We aspire to become confident, creative, life long learners who follow Christ

This is the Hamper so far - donations are from 3 families and 1 staff member and we have 19 families in this school! We are wanting to put the Hamper together on Friday and need more items to make this look fabulous, so that people want to buy tickets.

We have booked spaces at Fresh Choice on Sunday 15 November (1 spot available 12-2 pm) and Sunday 29 November (3 spots available) for selling of raffles for our Christmas hamper. Sign up sheet on reception desk in the school office.

We do a lot of fundraising and all this money goes to benefit YOUR children in our school and adds to the number of opportunities we can provide them. The times are of two hour duration between the times of 10am - 8pm. We still have a few time slots to fill and if you are able to help with this please check the time sheet in the office.
Dates for your Diaries

Sunday 15 November   PTFA Christmas Hamper@Fresh Choice
Monday 16 November   BOT Meeting@7:00 pm in the staffroom
Wednesday 18 November   Beautification Day all day
Friday 20 November   Assembly@2:30 pm
Friday 27 November   Reconciliation after Mass@9:30 am
Saturday 28 November   First Holy Communion@6:00 pm
Sunday 29 November   PTFA Christmas Hamper@Fresh Choice
Thursday 3 December   Beach Ed Day all day
Friday 4 December   First Friday Mass@9:30 am
Monday 7 December   BOT Meeting@7:00 pm in the staffroom
Tuesday 8 December   Mary Day all day
Wednesday 9 December   Production/Prizegiving all day events
Friday 11 December   Assembly@2:30 pm
Saturday 12 December   Graduation Mass@6:00 pm
Monday 14 December   Last day of school finishing@3:00 pm

2016 School Term Dates

Term 1: Monday 1 February - Friday 15 April
Term 2: Monday 2 May - Friday 8 July
Term 3: Monday 25 July - Friday 23 September
Term 4: Monday 10 October - Thursday 15 December

Altar Servers
14 November   David and Atu Makasini
21 November   Soni and Semisi Taungapeau
28 November   School Mass - First Holy Communion

Sports Draws:
Tball   St Mary’s (Saints) vs SPC Hotshots, Diamond 13; 10:00 am
        Player of the Day - Alicia-Rose
Touch:   St Mary’s Maroon vs Wakari Gold; Field 9; 4:15 pm
        Player of the Day - Janivah Moata’ane

Beautification Day at School.
Next Wednesday 18th we are having a beautification day here at school as part of our term theme of sustainability and sustaining our own school environment. Some of the tasks we will be carrying out are: painting tyres in our garden, fitting silhouettes on plywood to the fences, painting the wall down the driveway, making bottle top art work. If you are able to come along for the day or part of the day to help and enjoy the fun, that will be wonderful. We are intending to start around 10am. All children are to wear old clothes.

Road Works
Fulton Hogan have asked us to advise parents that road works are continuing on Taieri Rd from Nairn St up to Dean St over the next week or so. There will still be driver access but it may be restricted to one lane.
We are currently in the middle of the Communion of Saints Strand in our RE classes

Year 1-2 are focusing on Mary.
Year 3-4 are learning about how we can cope with the sad times in our lives.
Year 5-6 are learning about all the saints.

Mr Duffy’s Blurb ...

Dear Parents/Caregivers,
We had a fantastic time at the Science Roadshow on Monday with superb exhibits on display which the children were allowed to experiment with. There were also some demonstrations of the phenomenon of electricity and how we as humans are really effective conductors as well as some of the properties of water. The visit was costed out at $8 per child but we covered this out of our science budget in an attempt to reduce costs to our families.

We have a busy few days with the slide being positioned on our fort and some more work carried out on the fort structure as well as our beautification day at school next week.

Toki sio (Tongan farewell)
Richard Duffy

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New Zealand Charitable Trust
Our very own parent community, PTFA and BOT
Without your help this would not have been possible

It’s a Bird
It’s a Plane
No!
It’s our Slide!
My maths group has been working on multiplying big numbers by splitting them into tens and ones as well as reading big numbers into the millions.

In my reading group we read a story and compared two different characters on how they acted when they had to run in school sports. We have been making some models of the playhouse we have at school and putting doors and windows on them.

We have been trying hard to work as a team, and we have completed our Team Sticker Chart. The reward we chose was to have a Dress Up Day.

Special Offer:
50% off tickets to the Otago Volts games at the University Oval.

Sausage sizzle/Ice Blocks Order Form - Friday Lunchtimes

Name _____________________________

Number of Sausage/s $1.50 each ____________

Ice Block $1 only 1 per child___________