



# St Patrick's College Silverstream

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## Vision Statement

*St Patrick's College, Silverstream is a boys' school of excellence, founded on Catholic and Marist values and traditions where students develop knowledge, skills, attitudes and values which enable them to become compassionate, just and successful citizens. Our students are challenged and motivated to achieve personal excellence in an innovative learning environment enhanced by tradition, superb facilities, quality teaching and a supportive College community*



Tēnā koutou katoa, Greetings everyone

A very warm welcome to 2019, especially our new Year 9 students and students at other year levels.

The start of the year is always filled with excitement and expectations. The organisation required to begin the year is huge and I thank all the staff for the preparation that that have put in.

*"I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38). To be at the service of others does not only mean to be ready for action. It means also to be in conversation with God with an attitude of listening, just like Mary. She listened to what the angel said to her and then she responded.*  
**(Pope Francis, November 2018)**

So this year our key theme for 2019 is SUPPORT:

- 'We care': Supporting the wellbeing of our community through the development of Silverstream's Wellbeing Framework.
- Personal Excellence: Supporting individual and collective success through the development of quality assessment and student centered programmes – with a focus on Years 9 – 11.
- Cultural sustainability: Supporting our community to actively live Silverstream's 'kawa' (customs/protocols) and deepen knowledge and understanding of our diverse cultures.

We do start the year with some sadness as on Anniversary Day just recently our Chef in the Boarding School, Jeedendra Dhade, JD as we know him, sadly passed away from cardiac arrest. JD was always smiling and always willing to help and was a great chef.

May God bless his family and hold them in the palm of his hand. Lokesh, JD's son is a Year 10 student at the College and our theme support is very fitting for Lokesh and his family.



I have addressed the staff and students in Assembly and asked that our voice in 2019 be one of support, one of caring, one of seeking Mary's courage and guidance.

We can succeed in 2019 if:

1. We work smart enough and hard enough
2. If we put the group ahead of our own personal interests
3. If we improve and there is always room for improvement
4. Knowing what is required to succeed
5. Remember that praise is more valuable than blame

So let us pray for 2019 for the community of Stream remembering our special intentions.

Remember we are a Marist College with our 5 values:

**Unity ■ Support ■ Courage ■ Faith ■ Humility**

Kai Kaha Be Brave Be Strong

Sectare Fidem

Grahame Duffy  
Rector

## ■ NCEA RESULTS

We would like to congratulate the two students who gained Scholarships in 2018:

Toby Meyrick (Physical Education)  
Rohan Manaena (English)

% of our students attaining NCEA qualifications in 2018

Level 1	66.2%
Level 2	83.8%
Level 3	77.0%

We are particularly delighted with the NCEA Level 3 results which are the best the College has achieved over the past 5 years in University Entrance, Level 3 and subject endorsements. It is also pleasing to note that the Excellence endorsements have continued to improve at Levels 2 and 3 and are the best endorsement results St Patrick's College Silverstream has achieved:

Level 1	11.8%
Level 2	20.2%
Level 3	15.5%

## ■ POWHIRI

On Thursday 31 January 2019 we welcomed all our Year 9 students, other year levels, staff and families to the College.

It was a great occasion in a unique Catholic, Marist and Silverstream way. This special event provided a real sense of te whanui o Hato Patiriki ki Mawaihakona – the family of St Patrick's Silverstream, and welcomed us all into the love and care of the family of Jesus Christ – te whanau o Henu Karaiti.



## ■ STUDENT LEADERS

Head Boy	Luani Ammunson
Deputies:	Joseph Gray Max Griffith Akira Ieremia
Head Boarder	Toiroa Whaanga-Davies

## ■ WELCOME TO STAFF

We welcome the following staff to Silverstream in 2019:

Scott Leggett	HOD Physical Education
Isabella Thompson	Science
Daryl Stewart	Business Manager
Kate Lyde	Assistant HOD English

## ■ STAFF FAREWELLS

Over the holidays we farewelled Margaret Craigie (Mathematics) and Claire Oakley (English). I thank Libby Kirton and Dennis Clark who will relieve in these positions while we advertise and appoint.

On Friday 8 February we farewelled Matthew White our Te Reo Teacher. Matt will leave us after 10 years at Silverstream. While being the Te Reo teacher Matt has also involved himself in the Whanau Hui and the wider community at Silverstream. Matt leaves us to take up his calling at the Seminary in Auckland. This is a big step in Matt's life and we ask for God's blessing as he takes up this challenge. Matt has been an integral part of our Religious Education Department. We grant him the strength of Mary's courage for the pathway ahead.

## ■ DEANS 2019

Year 9	Blair Hungerford
Year 10	Jane Nolan
Year 11	Dan Sales
Year 12	Reuben Pivac
Year 13	Sam Dean

## ■ FORMAL UNIFORM

School Blazer  
White long sleeved Shirt  
School Tie  
School Socks  
School Trousers (Years 11-13 only)  
School Shorts (Years 9 & 10 only)  
Shoes/ Black leather dress shoes with regulation College socks  
Sandals OR Brown leather sandals that have not been deliberately altered  
(no jandals, sports shoes or slides to be worn unless permission given by Dean or Assistant Rector Pastoral)



## ■ FIRST DAY FOR YEAR 9 STUDENTS

The first day for Year 9 students ended with a liturgy and tree planting ceremony at the front of the Chapel. A native tree was planted by Head Boy, Luani Ammunson and Jordan Bentley, the youngest student on our roll. The tree and its growth symbolise the progress of our new students over their time at Silverstream. The Year 9 students will take turns at watering the tree, acknowledging the care and nurturing that is needed for growth. Being in front of the Chapel, we call on the Lord to bless all – students and physical environment – as they flourish at this special place.



