



## 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

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December –**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

Year 10 Camp

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

Academic Prizegiving

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December and**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

Year 9 Activity days

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

**LAST DAY OF TERM 4**

NCEA Exams Finish

### 2021

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January –**

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January**

Year 13 Camp

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February**

Yr 9 and Yr 13 students only

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**

Whole School

Dear whanau and friends of St. John's College.

Seasons greetings to you all!

2020 has been a busy and successful year at the College. Our senior students sat NCEA examinations over the November/December period, and our junior students sat their end of year examinations in November.

On the 7<sup>th</sup> December we celebrate our annual Academic Prizegiving. We wish all our College leavers all the best in their future careers.

In the last two weeks of the term, our Year 9 and Year 10 students participate in outdoor activities. The Year 10 students spend three days at the Guthrie Smith Outdoor Camp, Tutira, participating in activities such as canoeing, high ropes, caving, over-night stays in a shelter which they have to build and tramping. My thanks to all the staff and Mr Christopher Wilson who organise the camp in an efficient manner.

Our Year 9 students spend a day at Splash Planet, this is followed by a day at Ocean Beach where they are taken through a number of activities related to water safety in the surf. Most of the instruction is carried out by the life-saving staff at Ocean Beach. Many thanks to Tony McBride who organises these two days and staff who supported our students.

Please read the rest of the newsletter which has the important dates for term one. Next year will be a busy year with term one being stacked with events.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a blessed and happy Christmas with family and friends. For those of you travelling, I wish you a safe journey. I look forward to working with you all in 2021.

God bless  
Rob Ferreira  
Principal

## ACADEMIC PRIZEGIVING

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December – 7pm**

Our Annual Academic Prizegiving takes place on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm in the Barry O'Connor Centre (Gym) at the College .

This is a dress uniform occasion for students. Please be seated by 6.50pm. Prizegiving is always a wonderful evening so we encourage parents and families to attend.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### NCEA EXTERNAL EXAMS

NCEA external examinations start on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November**. Students should come to exams in their school uniform and clean shaven. *NCEA admission slips will be handed out to students on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November*. The exams finish on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December**.

### YEAR 10 CAMP

The Year 10 students are up at Camp now and are having a fabulous time. If you have not paid for camp please arrange this. The cost has been bought down to \$170 due to a grant.

To make payments via internet banking: 06-0645-0326366-000; Field 1 – Surname Name; Field 2 – First Name; Field 3 – Year 10 Camp.

**NOTE: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December is last day for Year 10 students**

### YEAR 9 END-OF-YEAR ACTIVITIES

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December – a day at Splash Planet

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December – a day at Ocean Beach

The cost will be \$45 which covers the transport to Ocean Beach, an Education course run by the Surf Life Saving Association and entry into Splash Planet. Notices have been emailed to parents and the permission slips need to be returned to the office.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Year 9 students come to school for their final day of 2020. The day will end at 3.05pm

## CONGRATULATIONS

### Steffan Levett – SJC Old Boy



St. John's Old Boy **Steffan Levett** CEO Lead Engineer Co Founder Narrative in Auckland is in the Top 10 New Business in NZ, quite impressive for a 29 year old.

Steffan cut his teeth building solutions for Cisco and Apple and has quickly built a team of some of NZ's top engineers.

He was Co Founder at 26 and at just 29 has 20 staff plus 3 working overseas and hopes of starting up in US. Now recognised as one of NZ's leading startups, Narrative is now a team of 22 building tools for professional photographers.

Narrative is the only software Photography in the World.

### Sheldon Levett – SJC Old Boy

Sheldon has also just been in Sustainable Awards with Kaicycle as a finalist based in Wellington.

### Sam Heaven – SJC Old Boy



Old Boy Sam Heaven has proven he is a champion in the kitchen, after fending off tough competition from leading young chefs around New Zealand and Australia to win the coveted annual Nestlé Golden Chefs Hat Awards. Congratulations Sam.



### Community Engagement - Springhill Addiction Center Board of Trustees

Harry Unwin, Year 10, was invited in late November to attend the board meeting of the Springhill Addiction Center Board of Trustees. Board members were keen to learn the story of students from the Policy Light House – St John's College.

