

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - October 2020**

**Goal 1: Ensure the future of our Catholic Community in North Otago by building a lifetime foundation in the Catholic faith, growing Catholic leaders and promoting a Christ-centred community.**

Our Welcome Mass has now been rescheduled for Saturday 14 November at 5pm mass.

I have engaged with families around fees and put in 8 applications to the Nano Nagle fund for support.

I have distributed promotional material for our intermediate department with local Year 1-6 schools and also with local real estate agents. I have written and given promotional material to all year 6 parents.

I attended the Dunedin Diocese Principal's Retreat.

**Goal 2: All students have meaningful and engaging learning experiences, striving for excellent outcomes for all.**

Our curriculum is very pressed in term 4. We have a senior production, a junior production, Life Education, Athletics and EOTC which is taking up the main focus.

The juniors caught up on their missed swimming lessons at the end of term 3.

The Community of Learning has offered teacher meet ups for teachers to share what they learnt during the North Otago teachers conference.

**Goal 3: Staff experience belonging and loyalty to St Joseph's and give enthusiasm, commitment and excellence.**

We had a whole staff professional development day with Interlead on the first day of term.

All teachers (except two who have already done it) did training in inquiry learning with Kath Murdoch.

All teaching staff attended two days of the North Otago teacher's conference in the school holidays. For the first time, teacher aides also joined us. I was able to source funding for them through the new teacher aide professional development fund.

Staff had a very enjoyable ten pin bowling tournament.

## **COMPLIANCE**

### **Roll - 163**

Incoming: 1 New Entrant, 1x Year 2 (India), 1x Year 3 (India)

### **Assurance on Implementation Audits**

- **Risk Management**

Identified hazards are still monitored/controlled.

- **Emergency Evacuation / Emergency Kit** – We completed fire and lockdown drills in term 3.

In term 4 so far we have completed an Earthquake/tsunami drill

Emergency kit is up to date and all classrooms have printed emergency planning and procedures.

- **SUE Reports** – Principal thoroughly checks all SUE reports and a board member cross checks. Principal and payroll administrator do not administrate their own payroll.
- **The Appraisal Process and Attestation** – Appraisal and attestation is all up to date for teaching staff and will be happening this term for support staff.
- **Provisionally Certificated Teachers** – Our PRT is engaged in a substantial induction program with a mentor teacher. Both mentor teacher and PRT have had professional development support from Otago University.
- **Teacher Registration and Police Vetting** – All up to date.
- **Length of School Year** – This has been rechecked and adjusted to match MoE changes that happened during Covid. Update is [here](#) (under “what actually happened.” Until the Board approves our PD for 2021 I cannot confirm the school year dates and will do this at the next meeting if pd is approved at this meeting.
- **Reading Recovery** – Report to the board from the Reading Recovery teacher on the implementation of the Reading Recovery programme - next meeting

