



Learning and Living at St James'

Find out how we prepare our students to be confident, lifelong learners who are inspired by the Catholic faith to positively participate in and contribute to their community. We carry out the Catholic Church's mission by living and teaching the values of Jesus Christ.



St James' Catholic School
Whakaruru Hau A Sheltering Place
— Te Kura Katorika o Hāto Heemi —





Live The Truth

Our Purpose

To prepare our students to be confident, lifelong learners who are inspired by the Catholic faith to positively participate in and contribute to their community.

We Value

- ✚ Praying and worshipping together
- ✚ Each person's unique individuality
- ✚ Developing people to be their best
- ✚ Partnership with students and their families, the parish and the community
- ✚ Building knowledge of te reo Māori and tikanga Māori, and the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi
- ✚ A safe environment that includes everyone

Gospel Values - SUPER

We show Jesus' example of LOVE by living these values in a Catholic faith community:

- ✚ Self Control
- ✚ Unity
- ✚ Perseverance
- ✚ Enthusiasm
- ✚ Respect

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Effective Learning

Learning is:

- ✚ Exciting
- ✚ Connected
- ✚ Real life focussed
- ✚ Challenging
- ✚ Inquiry Based
- ✚ Enhanced through e-learning

Learning progresses through:

- ✚ Feedback
- ✚ Feed forward
- ✚ Modelling
- ✚ Questioning
- ✚ Self, peer and teacher assessment

Learning is supported by:

- ✚ Family, whanau, parish and community
- ✚ Positive and respectful environments
- ✚ Positive behaviour management programme
- ✚ SUPER Start transition to school programme

Our Curriculum

- ✚ Gospel Values - SUPER
- ✚ The Religious Education Curriculum for Catholic Primary Schools in Aotearoa NZ
- ✚ Is guided by The New Zealand Curriculum
- ✚ Is enhanced with various additional opportunities

Teachers

- ✚ Uphold and lead the special character of our Catholic school
- ✚ Regularly review what they do by looking at how their practice impacts on student learning
- ✚ Are encouraged and supported to develop their individual gifts and talents
- ✚ Are accountable and act in a professional and collaborative way
- ✚ Have high expectations for all students
- ✚ Are supported by inspiring and effective leaders and leadership practices

Students Learn by

- ✚ Being actively involved
- ✚ Questioning
- ✚ Thinking deeply
- ✚ Being creative
- ✚ Solving problems
- ✚ Persevering and striving for excellence
- ✚ Taking risks
- ✚ Experimenting
- ✚ Being innovative and applying new ideas
- ✚ Taking action
- ✚ Serving the community
- ✚ Working together

Progress is Shown by

- ✚ The use of a wide range of tools and strategies to gather data and identify students' next learning steps
- ✚ Monitoring student achievement
- ✚ Student Led Celebrations
- ✚ Book Look
- ✚ Regular written reporting to family/whanau
- ✚ The way we show Jesus' example of LOVE



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