



St John's School Newsletter

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Principal's Page:

Athletic Sports

Congratulations to all children who participated in the Maniototo Athletic Sports last Friday 2nd November and a big congratulation (again!) to:

O'Neill House

on winning the school sports shield for the second year in a row. McAuley House was not far behind so well done to them, too!

O'Neill House	1st	15 points
McAuley House	2nd	14.2 points
Hamiltons (M.A.S.)	3rd	12.2 points

Well done, everyone.

A special congratulations to the following children who will represent Maniototo at the Otago Primary School Athletic Sports on Tuesday 20th November in Dunedin:

Tessa Steele	Briar Duncan	Sandee Barroga
Maggie Dowling	Hannah Cormack	Annie Dowling
Ella Gibson	Alivia Steele	Toby Duncan
Ryan Crossan	Sage Paterson	Jock Duncan
Jake Smith	Billy Watson	Hamish Crossan

Attached are the results from the sports day.

A big thank you to Ryan Dowling for organising helpers and the high jump event. Thank you to those parents who gave up their time to help with this event or helped chaperone an age group of children.

Left at stadium grounds after Junior Sports was 1 St John's School jersey, no name. Size 72cm. If this is your child's, please get them to get it from Mrs Mulholland.

Thankyou.

Strike Day

You should have received a notice on Thursday, given to your child to bring home about the teachers' strike on Thursday 15th November.

Our school is open on this day and Mrs Erin Elworthy and Mrs Liz McSkimming will be supervising various activities in classes, however they will not be running the usual classroom programmes.

End of year activities

There are a lot of end of year activities coming up. Please make sure you are aware of these through newsletters, reminder notices and our school website: www.sjr.school.nz

Special Character Clipboard:

Week 5: November 12-16

16th St Margaret of Scotland (1045 – 1093)

Margaret was prayerful. She gathered women together to study the Scriptures and to embroider vestments and altar cloths. She was always surrounded by beggars, and she gave them money and clothes. She set up homes and hospitals for those in need. She and her husband would go to church during Lent and Advent. On the way home, they would wash the feet of poor people in need and give them money. At home, Margaret fed nine orphans who were brought to her daily. She brought a love of the arts and education to the people, and they loved her in return. Her children are believed to be primarily responsible for two centuries of progress and peace in Scotland.



Week 6: November 19 - 23 November 26-30



21st The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On this Feast of the Presentation of Mary in the Temple by Joachim and Anne. They of course are the grandparents of Jesus. Jesus was also presented in the Temple.

25th Christ the King Sunday

This is the last Sunday of the Liturgical year and is a feast day that focuses on the authority of Christ. Jesus Christ King of the Universe.

Junior Class News:

*On Friday we went to Dunedin on our class trip. We visited the butterflies and Science Centre at the Otago Museum and then went for a swim at Moana Pool.

*Here is a photo of 3 happy bakers:

Finn Dowling, Arthur Lilley and Cyrus Janerol with their “happy” cake which they baked after reading the book “How to make a happy cake”. We all got a slice or 2 and it was delicious!

A special thank you to Mrs Fiona Dowling who came and helped this group to bake their cake.



*Here are 3 imaginative stories written about the picture below.



I was in a race through mud. I got mud in my eyes and my mouth. I had to swim to get out of the mud. I went as slow as a snail because it was very sticky mud. Then I got out of the mud. I had to have a bath because I was muddy.

By Axel McAuley

I was doing a 5km run. I had to climb hills. I had to go through mud. I had to go through quick sand. It was fun. I got covered in mud.

By Finn Dowling

I was biking 100km around the muddiest part of the Naseby Forest. I fell off my bike and I fell into a big patch of mud. I tried to get out but I couldn't and I sunk to the bottom. I thought I was dead but I wasn't and at that moment I realised that it was CHOCOLATE!! So I ate my way out and when I got home Mum said to me, "How did you get so fat?" "I'm full of chocolate!"

By George Dowling

Middle Class News:

Wow we have had such a busy start to the term!

We loved our 'Night at the Museum' and I am sure you have heard all about it!



We have our beautiful calendar art completed – you should have received your slip if you would like to make a purchase.



Remember to return the 'pet day' notice.

As the weather warms up it's a good idea for all children to have drink bottles at school as often the children become prone to headaches in the classroom with warmer temperatures.

