

St Brigid's School Newsletter



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The last week has filled us with heartfelt sorrow as we have been touched by tragedy both as a nation with what happened to the Muslim Community in Christchurch and with the sudden passing of Tracy O'Brien the Principal of Kavanagh College.

Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone that has been touched by this recent grief and sadness.



Today the school remembered the people of Christchurch by having colourful balloons to remind us of our diversity and the spirit of hope that lies within us all.

At 1:30pm each class had a moment of silence and prayer.



Room 1 Class Report



Looking back over Term 1
Wow it has been a busy start to the year. We have been really enjoying all the new and exciting activities we have been doing. Some of our favourites have included using coloured rice and messy play activities to hide money in so we can practise our skip counting, starting to learn about South Sudan during R.E., doing lots of baking to practise following directions and reading/adding fractions and thinking about 'sticky words' in writing. We have also really enjoyed reflecting on our learning activities with Mrs V each week so she can plan activities that interest and excite us about our learning. Love, Room 1



Dear Parents / Caregivers

Values Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were recognised as living the value of

Respect -

Te Tapu o Te Tangata

Room 4 – Charlotte Tallon-McCarthy

Room 3 – Callum McGurk

Room 2 – Louis Heyward

Room 1 – Leo Patston

Room 5 – Katie Stoff



Celebration

Next Friday (29th March) we will be holding another Celebration Time from 2:40-3pm. We will open the classes up for the children to present the work they are most proud of to our wider school community.

We would love to see as many parents there as possible to help celebrate our children's achievements. We look forward to seeing you all there!

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

Some Important Reminders

✚ Children should not be at school before 8.15am but it is important they are here before 9am. Children also should be picked up by 3.15pm as we cannot guarantee supervision after this time. Alternatively you are able to book in for Te Kaha Kids, our onsite After School Care Programme.

✚ **School will be closed** this Monday 25th March for Otago Anniversary Day

Baptism Reminder: Thank you to all those that have returned their Baptism notice. The children's baptisms can occur on a variety of dates and either as a group or on their own.

If you would like your child to receive the sacrament of Baptism please contact the school office, Fr Gerard on 021 580 610 or gerard.aynsley@gmail.com or Fr Sani on 021 840 259 or sunctuslst@gmail.com

BOT News

✚ **Next meeting:** Wednesday 27th March at 6pm.

✚ **Working Bee – Save the Date!**

Saturday 30th March from 9am-12noon we will be holding a working bee at school. All Welcome

Caritas Jubilee

This Sunday Caritas are celebrating their Jubilee Mass at Mercy Parish at 11am, with morning tea to follow.

We would love for you to join us.

What's Happening Next Week?

Mon 25 th	Otago Anniversary Day – School Closed
Wed 27 th	BOT Meeting – 6pm
Fri 29 th	Pizza Lunch Day

What's Happening in Term 1?

April

Mon 1 st	Chatbus
Tues 9 th	PTA Meeting
Wed 10 th	Caritas Challenge
Fri 12 th	Sausage Sizzle and Mufti Day
	Last Day of Term 1
Mon 29 th	First Day of Term 2

RE Comment

Week 7

18-22 March

The New Zealand Church celebrated the Feast of St Patrick on 17 March. St Patrick is a pivotal character in the history of the Irish Catholic Church, and where the Irish have gone, they've taken Patrick with them!

Our church is named for St Patrick. Patrick became a bishop and it is as a result of Patrick's work the Ireland became a very Catholic country.



Parish/School Masses

It is great to celebrate these important occasions that are part of school life. Thank you also to all of the families that have sent along sweet biscuits for the Morning Teas after Mass. We realise that everyone can't be at Mass but would really appreciate if everyone could contribute to this. This action reflects our School Values of Respect, Care and Responsibility.

There is still a box in the office area for biscuits to be dropped in to if you haven't already.

Kind regards – Deborah Charleson

Sports News

Winter Sports Registrations: Registration forms for Netball and Basketball (Kiwihoops) went home with the children yesterday. They are also available from the office. All registration forms and fees are due back by Friday 29 March.

T Ball: Teams had their final games last Saturday. Congratulations to the Saints who were second in the pre-Christmas competition and to the Steelers who were winners pre-Christmas and runner ups post-Christmas.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs Whitty for receiving the Otago Softball Association T-Ball Coach Award. This is a new award that is given for outstanding coaching and sportsmanship and encouraging both teams. Well done! We are all very proud of you!

Flippaball: Results:

Orcas won 7-0. P.O.D – Kalo Ashton

Dolphins won 7-2. P.O.D – Isla Bell

Reminder: There is no game or practice this Otago Anniversary weekend.

