

St Mary's Kaikorai

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Principal's Message

Monday 4 April 2016

We are well into autumn now and we can see the signs of autumn around us at school.

Today new Health and Safety regulations in the workplace come into effect and we have provided more information about these further in our newsletter.

It is worth us all being mindful of the potentially dangerous road set up at our Cromwell St entrance. I just want to remind parents of their role before and after school in ensuring they park in correct places when waiting for or collecting children. Often cars coming onto Cromwell St from Berwick St can be unsighted and if there is a vehicle sitting on a yellow line or over our driveway waiting to pick a child up, it can be potentially quite dangerous.

In light of these regulations also I am currently in contact with Grant Engineering on what can be done to ensure our slide is safe for use and used in a safe fashion. We do not intend to cotton wool our children as I don't feel this is in their best interests when playing creatively but this act gives us the opportunity to have a review of what we currently do and if we need to make a few modifications in our practice.

Paalam na (Filipino farewell)

Richard Duffy



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

Dates for your Diaries

April	Monday 4	BOT Meeting@7:00 pm
	Friday 8	Assembly@2:30 pm
	Monday 11	PTA AGM@3:00 pm
	Thursday 14	Save the Date
	Friday 15	Last day of term liturgy@2:40 pm



Altar Servers

April	Saturday 9	David & Atu Makasini
	Saturday 16	Emila Makasini & Sam Al-Balushi
	Saturday 23	Soni & Semisi Taungapeau
	Saturday 30	Jean Luc & Angelique Peyroux

Pine Cones

There are a few bags of pine cones for sale 2 bags for \$5. See either Richard or Jacquie if you would like some. These are great fire starters and burn nice and hot!! Or you could use them for some craft ideas.

Winter Sports Options

Could forms from parents wishing their child to represent the school in hockey or Miniball please be returned to school by Wednesday as we need to enter teams in competitions this week.

Health & Safety At Work Act 2015.



From today the new Health & Safety at Work Act comes into effect. Our Board of Trustees will be looking at existing health and safety procedures that operate in our school and may revise one or two of these. Here could also be a case for introducing some new procedures for ensuring our school is meeting the obligations of this act.

Parents are encouraged should they identify any potential hazards around school to notify a staff member or let Richard know as soon as possible. Our aim is not to reduce some of the different types of play activities that children undertake in our school grounds, but ensure we have robust procedures in place to remove the risk of any type of injury. We do not want to inhibit our children's ability to experiment with playing and learning through play at school.

Electives Programme for Term 2

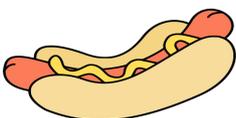
Our electives programme will run over term's 2 and 3 of this year for Year's 3-6 children. Term 2 electives will be run toward the second half of the term.

A techno elective will be offered where children will be using electronic equipment to build a device that can operate and carry out certain functions. We are hoping to offer squash coaching as the second elective option and are close to finalising this. Confirmed options will be sent home early next term.

We feel our school electives programme offer wonderful learning opportunities linked to our curriculum that children may rarely experience.

Sausage Sizzle lunches

There are a few outstanding IOU's that we need cleared up before the end of the term, if you can, thank you.



Sausage sizzle/Ice Blocks Order Form - Friday Lunchtimes

Name _____

Number of Sausage/s \$1.50 each _____

Ice Block \$1 only 1 per child _____



Special Character



The Annunciation

This morning we held a liturgy to celebrate the Annunciation of Jesus.



In the city of Nazareth, in Galilee, there lived a young woman named Mary. Mary was soon to marry a carpenter named Joseph.

One day Gabriel, an angel, visited Mary and said: "Greetings, most favoured one, and do not be afraid. God has chosen you among all women. Very soon you will have a baby, you must call him Jesus"

This would be a very special baby. He would be great, and his kingdom would last forever and ever. He told her that the child would be called the Son of God.

Mary bowed before the angel Gabriel and told him she would be obedient to God and that she wanted to do as God wished. When she got up the angel had gone.

PTA AGM

MONDAY 11 APRIL 2016

3:00 PM

St Mary's Kaikorai

Staffroom

Everyone is most
welcome to attend

Save the Date

Thursday 14 April - 5:30 - 7:00 pm

This still needs to be confirmed, but please try to keep this date free. We will let you know ASAP once it's confirmed.



HERE'S THE 3rd NEWS By Korbin

My reading group read an article about someone who invented a way to get rid of whitefly which can eat and mark tomatoes at supermarkets.

For chemistry we have been finding information on what types of chemicals can react with each other without being heated up. We are getting a list of these chemicals and want to test them some day this week.



For sport on Friday we played speed cricket which was good because we had Shaun from Otago Cricket taking us for cricket skills during the week.



ROOM 2 NEWS

Look at this great writing about the Holy Week and Easter stories!

On **Palm Sunday** Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey. "Hosanna" the crowd shouted. They put cloaks down and waved palms around. Jesus was delighted when he saw the friendly crowd.

By Emilie



On **Holy Thursday** the disciples wanted to wash Jesus' feet. But Jesus wanted to wash their feet, and he did a good thing. Jesus prayed in the garden and some soldiers arrested him. He was sad.

By Gabriel

On **Good Friday** Jesus died on the cross. They put a crown of thorns on his head. He was crucified.

By Matthew

On **Easter Sunday** the 3 women, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Joanna went to the tomb. They were going to put spices on Jesus. Suddenly there was an earthquake, the stone rolled away. They saw an angel, "Don't be scared". Then they saw that Jesus was not there. The angel was wearing snow white, he was glowing and it looked like lightening.

By Bronwyn