

11<sup>th</sup> March 2010



Newsletter No 6

Quality + Support + Values

Dear Parents  
Kia ora koutou. Greetings

### Assembly

There will be a School Assembly tomorrow, Friday. Parents and caregivers are welcome to join us in the Parish Centre at 2.30pm.

### Interviews

Parent/Teacher interviews are to be held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March (2.15pm – 5.00pm and 7.00pm – 8.30pm) and Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March (3.15pm – 5.00pm). School will finish for all children at 2.00pm on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March. After School Care is available for children who usually use this service from 2.00pm on Wednesday.

Interview times have been given to children today. If you have not yet made a time, but would like an interview, please see your child's teacher or Lorraine at the office.

### Otago Anniversary Day

School will be closed on Monday March 22<sup>nd</sup> for Otago Anniversary Day.

### Words Alive

During the next few weeks our teachers will be attending Professional Development in the Words Alive programme. The focus of Sounds Alive, the programme we introduced last year, is on sounds and spelling. Words Alive looks at putting words together into sentences, and provides students with the tools needed to be able to create a good piece of writing. We are very pleased with results to date in our Sounds Alive programme, and are really looking forward to implementing the new programme this year.

### Parish Mass

A reminder Mass is held at 9.30a.m. every Sunday and includes a Children's Liturgy.  
Altar Servers for Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March are Andrew Cromb and Jacob Larson



### Lenten Prayers

We hold School Lenten Prayers each Friday during Lent. Donations for Gonzaga, the Ugandan boy we sponsor and for Caritas, are collected during these prayers or can be left anytime at the office.

### PTA LUNCH

Wednesday 17th March

- **American Hotdogs - \$2.00**  
(with mustard or tomato sauce)
- **Moosie - \$1.00**

Orders in named envelope please - to the office by  
9.00a.m.

**Annual Plan and Code of Conduct Review**

Copies of the school Annual Plan and the school Code of Conduct are included with this newsletter. All comments and questions welcome. Please use the reply slip below or leave a message with Lorraine or Craig. General comments on things we do well or things we could improve on are also welcome.

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**Annual Plan & Code of Conduct Review –**

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**Board of Trustee Elections**

Another reminder that our Board of Trustee Triennial Election is coming up, with the actual election day being Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May. These are postal elections so nomination forms and voting papers will be mailed to all eligible voters.

The Electoral Roll for Parents is now available during school hours for you to check that you name and correct address is listed on it. Please see Lorraine or Craig if you wish to see the Electoral Roll. Nomination Forms will be sent out to all those on this roll during the last week of this term, with nominations closing on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April (Term 2).

Please do not hesitate to talk to Lorraine, our Returning Officer, in the office if you have any questions.

**Sports Draw/Winter Sports**

- *Please remember the Number One rule for all children in sport is to have fun!*
- *Positive parent comments on the sideline do encourage them to play and try harder.*

- T Ball – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March
  - SFX Giants vs. Balaclava 10.00a.m Ground 1
  - SFX Strikers vs Columba 9.00am Ground 7
  - SFX Youngs vs. Sacred Heart 11.00am Ground 8
  - SFX Minis DEFAULTED TO
  - SFX Midgets vs. Cardinal Doves 9.00am Ground 16

- Flipperball – Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup>
  - 1.30p.m. vs. ET Dolphins – MAIN Pool.

**Notes:** 1. **There IS Flippa Ball on Sunday March 21st.**  
2. Parents - the 50c spectator Fee does not come into effect until April 1st.

- Touch – Thursday 11th March
  - SFX Hotshots (Year 3 & 4) vs. St Joes Blue on Field 3 at 3.30pm
  - SFX (Year 5 & 6) vs. Andy Bay on Field No 8 at 3.30pm

**Winter Sports**

Registration forms have been sent out for Netball, Hockey and Ministicks. Please return these to the office as soon as possible as team registrations are due. If your child has not given you this to fill in and would like to play one of these sports, please see Teenaka or Lorraine.

