

St Brigid's School Newsletter



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Room 2 Class Report

Term 4 has been off to a great start in Room 2!

This week has been EOTC Week, and while the weather hasn't been the best, the students have still been able to enjoy a range of activities and learning experiences outside the classroom. This has included cooperative games which focused on building teamwork and encouraging one another, a trip to Ross Creek where the students did a scavenger hunt around the reservoir and then walked down to Woodhaugh Gardens. In Writing we have been working on planning out our stories in sequence before writing them.

Our focus for Maths this term is fractions and we have been learning to identify and write different fractions as well as comparing them.

In Religious Education we are learning about First Holy Communion.

We have also begun practising singing some of the songs for the end of year production. The kids are all very excited about this!



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



Room 4: Hart-Lee Goodship
Room 3: Kyla Roberts
Room 2: Sirafin Mariya Binu
Room 1: Kalo Ashton
Room 5: Amelia Dickel



School Photos are being taken next Thursday 31 October



Children need to wear the correct summer uniform (see uniform list that was included in the last newsletter for Term 3).

Children who have played in a school sports team this year are also to bring their sports uniform.

Forms are being sent home today – please note that you only need to fill these in if you would like a family or sibling photo taken and they need to be returned to school by Tuesday please.

EOTC Week – A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone that helped with this week.

We really appreciated your support. We have had a fantastic week and are looking forward to next year's one.



Labour Day:

School will be closed this Monday 28th October.

Assembly: We are excited to announce that our Friday Assemblies / Shared Prayer are making a comeback.

We have two booked in for this term so please save the date as we would love you to join us. These are in the school hall and start at 2.30pm. Room 4 is leading our first one on Friday 8th November.

Room 3 is leading our second on Friday 22nd November.

10:00am Friday Masses: Every Friday a class will celebrate Mass in our new Sacred Space in the School Hall. Everyone is welcome. The Mass timetable is as follows:

1st November – Room 2
8th November – Room 1
15th November – Room 4 & 5
22nd November – Room 3
29th November – Room 2
6th December – Room 1
13th December – Room 4 & 5

Absences and Lateness:

Every term the Ministry of Education collects data from electronic attendance registers from all schools, which they monitor and review.

It is very important that any absences or late arrivals are recorded in the system accurately, so please contact the school office if your child is going to be late or absent with a valid reason for this.

What's Happening Next Week?

October

Mon 28 th	Labour Day – School Closed
Thurs 31 st	School Photos

What's Happening this Term?

November

Wed 6 th	BOT Meeting
Fri 8 th	Assembly: Rm 4 Shared Prayer 2:30
Fri 22 nd	Assembly: Rm 3 Shared Prayer 2:30

December

Wed 4 th	BOT Meeting
Thurs 12 th	School Production Night
Wed 18 th	Last Day of the School Year

February 2020

Tues 4 th	First Day of Term 1
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Special PTA Lunch Days

Friday 8th November – Burgers
 Friday 15th November – Pizza & Iceblocks
 Friday 22nd November – Wraps
 Friday 29th November – Frankfurter in a Bun
 Friday 6th December – Pizza & Iceblocks
 Friday 13th December – Sausage Sizzle & Donuts

B.O.T News

- Next meeting:** Wednesday 6th November.
- New Sign:** As you will have noticed we have a lovely new sign attached to our school building at the top of the driveway. Thank you to all those that were involved in this.

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

T-Ball – draw for this Saturday (same teams as last week but some different times):

Stars v Grants Braes Giants 9:00 D 2

Saints v East Taieri Red 9:00 D 6

Steelers v Cardinals Tuis 10:00 D 10

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

Flippa Ball – Results:

St Brigid's Dolphins won 17-0. P.O.D – Kalo Ashton

Saints won 9-2. P.O.D – pupil from another school

NB: There are no games this Labour weekend.

