



ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL, DANNEVIRKE

'Nurturing Spirits, Encouraging Excellence' AMDG

Manaakitia e te Wairua, Whakatenatena I ngā Hiranga

9 October 2025 TERM 4 WEEK 1

IMPORTANT DATES

- Assembly – Fridays 9 am (even weeks)
 - Room 2 – 17 Oct
 - Room 1 – 31 Oct
 - Room 6 – 14 Nov
 - Room 5 – 28 Nov
 - Room 4 – 12 Dec
- Tech R5 Year 7s – Tuesdays
- Library Book Quiz – Thurs 9 Oct
- Powhiri – Friday 10 October
- School Mass – Sunday 12 October
- Yummy Stickers Due – Mon 13 Oct
- Mission Day – Fri 24 Oct
- Labour Day Holiday – Mon 27 Oct
- All Saints/Souls Day – Fri 31 Oct
- School Athletics – Fri 7 Nov (P/P – Fri 14 Nov)
- School Photos – Thurs 13 Nov
- Interschool Athletics – Wed 19 Nov (p/p – 26 Nov)
- Junior Tabloids – Fri 21 Nov
- Thanksgiving – Tues 16 Dec
- End of School Year – Wed 17 Dec



PRINCIPALS NOTE

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Kia Ora

Welcome to Term 4!

This year has flown by, and with a very busy term ahead, it's sure to disappear before we know it.

We're delighted to welcome Jozef and his family to St Joseph's. Jozef will be officially welcomed at the Pōwhiri tomorrow at 9 a.m., and everyone is warmly invited to attend.

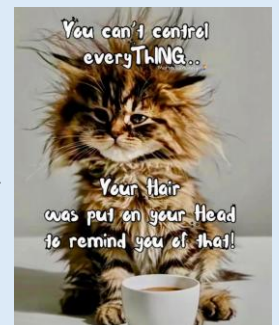
We've received informal notification of potential NZEI union strike action on Thursday, 23 October. At this stage, it is not confirmed, and official notice can be given as late as three days prior. Please keep this possibility in mind when making plans for that week.

School will be open on Friday, 24 October. We will not be observing Hawke's Bay Anniversary Day and will instead be holding our annual Mission Day Gala that afternoon.

Finally, we look forward to seeing everyone at School Mass this Sunday at 8:45 a.m. at the church. As part of our commitment to our Catholic character, we ask that all families attend our termly School Mass with their children.

Mā te Atua koutou e manaaki
i ngā wā katoa
May God always
bless you.

Megan



ATTENDANCE

66% =

of our students are currently attending more than 90%, an average of 9 days a fortnight.

Our attendance took a bit of a hit last term with all the illness going around, but hopefully, we'll see those numbers improve this term as the warmer weather arrives, fingers crossed!

Updated attendance emails for students sitting below 90% will be sent out to parents this week. They were meant to go out last term, but a little mishap involving my ankle, a gumboot, and some steps caused a slight delay! Apologies.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS



Great effort with home reading Porter and Milla. Well done!



Super Mathematicians
Alaina, Lilly, Elana, Betty, Kyczia Lexi, Tilly & Maci

CATHOLIC CHARACTER

SCHOOL MASS

SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER, 8.45AM

Morning tea will follow in the gathering area, please bring a plate. Thank you for joining us to welcome our new community members.

CONFIRMATION

MASS – SUNDAY 14 DECEMBER

Preparation classes for confirmation will begin shortly.

MONTH OF THE ROSARY

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. On Tuesday it is the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The word *rosary* comes from Latin and means a garland of roses. The rose is a flower used to symbolise Mary the mother of Jesus. The rosary is a form of meditative prayer that can be done individually or in groups such as a class. Prayer beads used to count prayers. It is prayed by meditating on events in the life of Jesus and Mary, known as "mysteries," while praying the Hail Mary, the Our Father and other specific prayers.

Helen Collier
DRS



WALSHE & LAST TROPHIES

Information about the end-of-year sports trophies will be coming home tomorrow with eligible Year 7 and 8 students. They'll need a bit of help from parents to complete the required details.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our school uniform is available online at [NZ Uniforms](#) or from their store on Tremaine Avenue in Palmerston North.

Some people are having issues getting black school type sandals at the moment. Students are able to wear correct winter uniform shoes and socks until this is sorted. Please send them with a note.

LIBRARY BOOK QUIZ



Good luck to our Book Quiz teams competing tonight at the town library!

SPORT REPORT

Ross Shield



Our Ross Shield players did us proud at the holiday tournament, taking out the Country Cup after wins against both Wairoa and Central. Kase and Gus were named in the tournament team, and Levi, who broke his arm beforehand, was outstanding in his all-important role as the kicking tee deliverer. Sorry about that, Levi, talk about bad timing!

Tigers League Tournament - Rotorua



5 game, 3 day tournament for these little leaguers in Rotorua in the holidays. Plenty of tries scored in their three-win, one draw and a loss record. Impressive. Well done, Tiarn, Lucas & Hamiora

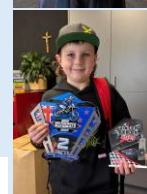
Hockey



Belle took part in an 8-week intensive development program run by Hockey Manawātū leading up to the holidays. She was selected to play for the U13 Girls 11-aside team representing Manawātū — the only player from Dannevirke to make the squad. Belle was one of just 15 girls chosen from around 50 participants. The team had an outstanding tournament, finishing undefeated and winning their final game 3-0.

Motor Cross

Amilah-Rose and Porter competed in the Taupo winter series in the holidays. Amilah came 3rd against some much older competition and Porter was 4th. Porter also raced in the Nationals in Auckland and came an impressive 2nd for his age group. Fantastic you two!



Touch starts tomorrow night. Have you joined the Skool Loop Touch group?

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Dannevirke High School Enrolments for 2026

This Saturday, 11th October, we will be doing Year 9, 2026 enrolments from 9:00am to 11:30am. If you would like to enrol your child for next year, please phone the Main Office on (06) 374 8302 or email admin@dannevirkehigh.school.nz



Measles Cases in Aotearoa

Recent measles cases linked to overseas travel have been reported in Northland and Queenstown and Ministry of Education has asked that we share this information with communities especially considering recent school holiday travel.

Measles is very contagious and can make people of any age very sick.

Watch for measles symptoms – fever, cough, runny nose, sore eyes and a blotchy rash.

If anyone in your whānau has measles symptoms keep them home and contact a doctor or Healthline urgently on 0800 611 116.

**Dannevirke Charity Band
IN CONCERT**

With Guest Singers: Horowai Puhata-Makarini, Kate Jarvis, Tania Mackay and the Totara College Choir.

THE HUB DANNEVIRKE

SATURDAY 18 OCTOBER • 2PM AND 7PM
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**A GATHERING
IN THE LIGHT**

There are too many voices
Competing for our attention
Come aside to hear God's voice

Saturday, October 18th 9am to 4pm

KNOX CHURCH, 16 Swinburn st.

\$15.00 Includes morning tea and lunch.

Contact: Esta - 027 3838962

Knox Church office 3746858 Tues, Wed Thurs, 9:30 - 12

Home & School Grocery Grab Raffle Coming Soon!

3 Draws

Up to \$750 New World Grocery
Grab

\$200 Warehouse Voucher

\$100 Four Square Voucher

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