

# St Brigid's School Newsletter



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## Room 5 Class Report

Wow it is hard to believe that we are at the end of week 5 – halfway through the term ... as the saying goes 'Time flies when you are having fun!'

We have had a very busy start to the year. We explored the Treaty of Waitangi, became 'Bucket Fillers', completed our first round of QUEST – and are now awaiting our gardens to produce their autumn crops, and have become experts on the New Testament and how to find passages in the Bible.

In Religious Education this week we have started to think about the people of South Sudan as part of our Lenten focus using the resources from Caritas. We are looking forward to our Caritas fun day later in the term.

In Writing our big focus has been on writing complex sentences and giving more detail when we are describing things. We have been writing a lot of poetry and are involved in a project called 'GetNZWriting' which is providing us with lots of laughs and challenges, our photos show us editing other groups poems.

Reading has seen a big emphasis on being able to explain our thoughts and answers based on evidence in the text and our own justifications.

Next week we are starting a focus on Eating for Health which will have a big focus on Breakfast with us finishing up designing and creating a class breakfast.

Phew ... time to relax and enjoy the weekend!



### Values Awards

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

### Respect -

### Te Tapu o Te Tangata

Room 4 – Brylee Keane  
Room 3 – Dusty Stanton  
Room 2 – Julian Osland  
Room 1 – Oliver Hawkins  
Room 5 – McKenzie Bryce & Ashlyn Bennett



## WELCOME

Welcome to  
Charlotte Tallon-  
McCarthy who  
started school in  
Room 4 this week.



### Some Important Reminders

- + Bayfield roadworks are still being carried out and will hopefully be completed in a couple of weeks. It is still open for pedestrian access but no parking. We will keep you posted.
- + Please be careful when crossing Silverton Street as it is a very busy road and intersection. We are lucky to have a pedestrian crossing to use on this road and it would be great if you could remind your children about how to safely cross on it especially in the mornings when they are dropped off.
- + Silverton Street Access – we have been made aware that a number of parents are driving down this access way and parking to drop off their children. It is privately owned and we only have permission to use this access way for walking so please refrain from driving down.

## Celebration

Thank you to everyone for supporting our first Celebration last Friday. The children loved sharing their work with you all and were as excited as us over the amazing turnout. Our next Celebration is booked for Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 2.40pm we look forward to seeing you all there.

### Parent / Teacher Discussions

Thank you for all of the positive feedback received at this week's discussions, it is most appreciated. If you were unable to come this week please just contact your child's teacher to make a suitable time.

**Stationery / EOTC Payments:** We still have a number of outstanding accounts. Invoices will be sent home in the next few weeks.

Please get in touch with the office if you have any concerns regarding payment.

### BOT News

+ **Next meeting:** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March



## What's Happening Next Week?

Sun 10 <sup>th</sup>	Weetbix Tryathlon
	Wrap Lunch Day
	Takeaways Night 5-7pm
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>	Parish / School Mass – 9.30am at St Patrick's

## What's Happening in Term 1?

### March

Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>	ChatBus
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	Otago Anniversary Day – School Closed
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>	Pizza Lunch Day

### April

Mon 1 <sup>st</sup>	Chatbus
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Caritas Challenge and Mufti Day
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Sausage Sizzle and Mufti Day
	Last Day of Term 1

## QUEST

Hard to believe that we are halfway through the term, but we are and that means that we have finished the first round of QUEST. There have been very excited children and passionate teachers on Monday mornings after play as we look forward to what the next hour will bring. Next week we begin a new rotation with the classes moving to a new class to learn new skills and have new experiences. We can't wait! Check our Facebook posts on Monday to see what the children are up to.

4 – 8 March

## RE Comment

Wednesday was Ash Wednesday. This is one of the most important days of the year for Catholics. It marks the beginning of Lent, the 40 day preparation for Easter.



Lent is a time of penance when we try to make a little sacrifice and put God first in our daily lives. There are four ways the Church says we can do penance:

1. Give something up
2. Give money to the poor
3. Sacrifice our time for others e.g. volunteering for the Vinnies.
4. Pray for a set purpose or time each day/week

## Sports News

Players of the Day: We would appreciate it if the coaches could please write on the back of the day Player of the Day certificate the reason and score.

T Ball: Draw for this Saturday 9 March  
Saints v Wakari Blue D5 at 9am  
Steelers v Carisbrook Chargers D11 at 9am

Flippaball: Results:

Dolphins won 5-3. P.O.D – Josh Kyle (St Bernadette's)

Orcas won 14-1. P.O.D – Isla Bell

Draw for this Sunday, 10 March

Orcas v FF Flying Fish at 2:35pm

Dolphins' v Mornington Kekenos at 2:35pm

Futsal: Results:

Silver won 13-1. P.O.D – Elijah Le

Bronze lost. P.O.D – Conall Higgs

Black lost 2-4. P.O.D – Flynn Bishop

Blue won 2-1. P.O.D – Neriah Ngaro

Draw:

Silver v Fairfield Phoenix Ct 19 at 5pm

Bronze v Fairfield Sharks Ct 8 at 5pm

Black v Bradford Bears Ct 11 at 4pm

Blue v Mac Bay Giants Ct 4 at 3:30pm

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.

