



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

As a College we have three strategic themes – to be a thoroughly Catholic and Marist College, to have a strong and abiding sense of community; and to engage in outstanding, modern teaching and learning. Taking time out (a term in my case) allows one to reflect on how committed we really are to these themes. Within one week of being back at school I personally experienced:

- The Town Winter Exchange – a great day of sport and competition but also camaraderie with our brother school (building community);
- A combined BOT/BOP Sunday meeting/retreat on “What is Marist?” where board members reflected on the very essence of our school (thoroughly Catholic and Marist);
- Learning Conferences – tutor teachers with each student and their parents/whanau – considering academic progress to date and where to next (primarily, outstanding teaching and learning, but also building community).

It is heartening to return and be immediately reassured that we are working hard – trying to be the best we can be – in the three key areas that our whole community have identified as being central to how we want the experience of St Patrick's College Silverstream to be.

Welcome to new staff members Wendy Daals (Main Office), Tui Barber (Teacher Aide) and Anne Brown (Cleaning Staff, Boarding School). Minoo Kanwai is teaching Science for the remainder of Term Three until our new HOD, Martin Burrows, arrives.

Thank you and best wishes, to Dave Richards and family – Dave was HOD Science for three years and has now left to teach in Dubai.

Welcome also to new BOT members Guy Smith, Patrick Thomas, Stephen Wilson and Andrew Stopps. And thank you for outstanding service to BOT members who have now left the Board – George Faalogo, Andrew Fox, Matt Fage, Nicolas Williams and Nicola Potts.

It's great to be back! I had a wonderful experience – primarily in Europe - during Term 2. It was certainly restful, rejuvenating and stimulating. I offer my sincere thanks to Teach NZ for providing such an opportunity, to the BOT and BOP for supporting my application for a sabbatical, and to the Senior Leadership Team, particularly Jeanette Duffy, for their passionate and astute leadership of the College.

Sectare Fidem

Gerard Tully
Rector

READING AND REFLECTION – LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR

Matthew 6

Giving to the Needy

1 “Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.

2 “So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honoured by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. **3** But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, **4** so that you giving may be in secret. Then you Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you”.

Following from last assembly, with the reading and reflection of “loving thy neighbour” from Mr Tully, we were challenged with the question: “Do we love our neighbour at Silverstream?”.

Loving our neighbour, broken down, means to help and want the best for the people surrounding us. When we think about loving our neighbour at Stream, there are already many ways and forms in which we already do. From academic tutoring of the Year 13 leaders sacrificing their time, to Year 13 mentors creating relationships with junior tutor classes. Other ways we do are behind the scenes in the daily life of the college, for example students paying for others onto buses or trains, or sitting and talking to students by themselves. Even through support of sports teams, or more personally this year, the Year 13’s supporting one another after the loss of our brother Rhys. Outwardly in the community, we love our neighbours through young vinnies, hoops for hope, and the social justice class visiting the home of compassion.

In the reading, it talks about how we should be loving our neighbour (giving to the needy) in secret. Often we can find that we lose the purpose of events and may do hoops for hope just to show off how good our school is. However, we shouldn't and instead should do it for the sincere purpose of helping others. So I leave with the question: “How will you love your neighbour at stream?”

IMPORTANT DATES TERM THREE

29 August – 2 September – Winter Tournament Week

2 September – **School Closed**

8 September – 16 September
Year 11 – 13 Assessment Week

17 September – 9.00am – 9.00pm
Hoops for Hope Fundraiser ‘Next Door’

19 September – Careers Expo @ Stream

20 September – Sports & Cultural Photos

21 September – Year 13 Retreat (Day 2)

22 & 23 September – 2017 Course Selection
Interviews Years 10 -13,
Year 9 normal classes

