



Newsletter 2019/09

30 May 2019

This Sunday is Ascension Sunday. Pope Francis said "Dear brothers and sisters, the Ascension does not point to Jesus' absence, but tells us that he is alive in our midst in a new way. He is no longer in a specific place in the world as he was before the Ascension.

He is now in the lordship of God, present in every space and time, close to each one of us.

In our life we are never alone: we have this Advocate who awaits us, who defends us. We are never alone: the Crucified and Risen Lord guides us."



Class Award Winners

Room	Week 3	Week 4
1	Yuri Vidal	Matilda Lee
2	Irene Thomas	Lachlan Fraser
3	Louisa Kane	Raahil Hari
4	Evelyn Stanley	Kylie Banlaoi
5	Alex Bagrie	Mannat Battu
6	Daniel Heffernan	Isla-Grace Geddes
7	Zara Brunton	Grace Lysaght
8	Molly Gallagher	Pippa Nevin
9	Isabella Rodden	Emily Stuart
Terrific Behaviour	Yuri Vidal	Mikayla Grant
Mercy Shield	Ashley Taylor	Blake Webber

Cross Country



What a wonderful day we had for the cross country. Thanks to all those parents who helped with marshalling and to Ali Talbot and Rachel Prue-Hannan for setting and up and organisation on the day. All that training paid off and our students did very well on the day.

A beautiful Autumn day was spent at the Scenic Reserve with all our students competing competitively at the Cross Country. Some excellent sportsmanship was shown by Kodey Stewart when one of our students fell.

Thank you to all Parent Marshalls and to the School Community Group for providing ice blocks. The top 10 results in each age group can be found on the website and for any other results see Ali Talbot.

Catherine was the winning house. This was a very close competition, decided on laps completed during training!!

A team of 23 students will represent St Joseph's at the SC Cross Country to be held at Waihi School on **Tuesday 11 June**.

Chess

Last Friday we had 15 students compete in a regional chess tournament at Mountainview. They all competed very well with our Year 6 team of *Millie Humphris, Ruby Laming, Peter Rooney, Alex Sugrue and Lui Tupuola* winning their section. Ruby Laming also won gold as the winning girl in her division and Hannah Heffernan was second girl in her division.

These students practice weekly on Friday lunchtime at our Chess Club run by James McCarthy.



Rippa Rugby



Last week two Year 5 and 6 teams competed in the Year 5-6 Rippa Rugby tournament at Alpine Energy Stadium. The Crusaders had results of 3 draws and 2 losses and the Highlanders had 2 wins, 1 draw and 2 losses.

Albury School teachers made special mention of two of our students, *Brody Davis & Lincoln Harris* who made friends and showed wonderful sportsmanship with a special needs student from their school.

A huge thank you goes to Peter Divan for coaching practices and being there on the day last Wednesday. We really appreciate Peter coming all the way from his busy farm in Albury to help out with all things Rugby.

Peter would appreciate the support of anyone else who can help out with rugby before next term's Marist Cup and First IV Seniors Rugby Tournament. Please let Ali Talbot know if you are available to do this.

Book Week

Art and photos submitted during Book Week are on display in the Hall. Mercy was the winning house for this competition.

Teacher Only Day - Friday 31 May

Tomorrow our staff will join with all the staff of Roncalli, St Joseph's Temuka and Pleasant Point and Sacred Heart to look at well-being and how to support our students. We thank you for your support over the timing of this, with the strike earlier in the week was not being ideal but as this day was planned a year in advance it is hard to change.

Board Election

Seven nominations have been received for the upcoming Board election -

Pam ALLAN
Glenn BLACK
Chris COCKBURN
Kalpesh HARI
Andrew LAMING
Frazer MUNRO
Stephen TODD

There being 7 nominations received for 5 positions, there will now be a Board Election. Voting papers have been posted to all on the electoral roll. These can be posted to school or handed delivered in the envelope that has been provided. There is an election box in the office.

The election closes at 12.00 noon on Friday 7 June.

Any voting papers received by mail after this date must be postmarked before the day of the election.

One nomination was received for the staff representative -

Amanda O'BRIEN

As only 1 nomination was received, I declare **Amanda O'Brien** duly elected to the position of staff representative.

Candidate Statements for the 7 nominations are at the end of this newsletter.