Weetbix Tryathlon: the Weetbix Tryathlon is on this Sunday. Good luck to all those who entered. We hope you have a great time.

### Contact Details:



Today we are sending home a form for you complete so we can update all of your contact details. It is important that we have current phone numbers, street addresses and email addresses. Please return these forms by Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March.

## Waste Free School

As an Enviro-school we are committed to caring for our environment today and into the future. One of the ways we can best do this is by reducing the amount of waste going into the landfill and into recycling.

You will have noticed that there are less paper notices going out from school. Instead communication is via Facebook, emailed pdfs and via Seesaw.

We won't be handing out paper copies to families who are receiving communication through these electronic means.

If you are unable to access any of the above please let the office know and we will give you a paper copy.

Thank you for your continuing commitment to our environment!



## Parish / School Mass

Our next Parish / School Mass is on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 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.

**Headlice/Nits** It is evident that some children are affected by headlice. To get rid of nits it is important that **all** parents make an effort to check their child's hair when notified through the newsletter that headlice is about and if found, to treat accordingly. **Please** continue to regularly monitor your child's hair.



*Kind regards – Deborah Charleson*

## PTA NEWS

### + Uniform Shop

Remember we are going to be opening the Uniform Shop between 2.30 and 3.30pm every Friday.

### + Takeaway Night – Save the Date!

We are holding a Takeaway Night on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March from 5pm- 7pm at the Dinosaur Park. See our flyer attached.

### + Term 1 Fundraisers

**Spring Bulbs** –Orders and payment are due by Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Delivery Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March.

**Keep an eye out for our upcoming fundraisers...**

Eco Bags and Couplands Hot Cross Buns

### + Special Lunch Days

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Wraps

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Pizza

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Sausage Sizzle and Mufti Day (last day of term 1)

### + Friends of the PTA

Thank you to everyone who returned this form. You still have time to send it back on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March at the latest.

+ **Next Meeting:** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm in the staffroom. All welcome



You are invited by the PTA to the St Brigid's School

# FAMILY BYO TAKEAWAY NIGHT

Friday 15th March

5pm—7pm

Dinosaur Park, St Kilda

(Feel free to bring along some wheels—bikes, scooters etc;)

In the event of rain or poor weather conditions a back up venue will be advised.

A decision will be made at 3pm and confirmation will be emailed and posted on Facebook. If unsure then please contact Linh Ashton 021 800 859.



The Diocese of Dunedin Invites you to a

## Social Justice Hui

A day of  
reflection  
connection  
inspiration

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

Register at [www.cdd.org.nz](http://www.cdd.org.nz)

**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

## Share the Journey Sunday 7th April 2pm

[www.sharejourney.com](http://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 4 Km's  
along John Wilson Drive

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

Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Manaakitanga  
Community  
Engagement  
Pōwhiri

مرحباً بكم

Time: 10:30am for 11:00am start

16th March 2019

at Araiteuru Marae

24 Shetland St, Dunedin

تحياتنا لكم جميعاً

الجميع مدعو ومرحب

به الى هذا

البوفاري (جفل الاستقبال)

Contact: 0226908886

0212608089

Everyone is welcome  
to this pōwhiri.  
If you have never  
been on a marae,  
come along!  
A special welcome  
to recently arrived  
former refugees,  
their volunteers  
and other recent  
migrants to Dunedin.

Nāku te rourou  
Nāu te rourou  
Ka ora ai te iwi e!

With my brother  
With your brother  
The people will prosper!



Please be aware that shoes are not to be worn in the meeting house,  
so come prepared, and dress warmly if the weather is cold.



# Community News

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED TO BRING MORE AWESOME!**



**YOU BE THE GUIDE**

Join us and use fun and adventure to build girls' confidence and life skills. Flexible options to fit your lifestyle.

Do you want to see young girls grow into confident, adventurous women?

Talk to us about our volunteer options - [andrea.mcclean@girlguidingnz.org.nz](mailto:andrea.mcclean@girlguidingnz.org.nz)

 **GirlGuiding**  
New Zealand

**0800 22 22 92**  
**GIRLGUIDINGNZ.ORG.NZ**


## ART classes for Young Artists


Term 1 - Thursdays 4:00-5:30 **PAINTING CLASS** beginning March 14 – 11 April

This term each young artist will be working on a large painting on paper that is a portrait of a special place with special things. We will be finding out about other artists who love to draw and paint their special places and things.



For all young artists 6-13 who love to paint and draw...go to [www.theartdept.org](http://www.theartdept.org) for more details, venue, fees, teaching philosophy and the **booking form**. Be quick only a few places left.

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**GOLD RUSH BOOK SALE**

Celebrate Otago's golden heritage by heading underground and digging for literary gold.

Join the rush! Roll up your sleeves and fill your bags with treasure at the Libraries' annual basement book sale. Remember to bring your own bags!

**FRIDAY 22 MARCH 9.30am – 8pm**  
**SATURDAY 23 MARCH 11am – 4pm**  
**SUNDAY 24 MARCH 11am – 4pm**

**CITY LIBRARY CARPARK** WIRI PLAGE

