

Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whanau

This term has started really positively. Already the end of week 3 of 9. Great seeing how engaged our learners are with their programmes. The teachers are facilitating exciting learning programmes, with neat experiences. Also teachers are currently really busy looking at your child's progress and achievement working towards end of year report writing.

Please always remember, that our staff are really approachable. If you have any questions, queries or concerns, please make a time to sit down and discuss. We would rather discuss sooner than later.

Enjoy your weekend. Let's hope the fine spell of weather returns.

Nga Mihi

Michael Fitzgerald

Deputy Principal—St Johns Hill School 2019



Congratulations to Jo Maguire who has been appointed as a Deputy Principal at SJHS. After 18 months acting in this role the BOT are delighted to have Jo as a permanent member of our school senior management team.

Not Named/Not Claimed Uniform

Currently we have a pile of lost property. Students have viewed items and not collected. Non claimed items that aren't named with current students will be sold towards end of term. If you have lost uniform items or shoes, please view. Items are stored behind Rm 1 in their corridor. Thank you.



Teachers Rolling Strikes

Negotiations between our Primary Principals and Teachers Union, NZEI, and the Government have not progressed well. Issues relate to attracting and retaining teachers, and also giving support to teachers with growing numbers of children who have learning and behavioural needs. Education has been neglected for too long and the sector feels very strongly regarding this. Wanganui schools will be closed for strike action **Tuesday 13th November**. Questions to you:

- There is a nationwide teacher shortage. Last term, over half of schools reported that they didn't have enough, with the problem set to worsen in coming years. Children with additional learning needs aren't getting the support they need. Do you want the Government to fix these problems?
- Teachers and principals are asking for a total package that would cost \$900 million to address this. The Govt has a 5.5 billion dollar surplus. Would you like them to spend 16% of that surplus on education or to save it all for a 'rainy day'? We hope this Government will listen and respond.

AT ST JOHNS HILL SCHOOL WE SHOW

R	-	RELIABILITY	<i>I live above the line and am dependable.</i>
E	-	EXCELLENCE	<i>I do my best.</i>
S	-	SELF DISCIPLINE	<i>I manage myself.</i>
P	-	POSITIVITY	<i>I am optimistic and enthusiastic.</i>
E	-	ENGAGEMENT	<i>I enjoy my learning and am inquiring.</i>
C	-	CARING	<i>I relate well to others and our environment.</i>
T	-	THINKING	<i>I am curious, creative and a lifelong learner.</i>

FOR SELF, OTHERS AND OUR ENVIRONMENT

Virtues Awards

Well done to the following students who were recognised for displaying the virtues their teams are focusing on this term.



Perseverance: Pippa McKee, Adam Ding, Regan Nicholson, Maggie Savage, Henry Jacques, Harrison Ward, Ella Cavanagh.
Friendliness: Jake Newton. **Cooperation:** Logan Yakas.
Purposefulness: Ryan Renton, Liam Meijer.
Justice: Jacob Hagan, Connor Baldwin-Holly, Livia Salliu.
Tolerance: Bayley Perrin, Tyler O'Brien, Sophie Puklowski, Jude Riordan.

St Johns Hill School Athletics Day Wednesday 14th of November starting at 9:15

Programme for the day.

9:15 - 10:30ish

Students aged 7 years old and under will be competing in graded running races in both sprints and middle distance - Students will be racing in age and gender races starting with 5 year old girls. Some students 8 and over will be competing in the finals of the 4 field events, (high jump, long jump, vortex throwing and quoit throwing.) These students have trialed and will know if they are competing.

The other students not involved in these field events will be involved in other games around the school.

Parent vs Student relay race, prior to morning tea.

11:00-12:30ish

Students 8 and over will be competing in graded running races in both sprints and middle distance.

Students will be racing in age and gender races starting with 8 year old girls.

House Relay Races - Year 3 and 4 race.
 - Year 5 and 6 race.

Fastest Kid on the Block

On Wednesday 7th November Sport Whanganui will be holding the "West Side Area" Fastest Kid on the Block Races at St Johns Hill School.

There will be three race groups - Under 9's, Under 11's and Under 14's, with a race for boys and girls in each group.

This event will be starting at 3.30pm with all welcome.

The winners from our area will represent our area in a finals race held at the Cooks Classic in January.



