

St Brigid's School Newsletter



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ROOM 2 CLASS REPORT

We are SO excited for a new year in Room 2! We have an amazing class and we have been hard at work learning how everything works in Room 2 and learning all about each other.

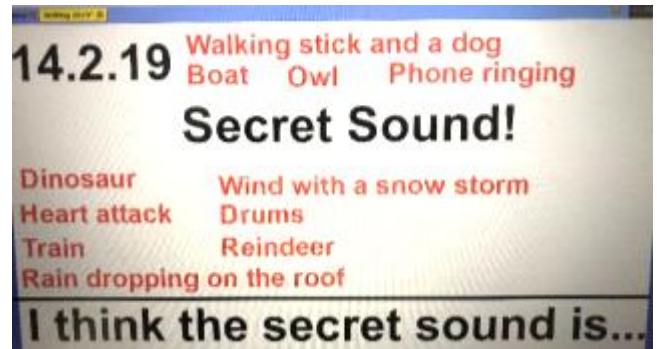
We have been up to so many exciting things so far this term! As part of our inquiry with Room 1 we painted some rocks and hid them at the dinosaur park (and had a wee play too!). We hid them as part of the #cavyrocks initiative for other people to find.

For our sharing so far this term we have been sharing our 'All About Me' bags! These have some special items from home that tell everyone about us and our families.

We wrote some beautiful prayers for our RE wall and we learned about making meaningful prayers to God. We had a secret sound at writing time this week and we had to guess what it was! We had some good guesses like rain dropping on a roof or a reindeer or a train! It ended up being a baby's heartbeat and then Mrs Gillan told us that she is having a baby! It was very exciting news and we enjoyed sharing it with the rest of the school.

We also started our new joint PE lessons on Wednesday! We were learning about co-operation through PE and we got to mix with other children in the school and play games with different teachers.

We hope everyone has had an awesome first two weeks of school like we have!



Values Awards

Our new School Values are:



We are all very excited about them! By living these values every day we are living the way that Jesus wants us to live and act. This term we are focusing on Te Tapu o Te Tangata – Respect.

Congratulations to the following students who were recognised as living the value of Te Tapu o Te Tangata – Respect.

Room 4 – Hana Khalil

Room 3 – Elias Bishop-Corkery

Room 2 – Annie Thompson

Room 1 – Olivia Clark

Room 5 – Samuel Bingley

Opening Parish/School Mass

Welcome to our opening school Mass for 2019
– this Sunday, 17 February at 9.30 am at St Patrick's in Macandrew Road.

These are important occasions and are part of school life. We would like to see as many families there as possible.

The Readers for Mass are Kalo, Kyla and Isla.

Student Council

St Brigid's is excited to announce that we are going to be starting a Student Council.

Yesterday we asked for any children who were interested in being part of this new initiative, to sign up with Miss Wassell.

Children **that are interested** in being on the council need to create posters and / or write letters outlining why their peers should vote for them.

In week 4 each class will vote for who they believe consistently show our school values of Respect, Care and Responsibility, to be their class representatives on the St Brigid's Student Council.

Parent / Teacher Discussions

A reminder that our first discussions for the year will be on Monday 4th March and Wednesday 6th March from 3pm – 6pm.

School will close at 3pm on both days.

Time and day request forms were sent home this week. Please complete this form and return it by Wednesday 20th February so we can allocate a discussion time for you and your child's / children's teacher/s.

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@stbrigidson.school.nz

Due to regulations schools are required to code children's absences for the Ministry so please let us also know the reason your child is not at school, for example - illness, doctors appointment, etc.

What's Happening Next Week?

Sun 17 th	Parish / School Mass – 9.30am at St Patrick's
Mon 18 th	ChatBus
Tues 19 th	PTA AGM – 7pm in Staffroom

What's Happening in Term 1?

