



ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

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St. John's College provides a high quality education for young men, grounded in Gospel values within the Catholic and Marist traditions.

IMPORTANT EVENTS

2020

Thursday 9th April

End of Term 1

Tuesday 28th April

Start of Term 2 (Note: ANZAC DAY commemorated Monday)

Wednesday 29th April

Thursday 30th April

Parent Teacher interviews

Tuesday 5th May

Prospectus Evening – 7pm

Friday 15th May –

Sunday 17th May

O'Shea Shield

Monday 1st June

Queen's Birthday

Tuesday 2nd June

St. John's College holiday –
School closed

Saturday 13th June

SJC/SHC Combined Ball

Dear parents and whanau

We have had a wonderful start to the year and at the time of writing this report it is hard to believe that half of term 1 has passed. We celebrated a wonderful Lenten liturgy to mark the beginning of one of our holiest parts of our year. We have also met with the communities in Napier and Paki Paki for combined Masses, and the Leaders Mass with Sacred Heart College. On Friday 28th February we welcomed Father Marcus and Father Anthony to our College at assembly. They joined us for morning tea, where they had the opportunity to meet the staff.

A new development for our students is the addition of Samoan and Tongan language studies. This means that our students can select these languages as a subject option for NCEA. After consultation with our Pasifika community and the Virtual Learning Network, students at St. John's are able to study these subjects as part of their NCEA qualification.

St. John's students have excelled in NCEA examinations yet again. For the first time in our College history we have had students who gained three outstanding NZEST scholarships. A total of nine scholarships gained is the second highest number at the College so far. This is due to the expertise of staff who tutor our students and the hard work students put into their studies. We have eight students who are studying university papers this year; these are in Mathematics with Calculus and Accounting through the University of Canterbury and Massey University. Many thanks to staff who teach and tutor these students over and above their regular timetabled hours.

Summer sports are drawing to a close and our winter sports teams have begun with pre-season training. It is wonderful to see so many staff and students who are participating in extra-curricular activities. Our aim is to produce young men who participate in all aspects of College life, so that they develop into spiritually, culturally, academically and physically well-rounded young men. This can only happen with the input of staff, parents and the wider community. In term 1 thus far, I have been incredibly grateful to the St. John's community for all the help they have granted us.

I have written to you as our community on three occasions to try and keep you updated on the developments of the latest outbreak of COVID-19. I'll continue to do so as developments occur. Please be aware that the Ministry of Health have a website with the most up-to-date information.

Our College continues to excel in a wide range of areas. Please read the rest of the letter detailing the achievements of our students. We have a number of events coming up this term and over the Easter holidays. Again, thank you for your support and development of our young men.

God bless
Rob Ferreira
Principal

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

National Sports Calendar

School Sport New Zealand officially informed us today that the National Secondary Schools sports calendar has been postponed indefinitely due to government restrictions regarding the COVID-19 virus. This has had an immediate impact upon our Maadi Cup rowers, Waka Ama team and Canoe Polo teams who were all due to compete during summer tournament week.

This has not impacted upon our current Institute, summer sport or winter sports registrations and programmes as we are able to continue with trials, trainings and fixtures where event size does not exceed 500 people in attendance.

We are continuing to monitor the constantly changing environment and government regulations with regard to the COVID-19 virus and will make the best decisions for our boys and community. We also know the value of having a physically active and engaged learner at College and will continue with our usual sports programme.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

CONGRATULATIONS

WAKA AMA

Jason Smith who trialled well in Gisborne recently. He has been selected for a national Waka Ama team, which will compete in Hawaii in August.

ROWING

NZ Rowing Champs

Men's Exhibition Intermediate Coxed Eight – Bronze Medal

Liam Halpin and Matthew McIvor

Men's Novice Coxed Four – Bronze Medal

Finn Downing

Men's Immediate Coxed Four – Silver Medal

Jack Cooper, Matthew McIvor, Liam Halpin. (75% crewed by SJC!!!)



Individual Sculls – Silver

Jack Cooper

CYCLING



Congratulations to Finn Ashe winner of the Summer Points Series A Grade Sprint and KOM (King of the Mountains).

CHESSE

Jeevanjot Singh came 2nd in the HB Rapid Chess Tournament.

CRICKET

Tom Cavaney 102 not out against Cornwall

CANOE POLO

Canoe Polo Regional Championships

The canoe polo teams again benefitted from the hard work they have put in this year in the Eastern Regional tournament. The junior boys' team made a slow start to the tournament but grew with confidence in every game. Every player made big contributions, and this showed in the bronze medal game where they beat Karamu 7-3. They turned good defence into good offence though vision and skill in transition.



