



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

10 May 2024

Week 2

Term 2

Calendar of Events			<p>Karen's quote of the week:</p> <p>Life doesn't come with a manual, it comes with a mother.</p> <p>Unknown</p>
Monday	13 May	Takahe Prayers	
Tuesday	14 May	Board Meeting	
Friday	17 May	Pink Shirt Day .. Details to come	
Sunday	19 May	The School Book Fair	
Monday	20 May	Ruru Prayers	
Monday	27 May	Tui Prayers	
Wednesday	29 May	School photos	
Thursday	30 May	School photos	
Friday	31 May	Teacher Only Day No School	
Monday	3 June	King's Birthday No School	
Monday	10 June	School Cross Country	
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 School for 2024	

BOOK FAIR INFORMATION

PTA PULSE

Kia ora,

Wow there is heaps going on to ensure the Book Fair will be a celebration of our special school spirit. There is lots of hard work going on behind the scenes to ensure collectively we can enhance our school's learning environment so please read on.

Raffle tickets - these will be sold up until the Book Fair day and then the winner will be drawn on Monday 20 May. Please deliver your tickets and money to Karen by Wednesday 15 May.

Book Fair Sponsorship - There are a number of great sponsorship tiers ranging from \$30 to \$1000. This covers the cost of running the stall plus a donation to the school and there are opportunities to promote your business to our school community. This is a great option if you're light on time but able to help out with a donation. Email stjosephsqt.pta@gmail.com to find out more

Helpers - a form is going home asking for help with the day, lead up and pack down. We need you so please sign up and send it back on Monday with your details!

Baking - we need lots of yummy baking from you all and information around that was sent home yesterday!

Prizes - we could definitely do with a few more prizes for the silent auction and chocolate wheel so please email Emma Sullivan with details emmah@stjosephsqt.school.nz

Thanks in advance for all the mahi to make the Book Fair an amazing success..

Nga mihi,

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

SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT

Moore Markhams Otago provides audit, accounting, tax and business advisory services with their strong network and local focus. They are strategically placed to assist businesses in Queenstown and the Wakatipu Basin and understand the challenges our region faces. Their reputation for providing astute and proactive financial advice to clients has positioned them as valued business partners, with the capacity to deliver positive outcomes.

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Thanks to Moore Markhams Otago and their generous support! Their sponsorship covers the Potato Skewer Stall at the Book Fair and is a huge help in reaching our fundraising targets.



MOORE Markhams

RAFFLE TICKETS FOR THE BOOK FAIR BACK BY 15TH MAY

Please return all book fair raffle tickets to school by Wednesday 15th May sold or unsold (preferably sold). Thank you.

SECOND HAND CLOTHES

Moa class are looking for your second hand clothes to sell at the Book Fair. Please send in any good quality clothes you no longer want to school by Friday and we can sell them for others to enjoy!

BAKING FOR BOOK FAIR



Baking Stall

St. Joseph's P.T.A. are asking all families to bake something for us to sell at the Baking Stall on the day of the Book Fair. Cookies, Cakes, Biscuits, Bread ... all treats welcome!

Please drop your baking off to the school library on Saturday, May 18, before midday to allow us to set up. (We will still accept before 8.30am on Sunday morning).

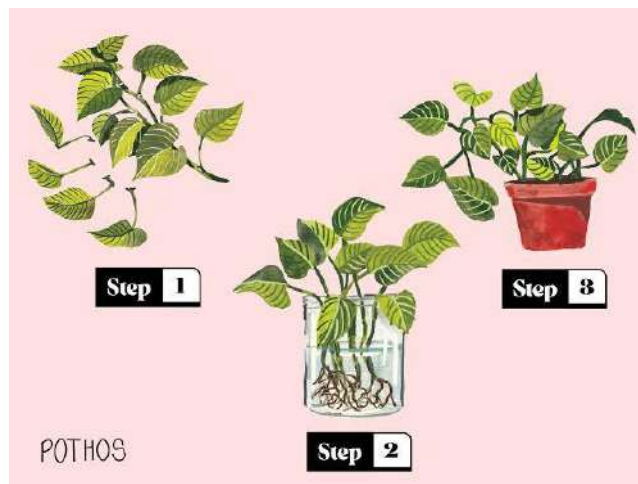
*Please include an ingredients list with your baking
- make a special note if it is egg, dairy or gluten-free.*

*Any questions please contact Bing on 021 1357621
Thank you in advance for your help.
The success of the Book Fair relies on everyone contributing.*

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 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 🙏



FROM THE PRINCIPAL ...

Kia ora te whānau! Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou! Warm greetings to you all!

