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

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

29 October 2013

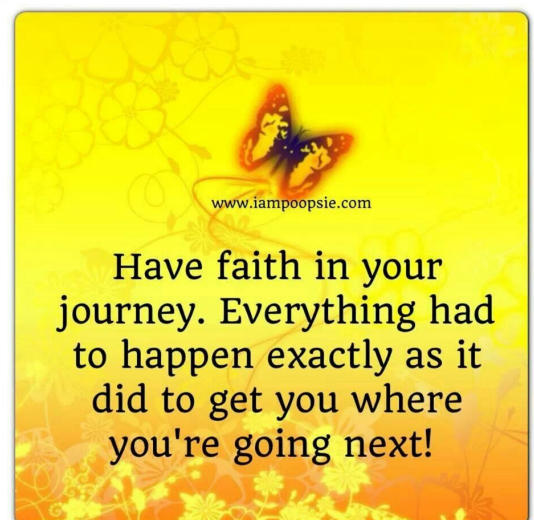
As most of you are already probably aware (particularly Room 3 parents), we are enjoying having Miss Hayley Davidson with us in class. Hayley is a second year | University of Otago teacher trainee and our children are enjoying her involvement with us in class.

We are very proud of the superb performance of our singers at Catholic Schools Choral festival last Wednesday evening. Our Year 3-6 children gave a rousing performance when singing two spiritual songs and enjoyed their experience in front of a large audience at the Regent Theatre.

Finally, we as a staff wish the Buckingham family all the very best as they leave us and move to Hawera. We have enjoyed having Emily with us in Room 2 and watching her grow over the past eighteen months and we appreciate the support Terry and Sarah have given the school during this time. May God bless them in their lives.

Haere Ra

Richard Duffy



St Mary's Kaikorai is 'Dunedin's best kept secret!'

Catholic Education Review Team 2013

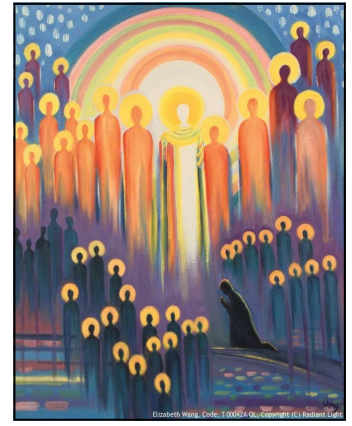
Special Character & Religious Education

Feast of All Saints and All Souls Day

This week in our RE classes we are learning about All Saints Day and All Souls Day.

All Saints Day is a day of joy, celebrating those who have entered heaven in the presence of God. We receive Eucharist and give God praise and thanks for all the saints who are with him.

All Souls Day is a day of sorrow where we especially remember all those who have died, particularly those who are in purgatory. Holy Souls is the name given to those who are waiting in Purgatory to become free from all sin before entering heaven. We can help those in Purgatory by praying for them.



All Saints Day Mass - Friday 1st November 9.30am at St Mary's Kaikorai

All Souls Day Mass - Saturday 2 November 6pm at St Mary's Kaikorai

All Souls Day Mass - Sunday 3 November 9.30am at St Francis Xavier

Missionz Fundraiser

Mufti Day/Wheels Day this Friday. Our wonderful Year 6 Exec are organising this. Please bring a gold coin donation. All money is being donated to Missionz.

Thank you for your support.



Combined Hills Suburbs Pastoral Area Mass



It is the turn of St Mary's Kaikorai to host the combined Mass on the Feast of Christ the King - Sunday 24th November 2013 at 10am. There will be no vigil Mass at St Mary's on the Saturday night or a Sunday morning Mass at St Francis Xavier. There will be a BBQ/cuppa in the hall after Mass. Please bring a plate. Sausages etc will be provided.

