



### GOSPEL CONNECTIONS



#### All Tied Up?

I see too many young people who put on "yokes".

Farmers put yokes on oxen to tie them to a plough. Oxen tied to yokes have no freedom. They go where the farmer commands – just like people with bad habits or addictions.

This week Jesus invites us to take his yoke. "Let me and my teachings guide every decision you make," he pleads. "I'll lead you to peace and meaning in this life and union with God in the next one."

He's right, you know. Many years ago I took his advice. I still struggle against him, at times, even going way off course. But he always gently pulls me back. And as I've let him guide me, I've found rest (meaning, happiness, and friendships) that other yokes just can't offer.

Examine your life this week. See if you are tying yourself to a yoke that could hurt you. If so, ask Jesus for help to break free. Then take on his yoke. You'll never look back with regret.

***Do you make any regular choices that could develop into bad habits or addictions that could hurt you or others?***

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

"May the grace of the Holy Spirit fill your heart with light, that you may confess your sins with loving trust and come to know that God is merciful."



# Forgiveness

Congratulations

to the children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Wednesday. May they continue to build their relationship with Jesus through the Sacraments.

Jack O'Brien

Kewa Kelemete

Gemma Barrow

Jac Anderson

Cameron Anderson

Charlotte Fairweather

Kiki Tracey

Imani Leslie

Jayden Joseph

Ruby O'Brien

Taylor Jefferies

John Barrow

Sophie Anderson

Marlee Cantwell

Riley Hautapu

Keeley Lesley

Kordae Timu

### ATTENDANCE DUES



• Attendance Dues statements will be sent out in the first week of July, requesting payment of the 3rd instalment for this year, plus any arrears from the 1st two instalments and/or previous years, by 31st July 2017, unless a payment arrangement is already in place.

• The instalment amounts are: o \$111.75 for each Primary student (Year 0 – 8) and o \$223.50 for each Secondary Student (Year 9 – 13).

• One off payments by credit card or debit card (Visa or Mastercard only) can be made using our website: [www.pndiocese.org.nz/education/dues](http://www.pndiocese.org.nz/education/dues).

• If you have any questions or concerns about payment or would like to set up a regular payment plan, please contact Marcy, Susan or Mark at Attendance Dues on 0800 200 208 or by email: [dues@pndiocese.org.nz](mailto:dues@pndiocese.org.nz).

### COMING UP EVENTS

#### TERM 3

<b>JULY</b>	Saturday 22	Working Bee 9.30am
	Monday 24	Term begins Year 7/8 Teach at DHS
	Tuesday 25	Property Committee meeting
	Thursday 27	Board of Trustees meeting
	Friday 28	<b>Powhiri</b> Welcome to new students & families
<b>AUG</b>	Thursday 3	<b>Whanau Hui</b> 5.30pm
	Tuesday 15	<b>Assumption</b>
<b>SEP</b>	Sunday 17	<b>First Holy Communion</b>





### TERM 3 FOCUS



Next term our focus will be another of God's gifts...

If you can think of anything you think we should have in our learning journey next term, let me or any of the teachers know.

Some of the ideas we have so far are: Holy spirit, Church, Scripture and Stewardship.

Windmills and windpower, Weather, Floating, Flight and building and flying kites. We are also planning a performance and presentation evening, showcasing our students and their many talents they have been gifted.

### COMMUNITY NOTICES



#### KI O RAHI WORKSHOP

2 day workshop come down and learn some new skills from the experts  
19th - 20th of July 2017  
1pm - 4pm  
Dannevirke Domain  
\$5 per person - this money will go towards the Rangatahi that facilitate this workshop

For more info or registration please contact Troy Tavahel at Te Kete Hauora 063746860



### FROM THE BOARD



There are a few jobs starting to build up around the school. So the Property committee has

decided to hold a working bee on **Saturday 22 July at 9.30 am**. Jobs include spraying for weeds, water blasting, and general tidying of grounds. Also the installation of new anti-slip matting to timber steps to prevent any falls to students, staff and visitors. The Dannevirke library has kindly donated some much needed kit set shelving for the resource room which needs assembly. If you can spare a few hours to help with any of these tasks and if you have tools or plant that you think would be handy for these jobs please come along. The more the merrier. Postponement of working bee due to weather will be posted on the school facebook page.

### BIRTHDAYS



Carter Monaghan

Roydan Thompson

Kaden Boulter

Kordae Timu

Rjwal Carson

Hunter Halford

### STAFFING

We are currently in the process of recruiting a teacher for room 2, with interviews being held next week. It is our top priority to find the best teacher to fill the position. If the new teacher needs to give notice to their current school then I will teach the class until they are able to begin.

### LAST WORD

It is with mixed emotions that I announce I will be taking on the principal position at St Patricks School, Kilbirnie Wellington, effective the end of term 3. My journey at St. Joseph's has been amazing and a privilege. I thank you for sharing your story with me and allowing me to be part of it.

Have a safe and happy holiday break and I'll see you back next term for some more amazing learning.

Praying you'll know the fullness of God's joy in your day, the closeness of His heart to your need, and the goodness of His plan for your life.

Nenah Kelemete  
Principal





## Board of Trustees

Friday 7 July 2017

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It is with regret that the Board of Trustees have accepted the resignation of Nenah Kelemete as Principal as of the end of term 3 2017. After a meeting last night the Board are well underway in the process of appointing a new Principal.

We will be surveying early next term to see what the school community would like to see in a Principal at St Joseph's School.

At this stage we will be looking to make an appointment for the beginning of 2018 to allow us to find the best possible person for the role. The Board are currently looking for an Acting Principal in the interim. We will keep you updated throughout the process.

Applications for the Room 2 teacher close today and the Board will be short listing and interviewing over the next few weeks. We are doing our best to find a fantastic new teacher.

Rest assured that we have the best interest of your children at heart. Your prayers in this matter would be appreciated.

Regards,

Glen Higginson & Aroha Walker  
Co-Chairpersons