

St Mary's Kaikorai School

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Principal's Message:

Thank you for joining us for our School BBQ.

We are very lucky to have so many new families and teachers join our school community. It was lovely to see so many of you, and your support of our awesome wee school is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to those that donated the yummy food for us to enjoy, and to Tama for cooking the BBQ.

LET US
NOT
Love
WITH WORDS
OR SPEECH BUT
WITH
actions
& *IN truth*
1 JOHN 3:18



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Sport:

Touch: Thursday 23rd February
We will post the draw on Facebook.
Good luck for your first game team!



Tball: Saturday 25th February.
We will post the draw on Facebook.
Congratulations to the 'Player of the Day' last week - Emilie Keach



Reading at Home

Make Reading A Part Of Your Family Time!
Family time is so important...



Why not make reading part of this valuable time with your kids?

Here are some tips for integrating reading into your daily family activities:

- ◆ Read bedtime stories
- ◆ Play a board game
- ◆ Visit your local library
- ◆ Read a recipe and cook something yummy together!
- ◆ Create a comfy reading space in your home.
- ◆ Put your child in charge of reading the grocery list at the store.



Goal Setting Interviews

Week 5: Monday 27th February from 3.15 - 6.00pm

Children have been setting some learning goals for the term with the help of their teacher. These will go home at the end of this week for you to read over with your child.



You are then invited to meet with your child's teacher to discuss the goals and set any more that you feel are important. These are not progress interviews, but an opportunity to touch base. You are welcome to bring your child to these interviews.

Please return to school by Wednesday 22 Feb

Children's Names _____

Time that suits (please tick)

3– 4 pm

4–5 pm

5–6 pm

We will try to get as close to the time you choose as we can.

Your goal setting time will come home on Friday with your child/rens goals.

This week at a glance:

Monday	TBall Practice after school.
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	First game of Touch
Friday	
Next Week	<i>Goal setting interviews - Monday</i> <i>Blessing of the Ashes Liturgy - Tuesday</i> <i>Ash Wednesday Mass at Little Sisters</i>

Walk and Wheel Week Monday 27th February - Friday 3 March

Children will be encouraged to walk or wheel to school.

If you do have to drive, park a little further away and walk the rest of the distance.



Helmets are essential if you are wheeling to school.

On the days you walk for this week you will earn a sticker. There will be spot prizes daily for children and families participating.

Assembly Awards:

Congratulations to last weeks award winners:

- Katia: *Helping others with their learning.*
La Charna: *Showing excellent persistence in class.*
Launga: *Showing great responsibility in class.*
Gabriel: *Great effort learning his number patterns.*
Stani: *Amazing place value work.*



Special Character and Religious Education:

This week we begin our lessons on the Jesus Strand.

Room 3's focus is on **what life was like in the time that Jesus lived.**

Room 2's focus is on **how Jesus showed his love in different ways.**

Next week we begin the LENT season.

We will have a special liturgy at school where we burn palms and bless the ashes ready for Ash Wednesday.

Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent. We will be attending Mass at Little Sisters in Brockville at 11am. You are very welcome to join us, and if you are able to help with transport that would be greatly appreciated.

Please let Jacquie know.





Room 2 News

We did some writing about the storm last week!

I am Alicia, I can see the thunder clouds. I was scared.

I was scared. The thunder was loud and the lightning was big. Mum rescued a girl, she was scared. By Katia

I went outside, I saw black clouds in the sky. The rain came in my house, it dripped from the roof onto the carpet. By Isobel.

It was a disaster. Nana got freaked out. The road turned into a river. The lightning was so cool. By Will.

I am Elizabeth. I can see lightning. I can hear thunder.



The wheels in Room 3 have continued to turn as we have established excellent routines and have had time to get to know each other. It always amazes me to discover the special talents and interests that children have especially with the children in Room 3. It's a great reminder to never underestimate what children know and what they can do.



We have been exploring the features and habits of different mammals. The children have been working on their projects and deciding how they are going to present them. Recently we have finished off our investigation on Statistics and found out some fascinating data on the New Zealand population and future growth.

This week we start our new Jesus strand and for maths we start looking at fraction and percentages.

It's great to see children completing their homework and eager to improve their spelling results.

A big thank you to all the parents for showing support to their children's learning needs also!

Sausage Sizzle Fridays -

Name _____

No. of Sausages \$1.50 each _____

Ice Block \$1.00 each only 1 per child _____