Harry presented an overview of the St John's journey starting in 2017 with our social enterprise project Bruthas (working with youth inmates at Hawkes Bay Regional Prison). He talked about the goals and processes of the Policy Light House students and their motivations caused by the insights gained on research into drug addictions and its effects in the Hawkes Bay.

Harry states,

*"the trustees present at the meeting were very supportive of the work we had done (establishing a drug court in HB), and I also thanked them for the work they do in our community helping and treating people suffering from addictions and associated mental health disorders. I was asked some questions and told them of our future goals or next steps for our group."*



Trustees also talked to Harry about possible funding options for groups advocating for the rights of convicted inmates to have fair access to enhanced treatment options.

Harry also reported that the engagement,

*“was very successful, and I felt I represented St John’s College well making sure my speech was engaging to all who were present. I also really enjoyed meeting the people and at the start hearing what was going on in terms of their normal work.*

The Policy Light House students were delighted with the above opportunity to share their story. Throughout their collective journey they needed to seek or request access to officials and groups, to be invited to share their story of success was a new experience.



### STJ 7s RUGBY

Last weekend our SJC Rugby 7s played in the NOBM invitational Sevens Tournament. They played well and enjoyed the experience.

**Jaden Murphy** was awarded NOBM 2020 Colts Player of the Tournament.

### CHESS

#### 16<sup>th</sup> Australian National Chess Tournament

After 7 tough rounds over Monday and Tuesday against 22 top teams from Australia and New Zealand, our team finished in a very creditable 19<sup>th</sup> place.

Jeevanjot, our team captain, had two very tough games and finished individually in 37<sup>th</sup> place out of 176 players.

This week our Chess boys entered Individually:

- Jeevanjot Singh 37<sup>th</sup> with 4 wins and one draw
- Ivan Roberts 106<sup>th</sup> with 3 wins
- David Reynolds 138<sup>th</sup> with 2 wins and a draw
- Yamin Alawneh 153<sup>rd</sup> with 2 wins

Very proud of the team. They did very well considering that they are all year 9’s playing against seniors across Australia and New Zealand. Another thing to keep in

mind is that this competition is invitation only and has Australian state champions and New Zealand national champions participating.

Thank you again. We have had an impressive year with such a young team. It will only get better from here.

### Message from The Catholic Parish of Napier...

The Catholic Parish of Napier now has a Mobile App for important Parish messages. To download the App go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and search 'ChurchAppsNZ' to download the app onto your device. Then search 'The Catholic Parish of Napier'.

If you are reading this Newsletter on your mobile, to download the App please click this link <https://cpon.churchapps.co.nz/install/>

Should you have any queries, or require any assistance, please call by The Catholic Parish of Napier Office or phone 844-2224.

### PRE-ORDERED UNIFORM for 2021

Our pre-ordered uniform for new Year 9s has been ordered and we hope to have the order arriving on 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021. We will then pack each individual student order and notify parents when it is ready to be collected. Please note that uniform must be paid for when collecting.

If you would like to set up an Automatic Payment the bank details are

St Johns College – ANZ

06 0645 0326366 00

Reference to show on our Statement: Surname and first name of your son.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM FOR 2021

School uniform is sold from St. John’s College. Whilst there will be a range of uniform available for purchase it is limited and there could potentially be a 7 week wait for uniform if you haven’t placed an order.

**There will be a block indent order taken in Term 1 2021 for winter uniform.**

#### Summer Uniform – Terms 1 and 4

Grey Shorts, College Short Sleeve white shirt (untucked),

Black Roman Sandals or school shoes and socks

Jersey or Jacket

#### Dress Uniform (winter uniform) – all students

Shorts (long pants for seniors optional), long sleeve white shirt (tucked in), College tie. Jersey or Jacket.

Grey school socks with Black school shoes/business shoes – **no canvas or skateboard shoes**

## STUDENT STATIONERY FOR 2021

We have our stationery lists for 2021 with Office Products, Napier. **Attached is a letter from Office Products advising how parents can purchase your son's stationery for 2021.**

They give us a rebate for your order so please support this local company. They do this very well either on-line or through their shop in Napier.