23 September – End Term Three
Senior Data Reports Uploaded to Portal

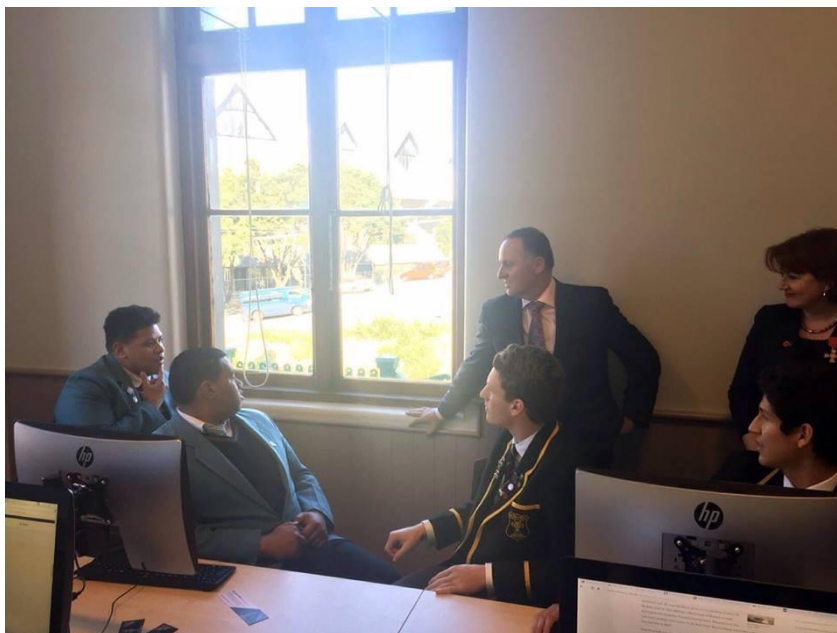
*Josiah Bautista
Deputy Head Student*

From Assembly, Monday 22 August 2016

■ OFFICIAL OPENING QUEEN ELIZABETH II PUKEAHU EDUCATION CENTRE, WELLINGTON

On Wednesday 17 August 2016, Head Boy Albert Latailakepa and Moeva Vaeau were invited to attend the Official Opening of the Queen Elizabeth II Pukeahu Education Centre in Wellington. This is located in the former Home of Compassion Crèche and part of the former St Patrick's College. This invite was made possible through some outstanding feedback about Year 13 student Moeva Vaeau who attended a 3 Day Massey University Pasifika Workshop early last Term. Well done!

Therefore, it was a prime opportunity to expose our boys to such a prestigious event where honorable guests such as New Zealand Prime Minister, John Key and Governor General, Sir Jerry Mateparae were also present. Both Albert and Moeva have mentioned how humbled they were to be a part of such an admirable event which is something they will both treasure for years to come. Congratulations boys! You both represented the College with true pride and humility. Sectare Fidem.



■ THE FOURVIERE EVENT

In the school recent holidays ten Year 11 students had the opportunity to join other young people from the Marist Network to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Pledge of Fourviere, the founding moment of the Society of Mary.

This is one of our students reflections. "The thing I learnt the most from was hearing different people's presentations and viewpoints about the history they found out. Some people thought about things differently especially regarding the Treaty of Waitangi. An example of this was Father's interpretation behind 'the unborn child'. The child will not be born until we as a country live out the teachings of the Treaty of Waitangi and recognize that New Zealand is a bi-cultural country."

Another wrote "My biggest learning was what it meant to be a young Marist and also some of the challenges we are going to face. It was also interesting to hear about what challenges the Marist's faced to be able to mission and spread the Catholic faith across New Zealand."

The photo is a picture of several of our students posing as we cross the Hokianga Harbour on the car ferry. Joshua Clegg, William Kempt, Samuel Coleman, Tiaan Rountree, Luke Mannix, and front row Sheldon Pagaura absent from photo Tobias Meyrick, Chase Pamatau, Miguel Veilofia and Sivarn Owens-Agnew.

A huge thank you to the school and staff who made this trip possible.



