

11 JUNE 2021

NEWSLETTER

St John's Girls' School

Te Kura Kōtiro ō Hato Hoani



Principal's Comments

Tena koutou katoa – Greetings to you all

Maths Evening

Thank you for attending our maths information evening. I hope we were able to answer your questions. I enjoyed hearing/seeing how different people solved the problems and from that, I learnt about factorial numbers. The gentle buzz that was happening, is what the girls are like when we deliver maths in this way! It's exciting! Two houses are getting a pizza lunch as both Alabaster and Enderby had the same number of attendees.

Southland Cross Country

It is pleasing that we have a large squad competing in this event next Friday. Good luck girls. Do your best and make sure your shoes are taped on!

Dee Street Crossing

A parent has contacted me after nearly being hit twice by a car as she was crossing with her daughter before school. Please ensure your daughter knows not to step out onto the crossing until she is sure the cars are going to stop, as the lighting is not great in the morning and other parents are not always focused on the crossing. We want to keep everyone safe so do take care using the crossing and driving near the crossing.

Health Programme

Health is an area that is often neglected in primary schools due to time pressures, however, here at St John's we are very proud of our term 2 health programme which runs each Monday afternoon.

We have an even year programme and an odd year programme. The following is the odd year programme.

- Years 0 – 2:** Personal Hygiene including dental health
- Years 3:** Food and Nutrition
- Years 4 – 5:** Friendships [including anti bullying strategies]
Food and Nutrition
- Year 6:** Pubertal Change (including Personal Hygiene)
- Years 7 – 8:** Drug Alcohol Education

The Life Education Bus visits at the end of the term. Topics covered reinforce those covered during the term focus.

Life Education Topics

- Years 0-1:** Body Systems
- Years 2-4:** Healthy Foods
- Year 5:** Relationships
- Year 6:** Puberty
- Years 7-8:** Substances - Drug and Alcohol Education

Accounts / Financial Matters

Please have all accounts up to date. Unless paying by automatic payment, all accounts should be paid in full today.

Have a great weekend and I hope to see you next Wednesday or Thursday at the whole school production of 'Rock Bottom'.

Nga mihi nui (warm regards)

Brenda Mackay
Principal



Coming Events

TERM 2

June

- **14-15th** Dress Rehearsal - Production
- **16-17th** Production [6.00pm]
- **18th** Southland Cross Country
[Postponement date - 22nd June]
- **24th** BoT Meeting 5.30 pm
- **28th** Marae Visit [Rooms 5/6/7]
- **29th** Marae Visit [Rooms 1 / 2 / 3 / 4]

July

- **2nd** Reports out
- **6th** Interviews [School closes 2.00pm]
- **7th** Interviews [School closes 3.00pm]
- **6-9th** Life Education Bus
- **9th** Bonus Points trophies presented
Work / Sports stripes presented
Last day of Term 2

TERM 3

July

- **26th** Day 1 of Term 3

August

- **4th** Parents' Association Meeting
[7.00pm]
- **10th** Yr 7 Speech Exam
- **11th** Yr 6 Speech Exam
- **13th** Yr 8 Speech Exam
- **19th** BoT Meeting [5.30pm]
- **26th** Polyfest
- **27th** Father / Daughter Netball [2.00pm]

Awards

Congratulations to the following girls who have received awards recently

Room 1 Eloise Smith, Lucy Jenkins
Kyla-Rose Jarvis-Patterson, Mackenzie Brown

Room 2 Ava Amar, Peyton Cornish, Elise Davison,
Courtney Mackie

Room 3 Mia Reilly, Gracie Dennis, Meila Iosefo,
Drew Peddie

Room 4 Matilda Moody, Jessica Hay, Alysha Jennings,
Liliana Clinckett

Room 5 Georgia Buchanan, Anyia Hamilton,
Lucy Muir, Lilly Roughan

Room 6 Emelia King, Amy Fieten,
Matilda Stevens, Olivia Sorensen

Room 7 Catlin Brady, Jhordaya Shaw,
Lucy Middlemass, Christabel Billcliff

Values Cup Abby Unahi [Room 3]
Amelia Bosma [Room 2]





