



ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL QUEENSTOWN



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

05 April 2024

Week 10

Term 1

Calendar of Events			<p>Karen's quote of the week:</p> <p>Whāia te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu me he maunga teitei.</p> <p>(Seek the treasure you value most dearly; if you bow your head let it be to a lofty mountain.)</p> <p>Te Ao Māori</p>
Monday	8 April	Moa School Prayers	
Friday	12 April	Last Day of Term 1	
Monday	29 April	Start of Term 2	
Monday	29 April	Hoiho Prayers	
Monday	6 May	Welcome Mass	
Tuesday	14 May	Board Meeting	
Sunday	19 May	The School Book Fair	
Wednesday	29 May	School photos	
Thursday	30 May	School photos	
Monday	3 June	King's Birthday No School	
Friday	21 June	Teacher Only Day No School	
Tuesday	25 June	Wakatipu High School Enrolment & Open Evening	
Friday	28 June	Matariki Holiday No School	
Wednesday	18 December	Last day of 2024	

FROM THE PRINCIPAL ...

Kia ora koutou! Easter Blessings to you all!

Easter is central to who we are as a Catholic school community. We exist because of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ which we remember every year at Easter. Through His death and resurrection, Jesus showed us that God's love for us is more powerful even than death. Jesus conquered death when He rose again.

At Mass on Easter Sunday, Fr Cipriano spoke about the importance of Jesus' resurrection in our daily lives. He reminded us that we are called to be "Resurrection People", a people characterised by hope, joy, and love, helping to bring the Reign of God on Earth in every moment and in every interaction. Let's pray for God's grace to strengthen us and to help us to be "Resurrection People".

We're closing in on our annual "School Book Fair". Please find a way to get involved and to help make the day a success - have a look through today's newsletter including the "PTA Pulse" section for ways you can help. This is our school's biggest fundraiser and we need everyone to get involved to get the best out of it. This year the Book Fair will be held on Sunday 19 May - lock it in!

Thanks again to all of those whānau who joined us on our 2 trips in the last couple of weeks. A key part of the success of those days is the support and involvement of our whānau. Thank you!

Please feel very welcome to reach out and make contact with me at any time - in person or by phone or email.

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

PB4L FOCUS

Our Positive Behaviour for Learning focus for the last week of Term 1 will be:

"Understand personal space"

We expect that students will:

- give each other personal space
- understand when you are too close to others and how this might make them feel.
- keep our bodies to ourselves

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.

FROM OUR ... MEDIA LEADER



Hello readers, this was a spectacularly busy week for just 3 days of school after a 5 day weekend. On Wednesday we welcomed a visiting author, Mary-Anne Scott to our school to talk to our students about her work, she then hosted some writing workshops for enthusiastic writers. We had a fantastic day walk in Bob's Cove and 12 Mile with the whole school yesterday. The students had a great time admiring the views and hanging out together. Our Year 8 students also have a very busy and informative G.R.I.P. leadership day at Te Kura Whakatipu o Kawarau today. Maxx.

PHOTOS FROM WALTER PEAK





ADVANCE NOTICE - ANNUAL SCHOOL BOOK FAIR - SUNDAY 19 MAY 2024

Please save the date and spread the word! Our annual School Book Fair (a huge community event and our major school fundraiser each year) will be held on Sunday 19 May this year and we will need lots of helpers.

