

20th May 2010



Newsletter No 13

Quality + Support + Values

Dear Parents
Kia ora koutou. Greetings

Assembly

There will be a School Assembly tomorrow, Friday. All welcome to join us in the Parish Centre at 2.30p.m.

Board of Trustees

The newly elected Board met this week and elected their office bearers.

- Chairperson – Peter Christophers (Parent Rep)
- Deputy Chairperson - Brenton Rooney (Parent Rep)
- Secretary - Kerry Trewern (Parent Rep)
- Treasurer - Gerard Hanning (Proprietors Rep)

The other members are:- Niko Young, Paul Larson (Parent Representatives), and Sister Denise Downey, Shirley Forde and Fr David Hercus (Proprietors Representatives). Sub-committees for finance, property, policy, personnel and enrolments have also been appointed.

Meeting Dates

- 1st June – PTA at 7.00pm in the staffroom
- 8th June – Board of Trustees at 7.30pm in Room 4

All welcome to these meetings.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

There will be a meeting next Wednesday, 26th May at 7.30pm in Room 3 for all parents and caregivers of Year 3 children who will be celebrating this Sacrament on 22nd June. Please see Pauline if you have any questions.

Health Snippets

1. Vomiting & Diarrhoea Bug – With the current, extremely catchy bug that is going through our school, it is very important that children are kept away from school for at least 24 hours after they are clear of the symptoms. This will help it from being passed on to other children.
2. Hand Washing – Washing hands kills germs but how much difference does it make to a child's health? Children who wash their hands regularly have fewer sick days with colds and flu's, and less time off with 'tummy bugs'.

Get children to get into the habit of hand washing to help control the spread of disease. If your child is a reluctant hand washer, liquid soap (from a pump) may be more fun. We have both liquid soap and hand soap at school. It takes 20 seconds to wash your hands properly....that's the same time it takes to sing '*happy birthday to me*' twice. Drying hands is very important too, as wet hands attract bugs like a magnet. The Public Health Nurse for our school is Misty Sanderson who can be contacted on 4769851.

Sunday Mass - Pentecost

- 9.30am, includes Children's Liturgy
- Altar Servers – 23rd May – Josh Hook and Brenda Garcia

Sports Draws

A reminder that subs need to be paid to the office as soon as possible. They are Netball \$25, Miniball \$38, Hockey \$30 and Ministicks \$35. Thank you.

Thank you to all who are helping and supporting our children in sports teams over the winter terms.

- **Netball** – *Important notices*
 1. All players have been given the draw for the next five games this week.
 2. All players have received a notice regarding the Southern Steel match against the Melbourne Vixens on Sunday 30th May at 6.50pm. If you have not yet returned this notice and would like you child to go along and see this match, please return the form tomorrow or see Teenaka tomorrow, Friday at the latest so that tickets can be purchased.
Draw for Tuesday 25th May:
 - SFX Youngs vs. Sawyers Bay Blue on Court 17 at 4.10pm
 - SFX Shooters vs Mornington Red on Court 17 at 3.30pm
- **Hockey** – Draw for Wednesday 26th May
 - The Saints vs. Raven at 3.45pm on Far 1
- **Ministicks** – Games from 1-2pm on Saturdays. Children need to have shin-pads, mouth guard and a stick. The hockey shop at the turf will be open for you to purchase gear. Parents are asked not to go onto the turf during coaching and games but to stay outside the wooden fence or watch from the upstairs pavilion.
- **Miniball** – All players have been given the draw for the next 5 games this week
 - Thursday 20th May (today)
 - SFX Bullets (seniors) vs. MHS Magic Green Court 2 at 4.05pm
 - SFX Nuggets (juniors) vs. MHS Magic Red Court 4 at 3.30pm

Amnesty

At any time, we are very happy for you to return sports bibs and tops, reading books, library books and anything else that belongs to our school that you have at home. We know things get misplaced sometimes so don't be shy in returning them – we will put them to good use!!!!

PTA LUNCH
Wednesday 26th May

American Hot Dog - \$2.00

(frankfurter in bread roll with tomato sauce or mustard) **Hot Milo - \$1.00**

(bring along a named mug if you remember)

Orders in named envelope please - to the office by 9.00am



The New Zealand Playhouse performance of 'Old McDonald versus the Bionic Bouncing Bunny' was an amazing display of drama and dance. The children, and staff, had a fantastic experience with these performers.

PTA News

- DISCO – Thursday 24th June from 5-7pm. We are unable to have our original art idea due to the high cost, so just come along and enjoy the fun. More details closer to the time.

Rugby World Cup on Display

Dunedin is the last place to host the Webb Ellis Trophy in New Zealand. Come along dressed as your second favourite team and you could win one of two Venue Pool Packs to be given away for the best dressed fans! Teams playing in Dunedin are Scotland, England, Ireland, Italy, Georgia plus one other to qualify.

Friday (tomorrow) 21st May

Dunedin Public Art gallery Foyer

6.30am – 9.00am

Free parking in the YMCA car park

Come and meet Tamaki from TVNZ Breakfast

Disaster Snippets

The children are studying Disasters at present.

Tsunami – When there is a Tsunami warning or when a strong earthquake occurs when you are at a beach or river, move inland to higher ground immediately. Go at least a kilometre inland or 35 metres above sea level. Listen to the radio for information and follow Civil Defence instructions.

Entertaining the Senior Parishioners

Groups of pupils provided entertainment at the Senior Parishioners Meeting last Thursday. They performed and behaved extremely well. We are very proud of them all.



Family Groups

PYJAMA DAY
Thursday 27th June
(notice coming home on Monday)

Discovery

Thank you to all those families who continue to bring along a variety of 'junk' for our Discovery sessions. We now have enough to last us till the end of this term. Thank you.

Wok and Wal

Our school was entertained and shown great puppetry skills when Wok and Wal performed last week.



Activ8

We had a team in the Activ8 contest last week. They competed in a wide range of physical and thinking contests and performed and behaved very well. Well done team!!

Quote of the Day

"I am what I am today because of the choice I make."DARE

Ma te Atua koe e tiaki
God be with you

Craig Ward

