

# ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

Our Vision Statement Creating confident learners, who, like Jesus, make a positive difference. Our Values Walk in Truth and with Respect.

Term Dates 2024

Term 1 ~ Wednesday 31st January to Friday 12 April Term 2 ~ Monday 29 April to Friday 5 July Term 3 ~ Monday 22 July to Friday 27 September Term 4 ~ Monday 14 October to Tuesday 18 December

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Newsletter		31 May 2024 Wee	ek 5 Term 2
Calendar of Events			Karen's
Monday	3 June	King's Birthday No School	quote of
Tuesday	4 June	Tui Prayers	the week:
Monday	10 June	Piwakawaka Prayers	Do not go
Monday	10 June	School Cross Country	C C
Monday	17 June	Hoiho Prayers	where the path
Friday	21 June	Teacher Only Day No School	may lead, go
Monday	24 June	Takahe Prayers	instead where
Tuesday	25 June	Wakatipu High School Enrolment & Open Evening	thoro is no noth
Tuesday	25 June	BOT Meeting	there is no path
Friday	28 June	Matariki Holiday <mark>No School</mark>	and leave a
Friday	5 July	Last Day of Term 2	trail.
Monday	22 July	First Day of Term 3	Ralph Waldo Emerson
Wednesday	18 December	Last day of School for 2024	

#### ADDITIONAL DATES - SCHOOL CALENDAR

The above dates are just a snapshot of what we have happening at school. If you wish to view all activities planned for all of our students, <u>please click on this link</u> - this will take you to the school calendar on our school website.

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL ...

Ngā mihi o te wā ki a koutou! A wintry greeting to you all!

As I reflect on how I have spent my time in recent weeks I'm struck by the time I've spent working with children exploring and unpacking incidents which have caused harm - a wide range of incidents, from not sharing or saying nasty things to fighting and physical assault. Naturally of course it will happen that some of my time is spent supporting or investigating when things go wrong. People are dynamic, children perhaps moreso, and when we interact with others there is always potential for things to play out differently to what we might like. At our school we work really hard to apply a Catholic perspective to all of what we do all of the time. When things go wrong, we use a restorative approach to consider harm that may occur as a result of our decisions or actions and to explore ways in which we can repair that harm and restore right relationships - Pope Francis reminds us that we exist in 4 key relationships at all times; with God, self, others and creation. Sometimes we get this right and individuals and relationships flourish as a result. At the heart of this work is a desire to live as God intends, to be in right relationship with God's creation which of course includes ourselves and other people. Central to God's desire for us is kindness (one of the twelve fruits of the Holy Spirit) and an ability to empathise, to consider the view or experience of another.

At school we talk lots about the expectation that we have for all of our students to use "kind hands, kind words, and kind feet". Another expectation we often talk about but sometimes less directly than the first is to be in the right place at the right time doing the right thing. I'd be grateful if you would please reinforce these expectations at home using language like "At school everyone is expected to…".

Today our teaching staff is using training material provided by the Ministry of Education to look more closely at Te Mātaiaho, the refreshed New Zealand Curriculum (Te Mātaiaho means "to observe and examine the strands of learning" - this name was gifted by Dr Wayne Ngata and the members of the MOE Rōpū Kaitiaki). The Ministry is three years into a six-year programme to refresh The New Zealand Curriculum - schools and kura have until the beginning of 2027 to start using the fully refreshed curriculum, although they must use the refreshed mathematics and statistics and English learning areas from the start of 2025. To support the New Zealand Curriculum Refresh implementation, Te Marautanga o Aotearoa redesign, and the NCEA Change Programme, the Ministry of Education assigned four additional teacher-only days for primary and secondary schools - two in 2023 and two in 2024. Schools and kura have been instructed to select a date for a teacher-only day that best suits their activity planning across a two-week defined time-period, one in Term 2 and the other in Term 4. Again, my sincere thanks for your support in making days like today successful for our school community.

Have a lovely weekend whānau. Kia pai tō mutunga wiki. Enjoy your King's Birthday holiday!

Kia tau te rangimārie o te Atua ki a tātou katoa. May God's peace be with us all.

