



NEWSLETTER

St John's Girls' School

11 September 2026



Greetings from the
Principal

Kia Ora, Ola, Namaste

**Whakatauki - Māori
Proverb**

**Mā te kimi ka
kite, mā te
kite ka mōhio,
mā te mōhio
ka mārama**

**Seek and discover.
Discover and know.
Know and become
enlightened.**

It has been another very busy fortnight in our kura. It seems we are starting to come out the other side of the winter illnesses, coughs, and colds. Hopefully, the warmer weather arrives in time for the fast approaching holiday break.

It is always a hive of activity at our school, and it is wonderful to see our girls engaged in their learning and keen to share their understanding and curiosity with others.

I have spent time in classrooms over the last fortnight observing mathematics and sharing in the students' success in writing.

Our staff have been implementing their new mathematics learning from our work with Sue Pine and The Learner First, and the girls have been embracing the changes. During my observations, I was impressed by how well the girls could articulate their thinking, ask great questions, and help each other understand new concepts in maths.

Also, some of the writing the girls are producing across the school has been outstanding! You will be treated to some wonderful pieces of work later in the newsletter.

Over the past term, a number of girls have attended writing workshops with Mrs Dawkins. Over 40 girls will attend these eight-week workshops, where the focus is to grow their capability and confidence as authors. I spoke to a few senior girls this week about the opportunity, and here is what they had to say:

"I loved the writing workshops, especially the one-on-one support with Mrs Dawkins. I feel like I can put my ideas on paper better now and they actually make sense!"

"I have lots of ideas for writing, but they don't always make sense once they are on paper. Mrs Dawkins has helped me with this. I feel more confident."

"Writing workshops were lots of fun. I enjoyed writing new stories each week. I missed a session and felt sad, but I got caught up quickly and wrote five pages! I wish I could go back this term!"

"I loved having extra support in writing. It has helped with my confidence in the classroom, and I don't worry about getting my ideas down anymore. It all just makes sense."

"Writing doesn't seem so scary anymore!"

"Our whole class wants to have a go at this!"

Ultimately, our goal is to empower our girls to be confident, connected, and lifelong learners, offering support for them to achieve their goals. These are just a few of the many examples I have seen over the past fortnight showing that we are doing just that.





Values Cup Recipient



**Heidi Lawson
Room 3**



Sing Out

Our choir have been rehearsing hard leading up to the 2026 ILT Sing Out Festival. Sing Out is celebrating 80 years with three fantastic nights of music at the Civic Theatre with an 80s theme. Our girls, under the direction of Mrs Kate McIlwrick, are performing on Thursday 17th September at 7pm. Tickets are available now from the ICC Booking Office or online through Ticketek.

Next Thursday morning, our Year 4 - 8 girls will be heading along to the Sing Out dress rehearsal at the Civic Theatre to support our choir. They will be leaving school at 9:15am, and will return by 11:30am.

Arts Extravaganza

The Parents' Association is excited to bring you the St John's Girls' School Arts Extravaganza on Thursday 24 September. This is an important fundraiser for our kura, and a wonderful chance for our girls to demonstrate their talents to our school community.

Tickets are on sale now and are available from Mrs Bradshaw's office at morning tea time. Tickets are \$5 per person [children under five are free of charge, but will still receive an entry ticket]. Tickets are cash only sales. There will be no door sales on the night. Purchased tickets will come home in an envelope with your daughter.

Food hampers will be raffled off at the conclusion of the evening. Raffle tickets can be purchased on the night. Tickets will be \$2 each or three for \$5.

To assist with the hampers, girls are asked to bring along a non-perishable 'hamper' item to the office by Friday 18 September. Your daughter will receive a bonus point for her contribution to the raffle.

There will also be a snack bar and dinner available [sausage sizzle and burgers] to purchase on the night. Dinner pre-orders will be taken before the night. Keep an eye out for an order form next week.

We look forward to a wonderful evening showcasing the amazing talent in our school!

Invercargill Area Speech Final

I would like to extend a special congratulations to Amelia Bosma, Lydia O'Brien and Charlotte Farley for representing our school so proudly at the recent Invercargill Area Speech Final. The event was a wonderful showcase of high-quality speeches from across our city.

