

St Brigid's School Newsletter



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Room 3 Class Report

Kia ora everyone,

Wow it is hard to believe we are at the end of week 7 already. This is a quick snapshot of what we have been up to lately...

Writing → We are amazing authors! We can write information reports about anything from volcanoes to sharks; our favourite so far has definitely been investigating and creating dragon reports.

Reading → We are a class full of readers. Miss Charleson often finds us with our nose in a good book. We love hanging out in The Land of Stories or The Faraway Tree (our kivas). We have also been reading The Folk of The Faraway Tree this term and can't wait for our daily instalment.

Maths → We are still focussing on our number knowledge. We are getting really good at knowing our forwards and backwards numbers, the value of numbers and even how to skip count them. We have also started Maths Mysteries, and we love putting our Maths knowledge to the test to help us solve curious conundrums. We have been working hard on our Statistics with Mrs Chisholm too. We have made lots of graphs and we have even learned all about tally marks.

Religious Education → We are learning about the Sacrament of Baptism and how it welcomes people into the Church and what all of the symbols of Baptism mean.

Art → We have been working on Fairy Tales with Mrs Chisholm. We have created castles and cakes fit for royalty!

STEAM → We are still working hard on our Dunedin 2040 Project. We have so many amazing ideas about how we could develop Dunedin for the future and become more environmentally friendly; we are not sure how we will fit everything on our model!

Have a safe and happy weekend everyone! Love from Room 3 ☺



Principal's Message



For those fathers who need to be reminded; it's Father's Day on Sunday 6th of September. I hope you have a wonderful day. We wish you God's richest blessings.

This week I would like to look at one of the NZC (New Zealand Curriculum) values, that of "diversity, as found in our different cultures, languages, and heritages" How do we at St Brigid's ensure this is respected and valued through our special character lens?

As a Catholic School, one of the many ways we respond to diversity is by acknowledging that every person – 'big or small' – is created in the image of God and as such is a unique and sacred being. It is our duty as Catholic people to respect each other as such. This may be difficult to do when people behave or respond differently to how you would in situations; but we should always remember the golden rule from Matthew's Gospel "treat others as you would like to be treated" (7:12) – it could be as simple as that if we really tried to be like Jesus. Make that your daily challenge even when you may be tested to the limit.

At our school we teach with an integrated approach where our Gospel values are concerned, NZC Key Competencies and Principles are all an integral part of daily learning for kaiako and ākonga.

Andrew Pozniak

School Values

This term we are focusing on Whakahaere –

Responsibility.

Congratulations:

Rm 4 – Phillip Balu
Rm 3 – Freddy Patston
Rm 2 – Aryan Prasad
Rm 1 – Chloe Trainor-Uluakiola



St Brigid's House Groups

Congratulations to:

McAuley House and de Paul House who were the winning Houses this week.

House Token Winners this week were:

Aubert House:

Austin Gillespie

McAuley House:

Hart-Lee Goodship

de Paul House:

Serah Manjesh

Dates to Remember

What's On Next Week?	
Tues 8 Sept	PTA Meeting
Fri 11 Sept	Mass 10am – Room 2
Sun 13 Sept	Confirmation 9.30am with Bishop Michael
What's On This Term?	
Fri 18 Sept	Mass 10 am – Room 3
Wed 23 Sept	BOT Meeting at 6pm
Fri 25 Sept	Mass 10am – Whole School
	Last Day of Term 3
What's On in Term 4?	
Mon 12 Oct	First Day of Term 4
Sun 15 Nov	First Holy Communion Preparation: Special Mass at 12pm in the Community Centre followed by Shared Lunch
Sun 22 Nov	First Holy Communion at 9.30am followed by celebration

Confirmation - To register for Confirmation 13th Sept 2020 fill in this form, by clicking on the link below.

Please submit completed details by Monday 7th September. Thank you.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd7m1otCN_EI_27Q8XlQgWcAgFiwzAwhNVhkQFUpgaOvtJeZgg/viewform?usp=sf_link

Confirmation is going ahead on Sunday 13th September at the 9.30am Mass at St Patrick's.

The Mass will be restricted to the Confirmation families only. There will be a practise on Friday 11th September with Bishop Michael.

We will update you as more information comes to hand.

Term 3 EOTC Costs: requests for Term 3 EOTC contributions are being sent home with children today.

The school relies on these contributions to assist with the extra costs incurred for activities; your financial assistance is very much appreciated.

Sports Update

Netball: St Brigid's Stars had a great 4-3 win vs Waikouaiti School. P O D - Isla Bell for great defence and moving into space.

There is no draw available yet, as soon as we have it we will let everyone know.

Kiwihoops – SFX Bulls had a big win against George St. P.O.D – Whole Team! Draw will be advised.

T-Ball and Softball in Term 4: T-Ball is for 5-8 year olds and Softball for over 9 years. Games are played on a Saturday morning at Bathgate Park between 9:00-11:00.

Please use the link below to register before Monday 21st September.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/ITVpY7J_Iph7S00tRY6l-

If you know of any families that want to join our wonderful school in 2021 please encourage them to make contact with us as we are starting to make plans for next year.