Alan Grant

Tumuaki | Principal principal@stjosephsqt.school.nz

#### **GOTCHA WINNERS**



#### PB4L FOCUS

Our Positive Behaviour for Learning focus again next week will be:

# "If someone is unlike you, seek to understand them. Treat others as you would like them to treat you."

We expect that students will:

- respect the rights and traditions of others
- not say nasty things about people or spread rumours
- listen beyond what is said to how it is said
- use our words and actions to help people and not hurt them
- help people in difficulty

At St Joseph's we do our best and do our bit.

We act honestly and with integrity, we do the right thing even when no one else is watching. At St Joseph's we walk in Truth.

#### ARE YOU MISSING SOMETHING?

We still have a number of items in our Library that have been left here from the Book Fair. If you dropped off your baking and didn't take your container, please contact Karen, or pop in and have a look. We also have a size 9 black puffer jacket, a "Charlotte Hornets" cap, and a minecraft wallet. We would love to reunite these items with their owners.

#### SKI PASS

Local School Ski Pass will be available to purchase online until **Monday**, **10 June 2024**. After this date, the pass will only be available to purchase in person with proof of enrolment provided at the time.

#### WHO SOLD THE MOST RAFFLE TICKETS?

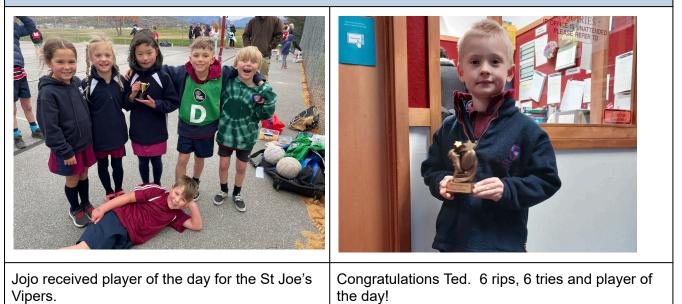
Congratulations to the following Families who sold the exact same number of tickets:

Lochlan and Ailbe Allcorn Grace Duncan Lucas and Tilly Twycross

#### 🚓 Each won an exciting ride in a police car, and sausage sizzle for a Term. 🚓

H Thank you to everyone who participated and supported the Raffle and 2024 St Joseph's School Book fair!

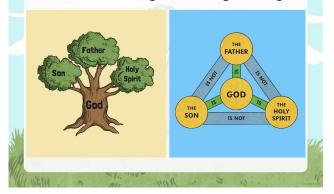
#### CONGRATULATIONS



#### CATHOLIC CHARACTER

## What is Trinity Sunday?

Trinity Sunday is the day we celebrate the truth that God is made up of the Father, the Son (Jesus) and the Holy Spirit. The bible tells us that there is only one God but that this God is made up of three parts, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The word we use to describe this 3 in 1 God is "Trinity." That is a word made up of the word "Tri" which mean 3 (EG A tricycle has 3 wheels) and the word "Unity," which means "One" or being unified together. Understanding The Holy Trinity





#### PARISH INFORMATION



Queenstown	Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm, Sunday 9 am. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday ~ 7 pm, Filipino Mass. 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday ~ 7 pm, Portuguese Mass
Arrowtown	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , and 5 <sup>th</sup> Sundays: 11 am Mass 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays: 11 am Liturgy of the Word with

Holy Communion

Check out the latest Parish news on-line: www.stjosephsqueenstown.co.nz

#### **BOARD CORNER**

#### Tēnā koutou.

Our School Board usually meets twice each school term and the Board warmly invites parents and caregivers to attend. We meet in Takahe classroom on Tuesday evenings from 5:15pm. The date for the next meeting is published each week in the newsletter.

All correspondence to the Board is to be sent either directly to the School Board (<u>board@stjosephsqt.school.nz</u>) or to the Board Secretary (<u>office@stjosephsqt.school.nz</u>). You can expect a response to your correspondence within five school days.

Ngā manaakitanga,

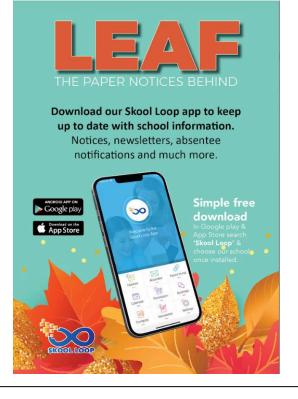
Catkin Bartlett Board Presiding Member catkinb@stjosephsqt.school.nz

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Not anymore!

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