lucas Clark	7	MAS	12.12	3
George Dowling	7	StJ	12.45	4
Hunter Tisdall	7	Strath	12.49	5
Vladimir Badillo	7	MAS	13.5	6

YEAR SEVEN GIRLS	Year Group	School	Time	Place
Marley Weir	7	StJ	10.36	1
Josie Herlihy	7	StJ	11.16	2
Ariah Spooner	7	MAS	11.47	3
Lexi McFadyen-Beck	7	MAS	13.1	4
Jayda Deverill	7	MAS	13.12	5
Grace Pilgrim	7	MAS	16.19	6

YEAR EIGHT BOYS	Year Group	School	Time	Place
Eddie Weir	8	StJ	9.15	1
	0	30	9.15	-
Jacob Sutherland	8	StJ	10.48	2
			44.0	
Nathan Paterson	8	MAS	11.2	3
Sam Elworthy	8	StJ	11.31	4
Jake McMillan	8	MAS	11.41	5
Henry Cook	8	Strath	12.13	6

YEAR EIGHT GIRLS	Year Group	School	Time	Place
indianna Hepi	8	MAS	11.28	1
Hayley Barroga	8	StJ	12.29	2
Alexis Jones	8	MAS	13.11	3
Marley Hore	8	MAS	13.57	4
Sophie Meehan	8	MAS	15.27	5
Mackenzie Knox	8	MAS	16.02	6