Stephanie Batchelor
RETURNING OFFICER

Choir/ Band & Kapa Haka Performance

Next Friday 7 June at 12.00 noon our choir, band and Kapa Haka groups are performing at the St Mary's Church lunchtime concert. They have been practicing hard for weeks.

All are welcome to go along and enjoy their performance. Students will be transported by bus there and back.

Thanks go to Adrienne Oldfield for all her work arranging these opportunities to perform and for supporting the choir and Kapa Haka group. Thanks also go to Sophie Richardson for working with the band.

Room 9 Teacher for Terms 3 & 4

We are delighted to announce that Kirstin Smith will take up the maternity leave position in Room 9 for Terms 3 - 4. We wish Sophie, Callum and Isabella Richardson all the best as they prepare to welcome their new baby in July. Sophie will be able to work with Kirstin this term to prepare for the change.

Learning Conferences - Wednesday 3 July

8.00 am - 5.30 pm

At St Joseph's School, a Learning Conference is a conference run by students, for their parents, about their learning. During the twelve minute conference, students present learning in different curriculum areas, as shown primarily in their classroom work. Students discuss the process of learning, and the progress they have made with reference to their goals and the criteria against which their work has been evaluated.

Teachers, depending on the age, confidence and capability of students, provide prompts and support for the student to explain their learning progress and next learning steps.

Time has been set aside for you to ask/discuss with the teacher any learning areas not covered in the conference if you need to.

If there are behaviour or social issues, another time should be set aside to discuss this as the focus is on learning. We do ask that the bells are adhered to and that times are kept to, so that all families get a fair time.

We have set up an online booking system -
go to www.parentinterviews.co.nz

You can book school interviews for the times that suit **you**.
Just enter the event code - [2QPZ4GX8](#)

1. Go to parentinterviews.co.nz, enter the event code [2QPZ4GX8](#) and click Go.
2. Enter your name, email address and the names of the students you wish to make bookings for.
3. Select the teachers you'd like to book by ticking the checkbox beside their name, and then click the Book Interviews button at the bottom of the page.
4. Using the timetable, click the Book button beside the time slot you'd like to book for the teacher. You'll be asked to confirm your booking.
5. Continue until you've booked all teachers.

You will receive an email confirming your interviews. That email will have a code with it that you will need to use if you need to make any changes to the time of the interview later on.

If you have any difficulties with booking please let the office know and we will help you through the process.

Caritas Challenge

The activities students were sponsored for, as St Joseph's School participation in the CARITAS Challenge, has raised \$2553.

Thank you for your generosity, support and response to Pope Francis' invitation to '*Live our lives with love*', through which Pope Francis reminded us we are called to live our lives with genuine love - for others and for God.

Board of Trustee Election - Candidate Statements

Pam Allan

I am current Chairperson of St Joseph's School Board of Trustees. I am restanding for election because I am passionate about children's education and believe I have more that I can continue to contribute to this school within this current role.

My husband, Jarved, and I have lived in Timaru for 35 years, with time spent away for university. We have two children who are attending St Joseph's: Ben is in Year 7; and Miri is in Year 5. During my children's time at school I have been involved in: organising the walking school bus; education outside the classroom; classroom parent help; I have been involved with the school community group; and have enjoyed being involved in the life of the school.

I have been the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees for the last 3 years. In this time I have been part of the finance committee which has been able to successfully fund an additional teacher position. I lead the strategic planning for the schools 4 year plan, oversee the implementation of this plan and ensure we review the appropriate policies regularly. I have been a part of ensuring St Joseph's school has continued to get its building upgrades after a moratorium was placed on any building projects after the earthquakes and am part of the planning committee for the new building due to commence this year.

I am a Physiotherapist, Practice Manager and Director at MyPhysio. My knowledge and experience in business, particularly in the finance, human resource and health and safety areas enables me to provide responsive leadership on the school Board.

I am currently Chairperson and Trustee of the South Canterbury Mammography Services Trust and have an understanding of the role of governance versus management. Through this, and the school board, I have had integral roles in leading their strategic planning of the boards and change management.

I have an ability to relate to a wide variety of people from different backgrounds, I am an effective communicator and have a strong sense of empathy.

With your support, I look forward to having another term of input into our current and future students' education at St Joseph's Timaru in collaboration with parents, teachers and staff.

Glenn Black

I am looking forward to continuing to represent the families of St Joseph's School if elected as a parent representative. I was appointed to the board following the last election and would like to continue in this role.