Futsal – Results:

Silver won 4-1. P.O.D – Liam Bishop

Bronze lost 0-6. P.O.D – Austin Gillespie

Black lost 1-7. P.O.D – Hart-Lee Goodship

Blue lost 1-3. P.O.D – Calum McGurk

Draw:

Tues 29th:

Gold v Mac Bay Wolves at 4:30 Ct 18

Wed 30th

Silver v St Joe's Green at 5pm Ct 5

Bronze v Abbots 3 at 5:30pm More FM 1

Black v Fairfield Superheroes at 4pm Ct 20

Blue v George St Tigers at 4pm More FM 1

PTA NEWS

- Next Meeting:** To be advised.

Kind regards

Deborah Charleson



Fair News

- **FAIR WORKING BEE** – Thank you to everyone that came and helped sort out our Fair donations last Saturday.

- **Raffle Reminder:** Raffles and money need to be returned by 9am this Tuesday 29th please. Thank you to those who have returned their raffle cards.

- **Fair Bringing Day:**
Friday 1st November - Fill an ice-cream container with some yummy baking for our Bake stall.



- **Fair Flyer drop** - We would love for everyone to deliver some flyers in and around where you live. There is a map at the school office, please come down and highlight the street or area you are able to do. Flyers will be sent home on Tuesday 29th for delivery prior to the Fair Saturday 2nd November.

- **Silent Auction Items** - We are still on the lookout for some stuff for our Silent Item. These could be anything like Gift Vouchers, Holiday house/accommodation, Wine, Signed Jerseys etc; if you would like to donate something but not sure what please contact the fair committee.

fair@stbrigidsdn.school.nz



RE Comment

This week is only the 5th year that we have celebrated the feast day of St John Paul the second.

Here are some of his inspirational quotes from the great man.



*"The future starts today, not tomorrow.
The worst prison would be a closed heart"*

*"As the family goes, so goes the nation
and so goes the whole world in which we live"*

*"Do not be afraid to take a chance on
peace, to teach peace, to live
peace...Peace will be the last word of
history"*

CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Household Cleaners: Dishwasher powder, shower and toilet cleaner, bleaches, aerosol, fly/insect sprays etc. – use sparingly Do we really need that 'toilet duck', air freshener etc.

We are highly dependent on pre-prepared products, but often forget the hidden dangers of daily use. Air fresheners (containing synthetic chemicals, many classified as toxic to the immune system), are extremely common, so using them should be helpful, not harmful.

DIY general purpose cleaner: White vinegar, Baking Soda, Water, in a spray container.



DIY air freshener: spray bottle, one cup of water – add approx. 10.-12 drops of your favourite essential oil (not synthetic oil) – shake the mixture and use. More tips here: www.thehealthyhousehold.com/toxic-chemicals-air-fresheners/

Living our lives with love – together we make the difference.



Reading Challenge — 2019

Help your favourite team top the leaderboard and win amazing stuff!



Kiwi kids can read their local cricket team to victory this summer

Paper Plus gift cards are up for grabs every day of the T20 tournament. There are lots of other spot prizes on offer, including books and signed sports gear from NZC, along with double passes to games.

The Super Smash Reading Challenge is a new interactive website. Primary and intermediate-aged children are invited to register for free and choose their local cricket team to 'play' for.

Players log the books they read over the summer, along with a star rating and short review.

A leaderboard keeps track of the Super Smash teams as they move up and down the rankings accordingly.

Sign up for the Super Smash Reading Challenge by registering at reading-challenge.org.nz.



WE NEED MORE CAREGIVERS

Can you provide a stable and loving environment for tamariki until it's safe for them to return home?

All children need a place where they can feel at home with their wider whānau or caregivers. Those who can give them aroha, a place of belonging and connection with family, whakapapa and culture

Caregiving can be hard at times but the rewards can be amazing. Your aroha can make all the difference.

For more information about becoming an Oranga Tamariki caregiver, please get in touch anytime on:



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