



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

Kia ora koutou, Greetings everyone

On Tuesday morning we had Mass for the whole junior school in the Chapel. It was really hot. The students were awesome – their responses were strong, they sang with spirit and they were very reverent at Communion time.

In the afternoon we had the Neville Shield Athletics meeting with St Patrick's Town. It was really hot. Again, the students were awesome, whether competing with effort and obvious sportsmanship, or enjoying from the bank with good humour and co-operation.

And on Wednesday night in the Library, the Christmas in Concert performances. It was so hot. The performances were great. I particularly enjoyed observing again, staff and students working together.

In this final week of the school year, I reflect on what a great environment we have here. There is the beauty of the physical environment, but I refer to the environment of the relationships. Staff and students uniting and helping, co-operating, caring for each other. It is a very, very supportive place to work and learn.

It is with this in mind that I finish my working journey at Silverstream (to add to my time as a student and a Boarder in the late 1970's). Now I become a supporter, from a distance.

I am proud of so much that we have achieved over the last six years. And I, with thought, particularly use the word "we". As it has been a collaborative effort involving staff, students, parents, families, old boys, friends of the College. We have had our bumps and bruises along the way. I am most proud of what I consider to be a re-claiming of what we are all about as a school – a community that strives to live the Gospel, daily, in a Marist way.

And I am confident when I look to the future. This school is full of great people and I have real confidence in where it will head with these great people under the new leadership of Grahame Duffy.

It has been an honour and a privilege to serve the community of St Patrick's College, Silverstream.

I wish you all a very safe, happy and holy Christmas and everything good for the future.

Ka kite ano (see you again)

Sectare Fidem

Gerard Tully, Rector

■ WELCOME GRAHAME DUFFY



The Transition!

Over Term 4 Grahame and I have been working together ensuring everything is set up well for the start of the 2018 school year. It has been most enjoyable working with a fellow principal colleague – we have known each other for many years. I am sure that the Silverstream community will warmly welcome Grahame back to the College at the start of 2018.

■ HAERE RA

We thank for their service at St Pat's, and wish well for the future:

Ms Pillay
Mr Grove
Mr Herbert
Mr Columbus
Mr Cole
Mrs Kirton

More extensive farewells will be included in the 2017 Blue and White. However, it is worth noting the amazing service of Mr Cole – retiring after 25 years at the College, and Mrs Kirton – retiring after 30 years at Stream.

■ BOARD OF TRUSTEES

As the school year draws to a close for 2017, so too does the tenure of Gerard Tully at St Patrick's College, Silverstream as our Rector.

The Board of Trustees and Board of Proprietors have marked the significance of Gerard's contribution to our College by placing a plaque at the front of our Chapel that reads the following:



These words are straight out of Gerard's Year 13 Prizegiving address, and describe the man he is and the type of leadership he gave.

We are forever grateful for everything that Gerard has given to our College – its young men, their whanau, our teachers and support staff and all from our wider Stream community.

Sectare Fidem

Katrina Mannix
Chair
Board of Trustees

■ CALENDAR DATES FOR 2018

Date	Event
Tuesday 23 January	College Office opens
Tuesday 23 January	Year 12 re-registration, 9.00am – 3.00pm Year 13 Student Leadership Training Day. 8.30am – 3.30pm
Wednesday 24 January	Year 13 re-registration, 9.00am – 3.00pm
Thursday 25 and Friday 26 January	Teacher Only Days
Term 1 Monday 29 January – Friday 13 April	
Monday 29 January	Year 13 only
Tuesday 30 January	Year 13 & Year 9 only
Wednesday 31 January	ALL STUDENTS 8.30am Year 9 Athletics Trial, 1.30pm (bring PE gear)
Thursday 1 February	All Athletics Team Trial, 3.15pm
Friday 2 February	House Athletics
Saturdays 3 & 10 February	Year 9 Boarders No weekend leave
Monday 5 February	School Photos – Formal Uniform
Tuesday 6 February	College Closed for Waitangi Day
Wednesday 7 February postpone day	House Athletics
Friday 9 February	Year 9 Meet and Greet - Parents & Tutor Teachers 4.00pm - 5.30pm
Uniform Shop January 2018	In the Auditorium
All students should attend these hours in the Auditorium. Once everything is returned to the Uniform Shop you may have a long wait.	
Monday 22 January	College Closed for Anniversary Weekend
Tuesday 23 January	10.00am – 2.00pm
Wednesday 24 January	4.00pm - 6.00pm
Thursday 25 January	4.00pm - 6.00pm
Friday 26 January	10.00am – 2.00pm
Back in the Uniform Shop	
Monday 29 January	9.00am – 12noon
Tuesday 30 January	9.00am – 12noon
Usual Term Time Hours	
Each Wednesday from 31 January	8.00am – 9.30am
Each Thursday from 1 February	12.30pm – 1.30pm

