



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 and welcome back to Term Two!

Mother of the Church – 'someone who is always near'.

May is the month of Mary. A courageous woman who is seen as the Mother of the Church. Therefore, throughout this month the students and staff have been praying as a community to Mary our beloved mother. The values of Mary one being courage is very relevant as courage is the theme for 2018. We pray for a meaning in life for a strong spirit for hope, we pray for the values that are needed as we embrace the opportunities of an ever-changing world.

Mary was an extraordinary woman and so Pope Francis has decreed the ancient devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary under the title of "Mother of the Church" be inserted into the Roman calendar it is to be celebrated on the Monday after Pentecost this year being the 21 May.

It is no surprise then that also in the month of May we celebrate Mother's Day, Sunday 13 May.

Can I wish everyone all the best for Term Two:

"What a task it is to form a man
How difficult is it
How much patience is required
But is there anything greater"

May Mother of God help me to respond to God's call as you did. Give me the strength to do what is right and to show love and care to everyone around me.

Battalion

In the first week of Term Te Rākau, along with students from St Patrick's College Silverstream and St Oran's College, presented The Battalion. *"The Battalion is a very moving story about friendship, loyalty, madness and redemption - seen through the eyes of Paora Matene, a war veteran, and relayed to his wayward charges Rimini and George".*

I had the privilege of attending the Gala performance and witnessing a very moving and exceptional performance. The play allowed the audience to connect in a powerful and challenging way with our history through the eyes of a war veteran from the Māori Battalion.

Thank you to Jim Moriarty and his crew for providing this opportunity for our students. To the student involved and to Shelly Watson, HOD Drama - well done for the long hours of work and the exceptional outcome. Thank you too, to the boys who helped the College reflect in our Anzac Day Assembly.

Open Day

I want to thank all staff and students involved in Open Day. The turnout was impressive and there is a lot of interest in the College.

Our message to prospective parents is this school is a Marist Catholic school about people, students and staff who have a commitment to excellence in education. Enrolment applications close on Friday 29 June.

Uniform

This first week of Term we have been working through with the students making sure their uniform is well presented. On a Monday it is formal uniform day. This means that at Assembly the boys are in shirt, ties and blazers. No jerseys are to be worn under the blazer during the assembly. I have also informed the boys that shoes are to be cleaned.

As I said to the parents on Open Day - there is no conflict between the shirts in, socks up, ties neat, high standard of expected dress and a progressive, innovative College tailored to individual needs.

Market Day

Sunday 20 May from 10.00 am to 3.00pm is Market Day which will include a Café and over 40 stalls selling arts, crafts, clothing, jewellery, homewares, skincare and many more exciting things on offer.

Our cafe will be selling barista coffee with a slice of cake for \$5.00. Come and try a slice of Mrs Potts famous zucchini cake. Vouchers can be pre-purchased from the College Reception.

Tickets \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 per family. We look forward to seeing you all there for a fun day out.

Winter Sports and Cultural Activities

I would like to remind parents and students of their commitment to the Winter Sports and Cultural programme at the school. The values of commitment, loyalty, courage, trustworthiness and honesty will grow through participation in these opportunities. Sometimes things didn't always go our way – we might miss out on the top team, have a bad performance, lose a game, or suffer from injury. The opportunity to experience these is all part of developing skills and strategies to overcome disappointment and build resilience. The message is clear - if being the best was easy then there would be no challenges!

Sectare Fidem
Grahame Duffy
Rector

■ THE BATTALION – A REFLECTION

The journey of the Battalion with theatre company Te Rākau was an amazing opportunity and a real adventure! 15 hours of rehearsal per week for 12 weeks and a full week of productions to supportive audiences!



Over The Battalion journey the cast developed confidence, not only in theatre, but in public speaking, and learnt a range of new drama skills useful for daily life - such as projection, and articulation. It was fantastic to work with St. Orans, making bonds with lots of different people. It was also a powerful opportunity to learn not just about ourselves and each other, but also about some of the history that we share as New Zealanders. Learning about the Maori Battalion and their experiences of war and its impact was eye-opening.

We are proud that we took the opportunity to be a part of the Battalion. It was a transformational experience – everyone grew, made new friends, shy students came out of their shells. It was exciting for students who are not sporty to have an opportunity to express themselves and show what the Arts at Silverstream are capable of. We are grateful for the opportunity and were proud to represent the school through drama.

We are also incredibly grateful to the tutors – Jim Moriarty, Helen Pearse-Otene, Jeremy Davis and Kimberley Skipper for their perseverance and energy sharing their knowledge and love of theatre with us. For some of the students The Battalion experience will have been a highlight of their lives to date. We hope that this opportunity exists again in the future!