We are beginning to start to practice our end of year production and we are all looking forward to it!

Senior Class News:



Think happy - Be happy.

Camp Columba

This was a great four days away where we experienced adrenalin based learning. The children exceeded their own expectations and did very well. The development in our team work skills and self -confidence was very evident and I can see the effects of this back here at school. Hopefully you did not get too frustrated with your phone pinging with notifications of the many photos that were sent through as this proved to be a handy way to keep in touch.



Thank you to the parent helpers for your fantastic support on camp towards the children and I, and to Kym Smith for being a great Camp Mum and Fiona Weir for doing so much to help get us sorted on the paperwork side of things.

Maniototo Athletic Sports

Our seniors had a really positive day at the Athletic Sports last Friday and stood out with their positive attitudes and great behaviour. I spent my day at the Long Distance event which is a challenge for everyone no matter what end of the field that they are at and I was so impressed with every participants positive mindset and determination.

Congratulations to children who achieved placings in events and placings in their age groups, as well as placings for the Matchett and McSkimming Cups. We did ourselves proud and what a great way to finish the day with O'Neill House winning the shield and McAuley being less than one point behind on average.



We have a number of children who have qualified for the Otago Champs and we wish them the best of luck for this day. Be positive and try your best and you will hopefully achieve your goals.

Young Vinnies project and Commissioning Mass

The group is working on finishing the last part of their project which is delivering the care packages - they have been very organised and have this under control.

On Monday the 26th November we will have a Commissioning Mass in our class for the year 6 children and this will be lead by Father Sani and supported by Mark who is the Young Vinnies youth coordinator.

Missing COEC library item: We are missing a book called 'Mystery in the Skies'. If you have this at your house, can you please send it into school. Thank you.

PAL (Physical Activity Leaders) Fun Run

Keep this date free - Wednesday 12th December. The Year 8 PAL children are planning a fun activity for the whole school for the afternoon that will include running, crawling, throwing and getting a bit wet. More information to come soon.

Pet Day

This fun afternoon will take place on Tuesday 11th December. Children can bring one pet along each (it can be one pet per family if that suits better). We do accept stuffed animal pets also :)
Your child's entry sheet needs to be handed in by Tuesday of next week.

Thank you.

Board of Trustees

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Next meeting **Tuesday 13th November 7p.m.**

Notices and Dates:

Creative card making course and Maniototo Community Arts Centre, Reade Street, Ranfurly

Saturday 1st December 2018

Children 5-9 years [10.am](#) - 11.30 pm

Children 10+ 1 pm - 3.30 p.m

Attendance cost \$2 per child

Join Karen and Debbie to create unique Christmas Greeting cards using scrap booking and card making techniques.

All materials are supplied. Please Phone Karen 4449455 or email threekss@xtra.co.nz if you would like to register your child.

This course has kindly been funded by a Creative Communities grant.

GRAEME LAING SWIM SCHOOL

27th - 31st December

New Format

9am 27th December - Length Swimmers

10am 27th December - All other Swimmers

Times for the rest of the week will be given after this.

Enquiries/Bookings

Margo Hall 0210528255

Ranfurly Swim Club

Looking at starting up to give keen swimmers guided help to improve their skills and fitness.

Structured length programs and skills in the finer aspects of swimming.

Certain criteria applies as I am not a trained instructor, but I'm excited to see if we can get the club going again.

Please contact me on 0276005092 for more information.

Becky McAuley.

P.T.A

Thankyou to Gerard Weir for organising helpers for droving at the recent calf sale.

Week 5	Tuesday 13 th November	B.O.T Meeting
Week 6	Sunday 25 th November	First Holy Communion at 2pm
Week 8	Monday 3 rd December	Reports & Portfolios out
	Friday 7 th December	Concert 7.30pm
Week 9	Tuesday 11 th December	Pet Day
	Thursday 13 th December	Last day for 2018

Term Dates for 2019

Term 1	31 st January – 12 th April
Term 2	29 th May – 5 th July
Term 3	22 nd July – 27 nd September
Term 4	14 th October – 12 th December