On July 23, 1816, 12 young priests walked to the Chapel of Fourviere in Lyon, France, and pledged to make a religious order dedicated to Mary in front of the statue of the Black Madonna. 20 years later, in 1836, after a lot of hard work, Jean Claude Colin got approval from Rome for the Society of Mary to go ahead. Their first mission was to the Pacific led by Bishop Jean Baptiste Pompallier who brought the faith to New Zealand. 200 years later, I had the privilege of representing the Marist Fathers of NZ at Dare to Dream, an international gathering of over 400 Marist Youth, in Lyon, France to be part of the Celebration of Fourviere. For me, this was an inspiring journey which I was so humbled to be a part of. Like the young men of St. Patrick's, I was also educated in a Marist



School and had been learning about the Marist way and significant places and values since I was 11 years old.



The photo on the left, shows the representatives of New Zealand standing beside Fr. Jean Claude Colin's grave at La Neyliere, a significant place of pilgrimage for Marists around the world. This was a surreal experience for me and for those who I was travelling with as without this man, we would not be where we are today, in fact, St. Patrick's would not exist. The visit to La Neyliere provided some great insight as to what it was that our Founder envisioned for the Society.

For me, my greatest learning came out of Jean Claude Colin's writing where he says "There is a constant and shared desire for an education based on everyday life, where the quality of life and of relationships is as important as the quality of teaching. It's not just a question of giving knowledge and of transmitting the faith, but also of forming men and women who are responsible, solid and prepared to take their place in society". This resonated with me as a teacher, as we are often focussed on results rather than relationships, but is also something that I have since asked my students, are they willing to be a young man who is responsible, solid and prepared to take their place in society?

Miss Jess Bryan

■ LATENESS TO SCHOOL

We are currently experiencing rising numbers of boys arriving late to College. We appreciate that during the winter months this may be as a result of bad weather, however we would urge all boys to aim to arrive at College by 8.25 am so they are in time to line up ready for Ranks. Any boy arriving after Ranks must report to the College Reception to obtain a Late Pass before proceeding to class. Parents are reminded to contact the Absentee Line through the main College number (04 939 4224), by email to absentee@stream.school.nz or through the School App. Please report absences as early as possible in order that accurate rolls can be taken. Thank you.

■ SOCIAL JUSTICE CLASS AT STREAM

The Social Justice Class have been busy this term. We have continued to visit the Home of Compassion each week, and have also started to visit St. Brendan's to work with the younger students. Earlier in the term we had a meeting with Mayor Wayne Guppy in the council chambers to hear about social issues that are prominent in Upper Hutt and what is being done to help. We had a great time speaking to the Mayor and gaining some insight into what the major issues are that our community are facing.



Ben Hounsell, Year 13 sitting in the Mayor's Chair

■ HOOPS FOR HOPE



Hoops for Hope is back again for another year! Grab some friends, make a team and play some ball to raise money for The Young Neighbours Trust. The event runs from 9:00am-9:00pm on Saturday September 17 2016. Teams will have the opportunity to play some friendly games of basketball in two, one hour time slots throughout the day. The event is open to high school aged students in the wider Wellington region.

The Young Neighbours Trust is a new initiative to support young people who live in remote parts of New Zealand that don't have the same access to education that we do at St Patrick's College. The trust also supports The Next Door community that is linked with some of the remote communities and supports gap students who are doing a year of service in these areas.

Secondary school students from the Wider Wellington region in Years 9-13 are invited to attend. Minimum teams of 5, max of 10. \$15 per player. Food available for purchase on the day, and keep an eye on the page for T-shirt sales!

Registration forms available at SPC front office, or to be filled in on google form <https://goo.gl/forms/LYzwJrwZ7VsLWmlw1>

We look forward to seeing you there!

