

# St Brigid's School Newsletter



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## Room 3 Class Report

It is crazy to think that it's almost the end of the year! 2019 has flown by so quickly with all of the busy and exciting things that have been going on in our school.

Room 3 and the rest of the school are very excited for our production next Thursday - we can't wait to see you all there to show off all of the hard work we have put in! We have really enjoyed learning to waltz for our part of the production.

In RE we have been learning about different Saints and what kind of qualities Saints have that make them holy. Another focus for us has been looking at the saintliness of ordinary people and how this can inspire others and lead them to God.

We have spent this term focusing on Fairy Tales so have been doing lots of writing about the fairy tales we have learnt about. Our writing focus has been on the structure of narrative writing so we have been writing our own fairy tales using what we have learnt from fairy tales we have read. Room 3 have loved doing artwork about our fairy tales too.



Our focus in Maths has been about Time. We have created clocks and had a look at reading hour and half hour times on a clock.

We hope you have a fun and safe weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Thursday.

Love Room 3

Congratulations to the following children who were recognised as living the values of:

**Respect -  
Te Tapu o Te Tangata**

**Care -  
Atawhaitia**

**Responsibility -  
Whakahaere**

Room 4: Hugo Anstey

Room 3: Brylee Keane

Room 2: Loui Heyward & Aryan Prasad

Room 1: Dominic Cheng &  
Lola Tiatia

Room 5: Tandia Porter



### Mission Afternoon

Monday 16th December, 1:45-2:45

Bring along your small change

All activities are 20c, 50c or 70c

Run by Room 5, great prizes!

All proceeds go to help the Missions work overseas.



### Term Dates 2020

Term 1: Tuesday 4 Feb – Thursday 9 April

Term 2: Tuesday 28 April – Friday 3 July

Term 3: Monday 20 July – Friday 25 Sept

Term 4: Monday 12 Oct – Thursday 17 Dec

### School will also be closed on:

6 February Waitangi Day

23 March Otago Anniversary Day

1 June Queen's Birthday

26 October Labour Day

NB – Easter coincides with Term 1 holidays and ANZAC Day is being observed by all schools on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April.

**End of Year Reports:** A reminder that reports on children's achievement and progress will be sent home on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

**Parking:** Recently there have been a number of vehicles blocking our neighbour's driveways during drop off and pick up times.

Please be mindful that these areas need to remain clear for access at all times.



**Sports Uniforms:** We would appreciate if children could please be in their sports uniforms all of next week, as it makes it easier with costuming for our production rehearsals.

School Photos: are still being processed at this stage. We are expecting them sometime next week.

## Cinderella and Rookerfella

6:30 pm next Thursday

Kavanagh College Auditorium, Tennyson St

Doors open 6:15

Children need to be there at 6:00

## What's Happening Next Week?

Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration – 2:40pm
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup>	At Kavanagh College for Production Rehearsal 9am – 3pm
	PTA Meeting 7:30pm
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	At Kavanagh College for Production Rehearsal 9am – 3pm
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	School Production Night
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	Mufti Day

## What's Happening this Term?

### December

Mon 16 <sup>th</sup>	Mission Day
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	End of Year Mass 12pm
	Last Day of the School Year

### February 2020

Tues 4 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of Term 1
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## Special PTA Lunch Days

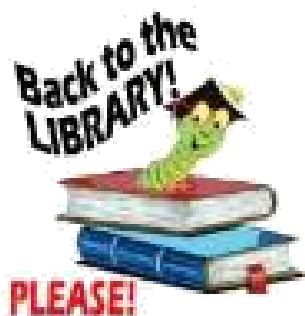
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Sausage Sizzle & Donuts

Community Consultation 2019: We have extended the deadline to 5pm Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December because your ideas and opinions are really important to us as we start working on our new 3 year strategic plan.

Thank you to everyone who has already shared their great ideas for the future direction of our school.

## Reminder

Library Stocktake – our annual library stocktake is now underway so please check thoroughly for any library books at home and return them to school ASAP.



Kind regards

Deborah Charleson

## Sports News

### T-Ball – Results

Stars P.O.D – Neriah Ngaro

Saints P.O.D – Valerie Beatson

Steelers P.O.D – McKenzie Bryce

Draw for this Saturday 7 December:

Stars vs Musselburgh 9:00 on D 1

Saints and Steelers have defaulted

Please be at your diamond 15 minutes before the game for warm up.

### Flippa Ball – Results:

Dolphins and All Saints both won.

Draw for Sunday 8 Dec

Dolphins v Reel Me In at 4:40pm

All Saints v Outram Seals at 1:45pm

### Futsal – Results:

Gold P.O.D – Ryder Guthrie

Silver P.O.D – Whole Team

Bronze P.O.D – Dom Helson-South

Blue P.O.D – Hart-Lee Goodship

Black P.O.D – Whole Team

Futsal Competition has now finished.

**EOTC Contributions** – requests for Term 4 EOTC are being sent home today. Thank you to those who throughout the year have made regular payments – there are still a few outstanding stationery and sports fees that need to be paid.

We would appreciate these payments and your contributions being paid before the end of this year.

## PTA NEWS

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday 10 December at 7:30pm.

**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



**CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME  
MAKING ADVENT A CLIMATE PILGRIMAGE –**

**Ways to 'green' our Christmas:  
Gift giving and wrapping**



Consumer choice is one of our commitments to a more healthy climate and earth. Producing consumer goods requires enormous energy and resources - consider buying one less gift this year. Or instead, gift your time or donate to a cause that serves the most vulnerable.

Buy with 'cradle to grave' consideration of your purchase: Material resources: what are they? Production: how much energy/water/fair wages?

End of life: what happens when it's no longer useful – is it truly biodegradable - can it be returned to the earth... in one year? -1000 years?).

Gift wrapping: \*Avoid foil ribbons and wrapping (fabric ribbons can be time and time again) \* Save wrapping and ribbons for next year.

*"Our relationship with God's plan (for the whole of creation) finds its fulfilment in Jesus, who affirms creation by choosing to become a part of that creation ...."*

(Source: L is for Lifestyle – Ruth Valerio).

*Together in God's Spirit we make the difference.*

## RE Comment

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Advent – Peace

An Advent prayer

Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent - as we strive to become the-best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace.

Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.



### **Children's Christmas Mass Mercy Parish Whānau Aroha**



**PRACTISE**

We are getting ready to celebrate God reaching out in unconditional love to us all in the birth of Jesus. We want to act out the Gospel at the Children's Mass,

Dec 24th at 5:30 pm.

We need help from EVERYONE who would like to act, to read, sing or play instruments.

If you are interested come and join us at the Basilica on

Saturday 14th Dec 12:00 - 12:30

Saturday 21st Dec 12:00 - 12:30 am

If you are not able to make these times but still want to be involved contact

Jo Bell 0212318889 or jobell47@hotmail.com

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## CITY OF READERS



### CHILDREN'S SUMMER READING PROGRAMME

1 DEC 2019 - 31 JAN 2020

Register with your local library to join the 2019-20 Children's Summer Reading Programme. Fill the booklet with details of all the books you've read over the summer, then return it to your local library by Friday 31 January 2020 for a chance to go into the grand draw for some very cool prizes!

You can find ideas for books to read, or some special challenges by talking to the librarians at your local library. Come back and see us every time you complete a page of your reading record and you'll receive a special sticker for your City of Reader's passport. And if you visit another library, we'll stamp your passport with a special 'visitor's visa' – see how many you can collect! You can set your own goal for how many books you want to read this summer, and then when you've reached your goal bring in your reading record to be signed off by the librarian and entered into the prize draw.

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