

St Brigid's School Newsletter



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Room 2 Class Report!

We are so excited to be back for a new term in Room 2. We have already been part of some fun activities this term and there is more to come!

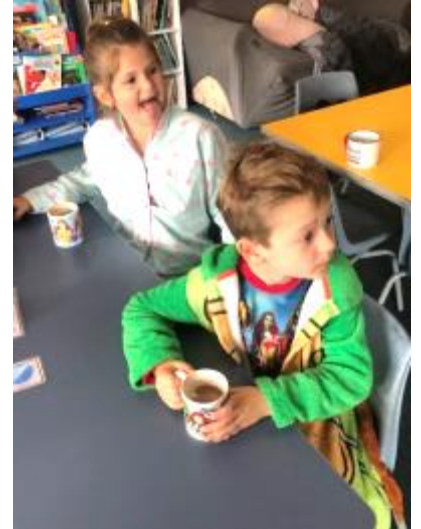
In writing, we are learning about adjectives and how to use these in our writing. It's good timing too because we've been able to use our knowledge on adjectives to help us create some amazing Mother's Day cards. We know lots of words to describe our fantastic Mums!

In reading, we have been working in our reading groups and sharing our ideas about the stories we read. We are also nearly finished reading *The Enchanted Wood* book together as a class and we'll be sad to say goodbye to the characters in the story – Moonface, Jo, Bessie, Annie and the Saucepan Man as we have loved hearing about their adventures.

In maths, we have been putting our skills to good use by solving lots of word problems involving addition and subtraction!

This week we got the chance to go to Kavanagh College and watch the production of *Annie*! We really enjoyed all of the songs, so thank you Kavanagh for having us!

For QUEST we are working on a top-secret environment-based project with Mrs Whitty! Even Mrs Gillan isn't allowed to know what it's all about! I think our parents might find out this weekend though... so stay tuned!



Values Awards

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



Room 4 – Hart-Lee Goodship

Room 3 – Leeyah Than

Room 2 – Austin Gillespie

Room 5 – Lucas Burdett

*Happy
Mother's
Day*

*Happy Mother's Day
Remember to do
something extra special
for your wonderful mums
this weekend!*

Important Reminders

✚ **Parking:** Please refrain from parking on the yellow lines and across driveways when you drop off and pick up your children.

✚ **Clothing:** Please check that all of your child's clothing is correctly named.

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday 6th June

We are having a special Matariki Celebration from 5.30pm. More details to come.

MATARIKI

Welcome

A big welcome to Bear Valentine who started school in Room 4 last week and Miles Osland who joined Room 4 this week.



St Brigid's Caritas Catholic Schools Day



Thank you for supporting our Rice / Caritas Mufti Day this week and helping us to live the Catholic Social Teaching Principle of Solidarity.

We raised a whopping \$230 for Caritas to help with their work in South Sudan.

Nano Nagle Trust Cheese Roll Fundraiser

\$7 per dozen/3 dozen for \$18

Orders to Mrs Whitty by Friday 24 May

Please put your name on an envelope and write on the outside how many dozen you would like to order. Place cash or cheque made out to Nano Nagle Trust inside the envelope.

The Nano Nagle Trust helps support families struggling to pay Attendance Dues.

What's Happening Next Week?

Sun 19 th	Parish School Mass/Reconciliation Preparation
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What's Happening in Term 2

May	
Wed 22 nd	BOT Meeting at 6pm
Fri 31 st	Nano Nagle Mufti Day (gold coin donation)
June	
Mon 3 rd	Queen's Birthday – School Closed
Thurs 6 th	Matariki Celebration
Tues 11 th	PTA Meeting
Mon 17 th	Art Gallery Trip Room 4
Wed 19 th	BOT Meeting at 6pm
Thurs 22 nd	Art Gallery Trips Rooms 1 & 5
July	
Fri 5 th	Last Day of Term 2

Special Lunch Days

Friday 24th May – Wraps

Friday 7th June – Savouries

Friday 21st June – Pizza

Friday 5th July – Sausage Sizzle

RE Comment

Week 2

6 May – 10 May

Happy Mothers' Day!

Dear Blessed Mother Mary, help my mum to be a good mother.

Give her peace and wisdom, strength and courage, grace and happiness.

Be nearby when she needs help. Keep her close to your Son, Jesus.

Help me to always show my mum how very much I love her.

Amen



Sports News

Winter Sports: If your child is unable to play please notify the school and coach as early as possible so alternative arrangements can be made for the game/team.

Hockey: St Brigid's Combined Team - the Saints won 6-1 against East Taieri.
Draw for next Wednesday 15 May – Saints v Green Sticks - Pav4 at 5:05pm.

