



# ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL QUEENSTOWN

**Our Values**  
Walk in Truth  
and with Respect.

**Our Vision Statement**  
Creating confident learners, who, like  
Jesus, make a positive difference.

### Term Dates 2024

**Term 1** ~ Wednesday 31st January to Friday 12 April  
**Term 2** ~ Monday 29 April to Friday 5 July

**Term 3** ~ Monday 22 July to Friday 27 September  
**Term 4** ~ Monday 14 October to Tuesday 18 December

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Newsletter

16 August 2024

Week 4

Term 3

Calendar of Events		
Monday	19 August	Tui Prayers
Monday	26 August	Takahe Prayers
Wednesday	28 August	Olympics Dress Up Day (details below)
Monday	2 September	Ruru Prayers
Tuesday	3 September	Moa Market Day
Tuesday	3 September	Board Meeting
Monday	9 September	Hoiho Prayers
Tuesday	10 September	Learning Conversations (details to come)
Wednesday	11 September	Learning Conversations
Wednesday	11 September	Wig Wednesday
Saturday	14 September	PTA Jingo Night (details below)
Wednesday	25 September	Art Exhibition
Friday	27 September	Last Day of Term 3
Monday	14 October	First Day of Term 4
Wednesday	18 December	Last day of School for 2024

**Karen's quote of the week:**

When the cat's away mice will play!

### ADDITIONAL DATES - SCHOOL CALENDAR

The above dates are just a snapshot of what we have happening at school.  
If you wish to view all activities planned for all of our students, [please click on this link](#) - this will take you to the school calendar on our school website.

### WELCOME

This week we welcome Jac Fullerton-Smith. Jac has joined Piwakawaka Class.

## FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL

Kia ora Koutou

This week we celebrate New Zealand Maths Week. Teachers and students have been challenged to complete different activities this week so we can all enjoy the fun and creative opportunities that Maths provides. We even had one student say during their maths lesson that it was the best day of their life! Congratulations to Mrs Sullivan for winning the challenge! Check out some photos later in the newsletter.

We appreciate our Year 8 PALs (Physical Activity Leaders) who have started running lunchtime games this week. These will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays and are a wonderful chance for all students to get involved in some lunchtime fun.

Hoiho class was the first class to have their class mass this week which was very successful. This is a wonderful opportunity for our ākonga to experience. Thank you Father Cipriano for joining us for these as well as one class for prayers each week.

Our Year 7 and 8s are the last year group to attend the snowsports programme this week. Thank you to Nic Carter for joining them and a huge thank you to Debbie Healy for your organisation and wonderful communication with NZSki to ensure snowsports have been a great experience for everyone involved.

Congratulations to our senior students who qualified for the Wakatipu Swimming Sports next week. We are very proud to have you represent our small school with a big heart. Thank you to Emma Sullivan for your amazing work leading sport in our school.

I would like to acknowledge our amazing staff who have gone above and beyond this week. How lucky are our tamariki to have such a professional and dedicated team of teachers and support staff who make our kura a fantastic place to be.

I am sure many of you, like me, feel a bit disappointed that the Olympics are over. It was amazing to watch the success of our inspirational athletes. Thanks to the PTA for keeping this excitement going with the Jingo Night on Saturday 14 September. Check out the PTA Pulse below for further information.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend,  
Alice Dunstan

## PB4L FOCUS

Our Positive Behaviour for Learning focus again next week will be:

### **“Kind feet, kind hands, kind words”**

- We will use our manners when talking and interacting with others
- We will use our feet for running, walking, hopping, jumping and skipping
- We will keep our hands to ourselves and use kind words to communicate how we are feeling and what we want or need

At St Joseph's we do our best and do our bit.

We act honestly and with integrity, we do the right thing even when no one else is watching.

At St Joseph's we walk in Truth.

## GOTCHA WINNERS



## OLYMPIC DRESS UP DAY FUNDRAISER

On Wednesday the 28th of August we are having a fun Olympics themed dress up day. On this day students can wear the colours of their favourite country or the country they are from. They could also dress up as an athlete from a specific sport e.g gymnast, boxer, sevens player etc. We also ask that students please bring along some items for our PTA jingo night which is being held on Saturday 14 September. You are only expected to bring along one item from the list of examples. We appreciate your support of our fantastic PTA and we cannot wait to see your children's costumes!

Moa Class	Crackers i.e: gluten free crackers, seed crackers, Snax, rice crackers
Takahe Class	Dried fruit & nuts i.e: peanuts, tamari almonds, flavoured nuts, dried apricots
Hoiho Class	Tins/Jars i.e: olives, pickled onions, gherkins, chickpeas or olive oil to make hummus.
Ruru Class	chips/crisps i.e: corn chips, pretzels, bags of chips/crisps (gluten free options as well)
Tui Class	dips i.e: kiwi dip (reduced cream & onion soup), salsa, chutneys (think long shelf life cupboard things)
Piwakawaka Class	Individually wrapped chocolates





## SCHOOL PHOTOS

PhotoLife has sent you an email. This email contains your child's unique Key Code to go online to view and purchase 2024 School Photos. If it is not there then please check your spam or junk mail or contact Karen in the office.