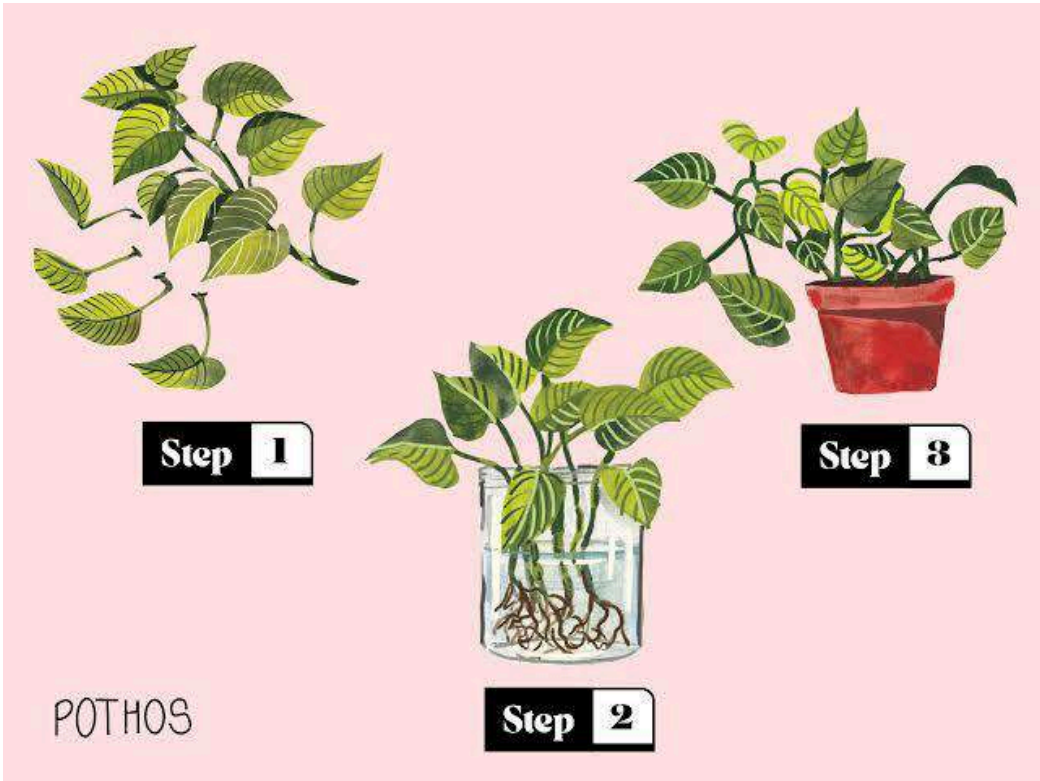
Please consider helping out in one of the following ways in particular - sorting books on Thursday 16 May, setting up on Saturday 18 May, and staffing stalls on Sunday 19 May. We will require around 50 or 60 helpers in total in addition to the members of our school PTA and our staff and Moa class students!

More information to come, but in the meantime give thought to how you can help!

PLANT CUTTINGS AND PLANTS FOR THE BOOK FAIR

If you have any healthy plants that you could please take cuttings of for the book fair please can you start that now. Cut them then place in water to grow roots. These will be sold in pots decorated by the kids at the fair. Bring to school beginning of term 2. If you have any plants to donate would be much appreciated too.

Thank you 🙏



What is the Easter Season?

The Easter season is fifty days from the Sunday of the Resurrection of Jesus to Pentecost Sunday.

The first eight days of the Easter season make up the Octave of Easter. It is a way of prolonging the joy of Easter Sunday. In a sense, every day of the Octave is like a little Sunday.

During the Easter season the Paschal Candle, a symbol of the presence of the Risen Christ, remains in the sanctuary near the altar until



Pentecost Sunday.

The Paschal candle represents Christ, the Light of the World. You see it at the front of the church. The candle is lit during the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night in Holy week.

PARISH INFORMATION



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| Queenstown | Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm, Sunday 9 am.
3 rd Sunday ~ 7 pm, Filipino Mass.
4 th Sunday ~ 7 pm, Portuguese Mass |
| Arrowtown | 1 st , 3 rd , and 5 th Sundays: 11 am Mass
2 nd & 4 th 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 (board@stjosephsqt.school.nz) or to the Board Secretary (office@stjosephsqt.school.nz). You can expect a response to your correspondence within five school days.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Catkin Bartlett
Board Presiding Member
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PTA PULSE

Hello from Juliana & Rebeca,

PRIZES FOR THE BOOK FAIR!

We still need a main food/restaurant/hospitality prize for our raffle going live next week. Something around the value of \$250 would be great so please email us on stjosephsqt.pta@gmail.com if you have any leads.

Heaps more prizes are needed for other parts of the Book Fair so get asking or if you're a business owner we would love to hear from you. Have a think about how you'll be able to get involved in the lead up to the Book Fair. We need lots of help with set up, on the day and pack down and we'll be asking for helpers soon!

Thanks,

Juliana Fullerton-Smith & Rebeca Barnes (Co-chairs of the PTA)

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Wakatipu
HIGH SCHOOL

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ENROLMENT & OPEN EVENING

An evening for Year 8 students, their parents/caregivers

Tuesday 25 June

Wakatipu High School | 47 Red Oaks Drive | Frankton