While these girls do not advance to the wider Southland Grand Final, we are incredibly proud of their accomplishments in the competition. Ka pai girls!





Scholastic Book Fair

We are excited to be hosting our first ever Scholastic Book Fair during the last week of the term. This will be a wonderful fundraiser for our library upgrade, and a good chance to complete some early Christmas shopping.

We have a range of activities available to the girls during the week, including a Book Character Dress Up Day on Wednesday 23 September.

Additional information is included in the newsletter and is also available on Skool Loop and our school Facebook page.

Summer Uniform

As we approach the end of Term 3, now is a great time to ensure your daughter is ready for the change to her summer uniform in Term 4.

A key part of our summer uniform is the navy blue sunhat, which is compulsory for all girls to wear when they are outside during Terms 1 and 4. The best options are bucket or wide-brimmed hats, as they offer the best sun protection. There is a great selection of appropriate hats for sale at The Warehouse.

If your daughter has any uniform requirements, please contact Mrs Marise Lang on mlang@stjohnsgirls.school.nz.

Illness

We appreciate you keeping your girls at home when they are unwell; it certainly helps stop the spread of illness to other girls and staff. Although we are coming out the other end of the flu season, we do still have some illness going around, including hand, foot and mouth. Please inform the school office of any absence as soon as possible [phone, email, Skool Loop].

Have an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

Ma te wa!

Holly Bradshaw

Holly Bradshaw
Tumuaki | Principal



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

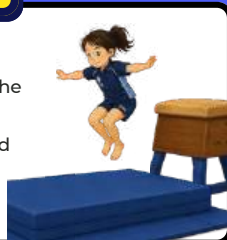
UPCOMING EVENTS

Parents and whānau are warmly invited to join us for the following end-of-term events. We would love to see you there as our girls showcase their talents, hard work, and achievements. Please see below for a list of events taking place over the final two weeks of term.

JUNIOR GYMNASTICS FESTIVAL

FRIDAY 18 SEPTEMBER - 1.00-3.00PM

Come along and watch our junior girls showcase the gymnastics skills they have been developing throughout the term. They have been training hard and are excited to share their achievements with family and friends.



SENIOR GYMNASTICS FESTIVAL

TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER - 11.00-3.00PM [BREAK FOR LUNCH 12.00-1.00PM]

Join us for the Senior Gymnastics Festival and enjoy watching our senior girls put their gymnastics skills into action. Your support is greatly appreciated!



SECRET GARDEN SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

MONDAY 21 TO THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

Parents and whānau are warmly invited to visit our Secret Garden Scholastic Book Fair. Come and browse the wonderful selection of books, share in the excitement of reading, and support our school library.

Viewing Times

Monday 21 September

- 8.20am - 9.00am
- 12.20pm - 12.50pm
- 3.05pm - 3.45pm

Tuesday 22 September

- 8.20am - 9.00am
- 12.20pm - 12.50pm
- 3.05pm - 3.45pm

Wednesday 23 September

- 8.20am - 9.00am
- 12.20pm - 12.50pm
- 3.05pm - 3.45pm

Thursday 24 September

- 8.20am - 9.00am
- 12.20pm - 12.50pm
- 5.45pm - 6.30pm



We look forward to welcoming you into our Secret Garden of books!

BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP DAY

MONDAY 21 TO THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

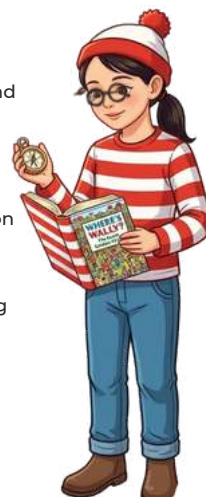
Parents and whānau are warmly invited to join us for our Favourite Book Character Dress-Up Day and enjoy watching the girls take part in our Grand Parade at 8:40am.

Viewing Locations:

☀️ Fine weather: Parents are welcome to gather on the terraced seating by the tennis courts.

☔ Wet weather: Parents may access the Hall via the back stairs to the stage area or use the seating provided on the Hall floor.

We look forward to seeing the girls bring their favourite book characters to life and sharing this special morning with our school community!



