



Week 1 Term 1 February 2021

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Welcome back!

I hope you have all had a chance to unwind and spend time with your whanau. As a staff we have come back with optimism that this year will be outstanding!

We have many new learning opportunities to engage and add richness to your child's learning organised for the year. I am so proud of our wonderful staff who have worked hard to put together the years programme

Newsletters will be fortnightly. Any notices that come up during that time will be loaded up to our App and Facebook page.

You will notice on the calendar that we have a week of parent interviews starting on the 15th of February. This will be an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to discuss any information you feel we should know. Details of bookings and times will come to you next week via the app, email and Facebook.

Mā te Atua e manaaki

Jacqui Luxton



Introducing...

Mr Lewis Waite

Welcome to our school family.

Mr Waite is teaching Year 2 & 3 students in **Room 4**.

We are so pleased to have him join our staff.



Uniform Reminders

We take great pride in our school and it begins with uniform! Students looked stunning as they arrived on Wednesday. We want these standards to stay high. Please remember hair ties should be Navy or Black, no nail polish, no rings or bracelets. Taonga and crosses are accepted but must be tucked in. Thank you for your efforts in ensuring our students are the best dressed in town.



- St Mary's Hat
- Navy and Red Check Tunic
- Black Roman Sandals

ITS SUMMER UNIFORM TIME

Please help us!
Name things in at least 7 places.
That way we can return misplaced items to their rightful owner.

PE Gear.
St Mary's T-Shirt
Navy Blue shorts

- St Mary's Hat
- White Shirt
- Navy and Red Check Skirt
- Black Roman Sandals

No
Hat
No
Play

- St Mary's Hat
- Grey Shirt
- Grey Shorts
- Black Roman Sandals

ITS SUMMER UNIFORM TIME

Please help us!
Name things in at least 7 places.
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PE Gear.
St Mary's T-Shirt
Navy Blue shorts

- St Mary's Hat
- Navy Blue Shirt
- Grey Shorts
- Black Roman Sandals

Please remember to name your child's uniform...

Name it, name it and name it again...

Vivid marker, fancy lables, twink pens, sewn in initials...

We have 260 of everything and it gets hard to return uniform if it is left behind at break.



Who to see... If you have a query or concern regarding your child please see your child's Teacher first. If you still require assistance please see your child's Team Leader as follows:

Junior Team
Dallas Limpus:
Students from JLC, Room 3, 4 and 5

Middle Team
Cath Daignault:
Students from Rooms 6, 7 and 8

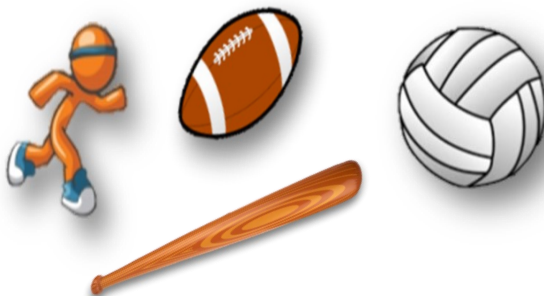
Senior Team
Ian Kerr:
Students from Rooms 9, 10 and 11



Summer sports notices are coming home.

Please return these promptly so we can get teams and coaches sorted.

- Touch Rugby
- Volleyball Year 7 & 8
- Kiwi Cricket Year 5 & 6
- T-Ball / Softball



2021 Parish Picnic

At the Grounds of St Anne's Church and School

Sunday 14th February

The picnic will begin at 11:30am with traditional picnic games for all ages, with a BBQ lunch to follow at about 12:30pm. ***Come and join our Parish celebration and enjoy some time together***

Picnic Lunch: Please bring a salad and dessert to share

The Parish will provide cooked sausages, bread, sauce, plates and forks. BYO drinks but water will be available. If you want a seat, do remember to bring one :-)

Volunteers Needed for serving food, cooking the BBQ and assisting with the games. Please contact the office if you would like to assist.



Come one come all... this is a great opportunity to mix with the wider parish and get to know other families in our Catholic Schools.

Kia Ora

My name is Vivienne East and I am a Registered Nurse based at the Whanganui Hospital. I visit St Mary's School throughout the school year offering support, advice and referrals for any health concerns that parents, caregivers or teachers may have.

Some of the health problems include: allergies, nutrition concerns, growth and development, immunisations, puberty concerns, bed-wetting, toileting issues, vision and hearing, parenting support.

I can be contacted on my mobile on 021 373 212 or through the Whanganui Hospital on 06 348 3343 or you can email me on

vivienne.east@wdhb.org.nz



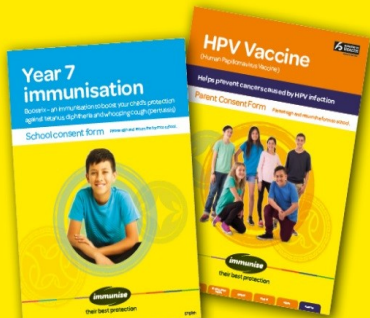
Nga Mihi

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If your child is in **Year 7 or 8** they'll be offered important **free** immunisations at school. These will help protect them against serious diseases, and will also help protect your whānau and our wider community.

Ask your child for the consent form they've been given for you to read, sign and return to school.

For more information:
Talk to the **Public Health Nurse**
visit health.govt.nz/imms-older-children
or call **0800 Immune**



There is an information session with students 9.15am on Thursday the 11th February. Parents are welcome to attend this. For more information please contact Vivienne East, Public Health Nurse on 021 373 212



February

Wiki Rua / Week Two

Monday 8th:

- Waitangi Public holiday / School closed

Tuesday 9th:

- Kiwi Cricket Sessions

Wednesday 10th:

- Hearing and Vision
- Assembly 2pm

Thursday 11th:

Year 7&8 Immunisation information session 9.15am - Parents are welcome to attend this session

Friday 12th:

- Gifted & Talented

Wiki Toru / Week Three

Monday 15th:

- Meet the Teacher Parent Interviews 3.15 - 5.30

Tuesday 16th:

- Kiwi Cricket Sessions
- Meet the Teacher Parent Interviews 3.15 - 5.30
- Intermediate Club - Box Fit at Iron Alley 3.30-4.30

Wednesday 17th:

- Ash Wednesday Liturgy 12pm
- Meet the Teacher Parent Interviews 3.15 - 5.30

Thursday 18th:

- Meet the Teacher Parent Interviews 3.15 - 5.30

Friday 19th:

- Gifted & Talented Art

Wiki Whā / Week Four

Monday 22nd:

- Sport Whanganui Year 7 & 8's

Tuesday 23rd:

- Kiwi Cricket Sessions
- Sport Whanganui Leaders Programme Year 7 & 8's
- Intermediate Club - Box Fit at Iron Alley 3.30-4.30
- Baptism Information Evening 6.30pm at St Mary's church

Wednesday 24th:

- Rotary Readers
- Contributing Year 5 & 6 Swimming Trials
- Assembly 2.15pm