

# St Brigid's School Newsletter



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## Room 5 Class Report

Wow hard to believe that we are halfway through the term!! And a very busy half term it has been.

**Religious Education** - We have been thinking about how we bring about God's Kingdom here on Earth. This week we have been thinking about the parable of the Good Samaritan and how that is a good way to live our lives and especially our school values

**Mandarin** - We continue to enjoy our weekly Mandarin sessions with Maggie. We learn language and culture through lots of fun activities.

**Writing** - Information Report writing has been our main focus using our paragraphing, note taking and summarising skills to write fact filled reports about animals. We published them using flip files which are on display in the classroom. Another major focus has been on selecting writing goals for ourselves and self-assessing and peer-assessing, we are getting good at giving feedback and reflecting honestly.

**Ancient Egypt** - We have been learning about the world of Ancient Egypt, this week we wrote our names using hieroglyphics.

**Swimming** - Swimming is well underway with all of us making good progress. Over the next few weeks each of us will be doing a session of survival swimming where we have to swim in clothes - this is an important skill for us to have as Kiwis!

**Current Events Quiz** - Each week we work in our groups to complete a current events quiz. We are getting good at looking at the questions, working out the keywords and finding the answers using the computer, we only have 12 minutes to complete the quiz of 20 questions!

We are looking forward to Mr Crosswell teaching us for the next few weeks and all the interesting things that he has planned!



### Values Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were recognised as living the value of **Whakahaere – Responsibility**.

Room 4 – Harper Williams & Hugo Anstey

Room 3 – Neriah Ngaro

Room 2 – Julian Osland

Room 1 – Vincent Beatson

Room 5 – Taonga Matena-Kahukura



Parent Evening with Dr Melinda Webber  
Thank you to everyone that came along to our Dunedin Catholic Schools Parent Evening with Dr Melinda Webber on Monday.

We are very excited to be part of this initiative and in a couple of weeks we will be sending home a survey for you to complete. It is important that each family completes the survey to allow us to gather a better picture of our community and how we can support our children.

### Polyfest

We will be performing at Polyfest on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 12.15pm at the Edgar Centre.

Spectators are most welcome at the venue; there is an entry cost - more information to follow.

### Fair News

Just a reminder that there are just two more Fair Bringing Weeks coming up this term:

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September – Confectionery:** Please bring a bag of wrapped lollies, i.e. mini chocolate bars, lollipops etc.

**Mufti Day Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September – Chocolate Wheel:** Bring along a bottle of something i.e. wine. Please note that the children are not allowed to carry or bring these into the school. Parents you will need to drop them off to the School office.

### Celebration:

The next Friday Celebration this term will be held on 20<sup>th</sup> September at 2:40pm.



The Young Vinnies are running the St Vincent de Paul Shop this weekend:

11:00 - Kalo and Amelia

12:00 - Oliver and Liam

1:00 - Teddy and Hollie

2:00 - Camille, Hermione, Halaina and Isla



## What's Happening Next Week?

### August

|                       |                                     |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> | Years 5 & 6 Girls Futsal Tournament |
| Wed 28 <sup>th</sup>  | BOT Meeting at 6pm                  |

## What's Happening This Term?

### September

|                      |                                       |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Mufti Day – Young Vinnies             |
| Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> | BOT Meeting at 6pm                    |
| Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> | Confirmation 11am at St Patrick's     |
| Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> | Celebration Friday – 2:40pm           |
| Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Parish/School Mass at St Pat's 9:30am |
| Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> | Last Day of Term 3                    |
|                      | Mufti Day and Sausage Sizzle          |

## Special Lunch Days

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August – Frankfurter in a Bun

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September – Pizza

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September – Chicken Burger

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September – Sausage Sizzle

# Sports News

Netball and Kiwihoop games are now finished.

A big thank you to the coaches, parents and children for a great season

Thank you!

Winter Sports Uniforms: Please return your netball / miniball sports uniforms to school by next Friday.

Netball: Results – St Brigid's Stars won 12-8. P.O.D – Kalo Ashton & Chloe Lam

Hockey: the Saints combined team won 2-1. P.O.D – Oliver Hawkins

Kiwihoops:

Gold lost 18-26. P.O.D – McKenzie Bryce

Silver won 15-9. P.O.D – Whole Team

Bronze won 7-2. P.O.D – Valerie Beatson

Futsal: Registrations are now closed.

Other Summer Sports: Keep an eye out for T-Ball, Touch and Flippaball registrations that will be coming home in the next few weeks. We are on the lookout for coaches to take our teams so if you are interested we would love to hear from you.

Summer sports are played on the following days:

Futsal – Wednesday afternoon

Touch – Thursday afternoon

T-Ball – Saturday morning

Flippaball – Sunday afternoon

St Brigid's PTA presents....

# Neon Disco Party

Friday 6th September

5.30pm-7.30pm

Dunedin Rugby Club

\$5.00 per ticket

Extra pizza slices can be purchased for an additional \$1 per slice.

BYO named drink bottle, we will have limited quantities of water bottles for sale.

Parental supervision is required, therefore you are unable to drop off your child/children.

But feel free to organise with someone if they can be there guardian for the evening.

EVERYONE WELCOME INCLUDING YOUNGER AND OLDER SIBLINGS

Parents - Please bring a plate to share and BYO beverages.

Get your Neons/Whites and dancing shoes on! Its going to be a FUN FILLED evening.

Online payments can be made into the following account:

St Brigid's Home and School Association

03-1732-0001257-00

Particulars: "DISCO", Reference: [YOUR NAME]



Come along in your bright neon clothes or wear a white t-shirt for best effects

Orders due in by 9am Friday 30th August

Any queries please contact Lisa Patston 022 314 1635 or email pta@stbrigidson.school.nz

# NEON DISCO PARTY

Here is the link to order your ticket. Orders and money need to be in by **9am Friday 30th August.**

<https://forms.gle/L7pnQn8ES5uott3D7>

Kind regards – Deborah Charleson

# RE Comment

**Week 5 Pope Francis Prayer for August Evangelisation**



That families; through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth".

Together, let us ask Jesus that any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

## CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME

### CELEBRATION FOR CREATION

#### The ban on single-use bags!

As a result 2 billion plastic bags each year will be removed from the system. That's a LOT LESS plastic entering the marine environment and harming precious wildlife like turtles and whales.

What a huge victory possible only because of people like each one of us taking action to protect our oceans...



And it is important to celebrate how far we've come. Now, thanks to the tireless work of many individuals and community organisations – the plastic pollution free future we want is closer. Although we all know that bags are just the tip of the plastic iceberg it is a very significant step.

**Together we make the difference!**

## B.O.T News

- + **Next meeting:** Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August.
- + **Hall Update:** we are in the final stages of our hall renovation. We are looking forward to being able to use this amazing facility very soon!
- + **Driveway Realignment:** work on our driveway is continuing and we are hoping that it will be completed in the next few weeks. We will let you know as soon as we are able to use it again.

## PTA NEWS

- + **School Fair** Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.  
Save the date!
- + **Next Meeting:** Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm – venue to be confirmed. All welcome.
- + **Term 3 Fundraisers... Who Ate All the Pies** – order forms were sent home earlier this week. Orders and payment due by Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September, delivery date 19<sup>th</sup> September.

**Mass: is celebrated in the library every Friday at 10am.**

**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