February

Tues 26 th	Room 1 & 2 Trip to Inlet
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March

4 – 8 th	Walk and Wheel Week
Mon 4 th	Parent / Teacher Discussions 3pm – 6pm
	ChatBus
Wed 6 th	Ash Wednesday
	Parent / Teacher Discussions 3pm – 6pm
Sun 10 th	Weetbix Tryathlon
Sun 17 th	Parish / School Mass – 9.30am at St Patrick's
Mon 18 th	ChatBus
Mon 25 th	Otago Anniversary Day – School Closed

April

Mon 1 st	Chatbus
Fri 12 th	Last Day of Term 1

Some Important Reminders

- **Medical Conditions** - a reminder to let the school know if your child's health needs change, particularly when it relates to medical conditions.
- **Contact Details** - please let us know if your contact details change as it is important that these are correct. These include phone numbers, addresses and email.

Stationery / EOTC Contributions:

We still have a number of outstanding accounts (some dating back to last year). Please get in touch with the office if you have any concerns regarding payments so we can help you with options as we are aware that lump sum payments are difficult at this time of year and we are happy for you to set up weekly / fortnightly automatic payments to spread the cost out.

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

Sports News

Thank You: Thanks to the parents who have offered to manage a team.

Sports Code of Conduct: Each player has received a Sports Code of Conduct form. Please complete players and parents sections and return it by Monday 18 February.

T Ball: Results:

Saints won by default. P.O.D – whole team

Steelers won 5-4. P.O.D – Liam Bishop

Draw for tomorrow 16 Feb:

Saints v BGP Gold D 4 at 9am

Steelers v BGP Rabbittohs D 10 at 9am.

Flippaball: No Flippaball games this weekend. Competition starts 24 February. There will be a practice on Saturday 16 February.

Futsal: Games start on Tuesday 19 February & Wednesday 20 February. Team lists have been sent home. Please check the Futsal facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/futsalsouth> page for draws. This information will also be put in the newsletter if available.

Weetbix Tryathlon: This is on Sunday 10 March. Thank you Lia Wright for coordinating the St Brigid's School group – below is the specific link for St Brigid's School – this will enable families from St Brigid's to join the St Brigid's School group with ease!

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=31845&G=79678>

PTA NEWS

AGM: Tuesday 19th February at 7pm in the staffroom, followed by usual meeting at 7:30pm.

New members welcome.

Kind regards

Deborah Charleson

R E Comment

11 – 15 February

Thursday was Valentine's or shall we say *Saint Valentine's Day*? He is believed to have lived in the 3rd century AD (between 200 and 300 AD) and was a martyr

A martyr is someone who dies rather than denies or gives up their faith. Until 325 AD, when the Roman Emperor Constantine converted to Christianity, it was illegal to be a Christian in the Roman Empire.

St Valentine shares his feast day with two brothers, St Cyril and St Methodius.



Te Kaha Kids All Inclusive After School & Holiday Programme

We Offer:

- Individualised Support Plans
- Child Centered Model
- Positive Reinforcement
- Weekly Prizes
- Homework Support
- Support to reach goals
- Opportunity to learn life skills
- Fun environment
- Support for behaviour



Monday to Friday
3-6pm / 8am-6pm

Ages 5-18

At St Brigid's
School 2019!

