Dear Parents/Caregivers,  

27 August 2013

A very warm welcome to Bronwyn Wilson! We wish Bronwyn very happy days here at St Mary’s.

We’re having a busy week with a fantastic performance yesterday afternoon from the Keep Dunedin Beautiful Society on ways to protect our environment with how we use things and then reuse or recycle them.

Today our Year 3-6 children spent the morning at St Brigid’s School practising for the Catholic Coral festival which will be held at The Regent theatre early in Term 4. We have superb singers in our school and we are in the process of deciding what types of songs or performance we will put together for our school item during the festival.

Tomorrow we are visiting our Chinese Gardens as part of our focus on plants this term and look forward to being guided around this wonderful facility that we have in Dunedin. Again, thank you to parents and staff who are assisting us with transport to both of these events.

Finally it’s great to be in Ranfurly shield country and I was hoping for a big parade down George St that we could have hopefully taken our school children to.

Talofa

Richard Duffy
Sports News

Miniball: - St Mary's Magic vrs Karitane Kahu 4:15 pm Court 3

Hockey:
St Mary’s Strikers played Maori Hill last week. After a really close game, we won 4-3. Great work team!
Players of the day were Angelique and Evelyn.
Tomorrows games is at 5.20pm on Far 1 at the McMillan Turf.

Hockey Representatives.
Our school hockey team performs well above what we would probably expect when we consider they are playing in a Year 5/6 competition and that we have few team members who are actually Year 5/6 at school. We’d like to congratulate Chloe Deerness and Summer Paulin for being selected in a development squad from a large number of teams participating in the school hockey competition. Well done to these two girls and thanks again to our coaches Estelle Peyroux and Will Deerness.

PTFA Quiz Night

A night has been confirmed for our quiz night - Wednesday 25 September (last week of term 3). This has historically been an annual event, but was not held last year due to our Centennial Gala.

Teams can be made up of 4-6 people, and the cost is $5.00 per person (or $20-$30 per team)

As usual, we will be selling raffles on the night, and we would really appreciate if families could donate items during the following weeks leading up to this evening as we did for the Easter Raffle earlier in the year.

Week beginning 26 August  Nic Nacs, photo frames, kids items, stocking fillers
   2 September  Manchester (tea-towels, hand-towels etc)
   9 September  Exotic foods items for mini food hampers
   16 September  Homemade baking, jams, pickles, lollies

We also have some items left over from the gala, and the Wilson family has kindly donated a $100 voucher to the Lonestar Restaurant.

Beer Tasting at Rhubarb - 30 October 2013

The recent wine tasting evening was a huge success, and so we have decided to hold another social night at Rhubarb - this time a beer tasting (Octobafest).

We have listened to parents who have passed on that the cost was a major factor in not coming along to the wine tasting and so we have cut the ticket cost down to $20. It costs Rhubarb $15 per head to run this evening, so only $5 will be coming back to the school. We hope to see as many parents and staff there as possible, because the last evening really was a lot of fun!

Toilet paper
The PTA still has toilet paper for sale at $20 per bag. A bag contains 45 rolls of toilet paper. Let Holly or Bernadette know if you are interested.
Family Mass
Our school/parish mass is this Saturday, 31st August at 6pm. We will be celebrating Fathers Day. This is a special school event and we would like to see everyone there. If you are not able to make it, please send a note to school this week with your child. A friendly reminder to please send a photo of your child and their dad to school asap.

Firewood for Sale
They are priced at $15 per bag. There are 3 bags of kindling and 3 bags of manuka. The money is going toward camp this year.

Hi Guys,

Hala Moata’ane (ex-pupil) has been selected for the 12th Grade Otago Football Team and is fundraising to get to his tournament in Blenheim.

Selling Sem’s Peanut Sauce and Marinade at $6 each per bottle.

An order form will be left in the office at school or you can contact Asela Moata’ane 474-0116 or 027-239-5814

Thank you so much for your support!

Dates for your Diaries
Chinese Gardens visit Wednesday 28 August
Fathers Day Mass Saturday 31 August
Life Education Monday 2 September

Sausage sizzle/Milo’s

Sausage Sizzle Order

Name ________________________________

Number of Sausage/s $1.50 each ________________

Milo, with marshmallows 50 cents _________ (only 1 per child,)
We have been writing about our wonderful dads!

I love my dad because we go to the gas station and get a milo.
Bronwyn Wilson

I love my dad because he plays with me on the play station.
Ratana Kahukura

I love my dad because we have picnics at the beach. We play tag in the sand and I always win!
Emily Buckingham

I love my dad because we play with the dog outside at the park. We chase each other and we play fetch with the dog then go home.
Launga Muasika

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**Dog Rescue Dunedin invites you to the Dunedin ‘Premiere’ of TURBO in 3D**

A DREAMWORKS movie (makers of MADAGASCAR) TURBO will become your family’s new favourite animated feature. About a slowcoach snail who gets turbo charged, this movie will delight both young and older children, and their families. All proceeds from this screening will support Dog Rescue Dunedin Charitable Trust in their work to rescue and rehome unclaimed dogs from the DCC pound. Check out the trailer: [www.turbomovie.com](http://www.turbomovie.com)

**Sunday 15 September @ 9:30 am for 10 am**

Rialto Cinemas
Moray Place, Dunedin

Adult $20  Child $13.50(U13)
(Includes a goody bag)
Family of four $50
3D glasses $1 at Box Office in E10

Dog Rescue Dunedin Charitable Trust heartily thanks the great folk at Fox Distribution for the film and our good friends at Rialto Cinemas for the ultra-comfortable cinema!