ARTS EXTRAVAGANZA

THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER - 6.30-8.00PM

Parents and whānau are warmly invited to attend our SJGS Arts Extravaganza, a special evening showcasing the creativity, dedication, and talents of our girls.

Enjoy a wonderful programme of individual performances, including ballet, singing, tap dance, speech, poetry, ukulele, and drums, alongside group performances from our Kapa Haka, Jump Jam teams, and Choir.

Tickets are \$5 per person (children under 5 are free but still require a ticket). Tickets can be purchased from Mrs Bradshaw's office during morning tea.

The Parents' Association will be running their popular food hamper raffles at the conclusion of the evening. Raffle tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5, so don't forget to bring some spare change!

A snack bar will be available throughout the evening, and burgers and a sausage sizzle will be available for dinner. Dinner pre-orders will be taken at school from Tuesday 15 September.

We look forward to welcoming you for an evening of entertainment, celebration, and community as we recognise and applaud the girls' achievements in the arts.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- **14-20** Māori Language Week
- **15-17** Rm 2 Parent/ Teacher Interviews after school
- **16** Rm 7 Weaving Wellness programme
Sing Out Technical Rehearsal [pm]
- **17** Sing Out Dress Rehearsal [am]
Sing Out Performance [7-8.30pm]
- **18** Virtual Parliament Tour [Rms 6/8]
Jnr Gymnastics Festival [1-3pm]
- **21-24** Book Fair
- **22** Snr Gymnastics Festival [11.00-3.00pm]
- **23** Rm 7 Weaving Wellness programme
KIPRRR Day
SMAC Maths
- Yr 7 5.00-5.30pm
- Yr 8 5.45-6.30pm
- **23** Bookfair - Dress up as your favourite Book
Character Parade [8.40am]
- **24** Arts Extravaganza dress rehearsal [1.00-3.00pm]
Arts Extravaganza show [6.30 - 8.00pm]
- **25** **Last day of Term 3**
Virtual Parliament Tour [Rms 5/7]

OCTOBER

- **12** **First day of Term 4**
- **14** Rm 7 Weaving Wellness programme
Aerobics Festival [2.15 pm]
- **15** School Board Meeting [5.30pm]
- **20** Parents' Association Meeting [7pm]
- **21** Rm 7 Weaving Wellness programme
- **26** **Labour Day [School Closed]**
- **28** Rm 7 Weaving Wellness programme

NOVEMBER

- **10** Cultural Day
- **11** BoP Meeting [5.30pm]
- **14-15** William Pike - Overnight Dolamore Park
- **19** Greats & Grands [am]
Christian Education Speeches [pm]
- **20** Dance Sharing [2.00pm]
- **24** New Entrant Morning [Yrs 2-8 for 2027]
- **25** Mind Mingle [Yr 5/6] at Waihopai School -
2 teams of 4 to attend

DECEMBER

- **1** School Board Meeting [5.30pm]
- **4** Tabloids [1-3pm]
- **7** Tabloids [postponement day]
- **9** Father / Daughter Netball [2pm]
- **14** Christmas Service & Prizegiving Practice
Christmas Service [First Church 6pm]
- **15** **Last day for students**
Prizegiving [First Church 1.30pm]
Leavers' Farewell [3.15pm School Hall]



WEEKLY AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS

ROOM 1

Olive Johnstone, Marnie Hughes, Ellie McCallum, Lola Devlin

ROOM 2

Alora Bosma, Kate McEwan, Gypsee Stephens, Eden Dawson

ROOM 3

Eliece Goodwright, Taylor Price, Mackenzie Smithies, Claudia Hodson

ROOM 5

Eleanor Anstice-Shirley, Maeve Devlin, Pippa Vaghan, Charlie Visser

ROOM 6

Briar Brady, Katie Milne, Nikita Zeestraten, Mia Hitchcock

ROOM 7

Laura Maxwell, Amelia Bosma, Isabella Johns, Rosie Laughton

ROOM 8

Briar McKenzie, Greer Pine, Briar Nicholl, Emily Bulling

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Rm 2 Darcy Beer
Rm 3 Charlotte Risk
Rm 5 Amelia Maxwell, Grace McLeod-Young
Rm 6 Briar Brady, Madeleine Davison,
Eloise Smith, Portia Smith

VALUES CUP

Rm 3 Heidi Lawson



FROM YOUR KAIARAHĪ

KNIT WITS: SPREADING COMFORT, ONE STITCH AT A TIME

This term our Year Sevens and Eights have been knitting in Christian Education for a group called the Knit Wits!