Futsal: Results:

Silver drew. P.O.D – Alasdair Maclean

Bronze won 4-2. P.O.D – Julian Osland

Black lost 0-1. P.O.D – Aryan Prasad

Blue lost 0-1 P.O.D – Freddy Patston

Draw:

Silver v Musselburgh Barcelona - Ct 15 at 5pm

Bronze v Carisbrook Victory - Ct 5 at 5pm

Black v Kaikorai Tigers – Ct 8 at 4pm

Instead of a bye Blue have a friendly game v Mornington Red – FM 1 at 4pm

NB: The scheduled draw is subject to late changes so please check the school facebook page or Futsal facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/futsalsouth> page for confirmation of draws. Please note that arranged friendly games will not show up on the draw page.

PTA NEWS

- + **Uniform Shop:** Remember we are going to be opening the Uniform Shop between 2.30 and 3.30pm every Friday.
- + **Takeaway Night** – Thank you to everyone that joined us at the Dinosaur Park for our Takeaway Night last Friday. It was an amazing evening and great catching up with families and friends.
- + **Term 1 Fundraisers**
 - Spring Bulbs** – Bulbs will be delivered to school next Tuesday 26th March.
 - Couplands Hot Cross Buns** – Order forms are coming home today for these delicious Easter Buns. Orders due Thursday 28th March. Delivery Wednesday 10th April.
 - Special Lunch Days**
 - Friday 29th March – Pizza
 - Friday 12th April – Sausage Sizzle and Mufti Day (last day of term 1)
- + **Next Meeting:** Tuesday 9th April 7.30pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

Share the Journey Sunday 7th April 2pm

www.sharejourney.com

#sharejourney



Join this global campaign to walk a million kilometres in an act of solidarity for migrants and refugees who are forced to leave their homes because of war, persecution, natural disaster and poverty, including those in our own community.

Meet beside Marlow Park
(Dinosaur Park)
ready to walk 1, 2, or 6 Km's
along John Wilson Drive

A family friendly and
free event!
Sausage sizzle and
games after walk

The Diocese of Dunedin Invites you to a

Social Justice Hui

A pair of hands holding a realistic image of the Earth, showing continents and oceans, against a blue sky with clouds.

A day of
reflection
connection
inspiration

Saturday 23 March 10am-4:30pm,
Burns Lodge @ Holy Cross, Mosgiel

Register at www.cdd.org.nz

Community News

DIGGERS BASKETBALL
Term 2 Youth Development Academy
8 Tuesdays @ The Edgar Centre
When: Begins Tuesday, 30th April
from 4-5pm, finishing 2nd July
Who: Kids aged 5-8 (no experience necessary)
Cost: \$75 per child (\$10 discount for siblings).

MINERS BASKETBALL
Term 2 Youth Development Academy
8 Thursdays @ The Edgar Centre
When: Begins Wednesday, 8th May
from 4-5pm, finishing 26th June
Who: Kids aged 9-12 (no experience necessary)
Cost: \$75 per child (\$10 discount for siblings).

Register at www.otago.basketball

April Holiday Camps
Basketball Experience for Kids Entering Years 1-8
When: 15 & 16 April
Time: 9am-Noon
Where: Edgar Centre
Cost: \$50/child or \$40 for kids of same family
Sessions led by BBO Development Officer Natalie Vinger and local coaches. Focus is on skill development, competition, and fun. Experience is encouraged, but not required, perfect camp for beginners.

Rego online at otago.basketball

Basketball Otago | Edgar Centre | Dunedin

GIRLS ROCK CAMP
Girl's Only 2-Day Basketball Camp
15 & 16 April
Girls - Years 1-6 from 4-6pm
Cost - \$30
All sessions are at the Edgar Centre
Sessions led by BBO Development Officer Natalie Vinger and local coaches. Focus is on skill development, competition, and fun. Beginners and experienced are welcome to come. Guest appearances by Otago Goldrush Players

Register at www.otago.basketball

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Free Basketball Academies
Terms 2&3 Programme for boys & girls in years 4-8.
*Locations, times, & ages vary
*NO CHARGE
*Tahuna Int., Valley Baptist Community Centre, Kavanagh College, Kaikorai Valley College, Queen's High School
*Term 2 - starts week of 6/5, finishes week of 24/6
*Term 3 - week of 29/7, finishes week of 16/9
*Led by local coaches
*Improve fundamentals, shooting, and decision making through drills and competitive play

Register online at www.otago.basketball



GRANTS BRAES FOOTBALL CLUB



Grants Braes AFC need your help to complete their teams for this season -

They are looking for boys and girls to fill their 6th, 7th, 8th and 10th Grades. They just need a couple more in each grade to complete the squads.

If your child is interested in playing please contact David Creed, the Grants Braes AFC Junior Rep on 021 212 4068

*Gasworks Guild of Gadgeteers
and
The Dunedin Gasworks Museum
Presents*

**The Great Victorian
Easter Family Fun Day**
Saturday 27th April 2019
11am - 3.00pm

- Victorian games
- Easter crafts
- Dress ups
- Teapot racing
- Easter egg hunt
- Steampunk Stalls
- Sausage sizzle

Fun Fun Fun

\$2 Gold Coin Entry per person
All Children must be accompanied by a adult
20 Braemar St, South Dunedin