■ SPC SILVERSTREAM MARKET DAY 30 MAY 2018

We are inviting local crafts people and businesses to run a stall, demonstration or workshop to show-case their business to the public as well as running a cafeteria so people can socialise over a coffee or cake.

If would like to be involved or would just like further information then please contact the school office on 04-939-4224 or email admin@stream.school.nz

YES

I would like to join the Committee?

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I would like to make / donate items?

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I would like a stall? *(small registration fee will apply)*

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Any other help?

Name: Email:

■ ART DEPARTMENT

For the last weeks of term junior art classes have teamed up to complete a Christmas installation for the Music departments' Christmas concert in the library. It has been great to be part of this event, with an opportunity to get some student art work up and visible around the school for the greater community to enjoy. We are decorating the antechamber entrance to the library in a fusion of a hand painted Tomokanga (Maori entranceway), Pohutukawa trees, snowflakes and stars. The making of the Christmas display has been a communal effort with the hands of many involved in the true collaborative spirit of Christmas and a good end to 2017.

To see more of what the Art and Design department get up to visit our social media sites

Instagram

www.instagram.com/visualartatstream/

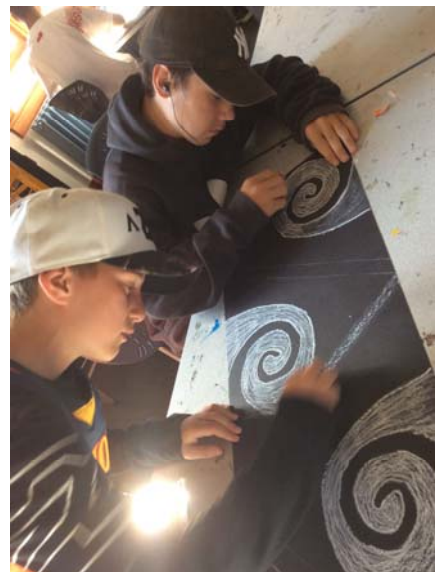
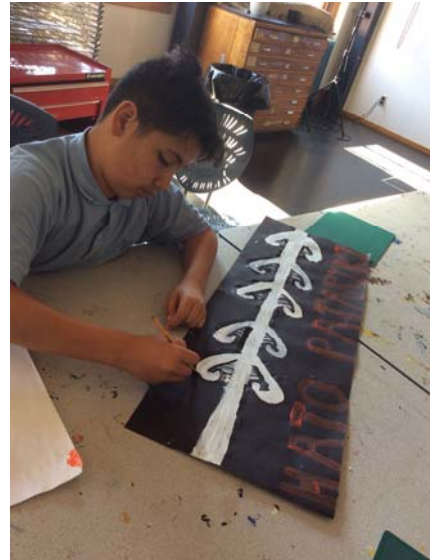
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Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/CreativeStreamSPC>

Youtube

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■ YEARS 9 AND 10 SOCIAL STUDIES

The Year 9 and 10 Social Studies classes had the opportunity to go on fieldtrips during the last few weeks of school. These trips focussed on the South Coast of Wellington, giving the students a taste of the History and Geography of the area. Superb weather meant these trips were a huge success, with many students going for a swim at Scorching Bay.



■ YEAR 9 COMMUNITY PROJECT

On the 23 November this Year, 9 Romero invited a group of residents from the Home of Compassion to enjoy a cup of tea/coffee and enjoy some food the class had made in the previous Food and Nutrition lesson. We all enjoyed meeting and talking with our guests. The group of people from the Home of Compassion even included an ex-all black Russell Watt.

The boys in our class made scones with jam and cream, sandwiches and muffins. The elders really looked amazed at seeing all these boys offering them food and hot drinks.

The boys from our school all were in conversations with the people from the Home of Compassion and they were telling stories from when they were younger. It was a day that we won't forget. We all loved every second of it.