We are knitting for babies who are born early and need extra care. We will donate the peggy squares to the Knit Wits so that they can give them to our new born units at the hospitals.

We have been lucky enough to have some lovely volunteers "Our Knitting Experts!" to help us learn the way of the needle. We have had some great yarns and they have gotten us out of a stitch or two. We really appreciate them coming in every week to help us.



- "I really enjoy helping my community by doing something I love!"

Rosie

- "I have never knitted before, but after my first Christian Education session this term, I began to grow a passion for it."

- Laura

- "I feel proud to help my community!"

Bethany

THE SECRET GARDEN

BOOK FAIR

COLOURING COMPETITION
and
DESIGN-A-BOOK-COVER COMPETITION
MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

FUNDRAISING GOAL

\$2,500

to go towards the
Library upgrade.

EFTPOS
and cash
accepted

MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

🌸 Book Fair launches in the library.

🌸 8:20 - 9.00 am Book Fair open

🌸 12:20 - 12:50 pm Book Fair open

Final day for the competition entries to be handed in to the classroom teachers. These will be displayed in the hallway between Rooms 7/8.

🌸 3:05 - 3:45 pm Book Fair open

WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

🌸 8:20 - 9.00 am Book Fair open

🌸 12:20 - 12:50 pm Lunchtime

🌸 **DRESS-UP AS YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER DAY.**

Parents are invited to watch the grand parade at 8:40 am.

If the weather is fine, parents are welcome to congregate on the terraced seating by the tennis courts. If it is raining, parents can take the back stairs onto the hall stage or the seating on the hall floor.

🌸 3:05 - 3:45 pm Book Fair open

TUESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

🌸 8:20 - 9.00 am Book Fair open

🌸 12:20 - 12:50 pm Book Fair open

🌸 3:05 - 3:45 pm Book Fair open

THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER



Prizes for Best Dressed, Design-a-book-cover and colouring competition will be given out at assembly.

🌸 8:20 - 9.00 am Book Fair open

🌸 12:20 - 12:50 pm Lunchtime open

🌸 5:45 - 6.15 pm Book Fair open
(before the Arts Extravaganza)

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING
OUR LIBRARY AND CELEBRATING
THE JOY OF READING!

Once
Upon a
Time...

Step into
the magic
of books
and let your
imagination
grow!

Room 5

Data Detectives



STATISTICS

In Statistics, Room 5 has been diving deep into the world of multivariate data. Working in teams, the girls tackled the challenge of gathering classroom data and converting it to Google Sheets. They investigated fun trends to see where our class opinions landed - exploring tough choices like choosing between sushi or noodles.

A major part of the challenge was learning how to ask precise questions with strict 'black and white' answers, avoiding open-ended questions so the data could be easily tracked. It required tons of teamwork, communication, and critical thinking to get the job done. You can see some of the mahi in this poster.

We also investigated colours in Smarties packets. We found out that blue was the least frequent colour. The range between the most full box and the least full was 3. We also noticed that green was the most frequent colour.



Room 6

Lots Happening



GYMNASTICS

This term Room 6 has been training hard for our Gymnastics Festival. We try to keep it fun with some challenges to start the session off with.



INDOOR BOWLS

The girls have been learning the skills of indoor bowls. They are enjoying the successes and have really improved in their skills over the weeks.



