

22<sup>nd</sup> April 2010



Newsletter No 9

Quality + Support + Values

Dear Parents  
Kia ora koutou. Greetings

*Welcome to Term 2. It is fantastic to have the children back at school, all refreshed and keen to make the most of their learning opportunities.*

*The older children have the DARE programme this term and all classes have Inquiry Based Learning on Disasters and Advertising. Rooms 4 and 5 began their aquatics programme at Moana Pool on Tuesday.*

### **Assembly**

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

### **Shared Prayer/Assembly Timetable Term 2**

23 <sup>rd</sup> April	2.30pm - Assembly
30 <sup>th</sup> April	2.40pm - Room 3 lead Shared Prayer
7 <sup>th</sup> April	2.30pm – Assembly
14 <sup>th</sup> May	No Assembly or Shared Prayer
21 <sup>st</sup> May	2.30pm – Assembly
28 <sup>th</sup> May	2.40pm – Room 4 lead Shared Prayer
4 <sup>th</sup> June	2.30pm – Assembly
11 <sup>th</sup> June	2.40pm – Room 2 lead Shared Prayer
18 <sup>th</sup> June	2.30pm – Assembly
25 <sup>th</sup> June	2.40pm – Room 1 lead Shared Prayer
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	2.30pm – Assembly

### **Wedding Congratulations**

Our congratulations to Teenaka Kennedy and Mike Cummings on their marriage during the holidays. We wish them lots of happiness and God's blessings.

### **Thank You**

Teenaka and Mike would like to thank everyone for their kind wishes, gifts and prayers they received on their special day.



### **ANZAC**

The school will assemble for a small ANZAC ceremony tomorrow morning at 11.00am. Parents and caregivers are most welcome to come and join us.

ANZAC poppies are for sale at school tomorrow. Poppies can be purchased for a donation of at least 50 cents.

### **Director of Religious Education and Principals Conference**

Pauline, or DRS and Craig will be attending the DRS and Principals Conference for Otago Catholic Schools next Thursday and Friday.

### **Board of Trustee Elections**

Thank you all who have put their names forward for the Board of trustee Elections. As of today we have the following nominations – Sharon Campbell, Jarod Chisholm, Peter Christophers, Rachel Mortimer, Paul Kubala, Brenton Rooney and Kerry Trewern.

Nominations close at noon tomorrow, Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April. We require 5 trustees to be elected to our Board so we will have an election since there are 7 nominations at this stage. Voting papers will be sent to all eligible voters next week.

Thank you also to the current Board who have done an outstanding job governing the school over the years.

Our current members are:

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| • Peter Christophers | )                              | • Clare Lynch          | )                 |
| • Paul Kubala        | ) Elected Parent               | • Shirley Forde        | ) Proprietor's    |
| • Kim Hamel          | ) Representatives              | • Fr David Hercus      | ) Representatives |
| • Paul Stumbles      | )                              | • Sister Denise Downey | )                 |
| • Brenton Rooney     | )                              |                        |                   |
| • Teenaka Kennedy    | - Elected Staff Representative |                        |                   |
| • Craig Ward         | - Principal                    |                        |                   |

We wish our retiring members Kim Hamel, Clare Lynch and Paul Stumbles our best wishes and thank them for their generous work for our school.

**School and Family Mass**  
**Sunday - 9<sup>th</sup> May at 9.30a.m.**  
*Please keep this date free.*

### **Paschal Meal**

Thank you to all who helped with the Paschal Meal. Special thanks to Clare Lynch, Melissa Golden, Kerry Trewern, Andrea Christophers, Lorraine Knowles and Megan Young for preparing the Passover meal. The children certainly enjoyed the meaningful occasion.



### **Kavanagh Musical Production**

Our school is attending the matinee performance of the Kavanagh College production of 'Jesus Christ Superstar' next Friday morning. The cost of this trip is paid from the activities donation collected with the stationery accounts.