## ■ BECOMING A STREAMER, YEAR 9 STUDENTS

The 'Becoming a Streamer' evening will be held on Wednesday 22 February. This is a chance for you, as a parent of a Year 9 student, to hear and learn some more about the core values that your son (s) will be exposed to over the coming years. It is also a great opportunity to meet fellow parents and hear about some of the parent groups in the College.

This evening will be held in the Dining Room and begins at 7.00pm. Light refreshments will kindly be provided by the College Parents and Friends.

We look forward to your attendance as it is another step in building the understanding and partnership between home and school.

## ■ FROM FATHER JOHN WALLS SM, MINISTRY TEAM

It has been a pleasure to welcome the new Year 9 students to our College and to introduce them to the heart of our College – the Chapel and what happens there. Many are not too familiar with our Catholic Mass and so, gently, we will help and encourage them.

It reminds me, though, to let new parents know that we will have a 'Sacramental programme' starting later this term which will enable students to learn about and receive the Sacraments of initiation – Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. I will send out more information and relevant details in a couple of weeks. Please feel free to contact me in the meantime if you have any questions [wallsj@stream.school.nz](mailto:wallsj@stream.school.nz) or mobile 021 244 8090.

## ■ SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

School Photos were taken on Monday 4 February 2019. All payments and queries are to be directed to LC Scott and not the College Office. [orders@lcscott.co.nz](mailto:orders@lcscott.co.nz) or Telephone 04 568 6721.

## ■ DRIVING TO SCHOOL AND CAR PARK USE

Students who drive to school have been reminded about driving safely as they enter and leave the school grounds and carpark.

We would prefer parents to drop and pick up students at the gate due to the dangerous and chaotic congestion it creates. Where possible please enter the College through the South gate.

## ■ STUDENT STATEMENTS AND PAYMENTS

We are currently in the process of populating all student accounts. Statements will be sent out by 22 February. These will be emailed to parents who we have email addresses for, otherwise they will be posted in the mail. Please check your statements carefully to ensure all charges and payments have been recorded correctly. If you have any concerns please contact either Mrs Rebecca Wagstaff (527-1357, [wagstaffr@stream.school.nz](mailto:wagstaffr@stream.school.nz)) or Mr Daryl Stewart (527-1353, [stewartd@stream.school.nz](mailto:stewartd@stream.school.nz)).

Payments may be made by automatic payment, internet banking, eftpos, credit card or cash. The school bank account for payments is 12-3142-0173808-00. Please give your son's student ID and reason for payment in the reference fields. If paying by cash or cheque please place the money in an envelope with the student's name, reason for payment and amount enclosed and place in the secure drop box at reception. Receipts will be issued by Finance staff on request, otherwise you will be able to confirm your payment has been received by viewing your son's account through the parent portal.

Tax receipts for donations paid during the tax year are sent out each year in April. Donations paid will qualify for a tax rebate which can be claimed from the IRD.

## ■ ATTENDANCE DUES

Attendance dues are set by the Archdiocese of Wellington. St Patricks College Silverstream has no involvement with their setting and collection but does have a role to assist where there is financial hardship being experienced by parents/guardians. Attendance Dues for 2018 have been set at \$1040.00 for secondary school students

Dues must be paid to the Archdiocese of Wellington by all parents/guardians who send their child/ren to Catholic Schools. They are invoiced by the Archdiocese separately from the College. The first lot of invoices are usually mailed out in March. Parents/guardians are given a number of options by the Archdiocese as to how and when to pay them.

Please contact the Archdiocese of Wellington directly if you have any queries regarding Attendance Dues on 0800 462 725 or [dues@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:dues@wn.catholic.org.nz) *If you have financial hardship:* The policy of the Archdiocese is that all Catholic children should have ready access to Catholic Education. No one should be denied this right because of financial reasons. Families who cannot afford the dues should contact their Parish Priest or College Principal for help.



## ■ ATHLETICS DAY - Tuesday 5 February





## ■ CRICKET TRADITIONAL

Stream Cricket 1st XI Traditional vs Francis Douglas Memorial College.

Stream won outright by an innings and 71 runs against FDMC in the first Traditional of the year. Stream batted first making 338/5 dec with centuries to Max Griffith 122 and Sam Morgan 116 Not Out. Stream then bowled FDMC out for 122 and 145. Full Scorecard <https://www.crichq.com/matches/711160>

Stream Cricket 1st XI Traditional vs St Pats Town.

Stream made a great start, batting first and made 398 with a century to Caleb Montague 102 and was well supported by Sam Morgan 67 and Max Griffith 73. In reply St Pats Town made 322 with Ryan Jackson the pick of the bowlers with 4 for 50. Stream 2nd innings was dominated by Caleb Montague with another century 120 Not Out and Sam Morgan 43 Not Out before the ended in a draw and Stream retaining the Old Boys Cup as the current holders

<https://www.crichq.com/matches/713236>

## ■ MOBILE APP

**Don't miss out on important College messages!**



St Patrick's College Silverstream community, (Parents, Students and Staff) are finding the Mobile App a useful tool receiving notices of events and other important school messages, like *"today is Formal Uniform day"*, sporting reminders and if an event has been cancelled due to weather etc.

Everything to do with the College is featured on this app i.e.:

- Subscribe to Year Level notices
- Daily student notices
- Absentees
- Newsletter
- Website

All students should check the notices each day before Ranks.

You can download the app for free on your iPhone or Android by searching St Patrick's College Silverstream