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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Yesterday's weather was incredible and the lightning and thunder continued on for some time.

Many, many thanks to those parents who came to our rescue with transport for swimming. It was very kind of Judy Sorensen and Asela Moata'ane to ring and offer to provide us with transport around to the pool. We also had Mrs Deerness with her parent hat on as well as Kelly Keach and our own Thelma all gave up their time and provided their vehicles to get us there (and back).

We have been learning about the actions of Saints in the past and saw some saintly actions today from these people in our school community.

The children all make so much progress over their ten sessions swimming and it is really satisfying to watch them progress over this time.

We're looking forward to our car boot sale on Sunday morning and hope many of you can join us as well. Hopefully the weather will be a bit better than Tuesday afternoon!

He koni ra, *Richard Duffy*

Together we aspire to become confident, creative, life long learners who follow Christ

Dates for your Diaries

Camp Week	Monday 17 November - Friday 21 November
BOT Meeting	Monday 24 November
Band to Kaikorai Kindy	Thursday 27 November
Yr 6 to Kavanagh	Friday 28 November
Assembly	Friday 28 November
First Eucharist	Saturday 29 November
Thank you morning tea	Thursday 4 December
Mary Day	Friday 5 December
BOT Meeting	Monday 8 December
Carols by Candlelight/Prizegiving	Wednesday 10 December
Assembly	Friday 12 December
Graduation Mass	Saturday 13 December
Last day of Term 4	Monday 15 December

Altar Servers

15 November Emila Makasini and Summer Paulin

Sports News ...

St Mary's T Ball Tigers

Awesome effort from our player of the day on Saturday Kiera Mullens who fielded and batted really well. We played St Mary's Mosgiel and came away with a very close 18 -16 win!! Many thanks as always to our supporters.

Coach Panz.

Draw: St Marys Tigers vs Opoho Panthers on Diamond 6 at 9 am.

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On behalf of the Kavanagh College Jubilee Organising Committee and the Board of Trustees, a big thank you to all in the Catholic community, including the Parishes and Catholic Primary Schools, for contributing to the success of our 25th Jubilee.

All the celebrations surpassed expectation with wonderful connections made and memories to enjoy.

The Jubilee magazine is still available from the school office for $20.00 and photos are available for viewing on the College website: www.kavanagh.school.nz (go to School News and click on Jubilee photos).

Thanks again and God Bless

Tracy O'Brien

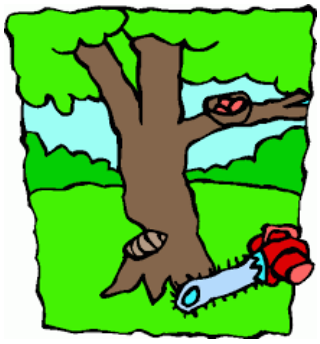
Policy Review

You may be aware that all school's operate to National Administrative Guidelines (NAGs) set down by the Ministry of Education. There are 6 main policy areas that we operate under.

Each school reviews these policies and how they are carried out in the school over a 3 year period. We have just completed a review of a policy that relates to Student Progress and Achievement. This policy is now displayed in the office over the next few weeks for all parents to look at and comment on should they wish.

Ski Camp Fundraising - Firewood

This Saturday from 2pm we are meeting at school to cut and stack in the dungeon firewood from the poplar trees up on the top field. If you are part of the ski group parents for 2015 we would love you to come along. For further info please contact Asela (464-0116) or Simon (476-3058).



Religious Education & Special Character

Up-coming School Masses

Please join us in celebrating the Sacrament of First Eucharist .

Dakoda, Aayliah, Chloe, Xavier, Victoria, April and Janivah will receive the Eucharist for the first time.

Saturday 29th November 6pm at St Mary's Church

School Feast Day Mass

Immaculate Conception of Mary

Week 8 - Friday 5th December 9.30am

This is where we celebrate the Patron Saint of our school and church. We have lots of fun Mary Day activities planned for this day - keep a watch for more details.

Family Mass - Graduation Mass

Week 9 - Saturday 13 December 6pm

This is where we celebrate our school year and farewell our Year 6 friends.

What's happening in Room 2?

We are all looking forward to our 'Polar Express' camp next week.
We are going to visit Toitu, the Railway Station and take the train to Waitati.
We are looking forward to lots of Discovery Time sessions and staying at school for tea one night!

Parents, please return pink slip to school by tomorrow if you wish to join us for tea on Wednesday evening. We need to know how many people to cater for.

Room 3's News Desk

Reporter - Alyssa Gamao

For two weeks we are swimming, because it's a life skill and everyone should learn to swim to survive.

In band practice, we are practising, Army of Two and Pokarekareana. We are improving but we need to sing up more, so far the best singers are Liana and Janivah.

In my reading, my group are reading a story about a boy called Blake, who had a tough life.

Transport to Toitu Settlers Museum

On Monday afternoon from 1pm until 2:30 Room 3 are attending the Toitu Museum for a learning experience linked to Quarantine Island. We will be leaving school at 12:45 and would appreciate help with transport to get us there and back. If you are able to help could you please let Jacquie or Richard know. Thank you.

Sausage sizzle/Ice Blocks Order Form - Friday Lunchtimes

Name _____

Number of Sausage/s $1.50 each _____ Ice blocks $1.00 _____

St Marys Parent Teacher Friends Association

What's On Term 4

Christmas Hamper Raffle

Many thanks for all the donations for our Christmas Hamper raffle.

- 1 Can and
- 1 bottle or jar and
- 1 packet

We need all donations in by TOMORROW November 13th please. The hamper will be put together and tickets will be sold at the Car Boot Sale.

Raffle cards will be coming home soon and are to be back at school please by December 4th.

This will be drawn after our end of year Christmas Carols and Prizegiving on Wednesday 10th December.

Car Boot Sale

Sunday November 16th 9 am–1 pm

St Marys School Playground

Gather up your unwanted items and sell them
Come along and score a bargain

There will also be a sausage sizzle $2, cake stall, raffle tickets to the Christmas Hamper and plants.

We are looking forward to our car boot sale this Sunday. We know that Maori Hill have their school fair on, however it's at a different time, and some people may pop into both.

We will need a few volunteers to help out on the day, if you can help with this please contact Holly!

Baking would be greatly appreciated, if this could be dropped into school later this week or brought along on the day that would be fantastic

$10 per car for non school family/Free for school families (1 car)

Sign up at school desk or contact

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