Room 6 continued

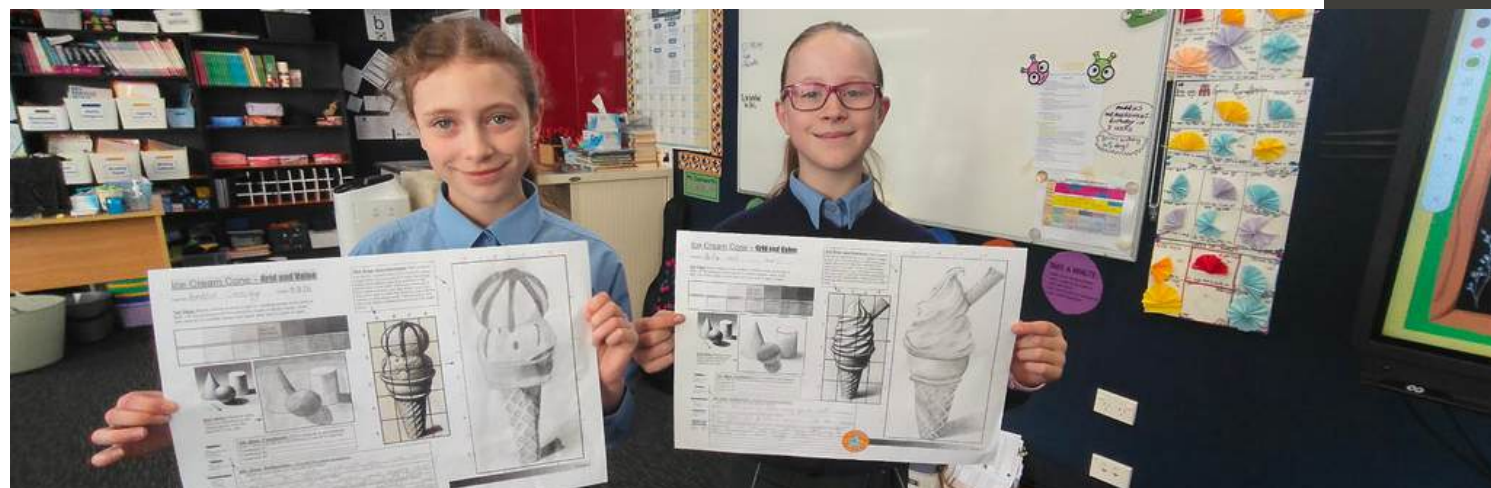
MATHS

In maths we are learning about patterns and relationships. The girls have been working on finding patterns, making connections with the terms and creating rules. Lots of 'a-ha' moments.



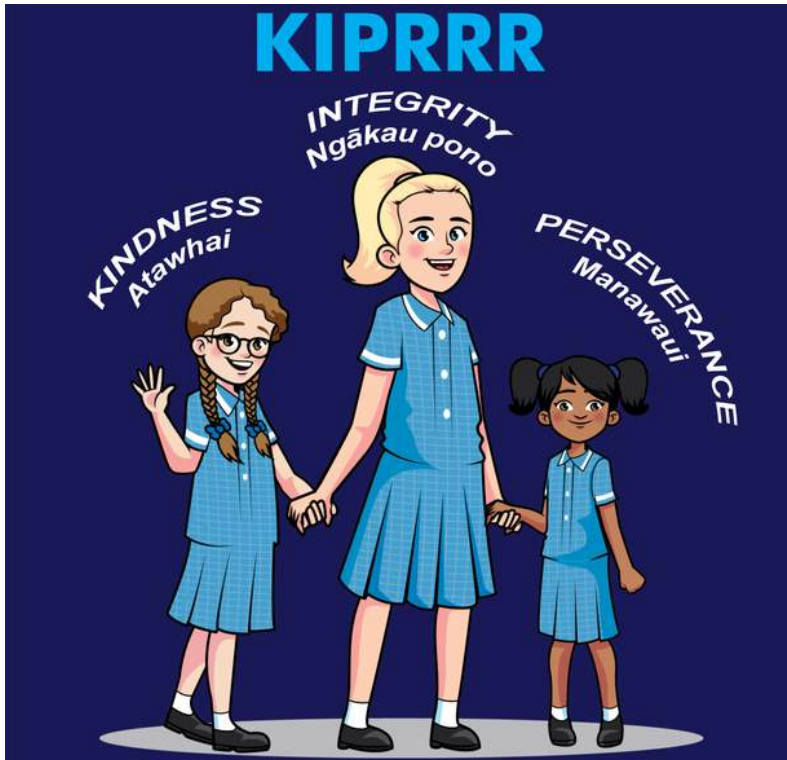
ART

What a fabulous job the girls have done with their art work this term. We started by looking at value and shades. Our final product was our ice-cream. What a lot of talent we have in Room 6.



