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

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

10 September 2013

It's been very nice to hear some positive comments about our children recently and I feel it is worth passing on to parents as a way of saying thank you for your support in what we do at school.

I have heard comments from several parishioners lately on the superb quality of our children's singing at Mass and the way it enlivens the whole atmosphere of a Mass. Our children have always had a reputation as wonderful singers and it is lovely that they express themselves so positively through song during Mass or liturgy.

Secondly a parent recently told me of how a person she met expressed a feeling that our children look very smart and tidy in their school uniforms and this makes us feel very proud also. Late last term we passed on to our parents the need for our children to ensure they were present at school in correct uniform and we also have stressed to our children the need to take pride in the wearing and presentation of their uniform. On behalf of our staff, a big thank you to parents for their efforts in ensuring our children wearing correct uniforms to school.

Have a nice week, *Richard Duffy*

The heavens declare
the glory of God,
and the skies above
proclaim the work
of His hands.

Psalm 19:1 (NIV)





PTFA Quiz Night - Wednesday 25 September

Included with this newsletter is a flyer for the Quiz Night.

We need at least 15 teams to make this night happen!

Please let the school office know (476-4277 or secretary@st-marys.school.nz) if you are intending on entering a team or prepare to come along and help make up a team.

We need to know numbers by Wednesday 18th Sept.

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

We will be selling raffles on the night, and we would really appreciate if families could donate items during the next few weeks leading up to this

Week beginning	9 September	Exotic foods items for mini food hampers
	16 September	Homemade baking, jams, pickles, lollies

Friendly Gentle Reminders

Parking: Parents, please remember to park safely. The driveway and staff carpark is NOT a drop off zone. Too many parents are parking over the driveway or coming down the drive. This is extremely unsafe for the students, and not to mention illegal.

School doesn't officially open until 8:30 am. There have been some children turning up early and in some cases the staff aren't onsite until 8:30 am. Please bear this in mind when dropping off or allowing your child/ren to walk to school.

Dates for your Diaries

School Disco	Friday 13 Sept 5:30-7:30 pm
Skills to Swim Room 3	Monday 16 Sept- Friday 20 Sept
PTFA Meeting	Wednesday 18 Sept
Celebration Night	Thursday 19 Sept@5:30 pm
First Communion Mass	Saturday 21 Sept
School Photos	Wednesday 25 Sept
PTA Quiz Night	Wednesday 25 Sept
Assembly led by Room 2	Friday 27 Sept
Last day of term 3	Friday 27 Sept



Sausage sizzle/Milo's



Sausage Sizzle Order

Name _____

Number of Sausage/s \$1.50 each _____

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

Room 2 - Our learning this week

Last Thursday the Year 3 and 4 children participated in the "Have A Go Day" at the Edgar Centre run by Sport Otago.

It was an fun opportunity to try some new sports and interact with other children. They each experienced skills and drills in Futsal, Touch, Athletics, Cricket and Golf. All the children were fully involved, showed good sportsmanship and had a great time!

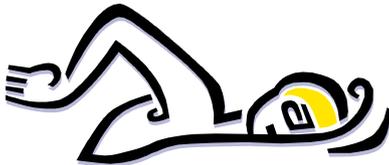


*** Have you ordered your Sem's Peanut Sauce and Marinade at \$6 each per bottle? This goes towards Hala Moata'ane (ex-pupil) and his tournament in Blenheim for the 12th Grade Otago Football Team. An order form is in the office at school or you can contact Asela Moata'ane 474-0116 or 027-239-5814



Thank you so much for your support!

Room 3 Swimming and Transport



Next week from Monday till Friday Room 3 is involved in the Dunedin City Council Skills2Swim programme which is subsidised by the Dunedin City Council.

We are leaving school daily at 12:40 pm and will be returning from the pool daily at 2pm.

We require support with transport each day to make this possible. I am hoping that if we have a number of parents who can assist us on one or two days then between our Room 3 parents we should be able to cover transport. Regrettably if we do not have enough transport for each day, we may have to cancel certain days for swimming.

If you are able to help on some days over the week, could you please return the slip below to the office by Thursday 12 Sept.

I am able to support with transport leaving school at 12:40pm and leaving Moana Pool at 2pm on the following days.

Name _____

Days I can help _____ Number I can take in my car _____

Special Character & Religious Education



Family Mass to celebrate the Sacrament of First Eucharist

Next Saturday, 21st September at 6pm.

Please join us in celebrating our children receiving the body and blood of Jesus for the first time.

This week is **Social Justice Week**. — This year's theme is **Justice at Work**

"Work is a good thing. It is an important part of life. As humans we create, nurture, protect and enhance life through the work we do. Through our work we can be transformed and in doing so shape the world we inhabit."

We want to encourage our children to learn and understand how work is central to life.



SCHOOL DISCO

THIS Friday 13th September

St John's Hall

(on cnr Wright St & Highgate in Roslyn)

5:30 - 7:30 pm

50 cent entry fee

Fancy Dress



Bring along a primary school aged friend come and dance the night away

Year 1—3 Children must be accompanied by an adult throughout the evening.

Prize for the costume competition/best dancers

A lolly scramble

Bring some extra money for a Drink, and

lots of glowing things will be available for sale.