Covid-19 Update

- Thank you so much for your support with the children arriving at school from 8.30am. We will continue with this until further notice with the duty teacher continuing to hand sanitise the children before they walk up the driveway from 8.30am – 8.45am.
- NZ COVID Tracer App we are supporting contact tracing by having QR code posters in the office and hall if you wish to keep a track of your own movements – so if you haven't already downloaded the App the Ministry of Health's [NZ-COVID Tracer app page](#) has information to help you do that.

RE Comment

Fathers Day



BOT News:

❖ Next meeting: Wednesday 23rd September

Clothing Amnesty: if you have any spare school clothing at home please return it to school as our supplies are running very low.

School Bank Account Details *(Please ensure you deposit any money into the correct account)*

Board of Trustees - School Account:

06 0942 0045712 00

PTA – Fundraising Account:

03 1732 0001257 00

School Assemblies: we are cancelling our Friday Assemblies for the rest of this term due to ongoing Level 2 restrictions.

Check out our Facebook page on Wednesdays to see highlights of our in-house School Assembly.

Teacher Only Day: Just a reminder that the teacher only day that had been planned for next week has been cancelled, so Friday 11th September that was our planned day will now be a normal school day.

PTA News

✚ **Next Meeting:** Tuesday 8th September at 7pm.

✚ **Entertainment Book Fundraiser**

We're fundraising with the Entertainment Book App.

Normally 20% of the sale price goes back to our fundraising but from 14th August until 13th September we get an extra \$10 for any single city membership or \$20 for the multi-city membership!

If you haven't had one before, this is a great App with heaps of discounts at local restaurants, cafes, retail outlets, accommodation, car rentals, and tourist attractions.

Your digital membership can be accessed from up to four different devices so it's perfect for sharing with friends/family.

There's never been a better time to help us.

Here is the link below:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/26021s3>

✚ **Ski Trip:** 12-13 September – email Ptachair@stbrigidsdn.school.nz to register your interest.

✚ **School Disco** – at this stage the disco is postponed until we are able to move to Level 1

✚ **Quiz Night** – the up and coming Quiz night has also been rescheduled to 29 October. This is also subject to moving to Alert Level 1.

We apologise for the inconvenience but I'm sure you will understand this is currently out of our control.

Kind regards –

Andrew Pozniak & Deborah Charleson

Community News

"DCC wants to hear your thoughts about the sports you play, how DCC facilities meet your needs and what you would like improved or changed. Your feedback will help DCC develop a sports and recreation facilities plan for Dunedin. Fill out the survey at <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/community-facilities/parks-and-reserves/dunedin-sports-facilities-review>."



SOFTBALL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

DATES WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER
THURSDAY 1 OCTOBER

VENUE EDGAR CENTRE

TIMES 9.00AM - 12.30PM

AGES 7 - 12 YEARS

COST \$30.00: 1 DAY OR
\$50.00: 2 DAYS

PERFECT FOR ALL SKILL LEVELS & ABILITIES!

COME ALONG & LEARN SOME FUN T-BALL & SOFTBALL SKILLS & GAMES

NO GEAR REQUIRED!

FOR MORE INFO & TO REGISTER HEAD TO
WWW.OTAGOSOFTBALL.COM/DEVELOPMENT-1/HOLIDAY-PROGRAMME

KELLY SPORTS SPORT OTAGO HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Sept 28 - Oct 9

KIDS VS COACHES

Join us for a fun-filled School Holiday Programme including an All Stars Alliance Day, lots of sports, awesome games & MUCH MORE!

(Some activities may need to be swapped for other exciting ones! Go online to check out a full, up-to-date timetable for your school)

OSCAR PROGRAMME SUBSIDIES AVAILABLE! (Conditions apply) BOOK ONLINE NOW AT

KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ

OCTOBER 2020 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

KAIKORAI VALLEY COLLEGE GYMNASIUM

A timetable and full programme information is available online or at the programme venue.

Who can attend: Children aged 5-13 yrs

Our holiday programmes give children opportunities to do the things they love in a supportive and encouraging environment. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are trained in delivering fun activities, first aid and behaviour management. Book online today to get in on the action these holidays!

What do you need to bring: Shoes and appropriate clothing, jacket or sweatshirt, hat, drink bottle and food for morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

Payment details: Pay before the holiday programme begins to secure your child's place. You will receive an invoice once you have completed your booking. All payment details will be included on the invoice.

Work and Income OSCAR Subsidy: Some parents and caregivers may be eligible for a WINZ subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit www.workandincome.govt.nz.

Please note: Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Sports accept no liability for any injury sustained by your child or any loss or damage to their property while at the programme. If your child is collected late after the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$15 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

Prices & Session Times:

Full Week: \$265 Mon - Fri, 8am - 6pm	Full Day: \$48 8am - 6pm	Trip Day: Extra \$17 (Included in Full Week)
School Day: \$38 8.30am - 3.30pm	Half Day: \$27 8am - 1pm or 1pm - 6pm	

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