Room 7

What we have been doing



OVERVIEW

Room 7 has been a fabulous place to be! The girls have been working hard and we have been impressed with how they continue to display high standards in their work ethic, positive relationships and how the girls continue to uphold their KIPRRR values.

WRITING

We have been learning about poetry. We have explored the different forms of poetry, and we have started creating our own. We are working towards creating our own book of poems, the girls will bring them home to share with you soon. Look at the adverb poems that Ava, Jaynee and Lexie wrote. Aren't they fabulous!

Jaynee Holms-Johnston

I am...

Legs Skittering.
Tail Swishing.
Mind Drifting.
Snow Bearing.
Smart Thinking.
Rabbit Catching.
Quick Burrowing.
Oncoming.
Claws Scratching.
Teeth Chattering.
Fish Catching.
High Jumping.
Long Leaping.
Fast Pouncing.
Ears Pricking.
Loud Purring.
Now Sleeping.

I am an Arctic Fox!

Lydia O'Brien

I am...

Icy miles,
Cheerful smiles,
Here forever,
Sun's temper,
Melting quickly,
Very slippery,
Crunching loudly,
Shimmering proudly,
Happy frozen,
Until broken,
Reflection showing,
Cold winter,
No mowing,
Low flowing,
No rowing,
Soon melting...

I am an icy puddle

Lexie Nicholl

I am...

Softly glittering,
Slowly drifting,
Gently crunching,
Boot scrunching,
Soon freezing,
Sky breezing,
High falling,
Ground sparkling,
White skittering,
Clouds bittering,
Check stinging,
Coat clinging,
Coldly melting,
Boldly squelching...
I am snow.

Ava Amar

A Silent white
ghost in the snow,

Where cold winds
continuously
blow,

With fur thick and
snug,

It weathers the
rug,

As it hunts where
the arctic wind
glows.

Room 7 continued

MATHS

In maths, we have been learning about all things fractions, multiplying and division using written methods. I hasn't been easy, but with great group work, we are getting there. Here we are working in groups to problem solve.



MUSIC

This term we have loved learning ukulele with Miss McSoriley. We have really enjoyed learning new songs. Our favourite moments were composing our own ukulele tunes.



MONDAY SPORT

We are loving wheelchair basketball. We are mastering new skills as we learn to stay in control of the wheelchairs. It is actually harder than it looks, and it has been interesting to see who the more aggressive players are!

DEBATING

We are learning how to debate. This has been fun. The girls are getting stuck into learning about the form flow of a debate and how to argue their point of view.



What a fun, busy and fabulous term we are having!

Room 8

Literacy, Cycling & Art

POETRY

See how Room 8 unlocked infinite possibilities through poetry; discovering magic boxes, opening hidden doors, and describing the extraordinary scenes beyond!

A Door Is...

A door is a path, winding or straight
sometimes there to guide us,
But also to confuse.

A door is a start, an unfinished story
waiting for you to write
ready for you to have the scene play out.

A door is a change, to grow and morph
The hope of goals and
A new star in one big tale

A door is a key to life
It has the ability to release
and the power to imprison.

A door is a wall that blocks and hides
Ways to hide behind
To sit with your secrets.

A door is a portal to words other than our own,
Full of secrets and mysteries
But also adventure and love.

Willow M

A Door Is...

A door is protection,
Like armour made of steal,
To protect you from harsh critics.

A door is a portal,
To your own unknown world,
Where you can be you.

A door is hope,
An escape,
From reality.

A door is a barrier,
Between can and can't,
Sometimes opened for new chances or slammed
shut in regret.

A door is a shelter,
Protecting from harsh weather,
And unwanted intruders.

Emily B

A Door Is...

A door is an escape from the cages that trap your wings,
Armour that is around every corner,
A belief that something better awaits.

A door is the unsung hero of the fey realm,
Observer of secrets,
Knower of the unknown.

A door is a wise owl,
Old, but sturdy,
Tough, but welcoming.

A door is a pathway for everyone and everything,
A way to adventures,
A way to hide.

A door is a part of ancient history,
Indefinite but solid,
Object, but illusion.

Doors are the peace keepers,
Protectors of dimensions,
Everything and nothing at once.