The senior team made an early statement in the tournament and again became the pacesetters. Their ability to create turnovers and quickly progress the ball in transition created easy goals early in the tournament. As the competition increased, they then were able to defensively absorb pressure and push the game when they needed, or simply slowed the game down and played with skill and strength. They dominated the final against Karamu dictating the pace with a 3-1 win.



The teams now look to continue with their training before nationals in Feilding in early April.

Congratulations to the following St. John's Canoe Polo players who have made Hawke's Bay Representative teams.

Kalder Woods-Pritchard, Jacob Harrison, Cameron Stevens, Hamish Scurr, Riley Toomer, Dylan Homan, Albert Parker, Vitolio Otutaha

BASKEBALL

Congratulations to the following St. John's Basketball players who have made Hawke's Bay Representative teams.

Hawke's Bay U13's

Darnell Campbell, Danyon Start, Kaleb Miller

Hawke's Bay U15's

Chaka Luki, Robi Manihera-Dankwa, Eli McGovan, Braxton Payne, Parmvir Singh, Harry Unwin

Hawke's Bay U17's

Jamie Chamberlain, Sam Start, Lochlan Stent, Paul Watson

TRIATHLON

Lachie MacGregor has a bright future in the sport. On the weekend he competed in the HB Secondary Schools Triathlon Champs.

ATHLETICS SPORTS RESULTS 2020

Athletics Champions

Year 9

- 1st Michael Nettle-Dell 19pts
- 2nd Patrick Mauga 15 pts
- 3rd Malakai Lyford 14 pts

Year 10

- 1st Camden Russell 25pts
- 2nd Ryan Tantrum 23 pts
- 3rd Robi Manihera-Dankwa 20pts

Year 11

- 1st Michael Beech 25 pts
- 2nd Sam Start 24pts
- 3rd Jahdiel Asovale 13 pts

Senior

- 1st Reuben Moffitt 26pts
- 2nd Marcus Ambrose 18 pts
- 3rd Kere Penitito 11 Pts

House Championships

- 4th 818 pts Reignier
- 3rd 870 pts Colin
- 2nd 892 pts Forest
- 1st 928 pts Redwood.

CHAMPIONSHIP SWIMMING 2020

Yr 9

- 1st James Hawke Co. 92 pts
- 2nd Khan Smith Fo. 90 pts
- 3rd Jimmy Brotherton Rg. 56 pts

Yr 10

- 1st Garrett Fey Rg 100pts
- 2nd Jeremy Gaffaney Rw 60 pts
- 3rd Camden Russell Fo 44 pts

Yr 11

- 1st Ben Clarke Co 100pts

2nd = Oscar Cooper Fo 72pts
2nd = Cameron Smith Fo 72 pts

Senior

1st Alex Finlayson Co 94 pts
2nd Te Ahu Lee Fo 92 pts
3rd Jack Ryan Rw 78pts

House Championship results

1st Forest 1069pts
2nd Colin 740pts
3rd Reignier 523pts
4th Redwood 512pts

Aquabloid house results

1st Colin 391pts
2nd Forest 387pts
3rd Redwood 333pts
4th Reignier 323 pts

FOOTBALL PRE-SEASON TRAINING

Football preseason training has started on the 10th March after school. All are welcome and training will go to about 4:30pm (at the latest) on Tuesdays. Fred Devereux, a Y13 Student and school prefect, will take the training sessions. Fred has played for the 1st Eleven the last two years. Boys will need their PE gear and suitable running shoes. If there are any questions please contact the school and ask for Mr Oliver.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FIA FIA NIGHT

Unfortunately we have had to postpone our Fia Fia night due to the virus.

Please contact Faaki Tuanaki at St. John's College if you need more information.

TERM TWO starts on Tuesday 28th April – it will be Day 1

CHANGE INTO WINTER UNIFORM – Term 2

The College changes to Winter Uniform in Term 2 and 3. This is the long-sleeve shirt, tucked in and worn with the College tie. Juniors wear their grey shorts and Seniors (Yr 11 upwards) have the option of wearing trousers. Footwear: St. John's College socks and leather school shoes. *Please note that the boys are not to wear canvas shoes.*

We have our own Uniform Shop now at the College. Please do not contact Kukri direct.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

These very important meetings have been arranged for Wednesday 29th April from 3.30pm – 4.30pm and Thursday 30th April from 9.00am – 3.30pm. **There will be no classes on Thursday 30th April** because of the large number of interviews booked. A time and date for your interview will be mailed to you with the interim reports. We are aware that these times may be in work hours but really want you to take the time off work for this interview. It is vitally important for your son's progress.

