

# St Brigid's School

## Newsletter



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## Welcome to St Brigid's 2020

Tena koutou everyone!

I would like to thank everyone for the wonderful welcome I received this week. It was a very special moment in my career. I think it is important that I get to know the whole school community and what I mean by community is the children, the staff, the parents, caregivers and everyone else involved in the life of St Brigid's.



We are all learners at St Brigid's and we know, if we work together, a strong sense of team and success can be achieved.

Our vision is to connect with our students and families and build strong relationships through reflecting the values of Christ. With this foundation in place, we will then aim to ignite the learning experience and work with the learner to discover new thoughts, questions and passions.

Throughout this process we will look to empower our learners so that they are competent and confident citizens in the world they are growing up in. We aim to be responsive to the needs of each individual and personalise a set of learning experiences that are both meaningful and motivating and ultimately produce socially responsible Catholics.

I also see myself in my role having five Key Responsibilities - these include:

- Shaping a vision of academic and special character success for all students
- Creating a collegial climate hospitable to educating our children
- Cultivating leadership in others
- Managing people fairly with compassion using the gospel values as a guide
- Improving School leadership, relationships and community

We look forward to working with you to ensure your time at St Brigid's is full of learning, opportunity, fun and great times together. I look forward to meeting everyone and contributing to a very special school.

Andrew Pozniak

**2020 Organisation:**

Room 4: New Entrants & Year 1 – Miss Wassell

Room 3: Years 2 – Miss Charleson

Room 2: Years 3 & 4 – Mrs van der Hilst (Mon – Thurs) & Mrs Idour (Friday)

Room 1: Years 5 & 6 – Mrs Whitty (mornings) & Mr Pozniak (afternoons).

Mrs Chisholm also teaches part time as our classroom release teacher.

Mrs Gillan will be returning from her Maternity Leave in Term 2 in her new part time position.

**School Assemblies**

Assemblies are usually held every second Friday in the hall. All families and extended families are most welcome to attend all assemblies.

Children share their work and children's achievements are celebrated and recognised. The advertised class shares a prayer.

Assemblies for Term 1 are:

14 February – Room 1

28 February – Room 2

13 March – Room 3

27 March – Room 4

**Sports News**

**T-Ball –**

The second part of the T-Ball season begins on Saturday 15 February.

**Futsal** – forms went home earlier this week – please return the form by Monday if your child wishes to play Futsal.

**Flippa Ball:** For registrations for Term 1 – please find a link below to register online.

<https://forms.gle/aZHQT9DbQRJAQKWV7>

Any queries please contact Linh on 021 800 859 or email her, [linhashton@gmail.com](mailto:linhashton@gmail.com)

Registrations are due back by Monday 10 Feb

**Some Important Reminders**

- ◆ School starts at 8:55am, it is important for children to be here on time.
- ◆ Absences: if your child is going to be absent please ring the office prior to 9am or leave a message on the answerphone. You can also send the office an email on [office@stbrigidsdn.school.nz](mailto:office@stbrigidsdn.school.nz)
- ◆ Morning Tea: 11:00 – 11:20am
- ◆ Lunch Time: 12.30 – 1:30pm
- ◆ School Finishes at 3:00pm
- ◆ Safety: Vehicles are not permitted to use the driveway between 8.30 – 9:15am and 2:45 – 3:15pm.
- ◆ Newsletters are sent via email every Friday and are also available on our website and Facebook page. If you would like a paper copy please request one from the office.
- ◆ Uniforms: a reminder that children will be wearing their summer uniforms for Term 1. Wide brimmed navy blue sunhats are compulsory in Term 1 for all children. Please check that all uniform items are clearly named.
- ◆ Water bottles: it's a great idea for children to have a named water bottle at school.
- ◆ Sunscreen: please make sure you have applied sunscreen to your child before they arrive at school. We recommend an SPF50+
- ◆ Office Hours: Moira, our school secretary is in the office until 12:30pm.

## Weetbix Tryathlon – 1 March 2020 in Dunedin



Entries are open for the **Weetbix Tryathlon** on **Sunday 1 March** at **Mosgiel Memorial Park**

The TRYathlon is all about giving it a TRY and is a rewarding and fun day out for you and your child.

Participants need to be aged 7-15 years old on event day, and can complete the TRYathlon as an individual or in a team of two.

Therese Lam has registered the school online and here is the link for families to click on to enter and make payment - if they do so before Sunday 9 Feb then the children's packs can be sent to the school as well as St Brigid's go into the draw to win some prize packs for the school.

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=35579&G=106259>

## Faith Facts

*Prayer for our school*

Jesus our guide and  
teacher, help our school  
be a place of

Respect – Te Rapu o te  
Tangata,

Care – Atawhaitia and

Responsibility –

Whakahaere where we  
are united in our learning,  
our prayer, and our play.

**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

## Sign up for Music Lessons!

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Joel Dalloway

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# Community News



## Help Keep Hospice Services Free

The Otago Community Hospice Street Appeal is on Friday 6th March + Saturday 7th March.

We are looking for more collectors to help us out with this appeal. Would you like to give your child the experience of giving back to the community?

We need collectors for Friday afternoon or Saturday. One hour shifts. Children must be accompanied by a parent at all times.

Please contact Rebecca for more information 473 6005



## PUPPET DRAMA CLASSES



Saturday mornings - \$10 per class

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## SURFTO STADIUM

SUNDAY 15 MARCH 2020  
Runners & walkers of all ages & abilities welcome!

- 10km FUN RUN & WALK: 10.00am
- 4km FUN RUN & WALK: 10.30am
- ENTRY FEE: 10km: \$25 4km: Adult \$15 Kids \$5 Family \$30

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for fantastic food,  
entertainment & a  
family picnic area!

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