Morrigan P

Room 8 continued

The Magic Box

I will put in the box,
The rhythmic pulse of a church bell, like a ringing metronome,
The snow-dusted peaks of the jagged Alps,
And the emerald pine needles cast in a dappled light.

I will put in the box,
The serenity of an icy blue lake,
The bustling footsteps of smiling faces on a pier,
The smell of the boulangerie, sweet smells of custard and crisp croissants.

I will put in the box,
The musky scent of the forest, old hands guiding me to the colourful fungi,
The tense breeze of secrets and memories,
The gold thread of angelic ornaments in the warm bunk of a home.

I will put in the box,
The slip of varnished wood floors, decked with ancient relatives and gifts,
The bubbling sensation of freedom and excitement,
The envelope of support in a Crystal kitchen, where the smell of apples and cinnamon washed in great waves.

I will put in the box,
The dim haze of a low-lit parking garage, silently creeping under the glow of the afternoon sun,
The cheerful grins of happy faces, hugs and smiles and the sadness of goodbyes,
The smell of summer and the melting ice cream trickling down the waffle cone.

I will put in the box,
The thumping of ecstatic heartbeats,
The unity and freedom of a community,
The overwhelming sounds of glee and relief.

I will put in the box,
The black and white of a yin yang,
The darkness in the light, the flickering light in the dark,
The greenish glow of a cat's eye, reflecting memories and faded sorrows.

My box is fashioned from the dripping green and purple secrets,
With aliens and galaxy civilizations harboured on the lid,
The hinges made from the door of a mindscape, open and free, slammed shut; you can hear the click echo.

I shall sit in my box,
Over the roaring tides of tears and seafoam, free-falling through the abyss,
The colour in between consciousness and the touch of sleep.

Maya P

Room 8 continued

The Magic Box

I will put in a box.
The memories captured and trapped
In my hands forever, still in the past.

I will put in a box.
The cool, crisp air, that whips past
my face,
calling me forwards.

I will put in a box.
A child's eyes, wild, lit with
excitement, the energy bubbling
inside,
about to explode.

I will put in a box.
The shades of green amid the crisp
brown trees,
The textures of its bark, old and dull,
but gentle with the sight of a little
flitting bird.

I will put in a box.
The last touch of soft fur,
the spaniel sat in the sun, still, fallen
into the false sleep, that is dreaded,
but real.

I will put in a box.
The wispy hair of a stallion, running
free,
onto the road ahead, your arms
outstretched wide,
trusting the animal to take you away
to a lonely mountain overlooking
your world.

My box is fashioned with fluffy,
white feathers, laced with gold
lining,
contrasting, giving the feeling of
heaven, a soft escape,
but with anxiety hiding in the
corners, making you feel slightly
alone in a room full people,
or holding the truth in your throat,
which chokes you into hiding.

I want to dive into my box.
Fill myself entirely with the joy,
sadness, and freedom that is held
inside of it.
My box is a place to retreat from the
world, to sit, stare, and take it all in.

By Briar N

TRACK CYCLING

Stepping onto the track is always intimidating, but with team encouragement and sheer determination, everyone successfully took to the Velodrome. It has been incredible watching Room 8's confidence skyrocket over the last two weeks, and we can't wait to tackle the next set of challenges on the boards!



ART

Under Mrs Dawkins' guidance, the girls have been exploring movement and texture in their latest artwork—and now we're all dreaming of sun-soaked beach days!





REMINDER



With Term 4 just around the corner, it's time to start thinking about summer uniform!

Please check that your daughter has everything she needs for the start of the term. Blue bucket sun hats are also compulsory for Terms 4 and 1 but are **not** available for purchase through the school.

If your daughter requires any new summer uniform items, please contact Mrs Lang at mlang@stjohnsgirls.school.nz as soon as possible. She will not be available over the school holidays. Thank you for helping our girls arrive prepared and sun-safe for the warmer weather ahead.



SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAMME

LUNCH MENU

All subs are made freshly baked white or wheat bread

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BE IN TO WIN A FREE 6-INCH SUB WITH YOUR NEXT SCHOOL LUNCH ORDER!