## Free Measles, Mumps and Rubella vaccine

These last two years have highlighted the need to ensure our whānau and communities are safe from infectious diseases. Measles is about 8 times more contagious than COVID-19, and last year's outbreak is a reminder of just how quickly it can spread among unimmunised people. While we can't vaccinate against COVID-19 yet, we can protect against other infectious diseases like measles by being immunised.

Teenagers and young adults aged 15-30 are at greater risk of catching and spreading measles, as they are less likely to have been immunised as children.

District Health Boards (DHB) are leading a campaign targeting this age group for their **free Measles, Mumps and Rubella** (MMR) vaccine.

Find out more about measles at

[ProtectAgainstMeasles.org.nz](https://www.protectagainstmeasles.org.nz)

[Download the campaign factsheet, posters and content for your website or school newsletter](#)

Students aged 16 or over can give consent themselves.

## PAYMENT OF ATTENDANCE DUES

All parents are expected to pay Attendance Dues to the Palmerston North Diocese. Please respond to their requests for payment or ensure you have an automatic payment set up to cover these costs. If you cannot meet all of these costs, you must come in and talk to us so that we can work out an arrangement for you.

These Attendance Dues cover building costs and insurance costs for our school. As you will see, we have had a lot of building work. This has been paid for by your Attendance Dues.

Please see attached information about fees for next year.

## ACCOUNTS

Statements have been emailed. Please ensure that your account is paid by the end of Term 4 or have an automatic payment set up. Many thanks for your support.

## ST. JOHN'S PHONE APP

### IMPORTANT TO STAY UP TO DATE



It is important that you have our school APP. You will be kept up to date via email, School APP and Facebook.

If you do not have the APP - go to the APP store on your Apple or Android device and search **School Apps NZ** then find St John's College (make sure it is Hastings) to download the APP to your phone or tablet.

## OFFICE HOURS OVER THE CHRISTMAS BREAK

The office will be open from 8.30am – 3pm Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

### 2021

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January the office will reopen from 8.30am – 3pm.

## ADVENT

The season of Advent has started. It marks the start of the Church's year. Advent is a time when we are asked to prepare ourselves for the anniversary of Jesus' birth at Christmas. There are four Sundays of Advent each marked in the church with the Advent candles. I would encourage everyone in our community to take some time over the busy end of year to prepare for Christmas.

At this special time of the year, enjoy time with your families at Christmas and may the peace of Christ be with you in the holidays.

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

**Rob Ferreira –  
PRINCIPAL**

## UP COMING EVENTS

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Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> December - Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 9 Activity days
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of Term 4 NCEA Exams finish

### 2021

Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 13 Leadership Camp
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan – Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Yr 11 – Yr 12 Course Confirmation for students with clashes Students will receive emails by 22 <sup>nd</sup> January if there is a clash
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Teacher only days
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Year 9 and Year 13 students – Year 13 Course Confirmation for students with clashes Students will receive emails by 22 <sup>nd</sup> January if there is a clash
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Whole School
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	WAITANGI DAY holiday– College closed
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Commissioning Mass – Sacred Heart Church - 10am
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent Evening – Years 9 - 11
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	Athletics Sports
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Swimming Sports
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	PFA – Eats Beats and Treats
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March to Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 9 Camp
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	WORK DAY – Teacher only day
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Fia Fia Night
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays – Note Easter Tuesday is a holiday too
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Thursday Sports Practice starts
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	School Production
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	END OF TERM 1
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Start of Term 2

### TERM DATES 2020

#### Term Four

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December

### TERM DATES 2021

#### Term One

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February – **Year 9s and Year 13s only**

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – **All students**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April – **End of Term 1**

#### Term Two

May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> 6 July

#### Term Three

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October

#### Term Four

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October – To be announced

## 2021 Attendance Dues Information

- The compulsory **Attendance Dues charges for 2021** have been confirmed and are as follows:
  - **Primary** charge (Year 0 – 8) per child: **\$455.00**
  - **Secondary** charge (Year 9 – 13) per child: **\$910.00**
  
- A **voluntary donation of \$30.00 per child** will also be included on the annual invoice sent in March 2021. A donation receipt will be sent in April each year for any donations made to 31 March so that a tax rebate may be claimed for any donation amount of \$5.00 or more.
  