Aagin, a big thanks for your support for last week's teacher-only day. Marinei and Miek led our staff through the 'Understanding Behaviour, Responding Safely' workshop and it was a very valuable day for all of our staff: "the day was a very worthwhile reminder of how special our neurodiverse students are and the issues they face on a daily basis." We're looking forward to continuing to improve the ways that we support children and respond to challenging behaviour in the school setting.

Our Annual School Book Fair is on next Sunday (19 May), from 10am till 2pm, here at school. It'll be another huge day and we're all really excited about another opportunity for our whole school community to gather and celebrate together. Please do make an effort to come along and offer some help where you can (as outlined above). This event is our biggest annual fundraiser and the money raised will be spent enhancing our learning environment to maximise opportunities and outcomes for our tamariki.

Kia pai to wiki mutunga koutou! Good luck to those taking part in winter sports over the weekend!

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

Alan Grant
Tumuaki | Principal
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PB4L FOCUS

Our Positive Behaviour for Learning focus for the next 2 weeks will be:

“Return to class quickly and sensibly”

We expect that students will:

- return to class quickly and sensibly after going to the toilet
- return to class quickly and sensibly when the bell rings at the end of a break time
- return directly to class without distraction
- use break times to go to the toilet, have a drink, and fill up drink bottles.

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.

GOTCHA WINNERS



EPRO8 CHALLENGE



Last week we had two groups of students travel to Wanaka to take part in the EPro8 Challenge. They displayed excellent perseverance and problem solving skills while working as part of a team. Thank you so much to our wonderful parent helpers for attending!

TECHNOLOGY

Our Year 7 and 8 students had their first day of technology lessons at Queenstown Primary School today. They are learning skills in Hard Materials Technology with Mr Dubnick and Digital Technology with Mr Hill. Ka pai to mahi!



CONGRATULATIONS



Saturday was the opening day for the netball season.

Congratulations to Paige and Cam on receiving player of the day awards for their teams.

St Joes Vipers (pictured below) won all their games at the netball festival.



Congratulations!



PINK SHIRT DAY

Next Friday 17 May we will be celebrating PINK SHIRT DAY at St Joseph's School.

We encourage all students to wear a pink shirt, or anything pink to acknowledge this important day. Pink Shirt Day is about working together to stop bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting kindness and inclusiveness. Pink Shirt Day is the day Aotearoa comes together to take a stand against bullying. The [Mental Health Foundation of New Zealand](https://www.mentalhealth.org.nz/) (MHFNZ) has run the campaign since 2012, inspiring tangata to Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!

If students do not choose to wear pink they will need to wear school uniform as usual. There is no cost for taking part, it is just about raising awareness.

Speak UP
STAND TOGETHER
STOP BULLYING
KŌRERO MAI, KŌRERO ATU, MAURI TŪ, MAURI ORA
FRIDAY 17 MAY 2024
JOIN THE MOVEMENT:
WWW.PINKSHIRTDAY.ORG.NZ
#PINKSHIRTDAYNZ

Mental Health Foundation
KŌRERO MAI, KŌRERO ATU, MAURI TŪ, MAURI ORA

PINK SHIRT DAY 2024

KIWI COMPETITIONS

Is your child a capable student who enjoys science, maths or english? The University of Canterbury Kiwi Competitions are coming up later this term and are open for students in Years 5-8. Entries close on Tuesday. Students can take part in one, two or three events. Please talk to your child's classroom teacher or Alice Dunstan if you would like further information.

2024 Kiwi Competitions

Online competition for Primary, Intermediate and Secondary students



Supported by sponsors: 20 years of science, 20 years of maths, 20 years of english. The Department of Education and Science, the University of Canterbury, the University of Waikato, the University of Otago, the University of Victoria. Register Now! www.canterbury.ac.nz/kiwi

CATHOLIC CHARACTER

The sixth week of Easter



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 is called the Octave of Easter and is celebrated. It is a way of prolonging the joy of the initial day. During the Easter season the Paschal Candle, a symbol of the presence of the Risen Christ among the people of God, stays in the church near the Altar until Pentecost Sunday.

Significance of the Paschal Candle



Fire—it represents Christ's resurrection.

Light—Christ's light that shines in the darkness.

Grain of Incense—they represents the 5 wounds of Christ.

Alpha & Omega—Christ is the beginning and an ending.

Cross— it represents Christ and His eternal life.

Year—it reminds us of God's presence here & now.

PARISH INFORMATION



Queenstown Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm, Sunday 9 am.
3rd Sunday ~ 7 pm, Filipino Mass.
4th Sunday ~ 7 pm, Portuguese Mass

Arrowtown 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays: 11 am Mass
2nd & 4th 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
catkinb@stjosephsqt.school.nz

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