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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

**2021**

**Term 4**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

Junior Prize Giving

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Friday 10<sup>th</sup>**

**December**

Year 10 Camp

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Yr 9 Activity Days

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

End of Term 4

**2022**

**Term 1**

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January –**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January**

Year 13 Camp

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January**

Year 9 and Year 13 students

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

Whole School

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February**

Commission Mass

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February**

Athletic Sports Day

Dear Parents and Whanau

The weeks are rolling around so fast and the end of the school year is nearing. Our NCEA exams have started. Our Juniors have had their examinations.

Year 10 camp is next week and our Year 9's have an exciting day at the beach learning to keep themselves safe in the water.

The perception is that school's wind down at this time but I can assure you it's quite the opposite. We certainly have a number of things to do to wrap up 2021 and to set up 2022.

In regards to COVID the focus has now switched to how we respond to and manage cases when they are in our community and school. We've been sent more toolkits than tools and enough flowcharts to make you permanently cross eyed. As a school we will respond accordingly and work with health and education. In the meantime we continue to focus on having well ventilated spaces, limiting contact between classes (inside) and all the usual things like handwashing, hygiene, hand sanitizer, cough and sneeze into elbow, face covering.

### A few common questions and answers:

*If I am coaching a team or going to coach a team do I need to be vaccinated? Yes.*

*Can I meet with my child's teacher if I am not vaccinated? Yes, but this needs to be out of school hours and when no children are on site. Please contact your child's teacher directly to make this appointment time.*

*If I want to go on trips or help as a parent in 2022 will I have to be vaccinated? Yes, you will need to be double vaccinated and you need to be on our vaccination register.*

**2022**

## HEAD PREFECTS

We are very pleased to announce our Head Prefects for 2022.

**HEAD BOY:**

**Noah Kaio**

**DEPUTY HEAD BOYS:**

**Dylan Homan, Oscar Cooper**

## 2022 Year 9 Scholarship Scholarships

We wish to congratulate the following students on receiving Year 9 Scholarships for 2022

### HASTINGS INTERMEDIATE

Jordan Sheardown	Hastings Intermediate	Principal's Scholarship - Academic
Kody Shaw	Hastings Intermediate	Principal's Scholarship - Sports
Layton Matchitt	Hastings Intermediate	Peter Arthur Scholarship

### ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

Blake Proudfoot	St Patrick's School	Principal's Scholarship - Leadership
Tamas Madarasz-Smith	St Patrick's School	Principal's Scholarship
Finn Jensen	St Patrick's School	Principal's Scholarship
Connor Brotherton	St Patrick's School	Principal's Scholarship
Fletcher Rodger	St Patrick's School	Napier Old Boys' Marist Rugby Club Scholarship
Dylan Mabry	St Patrick's School	St Vincent de Paul - Napier
Jyde Low	St Patrick's School	Peter Arthur Scholarship

### ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

Asher Campbell	St Joseph's School	Principal's Scholarship - Academic
Jerome Roshan	St Joseph's School	Principal's Scholarship - Academic
Austin Thomas	St Joseph's School	Principal's Scholarship - Leadership
Rohit Shaiju	St Joseph's School	St. Vincent De Paul Hastings

### ST MARY'S SCHOOL

Luke Leigh-Smith	St Mary' School	Principal's Scholarship - Leadership
Maxwell Fysh	St Mary's School	Principal's Scholarship - Leadership
Asher Jis	St Mary's School	Hibernian Society Scholarship
Tupu Venasio	St Mary's School	PFA Scholarship
Thomas Benton	St Mary's School	Peter Arthur Scholarship
Westen Te Whiti	St Mary's School	Peter Arthur Scholarship

### OMAKERE SCHOOL

Filo Manihera-Lokame	Omakere School	Principal's Scholarship - Leadership
Tom Bothmer	Omakere School	Peter Arthur Scholarship