Reflection contributors:

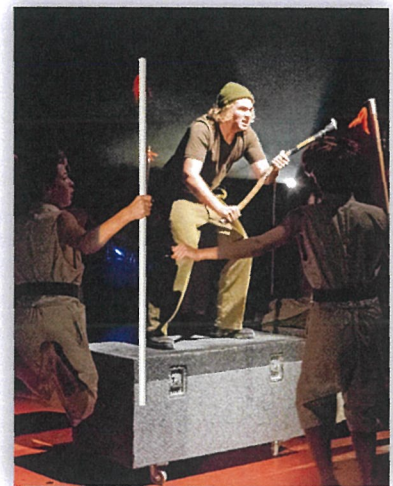
Brendan English (Year 13 – character Paora Matene)

Te Atatutu Patelisio (Year 11 – character Lieutenant Anaru Kingi)

Sebastian White (Year 10 – character Jo Boy Matene)

Will Adams (Year 12 – character Matthias Schwartz)

Ryan Jennings (Year 11 – character Charlie Murray)



■ SPECIAL CHARACTER

Our Sacramental Programme is progressing well. We have had to change the date we celebrate the reception of the Sacraments – now 22 June, rather than the advertised 29 June. Our apologies for any inconvenience, but availability of personnel necessitated the change.

Our Year 12 students will have their first retreat of the year this coming week – Monday 14 May through Thursday 17 May. We hope you and your son can take the opportunity to have a conversation regarding his experiences.

Weekly masses continue – the Community celebration at 7.00pm on a Sunday is well attended by Boarders, together with a good gathering of visiting parents and friends. On Tuesday mornings we celebrate mass for Staff and have a steady number attending, and then the voluntary mass is on a Thursday morning for students, which usually has a good 60+ students attending.

The annual O'Shea Shield Competition for Catholic Speech and Drama and Scripture readings (Te Reo Māori and English) occurs this weekend at St Catherine's College, Kilbirnie. Sixteen Secondary schools compete from around the Palmerston North and Wellington Dioceses. It is a great gathering and celebration of the Catholic education endeavour.

■ SCIENCE

Space & Science Festival

This is being held at Onslow College on Saturday 19 and 26 May. Check out www.spacesciencefestival.org if you want to get tickets you can use the code GENESIS in the coupon code field to get a discount.

Science Club

Open to Y9 and Y10. Do you have a passion for Science? Are you interested in learning more about science with other like-minded people? Join the Science Club!

We meet every Wednesday Lunchtimes in K5 for Terms 2 and 3. We will extend you forward in your Science education by having focussed discussions, exciting experiments, individual inquiries and Science Fair competitions.

If you want further information talk to your Science teacher or come along to our first meeting. Wednesday 16 May at Lunchtime in K5.

Hutt STEMM Festival

STEMM is becoming a huge focus as we prepare for the changes in society and work forces. The Hutt's science, technology, engineering, mathematics and manufacturing enterprises contribute more than \$380 million to New Zealand's economy. This is running for the month of May - check out this link if you are interested www.huttstemm.nz/2018-hutt-stemm-festival-calendar/

Science Scholarship Day

Our Year 13 Scholarship students have been at Rongotai College for their Scholarship days. Sheldon Pagaura and Joshua Clegg (below) can be seen participating - any other Year 13 students who want to attend this need to see Mr Hicks.





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Science Department 2018



9 DAYS TO GO

| SUNDAY 20 MAY |
10.00am to 3.00pm

Tickets \$5.00 per person | \$10.00 per family

Tickets can be purchased from the College Office or at Market Day.
You can avoid the queues by purchasing your Café tickets at the same time -
\$5.00 for coffee and cake

Including the Café and over 40 stalls selling arts, crafts, clothing, jewellery,
homewares, skincare, raffles and many more exciting things on offer

Check us on Facebook, search St Patrick's College Silverstream Market Day

❖ HELPERS REQUIRED

We require helpers from 10.00am and 3.00pm to help with stalls and the café. If you are
available please contact Leigh Cooke on cookel@stream.school.nz or phone 939 4224 ext 753

Special thanks to our Market Day sponsors:



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Hamish Blundell



ACTIVE

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

■ FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

Two of our very own St Patrick's College Silverstream students, Akira Ieremia and Roger Sauila (Year 12) have been selected for the NZL Youth Men's Volleyball Team 2018. They will be travelling to Iran to compete in the Asia U18 Volleyball Championships at the end of June.

To raise funds to help our boys get there, there is a Raffle Fundraiser for only **\$5 a ticket** which enters you in the draw to win 1 of 3 AMAZING Prizes.

The Prizes are as follows:

1. **Sports Hamper** - Includes a fully signed 2018 Hurricanes Super Rugby Jersey, All Blacks Rugby Ball & Kicking Tee, Sony Headphones, Compression calf skins, SUP2 Shoe Bag and much more. Valued at over \$400.
2. **Grocery Hamper** valued at over \$200.
3. **Meat Hamper** - Valued at over \$200.

