



ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL, DANNEVIRKE

'Nurturing Spirits, Encouraging Excellence' AMDG

Manaakitia e te Wairua, Whakatenatena I ngā Hiranga

16 October 2025 TERM 4 WEEK 2

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
- Possible Strike Day – Thurs 23 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

ATTENDANCE

65% ↓ 1%

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

STRIKE ACTION

Following our discussion, the Board has decided that the school will be closed for instruction on Thursday 23 October if the proposed NZEI strike goes ahead. The health and safety of the children remain the Board's priority. We understand and respect the reasons behind the strike and hope it can be resolved quickly to support a positive outcome for everyone involved.

Adam Roe
Board Chair



PRINCIPALS NOTE

PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Kia Ora

This week we would like to welcome Althea who has started in Room 1.

The SAINT Way Focus

At school, we'll be focusing on getting started with our work quickly and staying focused the whole time. We're also working on building our stamina and improving our concentration.

How you can help at home:

1. Have a routine: Set a regular time for homework or reading each day.
2. Find a quiet space: Turn off the TV and devices to help your child stay focused.
3. Encourage effort: Praise your child when they start their work quickly and keep going — it builds good habits!

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

Megan

Start Strong,
Stay Focused

Tīmata kaha, ū tonu.



"I can do all things through Christ who
strengthens me."
Philippians 4:13

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS



Fantastic effort in reading and maths –

Tahirau, Hunter, Jade, Elana, Bayleigh, Betty, Ava and Tahirau
again!

CATHOLIC CHARACTER

All Saints and All Souls Day-Celebrating the Saints and Remembering the Dead

Friday 31 October 2025



On the 31st October, we will be Celebrating All Saints Day November 1 and All Souls Day November 2, both important days in the Church's Liturgical Year,

We will be combining both these liturgies together on Friday 31 October, at 10.00 am, gathering together as a School and Parish Community for a Liturgy. This will be followed by our annual visit to Mangatera Cemetery. We hope that you can join us there too!

As part of our focus, we are asking children to please bring to school photos of family / whanau members who have died. We would like to share memories of these special people with friends and teachers.

The photographs will be looked after and returned to you safely.

We invite you to join us for this very special part of our Liturgical Year

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| 10.00 a.m | Liturgy in the Church for All Saints and All Souls Day |
| 11.00 am | Children will have their normal Lunch break. Our Parish and School Whanau are invited to join us for a cuppa and morning tea in the staff room. |
| 11.45 a.m. | Depart for Mangatera Cemetery (Buses)
Gather at Daniel Kennedy's gravesite for karakia and a hymn to honour all our dead.
Wander the cemetery with the children and locate gravesites of family members/friends.
(Children may wish to bring flowers to place on the graves of their loved ones.) |
| 12.45 a.m. | Return to school |
| 1.00 pm | Lunch at School |

You are welcome to bring your lunch and have it with the children (hopefully in some warm sunshine!)

Blessings to you all

Nga manaakitanga ki a koutou katoa

Helen Collier

SPORT REPORT

Athletics Sports

We are currently practicing our skills for the upcoming athletics sports on **Friday 7 November** at the domain. (Postponement Fri 14 Nov)

The junior school will be joining us for their skills rotation in the morning.

Parent helpers will be required for both events. Please mark the date in the calendar. More information will follow.

Takaro Kaha, Kia Tika

Play Hard, Be Fair

Jo Brown

Sports Co-ordinator

This November we invite you to...

LAP THE MAP

For Diabetes Prevention

Registration: 9am
Walk Starts: 9:30am

3KM OR 6KM

When: Sunday, 9th of November 2025

Where: Dannevirke Services and Citizens Club

Who: Everyone is Welcome

Cost: Gold Coin Donation
Going towards the local Diabetic group

Join us for a fun walk to raise support for diabetes prevention and a free sausage sizzle after the walk. Special thanks to the Dannevirke Services and Citizens Club




THE CREATORS SPACE
125 HIGH STREET, DANNEVIRKE

DRAWING EXPLORATION

WITH CHLOE KITE

PAPER AND PENCILS PROVIDED- UNLESS YOU HAVE SOME SPECIAL ONES YOU WANT TO BRING ALONG

BRING ALONG YOUR CREATIVE IDEAS OF WHAT YOU WANT TO DRAW

SCHEDULE DETAILS
STARTS: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16TH
TIME: 6:15 PM - 7:15 PM
COST: \$40 FOR TERM 4

BOOK WITH CHLOE
021 550 953 | akite55@yahoo.co.nz

Chloe Kite - a local Dannevirke mum who loves inspiring kids to draw - will be running a fun and relaxed drawing group for children aged around 10 years + (age negotiable!) on a guided journey of drawing exploration.

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

MISSION DAY

MINI GALA

FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER
12pm - 2.30 pm

Mufti

GOLD COIN DONATION PER STUDENT

Sausage Sizzle

\$2 PER SAUSAGE

FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME TO
COME FOR A SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH.



Stalls & Games

STARTING AT 1PM

SWEETS, CAKE STALL, TRASH & TREASURE

GAMES & ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY SENIOR STUDENTS

TICKETS ARE PURCHASED FOR ACTIVITIES - 50 CENTS EACH

We require donations of books, toys, games etc for our 'Trash & Treasure Stall and baking and sweets for the Cake Stall. Your donations are much appreciated. Donations to stalls can be sent to the office this coming week.

FAMILY, WHĀNAU & PARISHONERS WELCOME TO ATTEND.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF THIS DAY AND
ARE RAISING FUNDS IN SUPPORT OF -
THE SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND (2 CHILDREN)
HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION
SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF THE MISSIONS



ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

MISSION DAY

FUN RUN

10 - 11am



GOLD COIN ENTRY

TOWEL & CHANGE OF CLOTHES REQUIRED -
OLD CLOTHES!!

ORGANISED BY SENIOR LEADERS