I am married to Sandra and currently have one child at St Joseph's, Jordan is in Room 5, and my daughter was a student up until last year when she went to high school.

I have extensive experience in governance having been involved in a number of organisations over the years. I am the current chairperson of the Timaru Mental Health Support Trust and also a long standing board member of Tennis South Canterbury.

I am a chartered accountant and bring my financial skills to the assist the board with budget setting and helping the board interpret our financial reports.

I believe our school has an excellent community feel and our children have an excellent environment in which to learn and grow. However, as with all schools we have challenges ahead, with the continued pressure on our financial resources and various changes being introduced in the education area. As trustees we need to negotiate these challenges whilst striving to maintain our high standards and values, ensuring our children become independent, life-long learners.

I believe I have the appropriate skills and motivation to be part of a board that successfully helps our school to continue to thrive.

Chris Cockburn

As one of the candidates standing for this year's Board elections, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you. My name is Chris Cockburn and my wife Daphne and I have two children currently attending Saint Joseph's School.

My background is in Engineering and I am currently employed as the Engineering Manager of Alliance Smithfield. I am an ex member of the Royal New Zealand Navy where I served for 11 years completing a number of peacekeeping and operational tasks.

I enjoy being actively involved in our son's rugby club having been in both coaching and team management roles over the years.

Being part of the School Board for me would be a privilege, and an opportunity to share in not only my own children's education but in the education of the families around me.

I look forward to the opportunity of working with our Principal, the Staff, and knowing that the Board is providing the necessary equipment, support and environment that make Saint Joseph's School the exceptional kind of School it is.

Kalpesh Hari

My name is Kalpesh Hari. I am an Indian born in Fiji. I have been living in New Zealand for just over 20 years. After graduating from Victoria University of Wellington, I moved to Timaru in Feb 2003 and started as an accounting graduate at Hubbard Churcher & Co then, now HC Partners LP, Chartered Accountants.

I am a qualified chartered accountant and now also a Partner of HC Partners LP. We are a local chartered accounting firm providing business advisory and accounting services. Outside of work, I am in the Finance sub-committee for the South Canterbury Indian Cultural Society and I also act as an Advisor for the Society. Recently, I got invited by the Volunteering Mid & South Canterbury Group to join the Board which I have accepted the role.

I am married to Priya and we have two beautiful sons, Devansh (6) and Pranil (3). I enjoy most sports but squash is my main sport that I play competitively. I am a member of the Timaru Squash Club. Apart from that, I play inter-firm cricket and touch rugby in the summer, socially.

Timaru has given me a lot of opportunities over the years. It would be an absolute privilege to be part of such a talented and dynamic Board. This would give me an opportunity to have a say on behalf of the Parents and for the greater benefit of the School and the pupils.

Andrew Laming

Hello everybody. My name is Andrew Laming and I'm putting myself up for re-election for the St Joseph's school BOT.

I've just completed my first term on the school board and it's been a really insightful experience into how schools are run. It's a privileged position to help in some small way to steer the direction of the school, but also humbling to realise how hard it is to sometimes make ends meet with varying competing interests and a tight budget, see first-hand how hard our teachers work for their children, and how delicate it is to preserve the special character and cultural fabric of the school.

I'm absolutely thrilled to have been part of a BOT team for the last three years where I feel we have tried hard (and succeeded) to build on the hard work of those that have come before us – to preserve and enhance those qualities. And not without significant help and leadership from all our teachers and support staff, the School Community Group (and their wonderful pies and honey!) and all other participants in our neat little community.

Michelle and I have three girls at the school and we've been involved in the school since our eldest started in 2013. Outside my role as a parent and BOT member, I am a director and owner of a corporate finance advisory firm, called NZAB, with offices located in Timaru, Christchurch and Palmerston North. Within that role, I sit on the advisory boards of a number of NZ's largest Agricultural businesses.

And what I've found is whilst every governance board is different, the central thing for a successful board, whether it be a corporate or a school, **is participation and energy for the future** – to create something that is a little better than what we have today. And also to keep learning – as our own children grow older, we learn new skills alongside them in a world that is changing so rapidly- but that's the exciting bit!

So, with that in mind, I'd love to see even more people sticking their hand up in the future to participate in our school. We would love your input. You are the community, you create our culture.

Andrew

Frazer Munro

Hello

My name is Frazer Munro. I am a current member of the St Joseph's Board of Trustees and am re-standing as I am keen to continue my involvement in the school by contributing to its governance and strategic direction. My wife, Catherine, and I have our two children, Julia and Max at St Joseph's.

