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Principal's Message:

It has been refreshing to have had a reasonable spell of weather the last few days, I hope you have all had the chance to enjoy it.

This week we have the Year 3 and 4 sports day tomorrow, and the cross country on Wednesday. I have two conferences in two days in Gore later in the week, so please talk to Rachael if there are any issues arising on Thursday or Friday.

The Dominican mass was a great success with a fantastic effort by Rachael. A sincere thanks to the parents who were able to come down and help with transporting children, it is great to be a part of such a supportive community. The black and white wall display created by the schools was quite striking. Well done.

I hope life is treating you well.

Warm regards,

Alan McNally

BE PATIENT.
BE GENTLE.
BE HUMBLE.
BE LOVING.

*Ephesians
4:2,3*



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Sport: Hockey



Last week:

The Storm lost to Abbotsford 4-0. Player of the Day was Will Deerness.

The Strikers beat George Street 3-4. Player of the Day was Millie (St Brigid's).

This week's draw

Storm (Year 3&4 Junior Hockey)
vs Musselburgh Monkeys
Wednesday 9 August @ 3:40 pm
McMillan Turf Pav 1

Strikers (Year 5&6 Senior Hockey)
vs Warrington Warlocks
Wednesday 2 August @ 5:20 pm
McMillan Turf Far 2.



Miniball

This week's draw 10 August

St Mary's Kaikorai vs George St Cavaliers @ 4:15 pm on Court 5

Special Character and Religious Education:

Combined Dominican Mass

We celebrated the Feast Day of St Dominic with the other Dominican schools in the wider Dunedin area. Our children did us proud with their behaviour and singing, and their contribution to the combined art was fantastic! A special mention to Kiera, Sophie, Launga and Christian for completing their roles with confidence. Thank you to Alice, Mary and Maree for their help with transporting our children and joining us for Mass.



Sacramental Programme



Please keep Madison, La Charna, Gabriel and Emilie in your prayers as they begin their preparation lessons this week for different Sacramental Programmes.

Feast of the Assumption

Tuesday 15th August - 9:30am in the church.

Each year on this day, the 15th of August, we remember and celebrate the Assumption of Mary into heaven. God chose Mary to be the mother of Jesus, and because she was so special and led such a perfect life, she was taken back to heaven - body and soul. Families and friends are welcome to join us for Mass.



This week at a glance:

Monday	
Tuesday	PTA meeting 9 am, Yr3&4 Have a Go day, Parent Meeting 5:15 pm
Wednesday	Cross Country 12 noon, Hockey - 3:40 pm & 5:20 pm
Thursday	Miniball 4:15 pm
Friday	Assembly 2:40 pm
Next Week	<i>Hills Cluster Cross Country - Monday</i> <i>Room 2 visit to Wakari Kindy - Wednesday</i> <i>Assumption Mass - Tuesday</i> <i>Sports Activator - Thursday</i>

PTA meeting Tuesday 8 August at 9 am in the staffroom for those that can make it.

Thursday 7 September 7 pm at the Kensington

We need donations for the raffle prizes at the quiz., so if you have something you would like to donate or re-gift from a present or another quiz night, we would appreciate these being brought to school over the next couple of weeks.



Thank you to Bunnings for the amazing box of goodies they have donated. The tickets have arrived, only 120 tickets are available - get in quick. As there will be NO door sales, all tickets must be

Meeting for Parents with our Board Chairperson

Tomorrow afternoon (Tuesday 8 Aug) at 5:15 pm to answer any of your questions. If you can't make it and would like to ask him anything please don't hesitate to contact him on his Cell Phone 0274664109 or email: erinbarton@slingshot.co.nz.

Cross Country

Our School Cross Country will be held **this Wednesday 9th August**.

The first race is at 12pm. Parents are welcome to stay on and join us for lunch. We are lucky to have some preschool children to watch and cheer us on.



We are looking forward to making some new friends at Wakari Hospital Preschool. Look out for the preschool race!

The Hills Cluster Cross Country (Y4-6) will be held next Monday 14th August.

Year 3 & 4 'Have a Go' Day

Tuesday 8th August

9:30am - 12:30pm at the Edgar Centre.

This is aimed to introduce our children to summer sports tennis, cricket, futsal, golf, touch and softball.



These children are to come to school in their sports uniform tomorrow, also with a warm jersey and a drink bottle. Thank you to Alice for volunteering her time to transport our children.

Sausage Sizzle Fridays - Winter term means FREE hot chocolates

Name _____

No. of Sausages \$1.50 each _____ Hot Chocolate _____

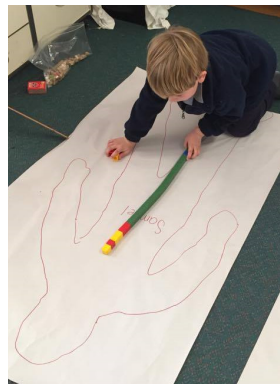
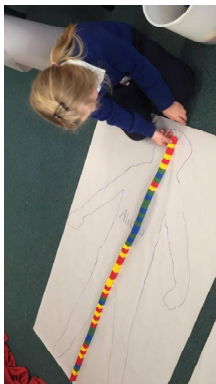
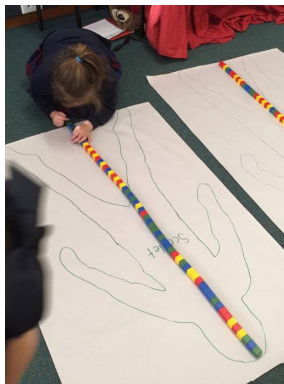
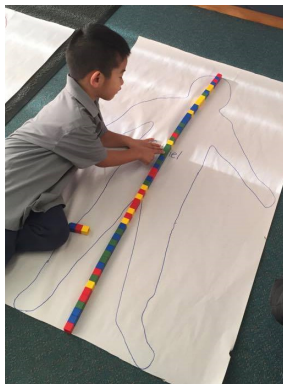




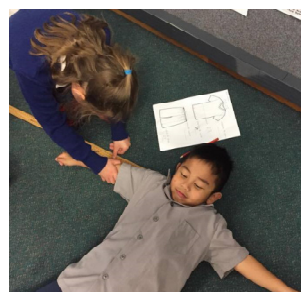
Room 2 News

Our Mathematics focus at present is measurement.

One group has been using mutli-link blocks to measure themselves. They found out how tall they were, and how long their arms and legs were etc. They had fun comparing their results.



The other group has been learning about units of measurement. They made their own 30cm ruler and had fun measuring items in their classroom. At present they are busy taking measurements so that we know what size sports uniforms we are best to buy.



A friendly St Mary's welcome to Charlotte who is joining us for school visits at the moment as she completes her transition to school programme.

Charlotte will be joining us as a 5yr old at the end of this month.

Room 2 are looking forward to visiting her at Wakari Kindergarten next week.

Room 3 News ...

Week 2 of competition... Word mania

We were up to 3rd place in the South Island at one stage last week. Awesome work! Currently we are ranked 6th. A new competition this week, lets keep on aiming higher and see if we can finish the competition in 3rd place (it may include some family time playing on the weekend).

We have been having some great fun running science experiments in class at the moment. I have been quite impressed with several students who obviously have quite scientific minds. We had fun watching raisins dance last week and observing the dual processes of sublimation and melting occur simultaneously in another experiment. The students are definitely getting the hang of writing up their experiments and are thoughtful in the hypothesis they share.



Have an awesome week!