### TWYFORD SCHOOL

Travis Ormsby	Twyford School	Principal's Scholarship
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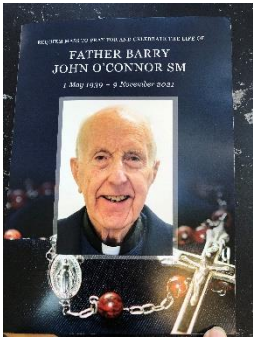
### PETERHEAD SCHOOL

Mekhia Duncan	Peterhead School	Principal's Scholarship
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### HERETAUNGA INTERMEDIATE

Aaron Edwards	Heretaunga Intermediate	Hastings Rugby and Sport Club Scholarship
Jaqob O'Kane	Heretaunga Intermediate	St John's College Old Boys Scholarship

## R I P - Father Barry O'Connor 1939 – 2021



The Society of Mary in New Zealand announce with sadness that Father Barry O'Connor SM, the tenth Rector of St. John's College, passed away on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November.

Fr Barry O'Connor would have been well known to many Old Boys. He was the last ordained Marist Father to serve as the

Rector (Principal) of St John's, between 1988 and 1998. In 1998, the Governor-General of New Zealand presented Fr O'Connor with the National Education Service Award for his dedication to education. The Barry O'Connor Centre (the gym) was named in his honour and he continued to remain closely connected to the College.

## R I P - MARY TAIAROA

Sadly on November 27<sup>th</sup> our beloved Teacher Aide Mary Taiaroa died in Palmerston North.

Mary had worked at our school for nearly 2 years and was forever positive that she would return in 2022.

Her dedication to helping our students, her quiet expectations of behaviour and endeavour and her wonderful sense of humour, will be missed by us all.

## LYNDIE BALFOUR HOD English - Retiring



Lyndie Balfour will retire after 15 years at the college – all of which has been spent as Head of English.

"It's an absolutely wonderful school and I have definitely really enjoyed my time," she says. Although it was not an easy decision to retire, Mrs

Balfour says she wanted to leave while people still wanted her to stay. "I've taught for 42 years, and I still have such a passion for the subject."

Ending with this year's cohort of Year 13 students, whom she has taught all but one previously, also felt right and affirmed her decision.

We wish Lyndie all the best for her retirement and thank her for your 15 years of service to the College

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### NCEA EXTERNAL EXAMS

NCEA external examinations start on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**. Students should come to exams in their school uniform and clean shaven. The exams finish on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**.

### Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Junior Prize Giving – Students only

## YEAR 10 CAMP – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

The Year 10 Camp will be held **Wednesday to Friday 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> December** at Guthrie Smith Education Centre, Tutira.

We have received a Grant to subsidise the cost of camp, which we are delighted to announce will now cost \$180. Parents are advised to be depositing regular sums of money into their school account towards this.



Any overpayments will be credited to other costs on your account or reimbursed. If you feel that any cost may still be a hindrance, please contact the College office in confidence so we can support your son gaining this valuable experience.

### Permission Form

<https://forms.office.com/r/N38qYCEaWW>. Please click on this link to complete the SJC/Guthrie-Smith Health Information Form ASAP; physical copies are available from the College Office.

Mr C. Wilson - Director of Year 10 Camp

[cwilson@stjohns.school.nz](mailto:cwilson@stjohns.school.nz)

### YEAR 9 ACTIVITY DAYS

#### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December** - a day at Waimarama Beach. Surf Life Saving New Zealand will run a Beach Education course with the students and staff. The students will start and end this day at the College. All students are expected to attend, and booking have been prepaid with the surf club. Anyone who cannot attend for any reason must inform the office or myself asap with a valid note/explanation.

Students are not required to wear uniform on this day but will need lunch, togs and a towel (sunscreen & personal medication is a must). Departure is at 9am and return will be approximately 3pm. Students should report to their House Classes at the normal time of 8:40am. School busses will run this day.

The school has tried very hard to keep the costs to a minimum. The cost covers the transport to Ocean Beach and the Educational course run by the Surf Life Saving. This is a fantastic opportunity for your son to learn about the Ocean which we are surrounded by.

The overall cost of the activities is \$30.00 which is payable to the office.

Our community is fortunate to have such wonderful resources at our doorstep and enjoy the privilege of using them. Student numbers are confirmed 3 weeks

out, so all students have been signed up for the day.

