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

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

30 July 2013

Yesterday we began Term 3 and it's incredible to think how quickly we have got to this point of year.

One of the most rewarding parts of this job for staff is seeing the growth in our children and looking at their physical growth and working alongside them, you see that growth constantly.

On behalf of the staff I'd like to extend a huge thank you once more to David Hartstonge who helped over the holiday break with removing a tree from our driveway that was growing in amongst the power lines and becoming a major potential hazard. He also played a big role in erecting our noticeboard on Taieri Rd that was made and donated by our new Board of Trustees member Nick Sorensen.

There is something very special about our family school and we appreciate all the support we are given by members of our school community in different forms or situations.

Have a nice week.

Richard Duffy

*2 Thessalonians 1:2
May God our Father and the Lord Jesus
Christ, give your grace, and peace.*





Transport to Ukelele Jam

Next Thursday August 8 our Room 3 children are attending the Dunedin School's Ukelele jam at Tahuna Intermediate School. If you are able to assist us with transport, that would be most appreciated. We will be leaving school shortly after 9am and should be finished at around 12:30pm. If you are able to assist could you either let Michelle, Jacque or Richard know as soon as possible.

Sports News

Miniball: - No game this week.

Hockey: - 3:40 on Pav 2 playing against Tainui Tigers

Dates for your Diaries

First Friday Mass

St Dominic's Mass

PTA Meeting

Ukulele Jam

BOT meeting

Assumption Mass

School Cross Country

Assembly lead by Room 2

Zone Cross Country

Fathers Day Mass

Friday 2 August 9:30 am

Wednesday 7 August 10:30 am

Wednesday 7 August after school

Thursday 8 August 9:30 am

Monday 12 August 7 pm

Thursday 15 August

Thursday 15 August 1:30 pm

Friday 16 August 2:30 pm

Tuesday 20 August

Saturday 31 August



Sausage Sizzle Roster

We are continuing our Friday sausage sizzle this term.

We are tending to rely on the same 3 or 4 parents with this.

The cooking needs to begin around 12:10 and it is usually completed by 12:45.

If you are able to assist with this, could you please let Jacque or myself know or fill out the slip below and return to the office..

I am able to assist with the cooking of sausages this term

Name: _____



Sausage sizzle/Milo's



Sausage Sizzle Order

Name _____

Number of Sausage/s \$1.50 each _____

Milo, with marshmallows 50 cents _____ (only 1 per child.)

Special Character & Religious Education



DOMINICAN MASS: We are celebrating our Dominican Charism next Wednesday (7th Aug) by participating in a combined mass with the other Dominican Schools in Otago. It will be held at Holy Name at 10.30am. You are very welcome to join us.

SELF REVIEW SURVEY: End of last term a survey about our Sacramental Programme went home with your child. I would really appreciate you taking time to complete it and return it to the office. More copies are available in the office or can be sent home with your child if you have misplaced it. Thank you.



SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST: If you are interested in leading 5 children during their preparation lessons (5 x 30min lessons), please contact Rachael. All the lessons have been planned for you and are easy to follow. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

School Uniforms

Thank you to parents and children for their presentation in their school uniforms yesterday. We stressed the importance of correct uniform late last term and appreciate the support we've had with this. We believe it is very important with visitors coming into our school and with being seen out in the community at out of school events that we represent our school in a very tidy fashion. We have a school to feel extremely proud of and showing that through pride in our appearance is very important. We do expect our children to wear the fluoro vests to and from school as these are part of our uniform out of school when transporting or moving between school. Plain hair ties and bands are absolutely fine. Thank you once more.

School uniform details are listed below just for your reference. You can also check this out on our website.

Summer Uniform:

Boys: Grey shirt, grey shorts, grey socks, black shoes or sandals

Girls: White blouse, Catholic School Pinafore, white socks, black shoes or sandals

Winter Uniform (Both boys and girls):

Royal blue jersey and/or navy blue monogrammed polar fleece (purchased from school office), navy blue track pants are optional for winter, black shoes. Girls have the option of wearing navy blue tights.



Room 2 - Our Learning this Week

Room 2 would like to invite all 4 year olds to join our 'Mary Wonders' programme as part of our Discovery Time.

We have 6 fun 'hands on' stations including:

- Little Chefs
- Craft
- Linda's Little Helpers (garden)
- Construction/Deconstruction
- Creative Play
- Transition Table (numbers & letters).



Room 3

This term in Room 3 we have a timetable change. Mrs Hammer will be teaching us spelling, writing, handwriting and RE (year 5 and 6 children). Mr Duffy will be teaching mathematics, reading, PE, arts and theme.

This week Mrs Hammer is continuing testing, so we do not have spelling homework.

