

St Brigid's School Newsletter



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Room 3 Class Report



Kia ora everyone,

We can't believe we are half way through Term 4 already. We have been super busy and working really hard as usual here in Room 3.

Writing → We have been creating fantastic narratives lately. These include locating escaped baby dinosaurs, rescuing a lost witch's cat and removing dangerous boulders. Who knew writing could be such fun!

Reading → We have been working hard on using our strategies to help us with the tricky words we find in our stories. We have also been devouring our special class library books so fast that Miss Charleson has to keep restocking the shelves at a phenomenal rate.

Maths → We are learning all about time with Mrs Chisholm. We are getting good at reading time on our clocks to the hour and half hour. We are also focussing on our addition and subtraction strategies.

Religious Education → We are excited to be learning about Saints and how they inspire people to do good things.

Little Garden League → At the end of Term 3 our class was selected to be the latest site for the Little Garden League Clubhouse. Being official members of the League we have an exciting task ahead to learn all about vegetables including how to grow them. We are proud to announce that most of our seeds are blooming beautifully.

Art → We have been creating Dr Seuss artworks and have even made some more big books with Mrs Chisholm.



Global Virtual Adventure → This term we have been participating in a virtual adventure around the globe. We have been working on increasing our healthy habits everyday like being active, eating fruit and vegetables, drinking plenty of water and having a good night's sleep. These earn us points so we can move around a virtual course and visit lots of different destinations around the world.

STEAM → We have been working on lots of different mini STEAM challenges in the classroom like building mousetraps, creating structures with our 3D building sticks and magnetic construction blocks. We are quite good at designing and making prototypes.

Digital Technology Scavenger Hunt → We have also been working hard with Room 4 to solve lots of mysterious clues from the St Brigid's Imposter. Every week we get a new challenge sent from the Imposter for us to work on, we love it!

Have a safe and happy weekend everyone!

Love from Room 3 😊



Principal's Message

I have read that Dunedin has become just the third city in New Zealand to have 5G. Spark has launched 5G mobile service in central Dunedin. Of course this has increased the speed and availability of the internet, which in turn creates further security and safety problems.



With the widespread availability and use of social media applications bringing opportunities to engage, and communicate in new and exciting ways it is important that we are able to use these technologies and services effectively and flexibly. However, it is also important to ensure that we balance this with our duties to our school, community, our legal responsibilities and our reputation. "A digital citizen" understands the rights and responsibilities of inhabiting cyberspace."

They are:

- a confident and capable user of ICT
- able to use technologies to participate in educational, cultural, and economic activities
- able to use and develop critical thinking skills in cyberspace
- literate in the language, symbols, and texts of digital technologies
- aware of ICT challenges and can manage them effectively
- able to use ICT to relate to others in positive, meaningful ways
- able to demonstrate honesty and integrity and ethical behaviour in their use of ICT
- respectful of the concepts of privacy and freedom of speech in a digital world
- able to contribute and actively promote the values of digital citizenship.

To be a good digital citizen you need a combination of technical and social skills that enable a person to be successful and safe in the information age. Like literacy and numeracy initiatives, which provide people with the skills to participate in the work force, digital literacy has become an essential skill to be a confident, connected, and actively involved lifelong learner.

Andrew Pozniak

School Values

Respect -
Te Tapu o Te Tangata
Care -
Atawhaitia
Responsibility -
Whakahaere

Congratulations to the following children who received Value Rewards this week:

- Rm 4 – Harper Williams
- Rm 3 – Valerie Beatson
- Rm 2 – Halaina Sparks
- Rm 1 – Josh Elliotte

This term we are focusing on all of our school values:

Te Tapu o te Tangata – Respect, Atawhaitia – Care, Whakahaere – Responsibility.



St Brigid's House Groups

Congratulations to **Aubert House** who were the winning House this week.

House Token Winners this week were:

- Aubert House**: Harper Williams
- McAuley House**: Chloe Lam
- de Paul House**: William Bingley

Dates to Remember

What's On Next Week?	
Fri 20 Nov	Assembly Rm 4 at 2:40pm in the Hall
Sun 22 Nov	First Holy Communion at 9.30am at St Patrick's.
What's On in Term 4?	
Fri 11 Dec	Room 1 French Play – 2:30pm
Fri 4 Dec	Assembly Rm 2 at 2:40 in the Hall
Wed 16 Dec	End of Year Mass followed by BBQ 6pm
Thurs 17 Dec	Last Day of the School Year – 12:30pm Finish
Wed 3 Feb '21	First Day of Term 1

Congratulations to four of our former pupils that were recognised for their high academic success and were awarded substantial scholarships on Wednesday night at the Kavanagh College Senior Prizegiving. We are very proud of you all and wish you every success as you begin your next chapter.

