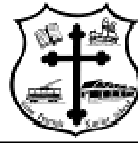




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Quality + Support + Values



Shared Prayer

Room 5 will lead our Shared Prayer tomorrow, Friday 31 March 2017. All welcome to join us in the Church at 2.40pm.

Welcome

Welcome to Elizabeth Cartwright who started school in Room 1 this week. Happy school days Elizabeth!

Mufti Day - Friday 7 April

Next Friday 7 April we will have a Mufti Day. Children can wear mufti in return for a \$2.00 donation to the Caritas Lenten Appeal and the Kidney Kids Appeal.

To make the day really fun costumes can be of a book or film character or a national costume.



PTA Takeaway Tea/Movie Night

Save the Date...

The PTA takeaway tea and movie night is on next Friday 7 April. Children will be voting on the movie they wish to watch next week so keep an eye out in next week's newsletter for the movies that will be playing on the night.

Easter Raffle

In connection with the Takeaway/Movie Night we are going to run an Easter Raffle. There is a box in the office if you would like to make a donation Easter or chocolate products to go towards this raffle.



Dates to Remember

- ☺ Room 5 lead Shared Prayer tomorrow, Friday 31 March.
- ☺ Registrations for Winter Sports close on Monday 3 April.
- ☺ PTA Lunch next Wednesday 5 April.



Lenten Prayers

Room 1 will lead our school Lenten Prayers in the Parish Centre next Thursday. A donation box for Caritas and the Missions is circulated at each Lenten Prayer.

Sympathy

Our prayers and thoughts go to Isla Simonsen in Room 4, Flynn Simonsen in Room 2 and their parents, Lana and Phil, on the recent passing of their loved Grandfather and Father.



PTA News

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The launch date for these is getting closer, please keep an eye out in next week's newsletter for a flyer on the Entertainment Books.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 11 April in Room 1 at 3:30pm. All welcome to join us. We would love to see some more Dads getting involved with our PTA, so if this is something you might be interested in come along and find out what we are about. There will also be older children (Kavanagh Students) on the grounds to keep an eye on any younger children.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The launch date for these is getting closer, please see the flyer enclosed for more information. These books sell for \$60.00 and pre-orders are being taken in the office.

PTA Lunch

Wednesday 5 April

Leftovers	\$2.00
Leftovers	\$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.

Parish Mass

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

Altar servers for 2 April are:

Melanie Noquilla and Beatrice Schonwald



Lenten Prayer

God of Love. Open our eyes to the injustices in the world. Help us understand these problems that we may work towards resolution for those who are suffering. Help us live justly and guide our faith to encounter others who need it.

Amen

Community of Learning

The nine Dunedin catholic schools have formed a faith based Community of Learning. The schools have been working together and have established a Vision and a set of Values. Debbie Waldron from St Peter Chanel School has been appointed as lead Principal of the group.



Sports Draws

Touch Rugby

Year 3/4

SFX Speedsters v SBS Harbour Hawks

3.45pm

Field 5A



Year 5/6

SFXtremes v Musselburgh Bulldogs

4.45pm

Field 1

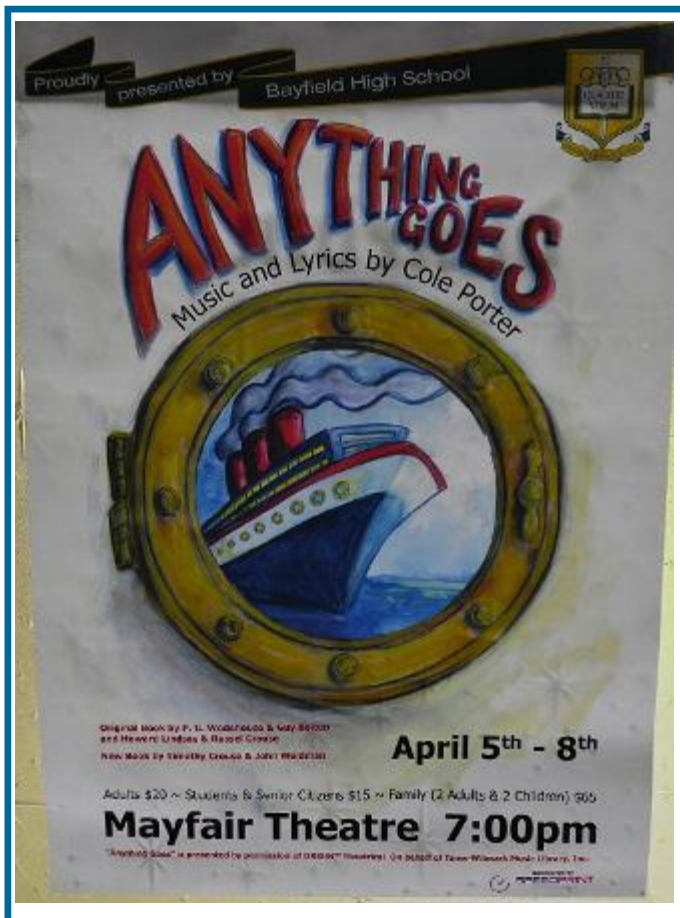
Futsal

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



Flippaball

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



Gifted and Talented

The current Gifted and Talented Group are learning using robotics.