- If you would like to make regular payments to spread payment of the total charge over the whole calendar year the amounts **per child** made from the **start of the year** are as follows:

<b>Weekly - attendance dues only</b>		<b>Weekly - attendance dues &amp; donation</b>	
Primary	\$8.75	Primary	\$9.33
Secondary	\$17.50	Secondary	\$18.08

<b>Fortnightly - attendance dues only</b>		<b>Fortnightly - attendance dues &amp; donation</b>	
Primary	\$17.50	Primary	\$18.66
Secondary	\$35.00	Secondary	\$36.16

<b>Monthly - attendance dues only</b>		<b>Monthly - attendance dues &amp; donation</b>	
Primary	\$37.92	Primary	\$40.42
Secondary	\$75.84	Secondary	\$78.37

- For assistance with payment options or to set up a regular deduction, please contact the Attendance Dues team.
  
- We can be contacted on **0800 200 208** or by email: **dues@pndiocese.org.nz**.



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This year we are using Office Products Depot (OPD) to supply our student's stationery requirements.

### ONLINE ORDERING

Go to [www.nzschoolshop.co.nz](http://www.nzschoolshop.co.nz) and enter your school into the search field, then select it from the drop down menu, enter your first student's name into the pop up box. Follow the instructions online on how to order.

You can add multiple students and schools to your order please complete each order consecutively.

### PAYMENT OPTIONS (through the secure payment gateway)

- Credit or Debit card via Paypal
- Internet banking via Poli Pay



### DELIVERY OPTIONS

Office Products Depot will deliver your order to the address provided, freight free

OR you can choose to click & collect your stationery from Hawkes Bay Office Products Depot.

**Shop Hours:** Monday – Friday 8.00am to 5.00pm

**Extra days:** Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> January 9.00am – 12.00pm

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 9.00am – 12.00pm

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January 9.00am – 12.00pm

### WHEN CAN I ORDER?

The website will be live for ordering by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> of December 2020, however orders will not be dispatched until mid-January and we will have packs available in our shop for purchase from Monday 11th of January 2021.

If you have any questions, please contact us

Hawkes Bay Office Products Depot

843 0294 or email [hawkesbay.opd@psoffice.co.nz](mailto:hawkesbay.opd@psoffice.co.nz)

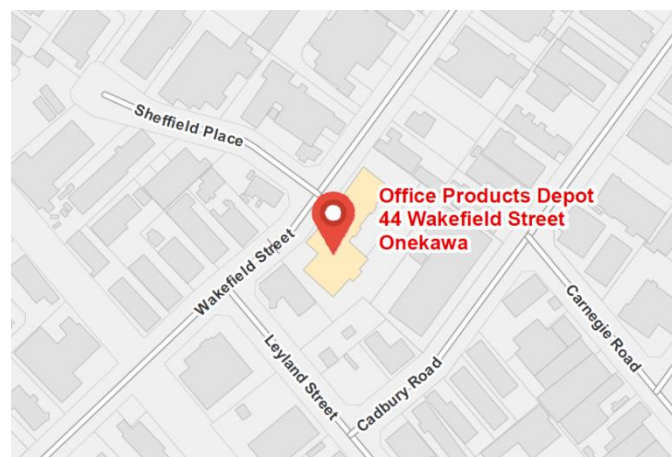
### PHYSICAL ADDRESS

44 Wakefield Street

Onekawa, Napier

There is plenty of parking at the rear of the building.

Please consider the environment and bring your own reusable carry bags.



Thank you to the following companies for their generous support of the College.  
Parents please continue to support our sponsors.



**DE LA TERRE WINERY**  
**1426 Taihape Road, Sherenden, Hastings**  
[www.delaterre.co.nz](http://www.delaterre.co.nz)

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**THANK YOU**



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.