Piata Rapata-Hanning - Awarded full scholarship to Otago Polytechnic.

Holly Uluakiola - Awarded full scholarship to Otago Polytechnic.

Zoe Halls - Scholarship to University Otago.

Olivia King - Scholarship to University of Otago.

If you know of any other St Brigid's Alumni achievements please email the office as we love to celebrate the success of our past students.

Sports Update

Futsal – Results:

Gold won 8-0. P.O.D – Vincent Beatson

Silver lost. P.O.D. Valerie Beatson

Bronze won. P.O.D. Kyla Roberts

Draws to be advised.

T-Ball/Softball - Results:

Saints lost – P.O.D – Eloise

Steelers won – P.O.D – McKenzie Bryce

Draw for this Saturday:

Saints vs Tainui Panthers, 10:00 Diamond 6

Steelers vs Spartan Tigers, 9:00 Diamond 9

Flippa Ball – Result: St Brigid's won. P.O.D – Leo Patston

Practice will run again on Saturday from 11am-12pm at Andy Bay pool.

Draw: 3pm on Sunday against Columba Navy.

Please note that we don't have a game next Sunday 22nd but instead it will be on the Saturday 21st due to a swim meet on. This game is at 4.15pm.

Rippa Rugby: Results:

Team 1 P.O.D – Vincent Beatson

Team 2 lost. P.O.D – Oliver Hawkins

Draw, 16th November

St Brigid's 1 vs St Bernies Bacon, Field 2 3:45

St Brigid's 2 vs Mac Bay Lions, Field 4 3:45

NB: Miniball and Kiwihoop Players - Please return all tops to school ASAP.

Any sports queries please

email deborahw@stbrigidson.school.nz

School Photos: Order forms and proofs were sent home earlier this week with the children. Please read the instructions carefully and return any orders to school by Friday 20th November when they will be picked up by McRobies. Any late orders will need to be posted or dropped off into the letterbox at the following address: McRobies, 11 Albion Street, Andersons Bay, Dunedin 9013.

Next Special Lunch Day: Friday 20 November – Frankfurter in a Bun

Assembly: Our next Shared Prayer will be led by Room 4 in the school hall on Friday 20th November at 2.40pm. Everyone is welcome.

Friday Mass - next Friday 20th November Room 1 and 4 will celebrate Mass in the hall at 10am.

Stationery and Sports Fees: invoices are coming home in the next few weeks for these compulsory payments.

EOTC – A reminder that invoices for Term 3 EOTC Contributions were sent home at the end of last term – this is a voluntary payment but the school is heavily reliant on this income to fund quality education outside the classroom activities.

RE Comment

11th Armistice or Remembrance Day:

Anniversary of the signing of the Armistice and the end of WWI

May the winds, the oceans, the herbs, and night and days, the mother earth, the father heaven, all vegetation, the sun, be all sweet to us.

Let us follow the path of goodness for all times, like the sun and the moon moving eternally in the sky.

Let us be charitable to one another.

Let us not kill or be violent with one another.

Let us know and appreciate the points of view of others.

And let us unite. (Hindu)



PTA News

Next Meeting: Tuesday 8 December.

Disco: Thank you to everyone that supported our Disco last Friday. A great night was had by all!

BOT News:

Next meeting: Wednesday 9 December at 6pm.

Special Lunch Days

Friday 20th November – Frankfurter in a Bun

Friday 4th December – Domino's Pizza

Friday 11th December – Sausage Sizzle & Ice blocks

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

Community News



No matter how you are feeling this month we have something for everyone!
You can come and visit the Aquavan and get involved in coastal mapping this Sunday, book in for one of our "Marine Encounter Tours", or get ready for an entertaining puppet show all about food webs in our new video release. See more details in our newsletter [here](#).

Kind regards -

Andrew Pozniak & Deborah Charleson

BEGINNER
LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE

PIANO LESSONS

Shara Balogh
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT

After-school/holiday lessons
Gresham Street, Tainui

Alternatively, lessons can also be held at student's house (30MNS)

Contact me for more information
-- I hope to meet you soon

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The Noel Leeming Friends and Family Offer from 16-29 November 2020 is available to staff, students, families and friends associated with Catholic Schools.

Cost plus 5% store-wide (excludes IT accessories, PC software, AV accessories and PC consumables).

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