Room 1

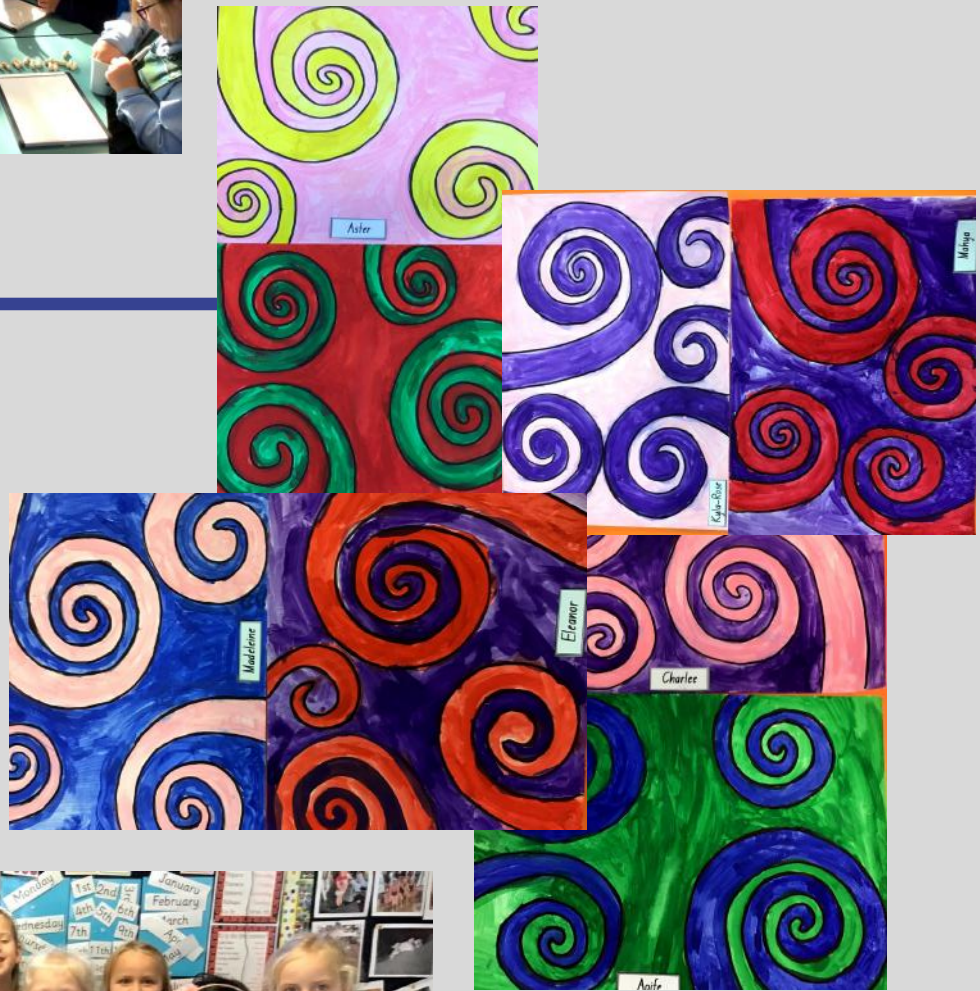


Mathematics in Action

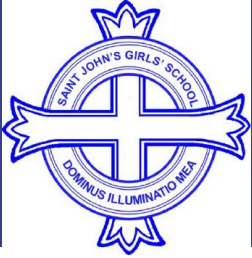
We have been counting sets and recording the numbers, but also sharing this with a buddy to explain and justify our thinking. We have also been playing mirror numbers where we roll a dice and our buddy has to mirror the number represented, on her fingers.

Koru Art

We have also been working on some Koru art. We used stencils to draw around, but choose where we placed them and which two colours to use. We use water colour paints and learnt how to make our colours strong.



Mufti Day



Performance Skills

Room 2 have been practising our performance skills by putting on class plays. We chose our own costumes and props. We worked well together and had some great ideas on how to act out our parts.



Room 2

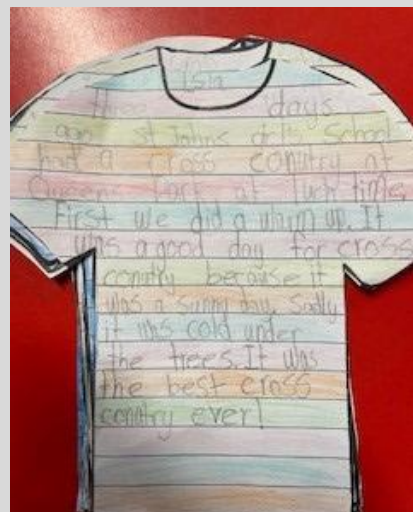
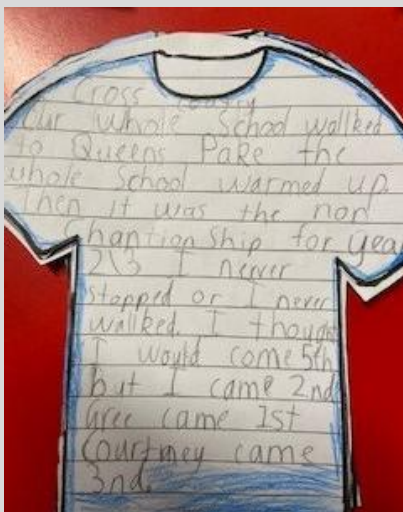


We have been learning a lot about 2D and 3D shapes by making our own

2D & 3D

Mufti Day

We all enjoyed Mufti Day and loved sharing our characters with the class.



Writing

Cross country was a big day out for Room 2 and we were super proud of ourselves. We have been writing about our experiences.



Room 3



Writing ANZAC

Room 3 wrote ANZAC acrostic poems and they created these wonderful landscapes. We thought about how war effects so many families. We will remember the soldiers who fought for our freedom.

Writing Cross Country

Look at Room 3 Run! We were very proud of our achievements at Cross Country and we wrote some recounts as we reflected on our achievement.



Art

Look at our wonderful silhouette art. We focused on shading with pastel and matching colours from the colour wheel. They tie in with our writing as we are busy writing explanations about our interests and passions.

Production

The juniors have had so much fun rehearsing for our up coming School Production "Rock Bottom".



Maths

Room 3 are getting stuck in to our low floor high ceiling maths problems. We enjoy working in groups and finding many possible answers.