Teachers have put a lot of work into preparing for these interviews so it is important that you take this opportunity to bring your son along to meet with his house teacher at the time you have been scheduled.

ENROLMENT INFORMATION for Yr 8 STUDENTS - 2021

Prospectus Evening - Tuesday 5th May - 7pm

Parents, please help us promote our Prospectus Evening at 7pm on **Thursday 9th May 2020**. With our recent results, we have much to celebrate and promote. The evening will consist of an introduction, speeches by a Year 9 student and our Head Boy, a video promoting St. John's College, an address by the Principal and a chance to view our Sports Institutes in action. Total time – 50 minutes. Please spread the word in your community, with friends and family.

This evening will be followed by **A Taste of St. John's Day** on **Wednesday 10th June**: a visit by Year 8 students in Hawke's Bay and Year 6 students from Reignier Primary School. They will visit for the day and view the school in action.

Our **Open Day** is on **Sunday 2nd August 2020, 6pm**.

ANNUAL SPORTS EXCHANGE DATES

Hato Paora Wednesday 6th May Away

St Patrick's College Wednesday 20th May Home

St Peter's College
Palmerston North Wednesday 18th June Away

Francis Douglas
Memorial College Wednesday 29th July Home

POLICY LIGHT HOUSE MEETING

On Friday 6th March, the Policy Light House Students met with Lawrence Yule about advocating for a Drug Court in HB, discussing 'Our Argument', and talking about further steps for us as a group. Mr Yule was adamant that Hawke's Bay had extremely high rates of drug use on a wide scale – he also talked about how

families can break down after one person gets caught up in drugs and how it can affect the drug-user's relationship with many people outside of their family. Lawrence Yule is immensely supportive of implementing a permanent Drug Court in the Hawke's Bay region and cutting down organized gangs and educating youth about the negative and long-term consequences of drug use (for example once you take P once it is extremely difficult to stop using it). We were pleased with the outcome of the meeting coming to an agreement.



Mr Yule talked about examples and the reality of the need for such a life-changing system in HB – especially focusing on rehab. Throughout our advocating I will keep in contact with Mrs. Clark (Mr Yule's secretary who was also present at the meeting) and ask any questions that Mr Yule can answer if we have further queries. They both said that when Simon Bridges is back in Hawke's Bay Mr Yule would try to get him to come and talk to us further – which would be great. Overall, this meeting was very successful, and we learnt heaps. Here is the photo of Policy Light House students and Mr Yule:

SJC – SOCIAL ENTERPRISE – Largest Year Ever



St. John's College Enterprise has two teams in the Young Enterprise Programme for 2020. We are entering two teams, one of 4 students (Environ-Crete MAX and PEAR). One team is

commencing its second year and we have a new start-up occurring. There are 14 students from Years 12 and 13 engaged.

On 28 February, all students met for region-wide presentations on entrepreneurship and to learn the compliance mechanisms of the journey this year.

CAREERS UPDATE

We have hosted representatives from various study providers and exchange programmes this term – Lattitude, Wintec and AUT. More visits are booked for Massey, Victoria, Auckland, Waikato and Canterbury Universities, with Otago to present early next term. I would encourage Y13 students who are university-

bound to take advantage of these opportunities. It is a great way to gather current information about possible options for next year.

An introductory careers session for all Y13 students took place on Friday 6 March. During this time we focussed on the broad range of options open to the boys – further study at a university, polytechnic or private provider, a GAP year, overseas exchange programme, apprenticeship or directly into employment. We discussed how you might make the best decision for you, what qualifications and skills may be required and where to find out the necessary information.

During Ranks students have been made aware of other opportunities including Defensive Driving courses, overseas exchange information evenings, scholarships for students of Māori and Pasifika descent to attend Otago University, programmes for Māori and Pasifika students who are interested in a health-related careers at the University of Auckland, Career Week at PIHMS (a hotel management school in New Plymouth) and a Police Force information evening.

Individual interviews with Y13 students have commenced and will continue for the rest of this term and early into Term 2. This is an opportunity for each student to meet with me to see where they are at regarding ideas and/or plans for next year. It gives me an opportunity to find out how I can support individuals and also gives the boys some information about what they need to do in order to achieve their goals. Many students will be given information publications which they will hopefully bring home and discuss with you, their parents and whānau.

