

St Mary's Kaikorai School

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Term 4 Week 8- Monday 4 December 2017

Launga's Leavers Assembly



On Friday we celebrated Launga's time here at St Mary's Kaikorai. While we were sad to farewell him, we are also excited about the next step on his journey - Kavanagh College. We also say goodbye to Muasika Family, who have had a 20yr connection with our school.

Congratulations Launga on receiving the Senior Arts Award and the Leadership Trophy



Welcome to school

We are so excited to officially welcome Nikau Walker to our school as part of the Room 2 class where he joins his big sister Katia. Happy School days Nikau.

Mary Day

This Friday 8th December .

This is our school feast day - The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. We will begin with Mass at 9:30am, then will be completing some Mary inspired activities after morning tea. At 12.30pm we would love parents to join us for a sausage sizzle lunch and then stay on for a game of tee-ball or futsal against the children. Please accept the challenge!

Children are invited to come to school dressed in blue!



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This week at a glance:

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Otago Cricket session 1:30 pm, Futsal 5:00 pm.
Thursday	Sports Activator 9:00 am, Touch 3:45 pm.
Friday	Mary Day
Saturday	TeeBall 10:00 am, Family Mass 6:00 pm.
Next Week	<i>Monday - Kavanagh Pantomime and BOT meeting, Wednesday - Prize-giving, Thursday - Picnic, Friday - Last day of school clean up.</i>

Special Character and Religious Education:

Season of Advent

At school we begin Advent with purple cloths on our prayer tables and lighting our advent wreaths each morning. It is a time of waiting and preparing for the birth of Jesus.



The First Week of Advent - HOPE

We continue to hope in God's promise that Christ will come again to fill our lives and the life of the world with love and joy and peace. *Thank you God, for the light of hope. As we prepare for Christ's coming, help us to share our hope with others.*

SVDP - Christmas Appeal

Please bring a can and drop it in the basket in the school office.

We as a school community would like to contribute to the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal again this year to help families in our area over the Christmas period.



Please contribute what you can. Thank you in advance.

We will be taking our contribution up during offertory this Saturday night at our Family Mass.

End of Year Family Mass

This Saturday 9th December at 6pm.

At this mass we will celebrate the end of the school year and also the Sacrament of Confirmation for 5 of our children. This is a school event and we would like to see everyone there.

Children are to come dressed in their school uniform and if they have a special part in the mass they need to be there by 5:45pm. There will be supper afterwards in the hall, a small plate would be appreciated. We look forward to seeing you all and thank you for your support.



Sport News: Futsal Draw - Wednesday 6th December.
St Mary's vs Tainui 1@5:00 pm on Court 7.



Touch Draw - Thursday 7th December.
St Mary's vs TBC @3:45 pm on Field TBC

Teeball - Saturday 9th December.
St Mary's Mets vs Tainui Sluggers @10:00 am on Bathgate 14



'Girls Smash' Cricket
Monday 4th December at Logan Park@4:00 pm
Please wear your pink teeshirt.



Sports uniforms

These need to be handed back in at the end of the year, so if you aren't in one of our sports teams, we would appreciate if you could send these back washed please.



SUNSCREEN

Summer has arrived!!! Please remember to put sunscreen on at home before school, there is some in the office for the children to re-apply at lunchtimes - but please let us know if your child is allergic to it. They must also wear their hats outside to play.

Hi Viz Vests:

These need to be returned by Thursday (after the picnic) next week. No need to wash them. If you have lost yours and haven't informed the office you may be charged for a replacement vest.

Fundraising Calendars

Only \$5 each If you are interested, please come and view your child's work in the school office and place an order through Jacquie.



Christmas Hamper Fundraiser

**Friendly reminder to get all cards and money
into the school ASAP**

They were due last Friday—Raffle is being drawn on Wednesday.

A big weekend for many of us, so we really appreciate those who gave up their busy time and sold raffles at Fresh Choice.

Estimated takings for the 2 days selling is close to \$1,000.

Just waiting on the rest of the raffle cards and money to come in before we can give an official count of the money raised.



Lions Foundation

Thank you so much for our free tickets to attend the magic show on Friday night. What a treat it was.



Nativity & Prize-giving

Next Wednesday 13th December at 5:30pm.

Please join us in the church as the children tell the story of Jesus' birth through the nativity play.

They have been practising hard, and can't wait to share it with you! After this our senior guitar group will perform a Christmas carol for you, this will then lead into our end of year prize-giving.

Once again, this is a school event and we'd like to see everyone there.



Family Picnic at Woodhaugh Gardens

Next Thursday 14th December 11am—2pm.

Please join us for a picnic lunch at Woodhaugh Gardens as a fun family way to end the school year and to enjoy this sunshine.

It will not be a BBQ as first advertised.

A separate note with more details will be sent home during the week. Children are welcome to come in mufti, and possibly have a splash in the paddling pool!



Sausage Sizzle Fridays - Summer term means ice blocks.

As it is Mary Day—Sausages and Ice Blocks are FREE, but we need to know numbers, by Thursday please. Also someone to MAN the BBQ would be appreciated too.

Name/s _____

No. of Sausages FREE _____

Ice block FREE _____