I have been on the Board of Trustees for nearly five years and in that time have contributed to regular policy reviews, development of the Strategic and Annual Plans, as well as being a member of the finance committee. Recent role increases have qualified the school for the funding of an additional classroom. I have lead the property workshop, working alongside Board of Trustee members and staff, to develop a five year property plan that best utilises the existing spaces and identifies the needs that the school has of any new facility. Alongside the Principal, we are working with the Diocese and their consultant to realise new teaching spaces for 2020. I would like to continue this work and see the completion of this development.

Stephen Todd

I'm currently employed by Downer NZ Ltd as Operations Manager for the South Canterbury Region, this is a position I've held for 5 years. As part of this role I'm also involved in the governance board for the contract which is valued at over 80 million, previous to this I held a similar role in UK with a local authority. I often deal with elected members as well as stakeholders at all levels, this has allowed me to develop valuable skills in dealing with often sensitive information.

I enjoy helping in the community and have been active on West End Football Committee over the last 2 years, I also coach one of the teams along with South Canterbury Rep Soccer.

I feel I can contribute on the School Board by using the experience I've gained over my career. My main skills are people and financial management, and enjoy solving issues when required. I'm very self-driven and strive to achieve the highest standards possible at all times, I apply this at work and in my personal life.

Yours sincerely
Stephen Todd



Mt Dobson Ski & Snowboard Club
SNOW SPORT
SCHOLARSHIPS 2019

FREE SKI or BOARD THIS SEASON

Who qualifies?

- a. Boys & girls 8 years to 14 years. (As at 1 January 2019)
- b. Permanent resident of South Canterbury
- c. Must be competent on snow & have access to full equipment (helmet recommended)
- d. Have a source of transport
- e. Must be available to ski each Sunday - July and August.

What you get!

FIVE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS EACH GET -

- A. Free - Five day ski passes at Mt. Dobson**
- B. Free - Four lessons with our instructors**
- C. Free - Full family club membership (if not already)**

Parents

This is a chance to propel your keen child into a dynamic, positive sport, mixing with positive people and experiences. Please help fill out the application with your child. Feel free to ask questions by phone or e-mail. A van is available at the gate or BP station Fairlie to take people up (www.mtdobson.co.nz) but most applicants will receive a list of contacts that they can use to get rides up the mountain each weekend. See Mt Dobson website for contact detail. Obviously proper gear, clothing, food and money would need to be organised as it can be a hostile zone at times if not prepared. Being a smaller field, support is always there and they will be with new mates most of the time. The day passes allow them to ski any day the field is open and has other discounts too.

Fill in the application form and send by 14 JUNE 2019



Mt Dobson Ski & Snowboard Club
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Name.....

Address.....

Home phone.....Cell.....

Email.....

Age at 1 Jan. 2019

- How many days did you ski last year?
- What level are you? Beginner, Intermediate, Parallel turns, Advanced all - mountain, Racer. (Circle one)
- You own or have access to ski gear? yes / no (circle one)
- What other winter sports are you committed to?
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- You are available for MOST Sundays in July & August yes / no (circle one)
- Write a one page essay about the levels you want to get to with snow sport and your favourite moments on snow.

Applicant's signature.....

Parent/Guardian I support the application and feel all criteria are met.

Name..... Cell phone.....

Signature.....

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- Cubs –** For girls and boys aged between 8 and 11. We meet on Tuesdays from 6.30pm to 8.00pm. Our Cubs enjoy teamwork, camps, hikes, geocaching, biking and work towards badges.
- Scouts –** For girls and boys aged between 11 and 14. We meet on Thursdays from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. Our Scouts also work towards badges and enjoy hikes, teamwork, and learn leadership skills. They go on camps, some of which have a theme such as photography or aviation.

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021 2899229 or waimataitai@skids.co.nz

New enrolment registration www.skids.co.nz

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Aidan Theatre is running a holiday programme designed for children and teenagers wanting to extend their interest in acting. Details below -

Package Deal \$150 per term!

Childrens Choir/React Acting Class

Children's Choir

Thursdays at 3.30pm-4.15pm

A great starting ground for younger singers, being surrounded by young adults to help them build confidence through their singing journey. The older members learn to be good role models, lead some of the songs and have solo opportunities.

Children will learn

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- Working together, and a variety of music

Act One 5-8yrs
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