■ HOCKEY



The 3rd XI Hockey team has had an outstanding season. In their latest round they played 8 matches, winning 6 and drawing 2. One of the most memorable games was beating Onslow College 8-1 with Bevan Angus scoring 5 of those 8 goals. Sam McKenzie was another key goal scorer throughout the season. Other great wins included beating Kapiti 4-1 and Wellington College 3-0. The team is made up of a mix of students from Year 9 through to Year 13, a few of whom have never played hockey before this year. The mix of ages and talents has lead to a team which has always been supportive and encouraging of each other. I have been proud at how they have conducted

themselves, always playing fair and upholding the College values. Evan McKenzie has been invaluable as Coach and each week either Kieran Scannell, Damian Gee or Lewis Bush were at games helping with subs and umpiring. Lastly a big thanks to Linda Hoffman (co-manager) for her time and effort and Simon Hoffman for helping with transport. Ms Reeves (Co-manager)

Team members: Joshua Anderson, Bevan Angus, Matthew Gulson, James Hadfield, Liam Hoffman, Vedaanth Kannan, Gregory Laughton, Tawhiri Logon, Henry Mahony, Sam McKenzie, Connor O'Brien, Ehren Quinn, Hayden Roseingrave, Connor Sinclair, Harry Swift, Jayden Taylor, Shaun Wilton

■ WELLINGTON BAND AND ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL

Each year Stream organises and hosts the Wellington Band and Orchestra Festival, a national festival open to school and community Concert Bands, Orchestras, Big Bands and Jazz Combos. Although promoting and focusing on bands and orchestras in the Wellington region, WeBO is open to any band or orchestra from around New Zealand and the world.

In the last 4 years we have had ensembles travel from as far away as Dunedin and Auckland to participate in WeBO and we have had over 1000 musicians perform on our stages over that time. Our adjudicator and clinician Dr Rich Roberts loves the festival so much, he travels all the way from Washington, USA just for us! We cater for every type of group from a 10-piece beginner primary school band, to a recreational adult jazz bands to 100-member symphony orchestras.

Two weeks ago, on August 13 during the torrential downpour, 400 musicians from around New Zealand descended once again on the Evatt Building and performed on our stage. It was one of the best Festivals so far with full audiences and a great festival environment for everyone who was there.

Our boys aren't quite ready to perform just yet, we will be next year, however they were "Ambassadors" to the visiting groups, helping them while they were at the school get on and off stage and also working back stage to keep us running on schedule. Special thanks has to go to the following boys who were complimented as being outstanding representatives of the College:

Year 9 – Taqualin Akena, Toby Pryer, Liam Johns, Ryan Langford, Jack Stonnell and Erhen Quinn

Year 10 – Josh Smith

Year 11 – Luke Baker, Hamish Cathcart, Oliver Holmwood and Nick Kubala

Also a huge thank you to all the staff who help out as well.

Some of the feedback we received included;

"WeBO is a truly valuable addition to the Wellington performance calendar. It's inclusive and supportive, and provides a welcome opportunity for community groups to perform to their peers."

"WeBO is a great opportunity for bands and orchestras to perform in a musical setting with fellow passionate musicians!"

"This is a great opportunity for groups from the Wellington Region. I hope it will continue to grow and develop."

"Enjoyed the Festival and great to see so many young players coming through."



■ “FIRST IMPRESSIONS” MUSIC DEPARTMENT SHOWCASE CONCERT – WEDNESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2016

On Wednesday, September 7 and 7pm the Music Department would like to invite you to our first Annual Showcase Evening, “First Impressions”, at Expressions Arts and Entertainment Centre in the Gilles Theatre. Tickets available only at the door, cost is by donation.

This will be the first chance for you to hear our newest ensembles perform in public for the very first time. You will be introduced to our all new Barbershop, Silver Strings, Year 9 Concert Band, Intermediate Concert Band, Guitar Orchestra, Drum Corps and our Women’s choir the “Descant Housewives”. We will also have student solo and group performances. It should be a fantastic night of music. There’s only 200 seats, so make sure you get there early!

