

Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whanau

Tena Kotou Katoa

Hard to believe, in one week, Term 3 of 2020 will conclude. Again, this has been another unprecedented term for us all. Most of this term has been at level 2, with a number of events and happenings being either postponed or cancelled due to Covid Level 2 restrictions. It is hoped that on Monday, if all is going well, the Government will announce that most of the country will be reduced to Covid Level 1.

Once again I acknowledge the tremendous effort made by New Zealanders to reduce and eliminate/minimalise the spread of Covid. Your support to our school during this term is appreciated. This is the final newsletter for Term 3. Students will be welcomed back for Term 3 on Monday 12th October.

I wish you all a happy, safe, healthy spring holiday.

Nga mihi nui

Michael Fitzgerald

Welcome to School



A warm welcome to the following students who have recently joined our school family.
Cian Tighe, Rihaan Patel, Alba Matthews, Penelope Chatterton, Baxter Clunie,

Pax and Titus Johnson. We wish you all the best for your learning at our school.

Pink Shirt Mufti Day - Friday 16th October

In New Zealand, Pink Shirt Day aims to create schools, workplaces and communities where all people feel safe, valued and respected, stop bullying and spread kindness.

Our school will participate in **Pink Shirt Day**.

We appreciate support for this day with learners and our school community wearing something pink e.g. t-shirt, dress, scarf or other accessory. We welcome creativity!



Thank You New World

Thank you to Mark Oliver from Wanganui New World for the kind donation of a new raised vegetable garden. Mr Oliver kindly donated the wooden garden frame, bags of garden mix and seedlings which was happily received by room Thour.



AT ST JOHNS HILL SCHOOL WE SHOW

R	-	RELIABILITY	I live above the line and am dependable.
E	-	EXCELLENCE	I do my best.
S	-	SELF DISCIPLINE	I manage myself.
P	-	POSITIVITY	I am optimistic and enthusiastic.
E	-	ENGAGEMENT	I enjoy my learning and am inquiring.
C	-	CARING	I relate well to others and our environment.
T	-	THINKING	I am curious, creative and a lifelong learner.

FOR SELF, OTHERS AND OUR ENVIRONMENT

Virtues Awards

Congratulations to the following students for displaying our school virtues.



Humility: Michael Michau, Connor Hovey, Charlee Joseph, Bailee Jones, Evie Thornton, Dinasha Batra, Hazel White.

Rangatiranga - Our best always: Mason Bagley, Zoe Baskett, Vinnie Grant. **Manaakitanga - Caring for others:** Lily Hayward.

Joyfulness: Bryn Norman, Atiria Potaka-Osborne Milner-Skudder, Sapphire Hall. **Friendliness:** Matilda Milsom.

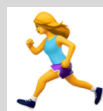
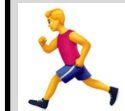
Determination: Paterson Tinsley, Lara Davis.

School Cross Country Postponed

New Date - Term 4, Week 2

Wednesday 21st October

(Postponement date Thursday 22nd October)



PB4L- Positive Behaviour for Learning

Our major professional learning and development for all staff in 2020 is Positive Behaviour for Learning. We would like your input and value your voice in this process.

We have been developing our 3 values for our school. The values that we will use with our learners will be easy to understand and can be said fluently by all children and staff.

The values are in keeping with our virtues project, our school mission statement and vision.

- Respect for self.
- Respect for others.
- Respect for the environment.

Our Purpose Statement for PB4L that we have been developing along with our staff and learners is:

St Johns Hill School will actively practice PB4L, where all will develop respect for themselves, others and the environment and aim for excellence in all endeavours, through Whanaungatanga (actively engaging in respectful working relationships with Māori learners, parents and whānau, hapū, iwi and the Māori community).