GILBERT ENOKA

Mental Performance Coach



GALA EVENING

CONNECT. GROW. STRENGTHEN.

25TH
SEPT

Gilbert Enoka is best known for his long-standing role with the All Blacks, where he has helped shape one of the most successful high-performance teams in sporting history. With a background in psychology, education, and performance science, Gilbert has spent decades supporting individuals and teams to build resilience, manage pressure, and develop a culture of excellence. His work extends beyond sport into education, business, and leadership, making his insights highly relevant for people from all walks of life. Come along to hear from one of New Zealand's leading thinkers in performance and wellbeing, and leave inspired with approaches that can make a meaningful difference in both your work or personal life!

TWO COURSE MEAL | AUCTION ITEMS
MUSIC BY D&M DUO

Doors open at 6pm, event starts at 6:30pm



Ascot Park Hotel

Cnr Tay & Racecourse Road,
Invercargill

Get your tickets at:

events.humanitix.com/chatbus-south

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SEPTEMBER 17 2026

7:00PM

LOCAL SCHOOL CHOIRS PRESENT A SPECTACULAR CELEBRATION
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Children \$12

Tickets available at ICC Booking Office or online at Ticketek

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St John's Girls' School
St Patrick's School
Wallacetown School

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 Civic Theatre, Invercargill



**Receive a \$15
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for 30 Minutes of Your Time

Attitudes and Social Understanding

Parent and Child Research Study



What will you do?



- ✓ Parents will look at and describe a picture book.
- ✓ Children will look at and describe a picture book and complete a short Mr Bean video task at school.
- ✓ The activities are simple, engaging, and child-friendly.
- ✓ Parents and children will each complete a short questionnaire.

Time commitment



Approximately
30 minutes
in total



Who can take part?



- ✓ Parents
- ✓ Children aged 6 years and older
- ✓ Able to attend a short Zoom session

 **Scan the QR code**
to learn more and register.



SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

MONDAY 5 OCTOBER
9 – 3PM
TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER
9 – 3PM



At ILT Stadium
Southland
YR1-6



\$70 one day
\$130 two days

Register Now



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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2026

A LITTLE BIT OF MAGIC

AT INVERCARGILL CENTRAL



**MONDAY
MAGIC SHOWS**

28 SEPT + 5 OCT
11:00 AM • 45 MINUTES

**ALL AGES
NO AGE LIMIT**

BEGINNER MAGIC WORKSHOPS

29 SEPTEMBER – 8 OCTOBER

Six different tricks • morning + afternoon sessions

AGES 5+

20 SEATS

\$20 + \$2.20 FEE

Each child learns, practises and takes home the trick
+ receives a **Certificate of Magic**

SCAN TO BOOK



BALLOON TWISTING

Monday afternoons + selected times

**FULL PROGRAMME
+ BOOKINGS**

Version: Invercargill Central



BUSHCRAFT & SURVIVAL SKILLS Holiday Experiences

CHILD VS WILD [Multi Days]

An Adventure quest in different locations. The first days are spent learning *bushcraft and survival skills ready to be tested on the final day in a teamwork survival challenge.

7 to 13 year olds

Invercargill

8.45am to 3pm

28th Sep to 1st October [4 days]

5th Oct to 7th Oct [3 days]

NATURAL COOKING CREATORS [1 Day]

A one day **creative cooking** experience preparing nourishing meals in the kitchen from scratch. Children will come home enthused, feeling capable and independent after a day with Geraldine from the Ferment Kitchen.

5 to 16 year olds

Invercargill

8.45am to 3pm

Thursday 8th October

BUSH KIDS [1 Day]

A one day bushcraft and survival skills experience.

5 to 16 year olds

Invercargill & Gore

8.45am to 3pm

Friday 2nd October GORE

5th, 6th, 7th and 9th October Invercargill

***Bushcraft and Survival Skills experiences include:**

- Advanced fire starting skills
- Knife work, whittling, carving
- Bush exploration, navigating, orienteering
- Shelter building
- Cooking on gas stoves/ fires
- Survival first aid
- Herbal medicine
- Foraging
- Natural Crafts
- Nature Discovery

Our adventures explore the bush, estuary, beach and pine forests

*Every day brings a different adventure. Activities are weather, location and seasonally dependent

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