2018 Maniototo Area Sports Placegetters

Gender: Boys

Age	Place	Name	School	House	Points
7 Years	1st	George Dowling	St John's	O'Neill	28
	2nd =	Sam Elworthy	St John's	McAuley	27
	2nd =	Shannlee Fetalver	St John's	McAuley	27
	3rd	Eddie Weir	St John's	O'Neill	23
8 Years	1st	Thomas Helm	MAS	Hamiltons	34
	2nd	Callum McSkimming	MAS	Danseys	27
	3rd	Fred Dowling	St John's	O'Neill	22
9 Years	1st	Toby Duncan	St John's	O'Neill	34
	2nd	Ryan Crossan	St John's	McAuley	27
	3rd =	Latrell Houpapa	MAS	Garibaldi	15
	3rd =	Ollie Scott	Strath Taieri	Ridge	15
10 Years	1st	Ethan McSkimming	MAS	Danseys	35
	2nd	Justin Pink	MAS	Serpentine	18
	3rd	Jake Smith	St John's	O'Neill	16
11 Years	1st	Jock Duncan	St John's	O'Neill	31
	2nd	William Tisdall	Strath Taieri	Ridge	26
	3rd	Jack Steele	MAS	Danseys	16
12 Years	1st	William Helm	MAS	Hamiltons	35
	2nd	Sage Paterson	St John's	McAuley	26
	3rd	Hayden Becker	MAS	Danseys	19
13 Years	1st	Phoenix Tapatu	MAS	Garibaldi	29
	2nd	Jeremy Dumapis	St John's	McAuley	17
	3rd	Harry Graham	Strath Taieri	Ridge	11

2018 Maniototo Area Sports Placegetters

Gender: Girls

Age	Place	Name	School	House	Points
7 Years	1st	Jody Velenski	MAS	Danseys	26
	2nd =	Indianna Hepi	MAS	Danseys	22
	2nd =	Marley Hore	MAS	Serpentine	22
	3rd	Brooke Atkinson	Strath Taieri	Rock & Pillar	20
8 Years	1st	Amelia Smith	MAS	Hamiltons	26
	2nd =	Chloe McAuley	St John's	McAuley	24
	2nd =	Ali Leslie	Strath Taieri	Rock & Pillar	24
	3rd	Patricia Noi	MAS	Serpentine	19
9 Years	1st	Ruby Hore	MAS	Serpentine	35
	2nd	Tessa Steele	St John's	McAuley	21
	3rd	Georgia Gillespie	MAS	Garibaldi	16
10 Years	1st	Lily Blakely	MAS	Serpentine	28
	2nd	Isabelle Helm	MAS	Hamiltons	24
	3rd =	Sam Roxburgh	MAS	Serpentine	19
	3rd =	Georgia Graham	Strath Taieri	Rock & Pillar	19
11 Years	1st	Perri Hore	MAS	Serpentine	29
	2nd	Zoe Simpson	MAS	Serpentine	23
	3rd	Abby Ferdinands	MAS	Hamiltons	17
12 Years	1st	Briar Duncan	St John's	McAuley	35
	2nd	Ella Gibson	St John's	McAuley	21
	3rd	Sandee Barroga	St John's	McAuley	20
13 Years	1st	Hannah Cormack	St John's	O'Neill	35
	2nd	Emma Kinney	MAS	Danseys	17
	3rd	Hope Devitt	MAS	Garibaldi	16

2018 Maniototo Area Athletics School Sports Results

Date Held: 2 November 2018

McSkimming Cup

	Name	School	Points
1st =	William Helm	MAS	35
1st =	Briar Duncan	St John's	35
1st =	Hannah Cormack	St John's	35
2nd	Jock Duncan	St John's	31
3rd =	Perri Hore	MAS	29
3rd =	Phoenix Tapatu	MAS	29

Matchett Cup

	Name	School	Points
1st =	Ruby Hore	MAS	35
1st =	Ethan McSkimming	MAS	35
2nd =	Toby Duncan	St John's	34
2nd =	Thomas Helm	MAS	34
3rd =	Lily Blakely	MAS	28
3rd =	George Dowling	St John's	28

House Shield

Danseys	11.3
Garibaldi	10.7
Hamiltons	12.2 3rd Place
Serpentine	9.03
McAuley	14.2 2nd Place
O'Neill	15.0 1st Place
Rock & Pillar	11.05
Taieri Ridge	8.5