

# St Mary's Kaikorai School

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## Principal's Message:

Can you believe we are already at the end of Term 1? We have learned, grown and achieved so much this term, and also had lots of fun along the way! We wish you all a safe and enjoyable family-filled Easter break.



We wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to Mr Morgan and Miss Thurlow for their dedication and hard work this term. Our children have been very lucky to have had you teaching them. We wish you all the best for your next adventures.

We look forward to an exciting Term 2 with the arrival of our new Principal Alan McNally and his family. We will also be welcoming two new students to Room 2 and two new students to Room 3! Be sure to spread the word about our awesome wee school over the holidays so that we can continue to grow and shine!

## Values Trophy



Congratulations to this weeks recipient - **La Charna Moataáne**

La Charna has been showing our school value of LOVE recently - The LOVE of learning! She has been working so hard, both at home and school and has made some amazing progress. We just LOVE hearing her read at the moment and LOVE seeing the pride beaming from her face!



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## Sport:



**Summer Sport:** Well done to our Touch and Teeball Teams on great seasons, and a special thank you to their wonderful coaches - Suzy, Alice, Kit and Mr Morgan.



**Winter Sport:** Thank you for your feedback regarding our winter codes. We are very excited about being able to enter a miniball team and two hockey teams! We also have children involved in ice-hockey, rippa rugby and dance outside of school. Here is Katia and Will after their first game of Rippa last weekend playing for the Dunedin Tiger Sharks - Fins up!



*Otago Cricket's School Holiday Programme  
run by our very own Tama!*

Thursday 27 and Friday 28 April

Year 2 - 6, 9 am—12 pm

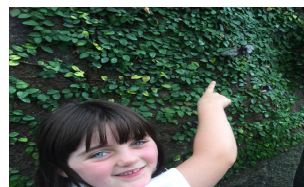
Year 7 - 8, 1 pm—4 pm

Edgar Centre, \$40 per person

Register at [www.otagocricket.co.nz](http://www.otagocricket.co.nz)

## School Trip to the Otago Museum

*We had two amazing sessions at the museum last week as a special way of concluding our science units. A wonderful walk around the tropical rainforest searching for all the stages of the butterfly's life cycle.*



An awesome time exploring the Animal Attic learning about all the features of mammals and viewing lots of different species.



## PTA news: Easter Raffle Hamper

This is being drawn tomorrow!

Please return **all cards and money** by TOMORROW.

## Next Term's Fundraising:



Cheese Rolls, just waiting on a confirmation date before we send home order forms this week to sell over the holidays.



We found out last week we have secured the contract to sell Otago Polytechnic car parks for the Lion's game on Tuesday 13 June - We will be calling for volunteers to help 'man' this event early next term.





## This week at a glance: Holy Week

<b>Monday</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	Mihi Whakatau with Kavanagh College 12:50 pm.
<b>Wednesday</b>	BOT Meeting 7:00 pm.
<b>Thursday</b>	Liturgy at 2:20 pm (Holy Week and Farewell to Mr Morgan & Miss Thurlow).
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>Next Week</b>	Holidays!!! See you all again on Monday 1st May.

### Special Character and Religious Education:

#### Holy Week - This Week!

Holy Week is a very sacred time of the year, it is when we commemorate and remember the last week of Jesus' life on this earth. These are the days leading up to Easter Sunday.

The Lenten season of sacrifice is about to come to an end, and this coming week is extremely important for all Christians. The greatest focus of the week is the Passion (suffering) and Resurrection of Jesus Christ and the events that led up to it.



In our RE classes we will be focussing these four particular days...  
(ask your child about it!)

**Palm Sunday:** A joyful day when Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey. Crowds greeted him waving palm branches and shouting 'Hosanna'!



**Holy Thursday:** Jesus ate the Last Supper with his disciples and served them by washing their feet. Later that evening while praying in the garden, he was betrayed by Judas and arrested by Pilate's soldiers.

**Good Friday:** Jesus carried his cross to the hill on Calvary where he was crucified.

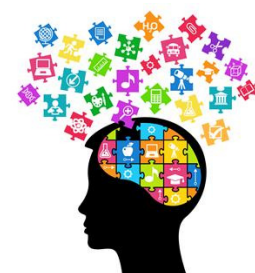
**Easter Sunday:** After 3 days in the tomb, Jesus rose from the dead.

### Gifted & Talented Learning Hub

#### Mihi Whakatau - Tuesday 11th April at 12.50pm

Kavanagh College, Kapa-haka students, Tracy O'Brien, as well as St Mary's will celebrate the new Gifted and Talented learning hub with a welcome, kai and games.

"Five outstanding St Mary's students have been working hard to prepare for the arrival of their special guests from Kavanagh since Week 6. They have decorated the room with posters, bean bags and 'big-kids' desks as well as practicing games to challenge the OC students. The Year 5 & 6 students have enjoyed stretching their own brains with a range of philosophical and scientific activities." says Ms Maggie McGarry (Dean of G&T at Kavanagh College).



*Parents you are very welcome to join us for the Mihi Whakatau and to talk to Ms McGarry and the children about this new and exciting programme.*



# Room 2 News

Last Thursday we went to the Forsyth Barr Stadium to take part in the FMS Challenge (Fundamental Movement Skills) run by Sport Otago.

We had big leaders from Logan Park and Kings High School teaching us fun new games!  
We were learning about movement, balance, co-ordination and teamwork.

Mrs Deerness can't wait to use them at school too!



## HERE'S THE 3 NEWS

Last week went by very quickly as the children were busy completing their assessments. There was a lot to get through but the children stood up to the challenge and embraced it. The results are pleasing and they will be handed over to Alan to ensure the children get off to a flying start next term.

The museum trip went very well and it was nice to see children's expressions on their faces as they walked into the Butterfly Museum and the Animal Attic. The educators were well prepared and gave us lessons on butterflies and mammals from around the world. We are very lucky here in Dunedin to have these resources and the children can only benefit from them.

Seeing as this is the children's last week and mine-we have decided to have a small class party to celebrate the learning children have done. I will send something home in their bags stating what they will need to bring.

I have enjoyed my time at St Marys and the community have been very welcoming towards me. Thanks for everything and I hope our paths cross again someday soon.

God Bless

Jeremy



### Sausage Sizzle Thursday -

Name \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Sausages \$1.50 each \_\_\_\_\_ Ice Block \$1.00 each \_\_\_\_\_