



# Week 2 Term 2

## 8th May 2019

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School Facebook [www.facebook.com/groups/stmarysschoolwanganui](https://www.facebook.com/groups/stmarysschoolwanganui)

School App From the Google Apps / Play Store: SchoolAppsnz St Mary's School

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Last week we had our Special Character Review. We have had extremely positive feedback from the team who spent three days working with us. We will be sharing their findings once the report is written.

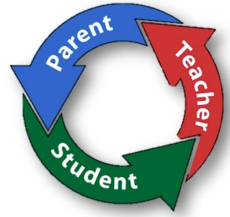
They were particularly impressed with our students and how welcoming they were to the team conducting the review.

I feel so blessed to be working with such an amazing team of staff, students, parents and parish community.

Also in Special character news, our teachers are about to start a course through the Catholic Institute of Aotearoa. We are all completing a paper called Catholic Social Teaching. This course is looking into the Church's teaching on justice and peace and how we can use this to build our students towards applying action for both justice and peace in our world.



**Heads Up!**



**23rd of May**

School Closes at 1pm for...

**Parent Interviews**

Booking details will come out next week.

**PTA Pie Fundraiser!!!**

**Pies** will be ready to pick up on the **9th of May** from the School Hall **after 3pm**.

Every pie bought helps your school.

We appreciate your support!



# SENIOR DISCO

**Thursday 16th May**



**Year 5/6 5pm-6.30pm**

**Year 7/8 6.45-8.15pm**

**Tickets \$5  
Must be pre-  
purchased  
from office**



**Sausages, drinks and nibbles  
available on the night. Sausages  
must be pre-ordered for \$2**



I would like to attend the yr5/6 or yr7/8 roller disco  
and purchase \_\_\_\_\_ sausages

# COURTESY

## Whakaaro atawhai



"to speak evil of no one, to avoid quarrelling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all people." (Titus 3:2)

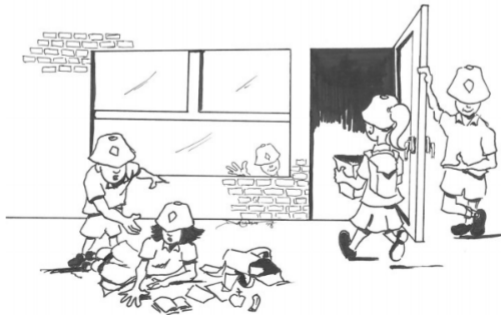
In Term 2 we are focusing on the Gospel Value of **Courtesy**.

**We would love you to take the time to talk** about and reinforce each aspect of our ICIC Gospel Values with your child.

This week we look at **See a Need**... there are 4 skills that we can work towards.


### See a Need

- Stepping aside for an adult
- Opening a door for someone
- Putting someone's needs before my own
- Offering assistance to others



## SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

School trustee elections are coming up.

Step forward for our schools 

Contact your school for a nomination form or learn more about trustee elections

 [trustee-election.co.nz](https://trustee-election.co.nz)

 0800 353 284

 [electionsadvice@nzsta.org.nz](mailto:electionsadvice@nzsta.org.nz)

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## What is a school board of trustees?

Almost all state and state integrated schools in New Zealand have a board of trustees. School board membership includes parent representatives, a staff representative, a student representative (where there are students above year 9) and the principal. Your board may also include other types of trustees. Contact your school for more information on the composition of your school's board.

## Who can become a trustee?

Parents, caregivers and people from the wider community can put their name forward to be on a school board during the board of trustee elections.

## What do trustees do?

The board is accountable to its parents and community and for student progress and achievement. Here are some specific things a board does:

- Sets the strategic direction and plans for the school and monitors the school's progress against them.
- Monitors and evaluates student progress.
- Oversees the management of staff, property, finances, curriculum and administration.
- Ensures that the educational needs and aspirations of Maori learners, Pasifika learners and learners with special learning and behaviour needs are identified, planned for and met.
- Fulfils the intent of the Treaty of Waitangi by valuing and reflecting New Zealand's dual cultural heritage.
- Appoints and supports the principal and assesses their performance.

## What skills do trustees need?

Trustees are active leaders in their schools and need to work well in a team, ask challenging questions and have good communications skills. Boards need a balance of skills and experiences around the table to ensure effective processes for planning, monitoring, reporting and reviewing of the school's performance are in place.

## What help do school trustees get?

New Zealand School Trustees Association provides free advice around employment and governance, support and resources. NZSTA also provides a variety of professional development opportunities for trustees.

## Board of Trustee Dates

**Call for Nominations: May 10th**

**Nominations Close: May 24th**

**Voting Papers sent out: May 29th**

**Voting Day: June 7th**

**Votes counted: June 13th**

**Board takes Office: June 14th**





You are warmly invited  
to attend the  
**Cullinane College**  
**Open Evening**

June 27th beginning  
at 6.30pm in the  
College's Performing  
Arts Centre





**Making music ...**



*Executive brain function is the strongest predictor of academic success. Neurological research confirms it is better in musicians than in non-musicians.” PLoS One. 2014*

St Marys School with Brass Wanganui are offering the opportunity for students to learn brass instruments in school. Taught by Bruce Jellyman (FTCL) using the bands brass learning program and instruments. Students need to be 8 years of age or older and available to carry on into Brass Whanganui

The cost to parents is just \$5 each week and the student will have lessons and the use of an instrument to take home to practice on. Students will perform in school and become associated with Wanganui’s best musical organisation BRASS WHANGANUI.

If you wish to discuss this with me please contact Bruce Jellyman 0275404159 or bruce.jellyman@gmail.com.

Electronic Enrolment form is on our App and facebook or ring the school 06 3431227.

Please enrol (students name)..... In the brass beginner program.

My child is in (teachers name)..... class at St Marys School.

Parent contact : Name: .....

Phone: ..... Email: .....



**COMING  
SOON**

## May

8th:

- Year 7/8 Tech @ Cullinane
- Kapahaka
- Rotary Readers
- Assembly Room 6

9th:

- Pita Pit go to lunchonline
- Pie Delivery Day 3pm
- Growing Young Leaders–Year 8's

10th:

- Gifted and Talented
- Mass at Cullinane Rooms 4 and 5

13th:

- Badminton Room 7

14th:

- Dance: Room 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11

15th:

- Year 7/8 Tech @ Cullinane
- Kapahaka
- Rotary Readers

16th:

- Growing Leaders Year 8's Sport Whanganui
- Roller Disco–see ad for times

17th:

- Gifted and Talented
- Mass at Cullinane Rooms 6 and 7

20th:

- Badminton Room 7

21st:

- Dance: Room 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
- National Young Leaders Day - School Council

22nd:

- Year 7/8 Tech @ Cullinane
- Kapahaka
- Rotary Readers
- Assembly Room 5

23rd:

- School Closes at 1pm for Parent Interviews



**Staff Only Day 4th June**  
**School Mass 9th of June**