We have not yet received any details for Miniball, but we will send these out as soon as they come to hand.



*In addition to our t ball and flipperball teams we have 2 touch rugby teams that play every Thursday afternoon. The players are developing great skills and playing very well.*

### **PTA News**

- **Jack n Jill Photos – Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

Please send in your portrait voucher to the school office by next Friday. If you have mislaid the form just write your name, preferred time (am or pm) on an envelope and send it back with your \$10. Places are filling fast so be in quick!

- **“Dunedin Entertainment” Book**

We will also be running another fundraiser shortly – the sales of the ‘Dunedin Entertainment’ Book. These books have been running in other parts of the country for several years and are great value. The purchase of the book entitles the bearer to great discounts in Dunedin, Invercargill and Central Otago on such things as 2 for one meals, 25% off meals, free Big Macs with certain purchases, free Hells Pizzas, Highlanders admissions, cheap movie passes and heaps more.

Some of the Dunedin businesses featured in the new book are: Alibi, No 7 Balmac, Craft Bar, Tandoori Palace, Starfish, Capers, Hoyts, Rialto, Velvet Burger, Moana Pool, Chipmunks, Burger King, McDonalds, The Dessert Room and many many more!!!

So keep you eyes out for this book – they are great value! Please purchase them through our school rather than any other organisation that may approach you.

### **Walk and Wheels Week**

Congratulations on your efforts to walk or wheel to school last week. The last day to hand in progress cards is tomorrow. There are awesome prizes available so be in!!!!

### **An Irish Blessing**

The joy of this day be yours  
The joy of this week be yours  
The joy of this year be yours  
The joy of the Father be yours  
The joy of the Spirit be yours  
The joy of the Son be yours  
Joy for ever and ever be yours.

### **Notices**

- St Bernadette’s Gym Club – Notice on the school notice board

## Cross Country

Our Year 5 and 6 children competed very well in the West Zone Dunedin Zone Cross Country on Tuesday. Congratulations to our top ten place getters – Rebekah Lynch (5<sup>th</sup>), Taylor Stewart (4<sup>th</sup>), Josh Parcell-Calkin (8<sup>th</sup>) and Andrew Cromb (7<sup>th</sup>). Well Done!!!!!!



## School Uniform

We have been in touch with Postie Plus and they have the trackpants in stock ready for winter. The style numbers have changes so please take note of the uniform list below.

- **Girls:**

- Hair ties – black navy or maroon
- Jewellery – one stud in each ear, watch
- Girls are encouraged to wear navy bike shorts under their pinafore. In hot weather they may remove their pinafores, however pinafores must be worn to and from school

Pinafore	blue/red	Style No 6128	knife pleat
Blouse	white	0758	long sleeve
Jersey	Dark Royal	6675	v-neck
Trackpants	navy	708949&713161 708948& 13159	cuffed straight
Socks	navy		tights or under the knee socks
Shoes	black		not running shoes

- **Boys:**

Jewellery – one stud in each ear, watch

Hair ties – black navy or maroon

Shorts	Grey	Style No 6837	To be worn with socks(see below)
Shirt	Grey	6144	
Trackpants	navy	708949&713161 708948& 13159	cuffed straight
Jersey	Dark Royal	6675	v-neck
Socks	Grey	6039	
Shoes	Black		not running shoes

- **All children**

- Available at Postie Plus (mention our school name and we get a cash back offer)
- Polar Fleece – Navy and monogrammed (purchased through the school). This is an extra layer for cold and sports days.
- Layers of clothing worn under shirts/blouses must not be visible
- Shoes must be practical and suitable for school
- Medical conditions requiring exemptions from the uniform, at the discretion of the Principal
- Where you are unable to have your child in the correct uniform for some reason, please provide a note to the teacher/office for it to be recorded in the day

Nga mihi nui

With best wishes

Craig Ward