St Mary's Parish Duty Roster

A new duty roster will be compiled early next year. We are looking for more volunteers, especially younger parishioners, for cleaning the church. Volunteers are rostered on for two weeks in a row and the cleaning takes an hour or so. If you are willing to do this duty, please phone Barbara 476 7287

Alter Servers for Mass

3 Nov	Emila Makasini and Summer Paulin
10 Nov	Jean-Luc and Angelique Peyroux
17 Nov	Emila Makasini and Sam Al-Balushi
24 Nov	Combined Parish Mass
1 Dec	Emila Makasini and Summer Paulin
8 Dec	Davi and Atu Makasini
15 Dec	School Graduation Mass



Light Party

Dunedin Forsyth Bar Stadium - Thursday 31 October 6:30-8:30 pm

A positive alternative to Halloween, Pre-school—year 8 lots of fun exciting things, Dress up as your favourite character, but no scary costumes please. Gold coin entry



Camp Meeting

TOMORROW NIGHT (Thursday 31 Oct) Room 3 camp meeting in Room 3 at 7pm.

Swimming at Wakari

We NEED walkers and helpers with dressing. Please if you can help let Richard know ASAP. We start on Monday 4 November—Friday 15 November we are walking to Wakari School leaving daily at 12:40.



Health Consultation Form/Transportation Forms



Thank you to the couple of families that returned these ASAP We would appreciate if these forms could be returned tomorrow please. Another copy has been included with this newsletter

School Photos

Due date for these to be back at school is Wednesday 30th October, that's today. TOMORROW at the latest.

Dates for your Diaries

Camp Meeting

First Friday Mass

Assembly

Swimming

Thursday 31 Oct@7 pm

Friday 1 Nov@9:30 am

Friday 1 Nov @2:30 pm

Monday 4 Nov—Friday 15 Nov



Sports News:

Futsal

Draw: St Mary's Celtics vrs Wakari Black 10, 5:30 pm

Tee Ball Tigers

Saturdays game is 10 am on Diamond 4. I will text everyone if game gets cancelled for any reason. Kids can bring hats if its sunny as it does get quite hot when they're out fielding.

Thanks from Panz (Coach/Manager)



Overheard in the community

That St Mary's Kaikorai was the best group with not only their choice of songs for the Catholic Music Festival, but were by far the best singing group there!! This was overheard in a gym! A phone call from another school!!! And email from the Bishops office!!!!

Sausage sizzle/Ice Blocks



Sausage Sizzle Order

Name _____

Number of Sausage/s \$1.50 each _____

Ice Blocks \$1.00 _____ (only 1 per child.)

Room 2 - Our learning this week

Sadly, this Friday we are saying goodbye to Emily Buckingham and her family as they move to Hawera, in the North Island. Room 2 are having a Discovery Time Party in the afternoon, and the whole school will say goodbye at assembly at 2.30pm. Please join us if you can.



A couple of weeks ago we had an "All Blacks" Discovery Time because they were in Dunedin playing Australia for the Bledisloe Cup.



I ran and scored a try. Everyone clapped. We won!
By Lily

Me and my family went to the rugby game. I saw Richie tackle a man.
By Sophie



I am doing the haka with my team and I was nervous. We were playing Australia. I passed the ball to my teammates, I kicked a goal through the posts. We won the Bledisloe Cup and the crowd was cheering!
By Launga



I put on my All Blacks t-shirt, then the moment came, my first game for my county. I was nervous but excited to sing the national anthem and perform the haka. Then the whistle blew, and we're off! I was sprinting down the field with the ball in my hands. I dived over the try line. I can hear the crowd cheering for me. I saw my team mate kick the ball over the goal post, then we were down to the last minute... we have done it, we have won the Bledisloe Cup! I could hear the crowd cheering for us. I felt so proud holding the huge trophy.
By Chloe



From the Room 3 News Desk

Room 3 has welcome Miss Hayley Davidson to our class. She will be with us for three weeks. Miss Davidson has lots of exciting learning experiences planned for us.

Last Wednesday we spent the whole day at the Regent theatre getting ready for the Choral festival. The performance was at night and we really enjoyed it. We have received brilliant feedback about our performance. After the show, Thursday saw on three of us arrive at school on time!!!!

In RE we are continuing to work on our Saint or an Inspiring person study. We will have the research completed shortly and be ready to publish our work next week. The have used books and some Catholic Saint websites. The challenge is putting the information into our own words.

