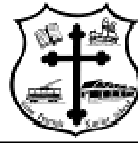




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## ***School Assembly***

There will be a School Assembly tomorrow, Friday 24 February. All welcome to join us in the Parish Centre at 2.30pm.

### ***Dates to Remember***

- ☺ **Assembly tomorrow, Friday 24 February.**
- ☺ **Parent Teacher Interviews have changed dates to 22 and 23 March.**
- ☺ **Junior Swimming Week 6, 6—10 March.**
- ☺ **Parents Information and Curriculum Meeting on 2 March.**

## ***Education Review***

Education Reviewers have been in our School this week beginning with a welcome ceremony from the pupils.



The reviewers think we are a very good school and will present some recommendations to help us be an even better school.

## ***Cycling Years 4, 5 and 6***

We are still looking for helpers to transport bikes to and from Marlow Park on 9 March. If you can help please complete the form below and return to the office. Thank you.

I can help transport \_\_\_\_\_ bikes to Marlow Park on Thursday 9 March.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_





## **Parent Teacher Interviews Change of Dates!**

*Interviews will now be held on 22 and 23 March. We hope this doesn't inconvenience you.*

*Details on making appointments will be issued next month.*

### **Wednesday 22 March**

2.15pm - 5.00pm and 7.00pm - 9.00pm

### **Thursday 23 March**

3.15 - 5.00pm

*Please note: School will close at 2.00pm on Wednesday 22 March to allow for interviews.*



## **PTA Lunch**

### **Wednesday 1 March**

Mince Pie	\$2.00
Moosie	\$1.00

*Please bring your order to the office by 9.00am. Cash orders are to be in a named envelope with room number and their order.*

## **McDonalds Receipts**

We are collecting any McDonalds receipts. Any future purchases you have from Dunedin restaurants keep the receipt and bring them in to the office. Our school redeems the receipts and McDonalds gives us vouchers back. These are great to use as giveaways and prizes. Thank you.



## **Junior Swimming**

Junior Swimming is scheduled for Week 6, 6 —10 March.

*Times of Swimming are:*

Room 3	1.00pm	(leaving school 12.45pm)
Room 2	1.30pm	(leaving school 1.15pm)
Room 1	2.00pm	(leaving school 1.45pm)

*If you are able to help with rides to and from the pool please let the classroom teacher know. Thank you.*

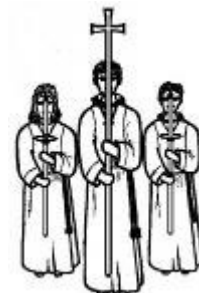


## **Parish Mass**

Mass is held at 9.30am every Sunday and includes a special Children's Liturgy.

Altar servers for 26 February are:

**Melanie Noquilla and Isabella McLaughlan**





## Sports Notices

We have registered players this year using Google doc. Information and cost could be found by following the link. Payment can be made to the office by cash or cheque or online 12-3150-0160900-00.

***If you have not done so already please pay for your child's sports fees prior to the sport starting.***

### Touch Rugby

#### Year 3/4

SFX Speedsters v Balaclava Breakers 3.45pm Field 5B

#### Year 5/6

SFXtremes v St Bernies Blazers 4.45pm Field 6



### Futsal

The draw will be in the office window once we receive it.

### Flippaball

The draw will be in the office window once we receive it.

## ***Parents Meeting***

### ***NEXT WEEK***

***Thursday 2 March, Room 4***

***5.00pm***

Staff members will outline our work and procedures for RESTORATIVE PRACTICE. We are a Restorative Practice School and it is important we all understand the process.

While the meeting is on children can push or pedal their wheels around the challenge circuit on the courts. The meeting will finish by 6.00pm to allow families time to go home for tea.



## ***Gazebo Needed for Hire***

If any families have a gazebo they could loan for the Weetbix Tryathlon next Sunday could you please contact Rochelle at the office. Thank you.



## ***Ash Wednesday***

All classes will join the 9.30am Parish Mass next Wednesday 1 March for Ash Wednesday. All welcome to join us.

## ***Child Cancer Raffle Ticket***

On behalf of a parent of the school, we have a raffle book in the office, supporting a friend of theirs to shave her hair off for Child Cancer. Please see Rochelle in the office if you wish to donate and purchase a raffle ticket.



## **Weetbix Tryathlon Sunday 5 March 2017**

The Dunedin event is scheduled for **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017**.

We are now registered as a school and that will put us in the draw to win some amazing prizes. You can still register online until 27 February. After that date you have to register on the day at the event.

