Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Our runners finally managed to compete in the zone cross country at Balmacewen Intermediate School on Monday after several postponements due to weather. They all acquitted themselves really well with particular mention going to Chloe Deerness who came 13th which wasn’t far away from a top 10 finish which is the qualifying mark for Year 5 & 6 runners to progress to the Otago Championships.

With our School quiz night coming up this Monday the staff would just like to thank the PTFA for all of the work they do for our school. They have been raising money to contribute toward our playground development and annually make a large donation to the school which is budgeted into our annual income. We are most appreciative of all that they do.

We have been talking about our Tall Blacks basketball team competing in the world champs shortly, hence the Spanish farewell.

despedirse de alguien

Richard Duffy

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Zone Cross Country
Congratulations to Chloe, Janivah, Xavier, Guin and Kata who represented St Mary’s at the Zone Cross Country on Monday. They ran very well and did themselves and our school proud! Well Done!

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

Catholic Education Review Team 2013
**Dates for your Diaries**

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**Hockey**

**Last Week:**
The Storm had their best game of the season last week. They passed well, worked great as a team and had a win! 5-1. Player of the day was Chloe.
The Strikers fought hard, they managed a 1-1 draw at half time, but unfortunately lost at full time. Player of the day was Evelyn.

**Draw for Wednesday 27 August (today)**
**Year 3&4 Storm v Naori Hill Speedsticks**
Please be at the McNillan Turf by 3.45pm.

**Year 5&6 Strikers - ‘Fun Session’**
Please be at the McNillan Turf by 4.30pm.

Each session will end with presentation of certificates by 2 junior Black Sticks.

**Niniball - Tigers:**
Well, what an awesome season ending game!! We won yay!! Our little team has endured some big loses during the season, but they played their hearts out every week and still enjoyed themselves.
With fantastic team work and backing up Dylan landed at least 6 baskets, with Aayliah, Alyssa, Lianna also adding to our score.
Our two new players Chloe and Sarah grew in confidence through the season - well done girls, we hope you keep playing next year.
Victoria was knocked around a bit by some rough players but was not afraid to get in on the action.
Sadly Dakoda was sick on our last game day. We did have our very own cheerleader - Jennifer, you were amazing in this role.

Thanks team - you rocked!! From Coach Panz and Hayley

**Tee Ball:**
Calling all tee ball players - new and old! Batter up!!
Our season starts next term after the holidays, so our practices will be starting from Wednesday 3 September after till approx. 4 pm Children to bring an extra snack to nibble on before practice. Look forward to an exciting new season.

Coach Panz
Religious Education & Special Character

Family Mass - Father’s Day Celebration
Our Family Mass for Term 3 is next Saturday, 6th September, at 6pm.
This is our way of celebrating our fathers, grandfathers, uncles and brothers. It is an expectation that all families attend. There will be a cup of tea in the hall afterwards. If you are able to bring a plate it would be appreciated. This is a great way for us to come together as a school and parish.

Families Celebrating Father’s Day
Sunday 7th September
Forsyth Bar Stadium
9 am - 4 pm
Lots of exciting things are being organised for the day
To find out more Familiesfreefromviolence.org.nz

Ski Camp 2015
Last week letters to families with a child in Year’s 3-5 were sent home with information about our triennial ski camp. If any parents wish to discuss anything about this camp, could they please catch up with Richard as soon as possible.

Quiz Night - Monday 1 September
This is one of our major fundraisers for the year.

Last day for donating prizes is this THURSDAY 28 August! Many thanks to all families who have already donated. The prizes are looking awesome.

THANK YOU to those families that have already donated something.

Please support it by organising a team to come along.
Date: - Monday 1 September at Cableways
Cost: - $5 per person, teams of 4 - 6 people.
Time: - 7:00 pm .NOTE: Changed to an earlier time.
   Enrolment for teams starts at 6:30 pm.
Prizes: for the Raffle table needed urgently.
What’s happening in Room 2

In Maths we have been learning about money. Mrs Cross set up a shop in our room so we can practise using money to buy things. We have turns at being the shopkeeper.

In Health we are learning to keep our bodies clean and healthy. This week Ms Chalmers taught us about keeping our teeth clean and healthy. We even got to take home a new toothbrush and toothpaste each! We made a poster of Captain Teothy Tooth, and used words to describe our teeth.

In Reading we have been reading about different cultures and how some things are different.

Room 3 News Desk
Reporter: Chloe

Our band is practising to play at Wakari kindergarten. We are learning 3 songs that we can perform.

For our polyfest we are concentrating on learning the verses because they are in Tongan. We have been looking into culture and have taken a mind map home to put some ideas on.

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Sausage sizzle/Hot Nilo Order Form - Friday Lunchtimes

Name _____________________________

Number of Sausage/s $1.50 each ___________ Hot Nilo 50 cents _________