

St Brigid's School Newsletter



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Memories from the Pied Piper



*Thank you all for your support at the
musical last night and support
throughout the year*

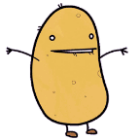




End of Year Mass
Wednesday 16 December
6pm at St Brigid's

**A reminder that at the end of
Mass a presentation will be made
to Mrs Rogers**

**A BBQ will follow up at school.
Meat supplied by the PTA, please
bring a salad, cutlery/plate.**



SPUD IN A BUCKET
Young Vinnies

Judging is on Wednesday at 11.30am. Prizes are for best dressed bucket and heaviest individual potato. All potatoes are being donated to Catholic Social Services.

When you bring your buckets to school please put them by the seats outside the hall.

Term 4 Value Awards

**Awards have been made to the
following children this week:**

Rm 4: Scott Samuel

Rm 3: Milly Wright

Rm 2: Lucy Reilly

Rm 1: Sophia Le

Rm 5: Uaale Tupai



Congratulations!!

Staffing for 2016

- A BIG THANK YOU to Mr Tom Ingham for teaching in Room 1 this term. In 2016 Tom is following his dream - in the first part of the year he is going into camp with the Nelson Giants basketball team. Thank you for all your hard work Tom and Good Luck!
- Miss Brittany Wright will teach in Room 1 for Term 1 and Mrs Van der Hilst is returning in Term 2.

2016 Dates:

School starts on 1st February

Term 1:	1 Feb	-	15 April
Term 2:	2 May	-	8 July
Term 3:	25 July	-	23 Sept
Term 4:	10 Oct	-	16 Dec

School is closed on the following days:

8 Feb	-	Waitangi Day
21 March	-	Otago Anniversary Day
25 March	-	Good Friday
28/29 March	-	Easter Monday/Tuesday
6 June	-	Queens Birthday
24 October	-	Labour Day

St Brigid's School Choir
'B Sharp'



On Wednesday the Choir with its Conductor, Marlise Sparks went to the Dunedin TV studios to be filmed singing carols.

Dunedin TV covered the recent Santa Parade and an hour long programme will air on Sunday 13 December at 7.30pm. You can see schools singing carols as part of this programme.

The programme will be repeated on Sunday 20 December and will play 3 times on Christmas Eve with continuous play throughout Christmas Day.

You can also view it on-line at
www.dunedin.tv.co.nz

DVD copies will be available at \$15



What's on in Term 4



15 Dec	Mission Afternoon
16 Dec	End of Year Mass 6pm at St Brigid's followed by BBQ at school
17 Dec	School Ends for 2015
1 Feb 2016	School Starts for 2016

PTA News

Toilet Paper	Stock up for the holidays!
Next PTA Meeting	The first meeting for next year will be on Tuesday 9 February at 7.30 pm. It will be a special general meeting and an annual meeting to confirm the constitution. All welcome
Sports Jackets	Look out for these in the new year. You will be able to buy or hire them.
Thank you for all your support this year	

Mission Afternoon
Tuesday 15 December
1.30pm – 3.00pm



The senior children organise a variety of games and activities for all. Children need to bring a pocketful of small change to participate.

Money raised goes to support missions

School Lunches: No school lunches are to be ordered next week as Easy Lunches and Pita Pit are now finished for the year.

Sports News

► **T-Ball:** POD last week Tai Rotarangi This Saturday – no game – the Saints have defaulted.

► **Flippa Ball:** Congratulations to Flipping Friends who finished 3rd in their competition by beating Abbotsford 9-2. P.O.D – Whole Team!

Orcas lost 2-7. P.O.D – Whole Team!

Dolphins lost 1-2. P.O.D – Whole Team!

► **A BIG THANK YOU** to all our sports coaches who coach and manage our teams throughout the year, your efforts are most appreciated



A Message from Julie Buxton – the school's Public Health Nurse

SKYLIGHT has produced a fact sheet to help parents talk to children about world events in recent times.

http://skylight.org.nz/uploads/files/talking_to_your_children_when_traumatic_things_happen_to_others.pdf

Production Costumes: Please return any costumes from last night's school production.

Rm 4 – Boys: black shorts

- Girls: black tops/singlets

Rm 3 – Boys: black shorts and cat tops

- Girls: cat tops

Rm 1 & 5 – all aprons



Library Stocktake

We ask that children now return any books they have at home.

Thank you



Term 4 Education outside the Classroom

A reminder that these costs are now due and payment before the end of the term would be appreciated.

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 000 1257 00



Have a happy and Holy Christmas with families and enjoy a summer break

Kind regards

Chris Hogue

Ordination to Priesthood of Sani Lam

Tonight Sani Lam, who has been with our parish all year, will be ordained a priest at St Joseph's Cathedral.

The ceremony starts at 7.00pm. The Mass will go a bit longer than usual but it will be a really memorable celebration.

Everyone is very welcome to attend.



Youth Christmas Mass:

Thursday 24th Christmas Eve
5:15 @ The Edgar Centre in the Arena.

We have begun planning our Christmas celebrations for the South Dunedin Pastoral Area. As you know St Patrick's is not available so we will be changing venues and hosting the mass in the Arena at the Edgar Centre.

We are looking for ALL keen children and youth who would like to be involved. We need musicians (parents too are welcome to play with us), altar servers, actors, singers, ushers, greeters and confident readers.

If you are interested, come and join us on **Sunday 13th from 2-3** at St Patrick's Community Centre on Macandrew Road, and again on **Sunday 20th from 2-3** at the Community Centre.

If you are not able to make these practices but still want to be involved contact Jo on 021 231 8889 or jobell47@hotmail.com.

This is an opportunity for you to dress up as a character from the Christmas story and invite you friends and family to celebrate this wonderful event with us.

Everyone welcome.



Community Notices



MusiqHub Guitar / Ukulele / Singing is looking forward to welcoming new students in 2016 at St Brigid's School

The lessons feature:

- small group learning [max of 4 per group]
- conveniently located at the school
- exclusive access to MusiqHub lessons online
- quality sequential teaching manuals
- end of year concert backed by a live band
- tuition from MusiqHub registered tutors

*For more information please visit our website at
www.musiqhub.co.nz or
call / text Tim Davis on 027 4895957*

The great MBC Mountaineers Holiday Club for kids in year 1-8

Come climbing with us as we soar the dizzying heights of adventure without ever leaving the Musselburgh Church - 131 Musselburgh Rise.

With songs, stories, adventure, crafts, fantastic eats and the wonderful Wednesday messy day, you will not want to miss it.

25-29 January, 10am-12 noon each day.

Contact us, or leave a message on 456-2065, email kidsclubs@mbc.ac.nz or get more info on www.mbc.ac.nz

A Glass Slipper on Ice



This is showing at the Dunedin Ice Stadium on Saturday 19/12 at 1pm, and two shows on Sunday 20/12 at 11am and 3pm. The cost is \$10 per person with under 2's free. The show is full of local 'Ice Skating' athletes showcasing their talents in a classic story retold on ice.

Tickets can be picked up from the Dunedin Ice Stadium between 11am-4pm or Back in Motion - Centre City Mall during business hours.