Sebastian White and Calvin Fepuleai



■ NZSS ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS 20117

A team of 21 took part in the Championships in Hastings over three days. Standouts were Eduard Korent, 2nd in the Senior High Jump, just missing 1.90m, and 5th in the Senior Long Jump, along with Lachlainn Marryatt who was third in the Senior Javelin, getting out to 54.48m. Other performances of note were as follows:

Hamish Lock 8th in the Senior 110m Hurdles in 15.57, 12th in the Senior 200m with 22.96.

Three senior athletes in the top 8 in Senior Triple jump – Josh McGregor 5th, Scott Svenson 7th, Jackson Roil 8th.

The Senior 4 x 400m team getting 12th with 3:38

Euan Kortink, 11th in the Junior 400m with 55.97, and 14th in the Junior 800m with 2min 9.12

Stanton Renwicks 15th in the Senior 400m with 53.61

Finn Molloy 13th in the Senior 3k with 9min 22.29 and 13th in the Senior 6k Road race.

Many of the rest of the team gained PB's over the 3 days and came away very pleased. They were superb during the trip and represented the school very well indeed.



■ FOUNDATION

What is the Foundation?

The St Patrick's College Silverstream Foundation exists to encourage philanthropic giving. This enables the Foundation to help to support and enhance the educational and physical resources of the college, whilst maintaining its special character education. To find out more detail about our mission, vision and goals I encourage you to read our Foundation Strategic Plan, available on the Foundation website.

Of course, a Foundation is not just about financial resources. At its heart, it is about the strength and unity that comes from working for a common purpose. Together we can form a stronger College community, working to help create even more opportunities for our boys!

Dear Silverstream family

For those of you whom I haven't yet met, my name is Nicole de la Mare and I am the Foundation Manager here at Stream. I have been working busily behind the scenes this year establishing a variety of new programs and projects. For this final newsletter of 2017, I warmly invite you to become involved in several exciting projects for 2018.

The Silverstream Way

In our last newsletter you may have seen our flyer for "The Silverstream Way" – a commemorative walkway, celebrating and honouring the many students, staff and others who have contributed to our community. The existing path around the chapel will become the walkway, lined on one side with bricks and on the other with large decorative stainless steel bollards. My dearest hope is that this walkway will provide a way for you to 'leave your mark' on the College, becoming a wonderful place to visit fondly in years to come. Proceeds raised from this walkway will initially go towards both the Capital Works Fund and Leadership programs at Stream. Bricks can be engraved with a student name, a family name, special dates, a teacher's name or anything else you feel appropriate. You can also 'combine' bricks together for longer entries, with a border running around the text over several bricks.

St Patrick's Silverstream Annual Fundraising Dinner

In the previous newsletter, you may have seen the "Save the Date" for our first annual fundraising dinner on St Patrick's Day, Saturday 17 March 2018. This event is shaping up to be a fantastic celebration in support of a very good cause, with good music, good company and good food. I warmly invite and encourage you all to attend this fantastic evening, which will include highlights such as:

- A dessert auction – After you have finished the delicious gourmet two course dinner included with your ticket, all manner of exciting and flamboyant desserts will be auctioned from the stage! Bid as a table to win your favourite sweet treat before it disappears!
- A wine lucky dip – Buy a ticket in the wine lucky dip and you are guaranteed to go home with at least a NZ classic, however you might just find yourself taking home something very rare and special!

- Glitz and Glamour – While the dress code will be smart casual, you are also encouraged to dress to impress! This is your chance to celebrate the start of another school year in style.
- Dancing – After the dinner and events have finished, we will clear some room for people to dance along to the live band if they wish!

We will be announcing more details about the evening as they come to hand – early bird ticket sales will open at the beginning of the school year and I encourage you to snap up tickets early, as there will by necessity be a limited amount available!

I am so excited to see our Foundation community grow over the next 12 months. If you have questions about the Foundation, The Silverstream Way or the Fundraising Dinner, please feel free to contact me at delamaren@stream.school.nz

Nicole de la Mere
Foundation Manager



SAVE THE DATE

For a special celebration

THE 1ST ANNUAL
SILVERSTREAM FOUNDATION
FUNDRAISING DINNER

St Patrick's Day
Saturday 17 March 2018

DANCING • DESSERT AUCTION • SPECIAL GUESTS • MUSIC • RAFFLES & PRIZES

EARLY BIRD TICKET SALES OPEN AT THE START OF THE 2018 SCHOOL YEAR

EARLY BIRD PRICE - \$95

REGULAR PRICE - \$100

WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR MORE DETAILS TO COME!