Please email me directly if for any reason you wish to withdraw your son from this day.

[pconnell@stjohns.school.nz](mailto:pconnell@stjohns.school.nz)

**Please complete the permission slip/medical form by clicking on the link below.**

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=4za7aWiTHUau1f-oGdfZzxIS1A90JspOqqbl8aaEqZ1URUtBMjJUMTEOQVR CMjBaWkg1NDhYREM2Wi4u>

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – this will be a pack up and clean up day. **Students are not required to come to school.**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Last day for 2021

**2022**

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January**

Year 13 Camp

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January**

Year 9 and Year 13 students

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

Full school

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

### **MATTHEW EAGLE**

Matthew constructed a lego ship made with close to 30,000 pieces and measuring 1.8 metres in length and he won a commendation award at this year's BrickCon-NZ.



Matthew says the national convention and competition is well respected around the country, with people building in anticipation for the event.

Up to 200 lego contestants and exhibitors gathered in Palmerston North – this year's event the first since 2019 due to COVID-19 Alert Level restrictions.

His World War II Fletcher Class Destroyer took a year and a half to build and “a lot of careful planning” to ensure its framing wouldn't break.

After winning the National LEGO Building Competition in 2018, Matthew entered a number of creations in the 2019 iteration of BrickCon-NZ. It was then he decided on building the ship.

### **RUGBY**

**KERE PENITITO** has made the **Hurricanes Super 20 Development Squad**. Well done Kere.

### **LOGAN START**

Logan is fast climbing up the ranks as a Basketball referee, with a number of high-profile National Basketball Age Group games under his belt.

Logan Start was selected to umpire the quarter-final and semi-final games at the New Zealand U19 Basketball Nationals earlier this year.

At 18, Logan has been refereeing for the best part of eight years. During this time, Logan has won the title of Sporting Official of the Year four times and officiated a pre-season NBL game this year.

Logan comes from a really supportive family of Basketball officials. His father, Wayne, has refereed NBL games, and his two younger brothers, Sam (17-years old) and Danyon (14 years old) are also following in their father's footsteps.

Logan attributes his family's competitiveness to his mother, Michelle, who he says, “fosters this” and is “more supportive than anyone he knows”.



### **KINGSTON MANIHERA-DANKWA**

Kingston hopes his name will one day adorn the back of a Tall Black's jersey. And by the way things are going, he may well make his dream a reality.

The St. John's College Year 9 student was selected to trial at a NZU15 Basketball Camp in Wellington earlier this month and represented Hawke's Bay U15B team in 2021.

### **YEAR 9 TOUCH RUGBY**

The team has started well with 2 wins – well done boys  
-v- Te Aute College 4 -2  
-v- Taradale High School 4 -2

### **PRINTING OF THE YEAR BOOK – THE EAGLE**

Due to our school photos being delayed, our school magazine will not be available until next year. We apologise.

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

**Rob Ferreira, PRINCIPAL**

## Coming Events

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Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Junior Prizegiving
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 10 Camp
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December – Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 9 Activity Days
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL YEAR
2022	
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 13 Camp
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Yr 9 and Yr 13
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Whole School
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	WAITANGI DAY observed – School closed
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Commissioning Mass
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Athletic Sports
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Swimming Sports
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March to Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 9 Camp

## TERM DATES

**2021**

### Term Four

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

**2022**

### Start of Term 1

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January** – Year 13 Camp

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022** – Yr 9 and Yr 13 Students

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022** – Whole School

## SPONSORSHIP



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# THANK YOU



Thank you to the Mission Estate, for your continued support of the College, through your donation of wine. We use the wine as thank you gifts.



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.



Thank you to McCain for donating fries to our Food Cart

## ECR PHOTOGRAPHY – photos by Emma

Emma is taking amazing photos for us around the College sports grounds. Thank you Emma

## CRICKET



Thank you **Bay View Village Pharmacy** for supplying the First Aid kits for our Cricket teams



Thank you to **NZ Pristine** and **Complete** for supporting our 1<sup>st</sup> XI Cricket team and Coach Bill Donkin.