Sue Ross
HOD Careers
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MUSIC INSTRUMENTAL & VOCAL TUITION

Learning a musical instrument is fun and develops coordination, cognition, social as well as dedication and tenacity skills that employers look for.

- Voice, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass, Piano/Keyboard, Guitar and Bass Guitar and Drum Kit. Pipes are available off-site and paid privately.
- In-school tuition is provided free if the student is in Option Music as it is part of the curriculum course. The Year 9 Option Music course runs for two terms hence a half-yearly amount is charged/refunded depending whether he did

Year 9 Option Music in the former or latter two terms. Option Music students DO NOT need to complete a tuition form.

- Tuition is \$250p.a. for students not enrolled in an Option Music course. The fee is pro-rata thus reduces per term throughout the year. The fee can be added to your school account.
- Hiring certain instruments - such as a saxophone, violin or trumpet - is \$100p.a. and pro-rata thus reduces per term throughout the year. The fee can be added to your school account.
- Places are very limited but parents are welcome to complete a form anyway to be placed on the waiting list, then be subsequently notified when a place becomes available.
- Forms are available from the School Office or can be requested by email (kclews@stjohns.school.nz) and completed electronically; please complete even if learning privately so he can be involved in groups and gigs.

Any student can join one of the school music groups whether receiving tuition or not. All students are encouraged to form their own groups and utilise the Music School.

We look forward to supporting your son's musical growth. For more information, email Mr Wilson on cwilson@stjohns.school.nz.

Nga mihi Mr Wilson, Director of Music



SPECIAL OFFER

Hot Spring Spa Napier will make a donation to the St. John's College Basketball for any families who purchase a spa pool from Wayne at Hot Spring Spa. Please contact Wayne Start Ph 0272 159 017 or email: wayne.start@hotspringhawkebay.co.nz.

Address: Unit 1 /20-60 Wellesley Road, Napier

If you are thinking of purchasing a spa pool call into the school office and we will give you a voucher to take to Hot Spring Spa.

ST. JOHN'S PHONE APP - UPDATE NEEDED



If you do not have the App go to the App store on your Apple or Android device and search School Apps NZ to download the App to your phone or tablet. Then it will ask you to search for the school – enter St. Johns College Hastings to download our information. Follow the instructions to subscribe to the appropriate groups and year levels to ensure that you are kept up to date with our alerts and events. Contact the office if you are having trouble downloading this App.

May Jesus watch over us, may Mary be at our side, and may St. John bless us every day.

Rob Ferreira
PRINCIPAL

Coming Events

2020	
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Tuesday 28 th April	Start of Term 2 (Note: ANZAC DAY commemorated Monday)
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Tuesday 5 th May	Prospectus Evening – 7pm
Friday 15 th May – Sunday 17 th May	O’Shea Shield
Monday 1 st June Tuesday 2 nd June	Queen’s Birthday weekend SJC Holiday – school closed

TERM DATES 2020

Term One

Friday 31st January – **Year 9s and Year 13s only**

Monday 3rd February – **All students**

Thursday 9th April – **End of Term 1**

Term Two

Tuesday 28th April – Friday 3rd July

Term Three

Monday 20th July – Friday 25th September

Term Four

Monday 12th October – To be announced



Attendance Dues Information – March 2020

- ❖ 2020 attendance dues invoices/statements were emailed to families late last week (if we had an email address on file). If no email address is held, invoices/statements were sent via post. If you haven’t received an invoice/statement, please contact us so we can reissue one to you.
- ❖ If you make a payment on or before 31st March 2020 that includes a **voluntary Catholic character donation** of \$5.00 or more, a donation receipt will be emailed/sent by post in April, for you to claim a tax rebate.
- ❖ If you wish to set up a regular payment plan, please contact the Attendance Dues team – Anne-Marie, Marcy and Mark – to discuss payment options. Our contact details are as follows:
 - 0800 200 208; or
 - dues@pndiocese.org.nz
- ❖ One off payments by credit card or debit card (Visa or Mastercard only) can be made using our website: www.pndiocese.org.nz/education/dues.
- ❖ Attendance Dues charges for 2020 are:
 - **\$447.00** for each Primary Student (Year 0 – 8).
 - **\$894.00** for each Secondary Student (Year 9 – 13).

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We would like to say a big thank you to Paul Paynter from the Yummy Fruit Company for supplying us with fresh fruit for our camps. The students and teachers really appreciate the donation of fresh fruit.