This event is open to children 7 years and over. Children can enter as individuals or in pairs – if entering as a team you will need to consider your team name prior and both participants will enter when completing registration, along with confirmation of who is swimming and riding.

1. Go to [www.try.weetbix.co.nz](http://www.try.weetbix.co.nz) or click on the link to go directly to the school link:  
<https://registration.tryathlon.co.nz/Home/Event/10/Package/0/Wave/0/Sequence/0/School/aa13a5b1-011e-4a16-ae81-542900e0877a>

Then select Dunedin Event and St Francis Xavier School and select YES to link to school.

2. Alternatively if you are unable to enter online you can collect a registration form from the office.

If you are new to the school this is a fun event suitable for all levels – we generally have around 30 children enter and as the children are staggered in start times the focus is on participation and completion.

Check out the webpage for training tips.

Any questions around this event or registration please contact our school coordinator Tracy Turner on 021 167 7614 or email [gutsa21@gmail.com](mailto:gutsa21@gmail.com).



## **Practising Safe Cycling**



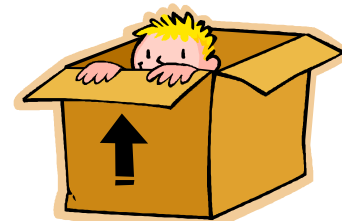
## **Walk n Wheel Week**

Next week is Dunedin's Walk n Wheel Week. Pupils are encouraged to walk or wheel at least some of the way to School. Pupils have been issued with a progress card to use in a prize draw.



## **Discovery - Boxes Needed!**

If you have any spare boxes at home, from empty cereals the junior classes would love these for Discovery on Friday mornings. Thank you.

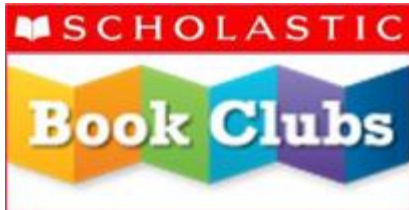




## **Scholastic Book Orders**

Please bring your orders to the office by tomorrow, Friday 24 February to enable orders to be processed over the weekend. Alternatively you can order them on line by downloading the Loop App.

If you have any questions feel free to text or ring Melissa Kettish on 021 156 4650.



## **Room 3, 4 and 5 Topic**

### **"Our Place in Aotearoa"**

As part of their topic they will be visiting Toitu Museum. The children will be learning about and participating in activities about the past to gain an understanding of the local history. They will be travelling by bus.

Room 3 - Visiting on Thursday 23 February

Room 4 - Visiting on Monday 27 February

Room 5 - Visiting on Tuesday 28 February

## **Otago Primary Schools**

### **Swimming Championships**

Any parents interested in their children competing in the Otago Swimming Championships to be held on Saturday 25 March, please see Craig for qualifying times and entry.



## **St Francis Xavier School PTA Information**

The PTA held their first meeting on Tuesday afternoon with the following people elected:

Chairperson - Melissa Golden

Treasurer - Theresa Forbes

Secretary - Isoli Martin

We are also looking at having one or two Co-Chairs this year and have a couple of people looking into what the role involves. Will advise who has been elected into this role once filled.

Proposed fundraising for 2017:

### **Term 1**

Disco - date to be advised

Entertainment Books - launch to be advised

### **Term 2**

Cheese Rolls

### **Term 3**

Movie Night - with calendars/cards etc for sale.

### **Term 4**

Blanket Fair - Sunday 29 October 2017

We are also going to look at putting together a cook-book. More information to follow.

If you would like to join our PTA but were unable to make the first meeting please email Melissa Golden at [mel-allan@xtra.co.nz](mailto:mel-allan@xtra.co.nz) with an email address that correspondence can be forwarded to.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 14 March at 7.00pm in the Staffroom. New members who were unable to make an afternoon meeting but can make an evening meeting are more than welcome.







## DUNEDIN RUGBY CLUB Junior Registration

2017

All new and existing  
players & families  
welcome!



**Family Fun Day**  
Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> February, 1-3pm



**Registration Days**  
Sat 4<sup>th</sup> & Sun 5<sup>th</sup> of March, 11am-1pm



**Dunedin Clubrooms 12 Moana Rua Rd**



Dunedin Junior Rugby Club

For more info contact Chris on 453 5828 or 0274 166385  
or email [dunedinjuniorrugby@gmail.com](mailto:dunedinjuniorrugby@gmail.com)

### Quote of the Week

*"The classroom within is where the real learning takes place"... Samantha Storsberg*

**Mā te Atua Koe e maanaki  
God Bless  
Craig and the School Team**