If you have any feedback or comments you would like to make about the PB4L three values or purpose statement for St Johns Hill School can you please send this to Jo Maguire - Deputy Principal
jo.maguire@sjhscloud.school.nz

Academic Awards

Congratulations to the following students:



Amber Turner

For taking responsibility for her own self-directed learning.

Mason Hunt

Excellent attitude and perseverance in all your work.

Harrison Cotter

Thinking and expressing yourself like a writer; noticing and including specific details.

Emily Jamieson

Great writing, excellent Fathers Day description.

Divan Thom

Thinking critically about what he reads. Confidently sharing his ideas with others.

Dexter Bunker

Making great progress and showing perseverance and focus in his work.

Sam Ellingham

Excellent attitude and perseverance in all your work. Ka rawe Sam!

Yana Thomson Wiari

For her increased commitment to all areas of her learning. Keep it up!

George Joy Jiju

Amazing effort in your reading and writing. You are thinking about slowing the words down to write all the sounds you hear.

Theia Daley

Fantastic effort in writing! Theia has excellent alphabet and sound knowledge.

Freddie Thompson

An excellent attitude and effort with all his learning. You have developed such a Growth Mindset Freddie.

Mountain Biking Competition Report

On Thursday 10th of September, four year six students went to Lake Pauri and competed in the Sport Wanganui Mountain biking competition. They were Ethan Toy, Mitchell Young, Ashton Eiseman and Jake McKechnie. There were forty five people in the year six race and Ethan got fourth, Ashton got fifth, Mitchell got eleventh and Jake got twenty second. The track was around four kilometres. The track was Alcatraz, Jungle Jinx and Dragon Wiggles. Thanks to the parents who took the mountain bikers. It was a great day!



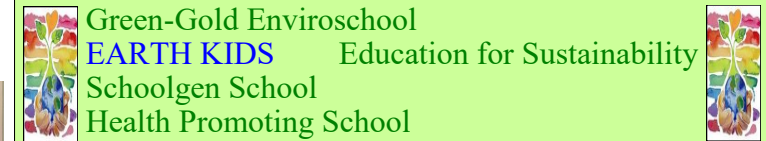
Celebrating Success

Congratulations to Bailee Jones who competed in the Wanganui Aerobics Competition held last weekend, winning 1st place. Well done!



Absentees

Please ensure you report all absent students directly to the office prior to 9am. Thank you.



Principals Appointment:

Thank you for the feedback the Board of Trustees received from staff, students and community, regarding the qualities and characteristics for the next SJHS Principal.

From this feedback, the B.O.T set the St Johns Hill School Principal person specification below.

St Johns Hill School Principal Person Specifications

Our new Principal will be a passionate, successful, experienced leader who demonstrates that they are able to do the following to a high standard:

- Organise and lead the school with learning and teaching at the heart of everything
- Communicate effectively
- Foster trusting relationships
- Be a positive role model for staff and learners through enacted professionalism
- Inspire, motivate and challenge staff to reflect on their practice and improve their teaching
- Build upon current effective practices and guide future direction
- Embrace our education for sustainability philosophy and lead the school on the next stage of this journey
- Support diversity and inclusion and promote cultural awareness
- Work in close partnership with the board and community
- Competently manage school finances, IT systems, personnel, property and assets

A note from our learners

Our new Principal will:

- Live above the line
- Show manaakitanga
- Make people smile
- Go out for walks to make sure everyone is happy

The St Johns Hill School Board of Trustees is currently advertising this position.

The current timeline has the appointment process concluding by the end of November.

At this time, the BOT will share the outcome of the recruitment process with our community.

Thank You

Janine Heerdegen

Chairperson - St Johns Hill School Board of Trustees

Bucket Filling

Bucket filling encourages positive behaviour by using the concept of an invisible bucket to show children how easy and rewarding it is to express kindness, appreciation and love by "filling buckets."

When you treat others with kindness and respect, you fill their bucket. When you fill someone's bucket, you fill your own bucket, too. You feel good when you help others feel good.

