

# 21 May 2021

Tēnā katou,

Well the leaves are falling and the weather is becoming less predictable so we know we are well into Autumn already. Like the weather, we too are undergoing a number of changes at SJHS.

We have installed a new Student Management System called eTAP. This will help us to keep all of student related records from attendance and assessment through to contacts and payments in one place. As we become more familiar with this system we will begin to use it more and more as a schoolwide communication portal. We have also looked at our library package and have moved to AccessIT. There is a link on our website which allows you and your child the ability to search our library for books and other resources from home. The last piece of our data and communication sharing puzzle is the use of a website called Schooldocs to hold and share all of our school's policies. Have a look for yourself by visiting [www.schooldocs.co.nz](http://www.schooldocs.co.nz) username: stjohhill password: 71parkes

We will continue to strive to deliver the best education and experiences for your son/daughter and part of this process is reflecting on what we currently do and see how it can be improved.

Nga mihi nui  
Darren Torrie

## Absences

If your child is going to be absent please report this to the school office.  
The school landline is 06 349 1750.  
The school cellphone number is 022 471 9013 or there is an absentee function on the school app.  
Please do not message through Seesaw. Currently the absentee function on the website is unavailable so please use an alternative method to report absence.

## SJHS PTA Pie Fundraiser

The pie order forms were sent home with our newsletter last fortnight. Please support this fundraiser by asking family and friends to order pies. All orders are due back by Wednesday 2nd June. Pies will be delivered on Thursday 17th June. PTA would appreciate internet banking on all orders. This can be paid directly into account 03-0791-0436491-00 using the reference printed on your form. Our PTA work tirelessly to raise funds for extra resources throughout our school to enhance our students learning. We appreciate your support.



## School Trip Reminders:

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> :	Ruru Team	Puanga - Museum Trip
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> :	Tui Team	Puanga - Museum Trip

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School Website: [www.stjohnshill.school.nz](http://www.stjohnshill.school.nz)  
Facebook: St Johns Hill School



Our students and staff supporting Pink Shirt Day.

## Welcome to School

A warm welcome to Nova Johnson who has joined our school family this week. We wish you all the best for your learning at our school. Our latest new entrant class, room 12, has opened this week with Mrs Jess Devane.



## Y-Kids

The YMCA are now running the after school care programme for SJHS pupils after school in room 17. Pop in and have a look. Students can be booked in on a regular or intermittent basis. This programme is run directly from the Y.

## Clothing

As the days heat up and cool down we are noticing a lot of clothing and footwear left around the school. Please ensure that all articles of uniform are clearly named so that we can easily return them to the correct owner.

## Room 6 Art

This week, Room 6 made some lovely autumnal paintings after hunting around the school grounds for leaves in the many colours of the season. We experimented with brush strokes, printing and sponge techniques - with impressive results!

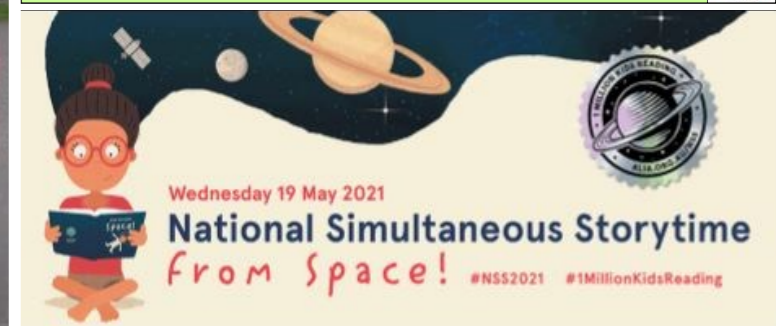


## Scooters/Bikes

It is great to see so many of our students biking and scooting to school. Please remind your child/ren that bikes and scooters are not to be ridden through the school grounds when arriving or leaving school. This is a health and safety concern and these need to be walked through school.

## Green-Gold Enviroschool

Earth Kids Education for Sustainability  
Schoolgen School Health Promoting School



It was an astronomical event on Wednesday watching astronaut Shannon Walker read "Give me some Space" from the International Space Station. We were amongst 1,980,280 other participants at 33,418 locations across Australia and New Zealand.



## Lucky Book Club

Last day for Orders:

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## Tackle Rugby Tournament

On the 20th of May 2021, 11 year 6 students went to a tackle rugby tournament at Springvale Park. There were 12 schools that showed up, but we only got to play against four of them, (3 games in our pool and then the final). We won all of the games! It was an awesome day where we had a lot of good tackles and runs, plus holding lots of possession. Everyone played really well as a team. When it was the finals we ended tied 3-3, (Finlay had scored all 3 tries). Overtime was required. It was really heated as the winner was whoever scored the first try. On our possession the halfback passed the ball to Guy. Guy got the ball and just got past two defenders and put the ball down. We were all screaming, YES! We were all so happy and couldn't believe it and all piled on top of Guy. We'd like to say a big thank you to all the parents who provided transport and came along to support. We'd also like to say thank you to Vince and Matt for taking the team. By Jack Reid, Harrison Cotter and Finlay Cairncross.



Children have this amazing way of becoming exactly who we tell them they are. If we tell them they are strong, they become strong. If we tell them they are kind, they become kind. If we tell them they are capable, they become capable. Speak life into your kids, so they will have what it takes to tackle their own life one day.

Amy Weatherly