Kiwihoops (Miniball): Thank you to all the coaches for the Kiwihoops teams this season. Please remember that mouth guards are compulsory for all teams. All Kiwihoops starts on the 23rd of May and finishes on the 22nd August.

Netball: The Year 5/6 team will be starting on 14th May till the 13th of August (with breaks for the holidays). The games will be played on a Tuesday between 3:45 – 5:25pm. We have not had any information about our Year 1/2 team yet, however it doesn't start until 11th June so we will keep you posted when we have further information.

Missing: Please check at home as we have lost two sunhats from term 1. These are labelled. If you have them please send them to school so we can return them to their owners.

Kind regards
Deborah Charleson

BOT News

- ✚ **Next meeting:** Wednesday 22 May
- ✚ **School Trustee Elections** are happening in Term 2 this year. Board of Trustees play an important role in our school communities creating a better future for our children. Trustees are active leaders in our schools. They have an important role of supporting strong professional leadership and ensuring effective teaching for all students through informed governance. Explore <https://www.trusteeelection.co.nz> and see how you can step forward for our school. If you would like to know more about what it is like being a Trustee for St Brigid's, Craig Ashton 021 193 7481 is happy to answer any questions.



PTA NEWS

- ✚ **Entertainment Books:** Please return any books you are not purchasing by Tuesday (14th May).
- ✚ **Save the Date** for our Bowl-a-thon on Wednesday 26th June. Watch this space for more details.
- ✚ **Next Meeting:** Tuesday 11th June 7.30pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

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

Parent Election Notice

St Brigid's School Board of trustees' election

Nominations are invited for the election of 5 parent representatives to the board of trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters.

You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself. Both parts of the form must be signed.

Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on 24 May 2019 and may be accompanied by a signed candidate statement and photograph.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at noon on 7 June 2019

Maira O'Shea
Returning Officer



YOUNG MUSICIANS GROUP

If you play a musical instrument, even if you are only a beginner, please come and join our group of young musicians.

We are getting together on Saturday 18th May at the Basilica at 2.00 p.m. to learn some hymns to play at Mass.

For more information or for transport phone Pauline Diack on 45 43191 or Jan Genobe on 021 0543926

Promoting Interfaith Relations In Aotearoa New Zealand

Introducing the revised booklet

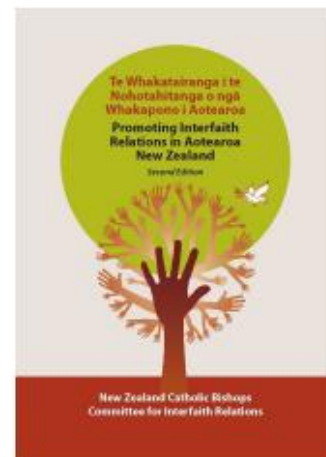
Thursday 16th of May, 6.00pm

St Patrick's Basilica, Macandrew Rd, Dunedin

The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Committee for Interfaith Relations (NZCBCIR) have created a booklet to encourage and support people in engaging with interfaith dialogue. This booklet is specifically designed to help Catholics who may be wondering what this is all about.

The booklet was written well before March 15th, but the content is particularly poignant in the light of the terrible deeds of that day, and the powerful response throughout the nation afterwards.

Please, come along to St Patrick's on the 16th of May where Bishop Michael and Colin MacLeod, both members of the NZCBCIR, will introduce the booklet and provide you with a copy.



Muslims, Christians & Jews - "People of the Book"

The terrible events of March 15th, and the powerful response throughout the nation afterwards, drew particular attention to the reality that Muslim people are our neighbours. For Catholic Christians the relationship is even closer, because Muslims, and Jews, believe in the same God that we do – and we teach this in our schools.

There are many differences in understandings, customs and expressions of faith, so come along and find out about some of them as Colin MacLeod, Director of the National Centre for Religious Studies, shares what the Catholic Secondary Religious Education programme teaches about us – together – as People of the Book. Parents and Grandparents of children of all ages and any parishioners interested in this topic will find these sessions valuable.

(These two sessions are provided at the request of St Brigid's Board of Trustees and are being offered to the whole of Mercy Parish.)

St Patrick's Basilica, Macandrew Rd
6.00-7.30pm – Two Thursdays – 23rd & 30th of May.



Community News

DUNEDIN ASIAN DAY 2019

Free Entry
Play Asian Folk Games for Free
Learn Asian folk crafts
Performances
Asian Food
And Much More
ALL WELCOME!!!

Sunday
12th May 2019
11am – 2pm
Otago Girls' High School

For any enquiries: Chinese/Asian Education @ 0214 251991, Japanese Education @ 021 371 211, Korean Education @ 021 444 767
Organised and supported by the Asia New Zealand Foundation, Otago Girls' High School, Segrave Park High School, St David's