Green-Gold Enviroschool.

EARTH KIDS Education for Sustainability Schoolgen School Health Promoting School



Academic Achievement and/or Progress

Congratulations to the following students:



Pippa McKee
David Forsyth
Harry Jurgens
Isla Jones
Alma Erstad

Excellent Information Writing.
 Excellent effort with your explanation writing.
 A well written Exposition.
 Well thought out persuasive writing.
 Excellent Number Knowledge, almost mastered stage 6.

Grace Ivory
Jadei Anderson

Excellent in all literacy tasks.
 Working diligently on his writing and producing well sequenced pieces of work.

Ella Papworth
Bayley Perrin

An exceptional Schonell spelling result.
 Excellent use of adverbs and adjectives within her stories.

Ethan Lampp

Exceptional enthusiasm and commitment to the Superhero readathon. Tino pai!

Bryn Norman

For perseverance in learning the numbers to 20 in maths. Ka Rawe Bryn.

Louie Filer

Great progress made in maths! He is working with numbers in the hundreds.

Harrison Ward

For having a brilliant 'can do' attitude towards all his learning resulting in great progress in all areas.

Indigo Camp

Fantastic commitment to her reading for the Tui team Superhero readathon. Well done!

Booker Davidson

For using interesting descriptive words in his writing.

Celebrating Success

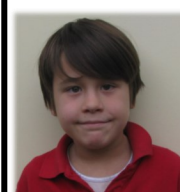
Congratulations to Ashton Kibblewhite and Matthias Pa'a who were selected for the 2018 Under 13 Curtis Cup Hockey Team. They went to Stratford for the second week of the school holidays to compete against 10 other teams from the central North Island.



Term 4 Summer Uniform

Reminder this term is summer uniform. Please ensure your child has the correct school uniform including a red school sunhat. Sunhats are compulsory during Term 4 and the no hat, no play rule will be enforced. Thank you for your cooperation.

Womble of the Week



Xavier Saunders

Star of the Week



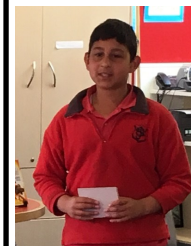
Oziah Heta

Welcome to School

A warm welcome to the newest member of our school family Emma Ward. Great to have you here.



Senior Speech Competition



Congratulations to this years Year 6 Speech Competition winner Aryan Colaabavala. Aryan captivated the audience with his speech on "My Biggest Concern for the Future". 2nd place was Abbey Roy, 3rd Sianna Tume. Highly commended was Samu Herman and Jacob Millar.

Well done to all our Year 6 students for taking part.



National Chess Tournament

Matt Smith, Peter Adams and Gracie Hayward took part in this years National Chess Tournament in Auckland last weekend. 237 students from across the country took part in 9 rounds. All high school, intermediate and primary finalists were placed in one giant round robin competition. Our brave competitors were often sitting opposite high school students! All three students did fantastically well. Matt won 4 1/2 games, Peter 4 and Gracie 3 1/2.

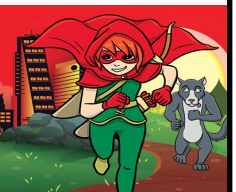


Summer Sports

A big thank you to all the parents and staff who have "stepped up" to coach and manage a sports team. Parents please support these volunteers. Ensure your child attends practice, is on time, correct uniform, respectful and co operative. Remind them to share their appreciation with the coach!! Thank you.



This very well respected theatre company is once again performing at our school on Tuesday, 20 November. Please send \$6.50 to your child's teacher before the 20 November.



King George has lost the plot! In his never-ending quest to build bigger palaces, giant walls and enormous statues of himself he has raised the Land Far Far Away tax rate to 101%! Jack and Jill can't afford to get a pail of water, Little-Bo-Peep has to sell her sheep, and even the Princess is so hungry she ate the pea. When even the bravest of Knights are too scared to stand up to him, the Land Far Far Away cries out for a hero to put a stop to the madness of the King. Luckily their cries are heard by a mysterious red hooded figure with a bow and arrow, a basket of goodies and some very unlikely 'Big Bad' backup. As well as a performance that will have you laughing all the way through, the play will challenge your students to think about traditional gender roles, bravery and standing up for what's right.