



PINK SHIRT DAY
St Johns Hill School supports being Bully Free!!

Bullying is a very serious and distressing experience. Many children and young people carry the effects of bullying into their adult lives and relationships. Bullying can happen anywhere and to anyone, in lots of different ways. It could be in a physical place, such as the playground, the classroom, the sports field or the park. Or, it might take place online or on a mobile phone, through social media, online games or by text message. No matter where or how it happens, we all have a responsibility to make it stop. All children and young people have the right to feel safe, secure, accepted and valued. To achieve this, boards of trustees, school leadership and staff, students and their parents and whānau all need to work together. The Cross Sector Bullying Prevention Advisory group is a collaboration of 18 organisations who have put out an excellent resource about tackling bullying. It is informative about what bullying is and also what to do! Go online to: www.bullyingfree.nz to view. It is an excellent guide for parents and whanau. Year 6 students have been involved in Graphic Design with the support of Kylie Munn. They have produced these amazing posters in support of Anti Bullying week.



Academic Achievement and/or Progress:

Congratulations to the following students:



- Jack Bowen** Outstanding project work and overall problem solving.
- Sae Nakata** Excellent ANZAC letter writing. Sae is selecting words and phrases to enhance meaning and mood.
- Leith Dorricott** A very creative thinker—Thinking outside the box to solve problems (what ingredient is missing in an ANZAC biscuit?)
- Sam Anderson** Excellent thinking and reflecting about ANZAC day.
- Emily Jamieson** Demonstrates a high level of understanding in Inquiry learning.
- Ian Kim** Use of rich language in his Autumn writing.
- Chloe Spicer** For applying herself in her 'word work'.
- Dexter Bunker** Demonstrates a great enthusiasm for literacy and has made good progress.
- Molly Carson** Writing so impressively with focus, determination and independence.
- Theia Bunker** Has a great attitude towards her learning. Theia has been working hard to learn her words and can write many words from memory.
- Jed Bullock** An excellent attitude to all his learning. You have a growth mindset and give all activities your very best effort, even when it may be challenging.
- Isabella Boden-Cave** For developing a positive attitude towards her reading and trying hard at home during the school holidays!
- Liam Andrews** Great thinking skills when solving maths rich tasks.

Virtues Programme

Well done to the following students who were recognised this week for displaying their virtues.



- Unity:** Elizabeth Adrole, Eric Craig, Eden Matthews, Jacob Hagan.
- Manaakitanga—Caring:** Ollie Filer, Tayla Scrivener.
- Diligence:** Saraea-Jane Drummond.
- Enthusiasm:** Dexter Bunker, Mason Toohill, Devaney Russell, Isaak Joblin-Mills.
- Self Discipline:** Hannah Crawford, Marina Lister, Henry Jacques.




- Unity:** Seth Simpson, Charlee Joseph, Brooke Rasmussen.
- Reliability:** Jazz Bains.
- Manaakitanga-Caring:** Livi Heerdegen.
- Enthusiasm:** Jaime Munro, Neeva Fromont, Isla Hamblin.

Self Discipline: Annabelle Matheson, Dallas Drummond, Maliky Te Weri.

Welcome to School


A warm welcome to Jacob Chisholm who joined our school family this week. Great to have you here Jacob. We wish you all the best for your learning at our school.



Kids Literacy Quiz

Last week our Kids Literacy Quiz Team travelled to New Plymouth for the regional finals. Our Year 6 team competed against 35 other teams, mostly Year 7 and 8 teams. There are ten categories for the teams to answer, each with ten questions. Some of these categories were rodents, rivers, roads, shapeshifters and spiders! An example of a question is: A famous spider can weave messages. How many messages did she weave in the barn? (A clue is read Charlotte's Web for the answer!)

The St Johns Hill Team, Piper Gaisford, Cosette Guy, Liam Meijer and Caleb Richardson placed second in the Year 6 teams and 15th overall. A fantastic result for the first time we have competed at this competition. We congratulate Whanganui Intermediate on their 1st and 3rd place. (Photo- Caleb, Liam, Piper, Quizmaster -Wayne Mills and Cosette)



Asbestos Removal—Room 1 and 2

Action Drainage and Construction Ltd have been contracted to remove the non-friable asbestos in Block 1, Classroom 1 and 2 as well as the adjacent breakout room at St Johns Hill School on the 24th of May 2019. The works will take approximately three days to complete. The asbestos will be removed under controlled qualified supervision according to the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015. There is no danger to the public while this work is being carried out and only authorized personal are permitted on site.

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau

Kia ora tatou

St Johns Hill School has had a tremendous start to Term 2. The weather is beginning to change, to be expected now that we are half way through May. We now have our own School App which will allow us to communicate more easily and keep in touch, via alerts and notifications sent directly to your mobile phone. Below is information about the features and benefits of the App which is now being used in over 600 schools who report of its success. We encourage our families to download the App and select your child/s classes or sports teams to receive alerts. Thank you for your ongoing help and support.

Nga Mihi
Michael Fitzgerald.



St Johns Hill School now has a School App

Go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and Search 'SchoolAppsNZ' to download the app onto your device. Then search 'St Johns Hill School' to find our school's app.

With this App you will be able to:

- Report Absentees
- Check Newsletters
- Receive reminders of school events
- Access School Calendar
- Receive Alerts for Sports teams
- Check Term Dates

School Closed Wednesday 29th May—Strike Day

Primary and secondary teachers across New Zealand have both voted overwhelmingly in favour of taking joint strike action on 29 May, NZEI Te Riu Roa and the Post Primary Teachers' Association (PPTA) announced today.

Primary principals also voted in favour of the strike. Primary teachers and principals voted in secret ballots at meetings across the country over the last week, while in the same period the PPTA held an online ballot of secondary school teachers.

The joint strike will see the largest ever industrial action by New Zealand teachers, covering almost 50,000 members across the two unions. The unions are calling for a day of action for the future of education on 29 May, and are encouraging parents and the public to join them at public events around the country.

NZEI Te Riu Roa president Lynda Stuart says teachers are raising their voices together to say they need the government to prioritise addressing the education crisis.

"Giving teachers time to teach and to lead, and ensuring teaching is a viable long-term career choice, is essential if children are to get the teaching and learning they deserve. We know we have enormous support from parents and we ask all New Zealanders to support us in our fight for the future of education in New Zealand.

Teachers have spoken – they want the government to find a solution, now. Our children cannot wait and neither can our teachers."



Start looking for a Wig to wear in support of Child Cancer on Wig Wednesday 19th June.

SJHS ANZAC Service

As my class merges out the door I see every other class of year 4,5,6, do a crisp salute to the soldiers of ANZAC. Clasped between my fingers is a little, dainty cut rosemary. All in a millisecond, the haunting tune of the bugle rang out across the field. Then as fast as it started, it stopped. After one minute it started again. This time I stood at attention. Then it was the end of our ANZAC service. By Alex Beitchef Room 6