

To educate children from a Biblical perspective
to become servant leaders



JIREH SCHOOL

Prospectus 2014

Years 1-6

*"Be ready to give
an answer to the
hope that is
within you."*

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Jireh School is a satellite of KingsWay School in Orewa

Why send your child to Jireh Christian School?

Our aim at Jireh School is to provide a quality education for students founded on a Biblical worldview and based on sound Christian principles. The school has a rich curriculum that covers all essential learning areas and prepares our students to face the challenges of the 21st century. Experienced and professional staff is committed to teaching children as individuals and encouraging them to reach their maximum potential. We want to challenge young people to understand and know God's word.

The development and education of our students is a partnership between the school and home, a responsibility which can only be achieved through a close relationship between parents and teachers.

Development of Christian character and servant leadership are important objectives for our students. We seek to encourage young people in the understanding and articulation of their Christian faith, in service within the community and in living their lives enthusiastically and with integrity. Part of the school's Christian ethos is to provide caring discipline. We have high expectations of our students and with clear and sensible guidelines we encourage them to develop self-discipline.

I am confident that your child can prosper in every way at Jireh School and I look forward to welcoming your family to this school.

Francine Bennett
PRINCIPAL

Introduction to Jireh School

Jireh School was founded to educate children of Christian families in a non-denominational environment.

Our Statement of Faith encompasses all mainstream denominations that are biblical, broadly evangelical and adhere to traditional Christian values.

All teachers are fully qualified and registered. As committed Christians they view their employment as a calling and part of their Christian service.

Jireh began as a private school, becoming state integrated, as a satellite of KingsWay in February 2006.

There are three composite classes. The Junior Primary class ranges from N.E to Year 1, Middle Primary Year 2-Year 3 and the Senior Primary class ranges from 4 to Year 6. A low teacher to student ratio allows for quality time and attention to be given to each child.

Our learning programme is based on the Interact Curriculum which complies with the requirements of the New Zealand Education Department. It is based and born out of a strong Biblical World View both in content and delivery. The Interact curriculum covers all the learning areas and essential skills. This offers a broad, interesting and varied programme inside and outside the classroom.

At Jireh we offer a full sporting and arts programme. We believe that education involves every aspect of a child's life; physical, spiritual and mental.

Admission Policy

In order to become eligible to attend Jireh School the following must be completed;

- The enrolment application form in full
- An interview will take place between the family and Head Teacher.
- The School Board reserves the right to accept or decline an applicant.
- The parents sign and return a letter of acceptance to Jireh School, including payment of the first term's fees.
- Once these steps have been undertaken successfully the applicant may attend Jireh School and other information such as uniforms, medical details and stationery will be posted.

Staff Profiles

Head Teacher/Senior Primary – Sandra Bosman

Sandra has been part of Jireh School since its integration in 2006. Prior to that, she was Head of Department, Senior Primary at KingsWay School. Her role is to teach the Senior Primary Class and manage Jireh School as Head of Department. She reports to Francine Bennet the principal of KingsWay. She has a Bachelor of Arts majoring in English and History and a 4 year Higher Diploma in Education.



Junior Primary - Maria Tato

Maria has been teaching for a number of years at Jireh School. Two years were spent in the Senior Primary Class and since then as the Junior Primary teacher. She is a graduate of MASTERS Institute, (now Laidlaw College). She believes strongly in Christian Education and she is passionate about developing children's character to be more Christ like and to see them succeed in every area of their learning.



Middle Primary- De Gibson

After teaching for nine years at KingsWay School, in the Upper and Middle Primary, De is delighted to be part of the staff at Jireh. De's husband, Keith, is teaching at KingsWay School. Before going into teaching De spent 3 ½ years in a Christian theatre company called Covenant Players. Outside of school she enjoys horse riding and is involved with a Christian camp called Sunrise Station which specialises in horse riding and outdoor adventure activities, (www.sunrise-station.org.nz). She is passionate about Christian education and loves her job." I am looking forward to seeing what God has in store for us here at Jireh."



New Entrant – Danielle Jelleyman

Kia ora! My name is Danielle Jelleyman. I am very excited about serving at Jireh School. I graduated from Laidlaw College at the end of 2012 with a Bachelor of Education and World View Studies and spent some time working as a relief teacher and painting up a storm. I look forward to leading and encouraging the students at Jireh in their learning and reaching their God given potential...all this with a lot of fun! As I look over the last few years I can see how the Lord has led me into teaching. I love connecting with children and I love the Lord. When I am not teaching I play the violin, listen to music, paint, read and get outdoors into God's creation.



Teacher Aide- Irene Ho

I have been married to Charlie for 18 years, and we have 3 children: Aaron, Venessa and Jarrel. Aaron and Venessa are both currently attending Avondale College, while Jarrel is a student at Jireh School. I have volunteered at Jireh for several years and worked as a Teacher Aide Reliever prior to taking up this position.



Teacher Aide- Jodi Seu

I'm a happily married mother of three children. I have been working with special needs children for a number of years. I enjoy working with children of all ages and all nationalities. I'm a born again Christian, trusting in the precious blood of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ for my eternal salvation. I am thankful every day for the blessings He has given to my family and me. Children are a blessing from God and I am so blessed to have this opportunity to work in such a wonderful working environment that supports the needs of God's beautiful creation, (our children).



Teacher Aide- Val Hall

Val Hall is a full time teacher aide. She works both with individual students and groups of students to raise their level of performance. Val has had 25 years of experience working with children with special needs. She is a mum of two, both of whom are grown up and live overseas. She has a young grandson. Val worships at North West Baptist.



Teacher Aide- Margaret Sutton

Margaret has been married to Eric for almost 50 years. She has 4 adult sons, 8 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. She was involved with Cub Scouting in the UK and New Zealand for 10 years and has very strong values and principals while involved with children.

She is so very blessed to be working part-time as a Teacher Aide at Jireh School especially with a Special Needs child.



Teacher Aide- Jane Lovell

Jane Lovell has many years experience as a Primary school Teacher Aide, working in the classroom as well as withdrawing small groups of children and working one to one. Latterly she worked in Administration and was also responsible for running the Parent Tutor Reading Programme, including training the parent tutors.

At church she is responsible for the Missions Notice board and has organised and run Quiet Services for meditation and contemplation.

She has been married to Sid for over 40 years and they have 4 adult children and 2 grand-daughters.

She feels very blessed to be working at Jireh School.



Administrator- Sharon Chapman

Sharon came to Jireh in July 2010 from a state secondary school secretarial role. She has three grown sons and has been married to Peter for over 30 years. The administrator position at Jireh covers day to day administration, general organising of school matters and enrolments. She enjoys being part of helping the school and its students grow to their full God-given potential.



Administrator- Rolene Combrinck

Rolene Combrinck joined the Administration staff in January 2011. She has had years of experience in office work. Rolene works part-time job-sharing with Sharon. Rolene's son is in attendance at Jireh School. She and her family emigrated from South Africa in April 2006.