Winter Sports

Winters Sports Registrations and Information

Thank you in advance for thinking about being a volunteer in our sports. We are so appreciative of this huge interest in sport in our school community.

Please note that filling out the goggle forms is your commitment to a team and the fees for the season as prices are based on the numbers registered. Entries will only be taken via google forms. Any problems please email teensk@hotmail.com.

Miniball

Miniball Link <https://goo.gl/forms/ZEZO6nDye9OtJ2K53>

Kiwihoops Pro – (Y5-6) Start Date: 11th May Cost: \$55 Day: Thursday

Kiwihoops Mini – (Y3-4) Need at least 5 players as is 4 vs 4

Start Date: 11th May Cost: \$50 Day: Thursday

Kiwihoops Bounce – (Y1-2 we need at least four players for a team as is 3vs 3

Email your interest at teensk@hotmail.com.

Hockey

Hockey year 3 to 6 Link <https://goo.gl/forms/GyRaWSIXajNrtQD92>

Hockey year 1 and 2 is enrolled directly through Otago hockey (use the link below for year 1 and 2 hockey):

<https://eventdesq.sportstg.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=main&EventDesqID=21175&OrgID=13331>

Intake 1: Term 2- Thursdays 3:30pm-4:30pm or Saturdays 9am-10am

4th May & 6th May to 6th July & 8th July

Intake 2: Term 3- Mondays 3:30pm-4:30pm or Saturdays 9am-10am

24th & 29th July to 25th & 30th September

Cost: \$50 for the 10 week programme and it also include a tee shirt!

Hockey - Mini Sticks Year 3 & 4 Wednesday 3.40 – 6pm McMillan Hockey Centre

15 weeks 20min halves Multiple 6 a side \$56

Hockey - Kiwi Sticks Year 5 & 6

Wednesday 3.40 – 6.40pm Queens High School Turf

Wednesday 4.30 – 6pm McMillan Hockey Centre

15 weeks 20min halves 6 a side

\$511.62 per team (+ a one off payment \$10 Southern Levy and \$2.50 TRL both per player – see below) If we can get 7 players + \$85.50 each .I will confirm amount when numbers are in.

TRL = money put aside to upgrade the hockey turf

Netball

Netball Link <https://goo.gl/forms/QaPmRcU6BgBiFT1E2>

Year 1-6 for Term 2/3 winter sports.

Our School entries for all sports have been extended and will close on Monday 3 April at 4.00pm!

Please Note: Registrations via Goole Forms come direct to the school so teams can be organised once the numbers registered come in, so we won't know how many we have for each sport until sports registrations close. We will be in touch if there is not enough registered for a team for a particular sport once sports registrations close.



Holiday Programmes

We have several School Holiday Programme flyers available. Please see Rochelle in the office if you would like a copy of them.

Activity Donations and Discovery Donations

The Activity Donations enable our school to be able to pay for extra activities throughout the year which benefit the children, i.e. buses to various performances, buses to Moana Pool for swimming lessons, Events like Sport Otago "Have a Go Day", various shows that come to perform to the school, entry fee to Kavanagh College performances and buses to the event, Polyfest costs (entry and buses) and these are just a few.

The Discovery Donations cover costs associated with bringing fun and exciting activities to the Discovery every Friday morning for the children.

Our school does not get funded from the Ministry for any extra activities so we do welcome the Activity and Discovery Donations, as these enable us to offer additional activities to the children, which otherwise would not be possible.

Futsal Photos



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We are in the process of reviewing our Pastoral Care as part of our Special Character. As a Catholic School we have values, beliefs and traditions that centre on Christ.

We actively seek to be a community that is welcoming, supportive, empowering, caring and celebrating. In saying this we would value your opinion on how you see these ideals being achieved and what we could be doing to further develop them. We would appreciate it if you could take the time to complete the survey attached and return it to school by Friday 7 April.

Please include your name if you would like us to contact you regarding your responses.

Pauline Ryan
Director of Religious Studies



Special Character Evaluation

Name: _____

At St Francis Xavier School we teach the Gospel values of love, respect and compassion. When answering the following questions please consider how well we are doing this.

1. How does our school and community care for each other?

**2. Is our school a friendly and welcoming place? Yes / No
Please explain your response.**

What else could we do to be more friendly and welcoming?

3. How do we include Maori culture and other cultures in our school?

Is there anything else we could do?



4. Do you agree that the children know what steps they can take if they have a problem? Yes / No

Please comment _____

5. Does your child feel safe at school? Yes / No

Why? Or Why Not?

6. Any other comments you would like to make?

If you would like to complete this form via Goole Forms please click on the link below:

<https://goo.gl/forms/PkWLv9fl77J+DFGi2>

(if the link does not work please copy and paste the link below into your web address line)

Thank you for your time.

Thought of the Week

“Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out”... Robert J Collier

Mā te Atua e manaaki

God Bless

Craig and the School Team