Winners will be drawn on **Friday 25 May 2018**. Raffle tickets can be purchased by cash from the main College Office or through Mr Alosio. Get in quick as tickets are selling fast.

Thank you for your support and we wish our boys the very best of luck for this international tournament!

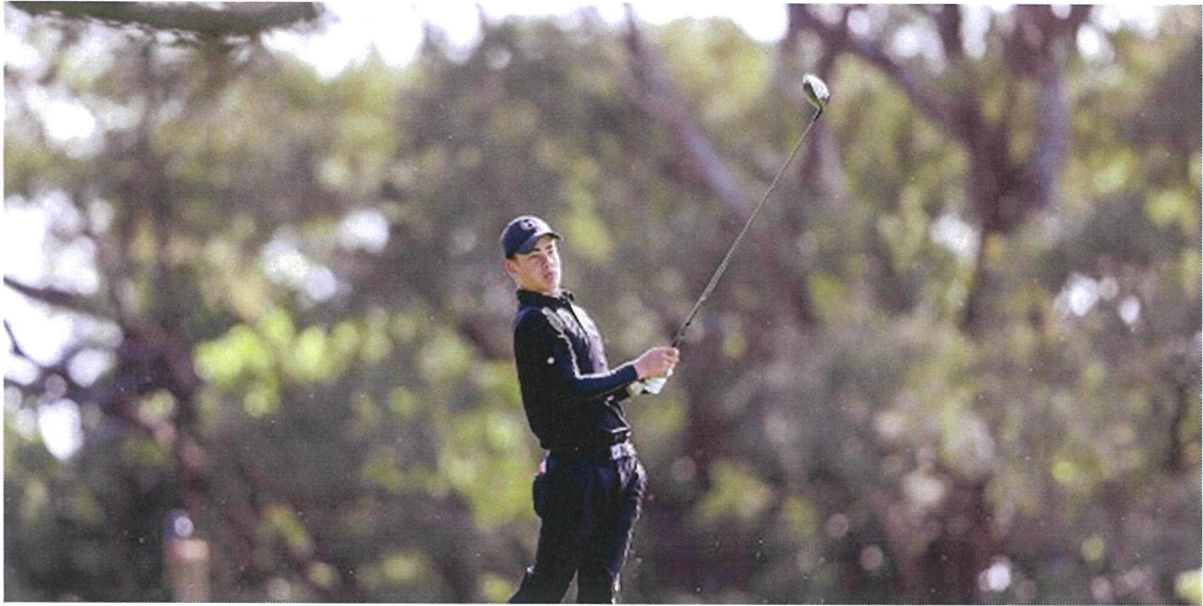
■ WATERPOLO

Congratulations to our Waterpolo team who won the plate final against St Bernard's College at the NZSS Championships in Rotorua in April. The team started slowly with a loss and draw in their first two games and then went unbeaten for the rest of the tournament.

Our thanks to parents Mark Tainui, Chris Clifton, Paul Hullah for their coaching and management of the team during the four days of the competition.



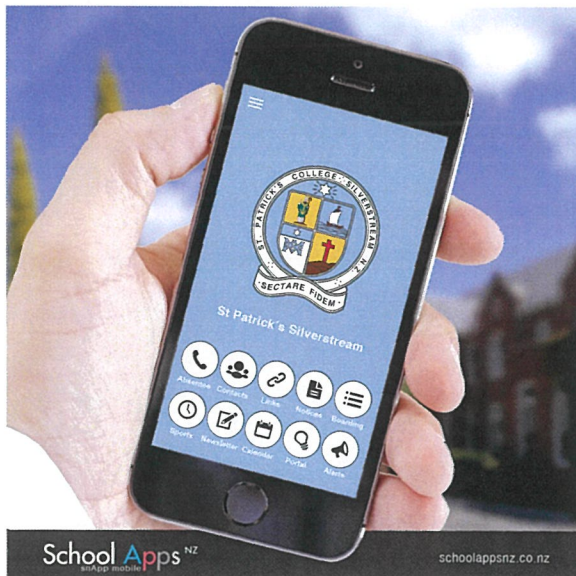
■ GOLF



Congratulations to Jayden Ford, Year 10, who has been selected for the Junior Open Golf Championship at St Andrews, Scotland in July.

■ 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



2018 RUGBY 1st XV

Team Sponsors



Team Staff

Coaches: Tim Mannix & Nigel Bingham

Managers: Tony Clout & Todd Southall

Trainer: Dan Thompson

Physio: Jess Schweizer

Players

Chris Hemi

Cullen Goldsmith

Fritz Rayasi

Iona Apineru

Jacob Beattie

Josh Southall (C)

Josiah Lealamisa

Julius Masoe

Luani Ammunson

Luke Chisholm

Luke Mannix (C)

Maika Fifita

Mitch Southall

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