**\*\*\*FREE DELIVERY EXPIRES Midnight Sunday 25 AUGUST \*\*\***

## PHOTOS FROM THE SMALL SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS HELD LAST FRIDAY



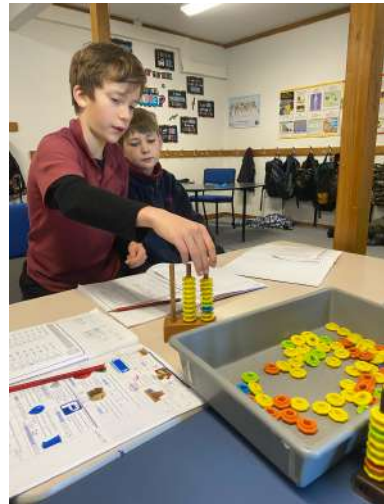
## CELEBRATING MATHS WEEK!







Why is pi 3.14? How do we find the area and circumference of a circle?



# Whānau Information Event

Wednesday 21 August | 6 - 7pm

## Keeping our Kids

# Safe Online

A presentation by John Parsons

Cyber Safety and Risk  
Assessment Consultant



We invite all whānau to attend this event. It is really important you know what your child is doing online and ways that you can support them to be safe online. A reminder we have copies of John Parsons' book at the office that you are welcome to borrow anytime!

### PTA PULSE

#### The Jingo Night is back for 2024!

This year's theme is 'Colours of the World' in keeping with Olympics and Paralympics momentum. Join us for an evening of musical bingo, platter food, cash bar and silent auctions as we celebrate the spirit of our small school with the big heart. The St Joseph's School PTA is proud to fundraise for resources and initiatives to enhance the school curriculum. Your support enables us to do so much more and we aim to raise \$10,000 from this year's Jingo Night.

Saturday 14 September  
Wakatipu Rugby Clubrooms  
Arrivals from 6.30pm, for a 7pm start  
Book \$35pp (+fees) tickets here:  
<https://events.humanitix.com/st-joseph-s-school-jingo-night>

Ngā mihi,  
Juliana Fullerton-Smith & Rebeca Barnes,  
Co-chairs of the PTA

The poster for Jingo Night 2024 features a dark background with colorful vertical bars and musical notes. At the top left is the St Joseph's School PTA Queenstown logo. The main text reads "Colours of the World" and "Jingo Night". Below this, it says "Saturday 14 September" and "Wakatipu Rugby Club Rooms". Further down, it states "Arrivals from 6.30pm for a 7pm start" and "\$210 for a table of six (\$35 pp) includes platter food and a night of musical bingo entertainment". At the bottom, there is a QR code and a note: "In keeping with Olympics mania come dressed in the colours of your favourite country. (Dress-up is optional)".



### Olympic Prayer

As we journey to the end of the olympic lets pray for all athletes both at the Olympics and throughout the world.

Loving God, as they come together to compete, we ask you to bless all the athletes. Keep them safe from injury and harm, instil in them respect for each other, and reward them for their perseverance. Give each one the courage to compete in a manner of both words and actions that are pleasing to you.

Please help us to see their example so it can bring joy and inspiration.

Amen



### WHAT IS A CATHOLIC FEAST DAY?

The Catholic Church assigns one date out of the year for each and canonised saint — known as the saint's feast day. The saints are remembered on their individual feast days with special mention, prayers, and possibly a scripture reading.

The 15th of August is the feast of The Assumption of Mary. Mary is the Patron saint of Aotearoa New Zealand.



## PARISH INFORMATION



Queenstown Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm, Sunday 9 am.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday ~ 7 pm, Filipino Mass.  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday ~ 7 pm, Portuguese Mass

Arrowtown 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays: 11 am Mass  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays: 11 am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Check out the latest Parish news on-line:  
[www.stjosephsqueenstown.co.nz](http://www.stjosephsqueenstown.co.nz)

## BOARD CORNER

Tēnā koutou.

Our School Board usually meets twice each school term and the Board warmly invites parents and caregivers to attend. We meet in Takahe classroom on Tuesday evenings from 5:15pm. The date for the next meeting is published each week in the newsletter.

All correspondence to the Board is to be sent either directly to the School Board ([board@stjosephsqt.school.nz](mailto:board@stjosephsqt.school.nz)) or to the Board Secretary ([office@stjosephsqt.school.nz](mailto:office@stjosephsqt.school.nz)). You can expect a response to your correspondence within five school days.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Catkin Bartlett  
Board Presiding Member  
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