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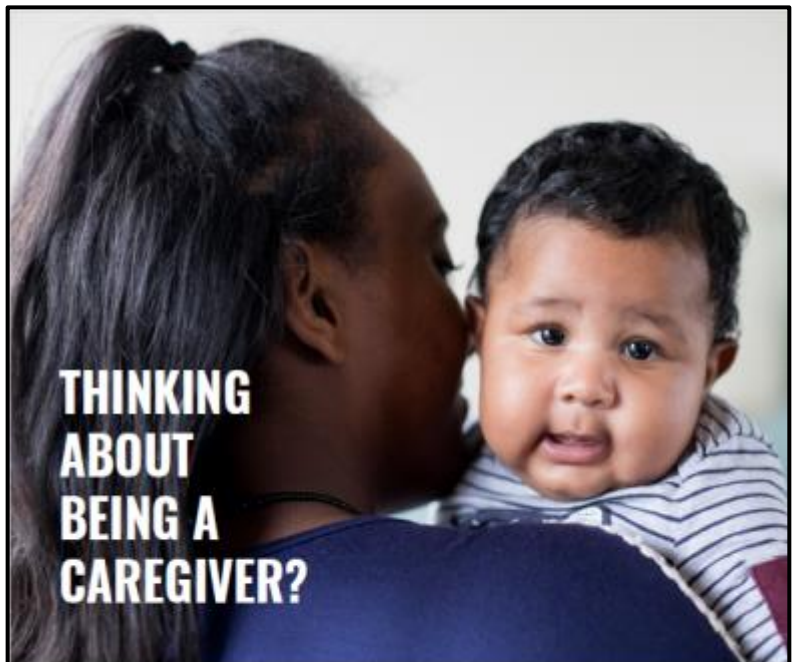
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Register at www.otago.basketball



We need more foster carers who want to make a difference in a child's life and provide stable, loving care.

We welcome enquiries from people interested in caregiving.

Children in care come from a range of backgrounds and each child has their own unique story, as do our caregivers. So when it comes to being a foster carer, one-size doesn't fit all. The most important thing is to provide safe, stable and loving homes for children and young people who need them.

Contact us anytime.

Call: 0508 CARERS (0508 227 377)
Email: caregiver_enquiries@ot.govt.nz
Online: www.orangatamariki.govt.nz

Our Caregiver Contact Team can talk to you about becoming a caregiver, the different ways to care, and help you with the application process.

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2019 METROPOLITAN JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATION DATES



Alhambra-Union

Contact: Ronnie Proctor 021 477 682

Sun 17 February | 1pm – 3pm
Tue 26 February | 4pm – 5.30pm

Brighton

Contact: Nathan Hill 027 279 0177

Sun 24 February | 10am – 12pm

Dunedin

Contact: Denis McLaughlan 021 456 853

Sun 24 February | 12pm – 2pm

Community News

If you would like to know more about other Dunedin Rugby Clubs registration days please contact the office

CALLING ALL GIRLS AGED 5-8

Come make new friends, learn basketball from Otago Gold Rush players.

Tuesdays in Term 1 from 4-5pm.
Register online @ otago.basketball

GIRLS GOT GAME

@basketballnz

PosterMyWad.com



Traditional Karate is a journey for life that will improve:

- Self Confidence
- Discipline
- Respect
- Courage
- Fitness
- Self Defence

St James Presbyterian Church Hall - 393 King Edward St - South Dunedin

Tuesday & Thursday - 6pm ~ 7pm (8pm for Advanced)

Senior Instructor - Sensei John Marrable - 6th Dan Black Belt

Phone: 456 1021 / 021 231 3887 - email: jmm@clear.net.nz

www.dunedinKarate.co.nz



It's an ideal opportunity for parents to share in a life journey with their children!
Nothing is impossible - the word itself says ... "I'm possible"



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Composting, keep your garden happy and reduce waste to landfill

REGULAR COMPOSTING, BOKASHI AND WORM FARMS

Hands-on workshop led by Michelle Cox of Oestara Organic & Permaculture Education

Musselburgh: Saturday 23 February | RSVP by Thursday 21 February

Helensburgh: Saturday 13 April | RSVP by Monday 8 April

Time: 1pm to 5pm

Cost: \$10 | Afternoon tea provided.

Registration: Michelle Cox | ph: 029 771 0212 | e: oestara.nz@gmail.com

Maximum 12 participants per workshop. Location and further details on registration.

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Great Prizes and Raffles

TUESDAY 2ND APRIL
7 pm Start
Kensington Tavern

\$30 Per Team
(up to 6 per team)

To book your team contact:

Verity 021 247 8585

verity@maorihill.school.nz

PLEASE COME ALONG AND SUPPORT US!