Entry by Koha

EXPRESSIONS
Whirinaki

St Patrick's College Silverstream

FIRST *Presents*
Impressions
CONCERT

September
@ WEDNESDAY 7TH, 7PM
EXPRESSIONS WHIRINAKI
GILLIES GROUP THEATRE

CREATIVE STREAM
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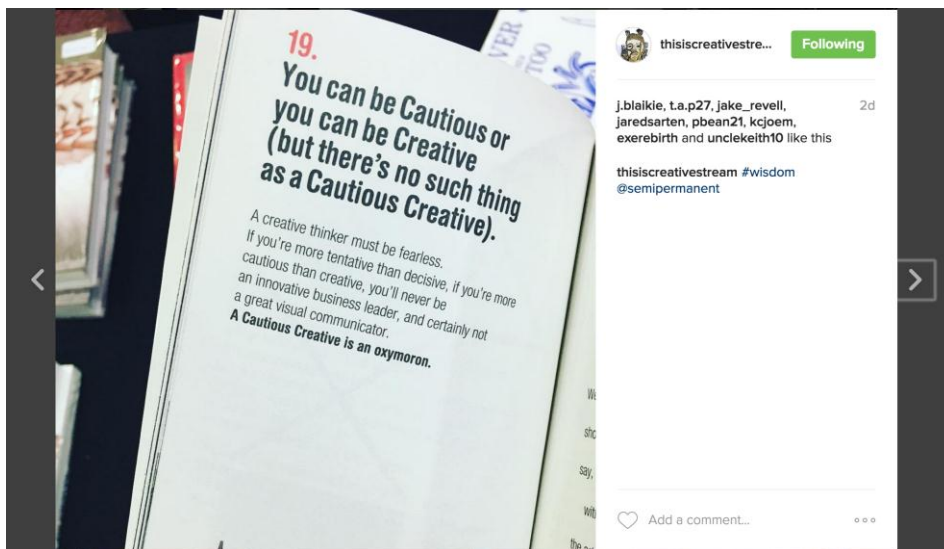
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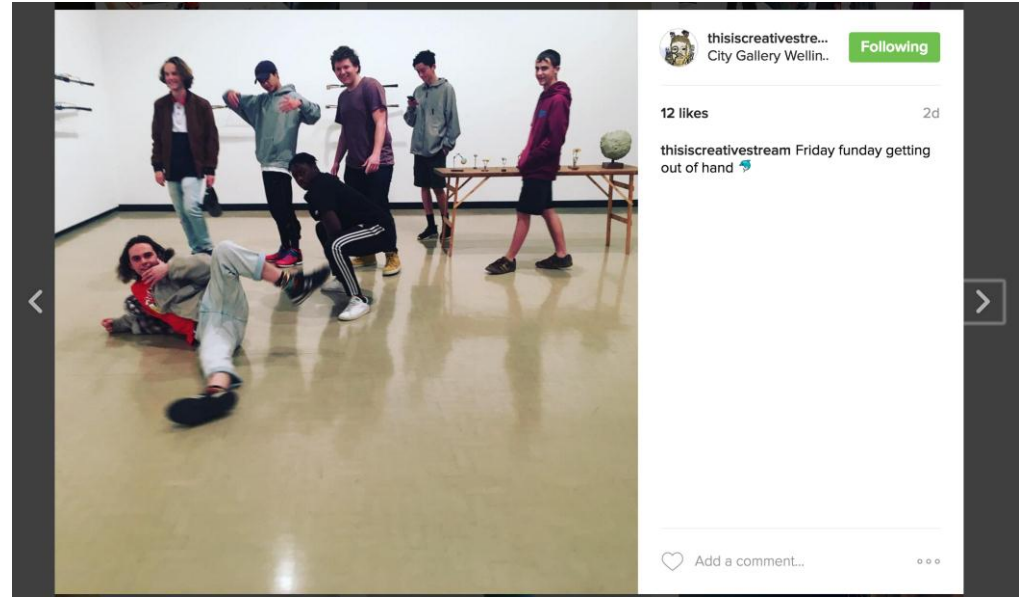
■ ART DEPARTMENT

This term CreativeStream has been getting out and about into the world. We have been asking big questions and sharing food with each other.

Watch this space for announcements of exhibitions coming up early Term 4.

Things are shaping up fantastically.





■ 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.

New Feature: Subscribe to Year Level notices.

You can download the app for free on your iPhone or Android by clicking on this link:

<http://is.gd/8aqYWQ>



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