Wednesday 23 July 2014

Monday morning was a very cold and icy beginning to the term but it was a warm time as we welcomed our children back to school for Term 3. Some of us appear to have grown over the two weeks away from school, others have had birthdays during this time and are now a year older.

As mentioned late last term, we are very happy to warm pies etc up for our children as part of their lunch during these cold days. With potential frosts and other icy conditions prevailing at the moment we encourage parents to be cautious in the mornings with children arriving at school. We are more than happy to have parents ring and advise that children may be a little late than rush in adverse travelling conditions. We want to remind parents and our children also about the caution needed walking down the drive in icy weather. The ice on the sloped area of our driveway at times is a hazard that our Board of Trustees are aware of and have been trying to resolve for some time.

Ka kite ano  Richard Duffy

Te reo Maori ki te reo o tenei wiki.
Maori language week is this week.
Ko Maoritanga i korero me whakarongo i tatou a ko ake.
We will all be speaking and listening about Maori sometimes during the day.
Ko Maoritanga ki tarai i tatou ki te kura mo e tahi ra o te tau.
We try to use Maori in some way at school each day of the year.
Ke te wiki e rawe koutou.
All of you have a nice week.

St Mary’s Kaikorai is ‘Dunedin’s best kept secret!’

Catholic Education Review Team 2013
Dates for your Diaries

Year 6 Sports@Edgar
First Friday Mass
BOT Meeting
St Dominic’s Day
Cross Country
Dominican Mass@Holy Name
Zone Cross Country
Confirmation/Mass
Quiz Night
Fathers Day Mass
Sausage Sizzle @Nitre10 Mega

Sports Corner-Hockey

Draw for Wednesday 22 July (today)
Year 3&4 Storm v Fairfield Flyers.
4.30pm at Queens High School, Ground 2

Year 5&6 Strikers v Outram Blue.
4.30pm at the McMillan Turf, Pav 2

Miniball

Draw for this week
St Mary’s Magic vs Balaclava Rd
Court 5
3.40 pm

A friendly reminder that Mondays after school are practice days. And the team is to be at the stadium 15 minutes before our game starts.

Thanks from Coach Panz and Haley

Playground Development

Currently a structural engineer is looking at some ideas we have for the construction of a fort. His role is to produce a design from these ideas. Following this some quotes can be obtained on costs. Other ideas such as climbing walls and confidence equipment are well underway.

Sausage sizzle/Hot Milo Order Form - Friday Lunchtimes

Name _____________________________

Number of Sausage/s $1.50 each _________________ Hot Milo 50 cents ___________
Religious Education & Special Character

This week during our RE lessons we are focussing on Imaginative Prayer. Children will experiment praying in different ways; meditation, through art, dramatising scripture etc. Encourage your child to share this with you at home!

Dominican Mass

We are participating in this years Combined Dominican Mass at Holy Name on Thursday 7th August at 10.30am.

This is a very special mass for our school as we were founded by the Dominican Sisters and we follow St Dominic.

If you are able to help with transport, we will pay for parking, please let Jacquie know ASAP. Thank you.

To acknowledge and celebrate this further, we are planning on organising a St Dominic Morning on Tuesday 5th August. We would like to walk (as Dominic did) to a local park/area and clean it up. If you are interested in helping out, please let Rachael know.

School Cross Country

We are in the middle of our training for our School’s cross country. Please remember to bring along sneakers to run in and sports uniforms (if you wish). The cross country will be held on Wednesday 6 August – more details next week.

PTFA News. Quiz Night

This is one of our major fundraisers for the year. Please support it by organising a team to come along. If you can’t come yourself maybe some workmates or relatives could form a team. It’s a great social night.

Date:- Monday 1 September at Cableways
Cost: - $5 per person, teams of 4 - 6 people.
Time: - 7.30 pm start so arrive early to get your table.
Prizes: for the Raffle table needed urgently.

Please would each family donate a prize to the value of $5. This could be
- Unwanted gifts
- 200gm Blocks of chocolate
- Bags of mini chocolate bars
- Favourites chocolates
- Toiletries
- Baking - required on day of the Quiz
(please advise Jacquie in the office, if you choose this option)
What’s happening in Room 2

We have turns at being the Printing Police. We wear a special badge and have special stamps. We walk around and make sure everyone is doing the right thing.

I was looking for people who sat their letters on the line. Lily M was looking for people who started at the margin. We get to stamp peoples work. Its lots of fun!

By Sophie

Next week we are going to participate in the FMS Challenge at the Stadium. This is a fundamental skills programme run by Sport Otago. **We have a session booked from 11.30-12.30pm on Tuesday 29th July.**

Room 2 Children will need to come to school in their sports uniform. If you are able to help with transport please let us know.

Room 3 News Desk

**Reporter:** Liana

In reading we have been looking at symbols and texts from articles that we have read in our reading groups.

In writing we have been writing about our holidays. We can write about three things or just about one thing.

In maths we are looking at measurements and different ways to measure such as the length, perimeter and area.

For our topic we are learning about body care and hygiene.

We also have been practising our song army of two so we can perform for some preschools.