Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The weather has been very extreme over the past couple of weeks and at times it has seemed like a case of 4 seasons in one day.

The children involved in the Sacramental programme this year are learning about the celebration of the Eucharist as part of their preparation for receiving this special Sacrament. We’d like to extend a huge thank you to Maree Smyth (Mrs Deerness’ mother) for giving up her time weekly to facilitate the programme for our children.

We’re quite excited about our car boot sale coming up on the 16th of November and just want to say a big thanks to Holly Wilson (and her family no doubt) for delivering 500 flyers yesterday advertising this super event.

Nā lō tau ma’u e ho’ata ni (Tongan farewell)

Richard Duffy

Together we aspire to become confident, creative, life long learners who follow Christ
Dates for your Diaries

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Sports News ...

St Mary’s T Ball Tigers

Don’t forget practice after school on Wednesday.

Draw: St Mary’s Tigers vs Bernies Busters on Diamond 6 at 10 am.

Touch: St Mary’s Maroon vs Bradford Untouchables Field 8 at 4:15 pm

School Swimming

Coming up starting on Monday 3 November, we need walkers to help with this for 2 weeks. We will leave school at 1:10 pm. If you can help please let Jacquie know. We will leave school after lunch.

Playground Progress

We have received plans for our fort and are now in the process of having a structural engineer provide us with specifications. Later this week or early next week we are intending to display these plans for your viewing.

PTFA Car Boot Sale.

The PTFA is running a car boot sale here on the school grounds on Sunday November 16 between the hours of 9am and 1pm. We are very keen to have our school families involved so are allowing 1 free car space per school family member on the day to come and display and (hopefully sell any bits and pieces they may have).

We will advertise this event around the local area and are hoping that it will be well supported by the wider community. Regardless, it is something that hasn’t been done for a number of years so we are really looking forward to it. There will be a sausage sizzle ($2 per sausage).

If you are able to help on the day please catch up with Holly or come to the PTFA meeting at school this Thursday evening from 7pm. (meeting usually lasts about an hour).
Sacrament of First Eucharist

Please keep Dakoda, Aayliyah, Chloe, Xavier, Victoria, April and Janivah in your prayers as they prepare to receive Eucharist for the first time.

1st November - All Saints Day

We give praise and thanks for all the saints who are with God in heaven but have not been named as saints by the Church. There are so many saints with God whose names we do not know and whose names we will not find on a calendar, so the Church celebrates the goodness of all these people on All Saints Day.

All Saints Day is a day of joy, celebrating those who have entered heaven.

2nd November - All Souls Day

The Feast of All Souls Day is when we especially remember all those who have died, especially the Holy Souls who are in purgatory. Holy Souls is the name given to all those who are waiting in purgatory to become free from all sin before entering heaven. We believe our prayers will help those who have died to become pure in heart and able to be completely happy with God.

Christmas Hamper Raffle

It's coming quicker than we think. (8 Weeks!!!)

This is our big fundraiser for the end of the year. We ask that all families please donate something each week.

- 1 Can
- 1 bottle or jar
- 1 packet

We ask that no plain/budget packs be donated please. Please place these in the gold box in the school office.

We will draw it after our end of year carols singing. Last time there were 3 draws and we are hoping that again this year we may be able to have at least one draw. We have had superb hampers in previous years and hope that we can all support it.

Raffle cards will be sent home on Monday November 3 and are to be back at school please by Thursday November 27.
Miss Randell has been teaching us this week. We have been doing some descriptive writing about our pets. We also wrote a story together about her pet dog Charlie.

We have been measuring objects in maths using lots of different things like string, blocks, ice-cream sticks.

In the afternoons we have been looking for lots of hazards that might be around our home and classroom, and how to make these places safe for everyone.

Room 3’s News Desk,
Reporter - Xavier Peyroux

In Reading my group has been reading about pets and my group read about an over weight who had to go on a diet.

Our writing topic has been about ourselves and the types of things we like doing.

Miss Brockie is our teacher from College and we are doing a topic on pets and how to look after a pet and keep them healthy.

Sean our sports activator was in yesterday and took us for long jump. In maths we had to plan a birthday party with a certain amount of money from a budget. The amounts of money you had came from drawing numbers out of an ice cream container.

Sausage sizzle/Ice Blocks Order Form - Friday Lunchtimes

Name _____________________________

Number of Sausage/s $1.50 each _________________ Ice blocks $1.00 ___________