### **Meetings**

- P.T.A. – Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00pm in the staffroom
- Board of Trustees – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in Room 4

All welcome to attend these meetings.

### Sports Draws

- Netball – Draw for Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April
  - SFX Youngs vs Musselburgh Red 4.50pm on Court 14
  - SFX Shooters vs. Bradford Blitz 3.30pm on Court 7

Games are held at the Edgar Centre and there is no admission cost. This is included in your \$25.00 fee which can be paid at the school office. Girls will be issued with their skirts this week and are to be worn with the school sports t shirt for games.

- Hockey – Draw for Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April
  - The Saints vs GSNS Super Sticks at 4.35pm on Pavilion No 2

- Ministicks – Season starts Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 1.00pm at the McMillan Hockey Turf. Our first Saturday will be a fun day and players will be put in teams ready to start games from 1-2pm on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May. 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 – draw yet to be received for next week.

*Our Midgets T-Ball team celebrate with their winning trophy at the end of last term. Well done!!!*



### PTA LUNCH Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April

- **Sausage in bread - \$1.50**
  - **Cookie - \$1.00**

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

### Wanted Please

- Any parents (you don't have to have children in Room 1) willing to listen to readers from 2.45pm to 3.00pm, please see Katie in Room 1.
- Any items of clothing suitable for dress-ups for the junior classes would be much appreciated.

### Tennis Balls

We ask that children supply their own tennis balls for play and lunch time cricket games. When we have lent tennis balls from our class set for Physical education lessons they invariably get lost and we end up with insufficient balls for class lessons.

### DARE

Next Wednesday Year 5 and 6 children begin the DARE programme. On Monday they received a notice outlining the programme, costs, and other details. Please make sure you read this notice (see Pauline or Megan if you require another copy) A reminder that all children need to bring something special to share with the class next Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April – we have talked about this in class.

### A Note from Fr David Hercus

As you know Fr Kevin is now the full-time editor of the Tui Motu Magazine. Fr Ciprian Fernandez will become our Parish Priest in due course. He is currently helping the Gore Parish where their much loved Priest Fr Baldy O'Neill is now very ill. I (Fr David) will be doing much the same thing around the Hills Suburbs and continue living at St Mary's. My phone number is 476-4361,

### Year 6 Rafting Trip

The Year 6 children will have a fun day on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December when they will go rafting on the Taieri River. Can parents please let Pauline or Lorraine know if you would like to come along on this trip.

### PTA News

- Entertainment Books – Thank you to those who have purchased their book and/or sold them to friends and family. Please return any outstanding money or unsold books to the office by next Wednesday. Thank you.
- Jack n Jill Photos – Photo viewing day is tomorrow, Friday in the library. Please ring Andrea on 4535078 if you do not know your viewing time.

### Can you Help Out?

We have a Year 4 boy whose parents begin work at 8.00am and are looking for a kind family to look after him before school. Please let Lorraine know at the office if you can help out. Thank you.

### After School Care

If you are using our After School Care on a casual basis, please let the Supervisor or Lorraine office know so that we can book them in. It makes it a little easier to cater for food and activities if we know the numbers attending each day. We are very happy for you to phone the office and leave a message, send a note along with your child or pop in to the office in the mornings to make a booking.

### Notices

- Affordable guitar lessons – contact Matt Stuart on 021 0322486 or email [matthew-stuart@hotmail.com](mailto:matthew-stuart@hotmail.com)
- Fashion on Shand – Otago Boys High School tomorrow Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April at the Auditorium at 7pm. Tickets \$20 phone 477-5527 or 0277271197 or limited door sales. Featuring Rockbourne Jewellery, Christinz, Sutre, Max, Phizacklea, Tagg. Food, bar, raffles, sales and refreshment available.

### Quote of the Day

“Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference.” ..... *Winston Churchill*

Have a happy week  
Craig Ward

### **Children with their awesome Dinosaur Projects, sharing with others at the end of Term 1**

