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Principal's Message:

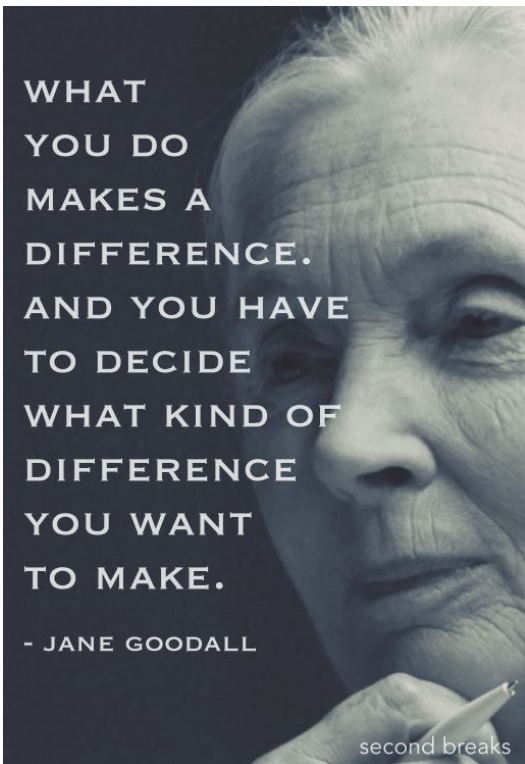
It was great to see so many parents and children joining us for fish and chip night on Friday. I hope you all enjoyed yourselves.

We send out a warm welcome to Ethan Martin and his family who have rejoined our school community over the weekend. Ethan is a year 4 student and will be joining room 3.

The McNally family would like to thank the St Mary's Kaikorai school community for their generous gift of a hamper. We have a few outfits for Grace to grow into now. She enjoyed her many cuddles that she received on Friday night.

Sincerest thanks

Alan McNally



WHAT
YOU DO
MAKES A
DIFFERENCE.
AND YOU HAVE
TO DECIDE
WHAT KIND OF
DIFFERENCE
YOU WANT
TO MAKE.

- JANE GOODALL

second breaks



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Sport: Hockey



Results from last week:

The Storm won 1-0 against Sawyers Bay, Will scored the only goal.

Player of the day was Kalo from St Brigid's.

The Strikers had a tough game and lost to Macandrew Bay 12-4.

Player of the day was from Van St Brigid's.

This week's draw

Storm (Year 3&4 Junior Hockey)
Wednesday 28 June @4:30 pm
Maroon Storm v St Clair Ministicks
McMillan Turf Far 3

Strikers (Year 5&6 Senior Hockey)
Wednesday 28 June@5:20 pm
Mac Bay Gladiators vs Maroon Strikers
Queens Turf

Miniball

This week's draw

Thursday 29 June@4:50 pm North East Valley vs St Mary's Edgar Centre Court 2



PTA news

Next Term's Fundraiser

Quiz Night



Donations are already starting to arrive at school from the supportive businesses of Dunedin.

Next term we will be asking for your support in donating prizes, baking, organising a team and selling tickets.

More information will be in the newsletter at the beginning of next term.

The PTA thanks all the parents and wider community for their support over this term with all our fundraising efforts.

No Hot Lunches this Friday

The pie warmer will not be at school this Friday, which means no hot lunches. There will still be Sausages Sizzle Friday happening.

Sausage Sizzle Fridays - Winter term means FREE hot chocolates

Big thank you to Sharna and Nikka for filling in for Linda and Jacquie while they were away.

Name _____

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



This week at a glance:

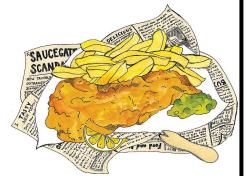
Monday	Naomi our sports activator in for the morning.
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Hockey - 4:30 & 5:20 pm
Thursday	Miniball@4:50 pm
Friday	Reports home
Next Week	Interviews - Wednesday 3-6 pm.



Special Character and Religious Education:

Fish 'n' Chip Night - School & Parish get together!

Thank you to those who joined us for tea and catch up on Friday night, it was lovely to see you all.



Reports

For those new to our school, our reporting system is as follows:

- Year 0-2 children receive their end of year reports on their birthday, and their mid-year reports on their 'half birthday', this is to align with National Standards and make our reporting more accurate.
- Year 3-6 children receive their mid-year report in June, and their end of year report in December.



So for many, reports will be issued this Friday. Remember to check your children's bags for these. A slip will be included for appointments for parent interviews on the afternoon of Wednesday the 5th of July from 3-6pm. It will be a first come, first serve arrangement and we would hope that most people will be able to come in and discuss their child's progress with their teachers.

Teachers Only Day -



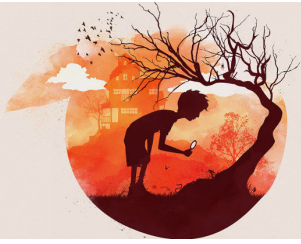
Friday 22 September, mark this date in your diaries.

Teachers will be attending the Catholic Gathering in Alexandra.



Room 2 News

We have been reading Roald Dahl's 'James and the Giant Peach' and we have been doing some descriptive writing about James' nasty aunts.



Aunt Sponge is icky. She is short and fat. She is mean.
By Scarlet

Aunt Sponge is a miserable old lady and is very short and fat. She is bossy and never does things for herself. She has terrible breath and she thinks she is beautiful, but she is really ugly. I'm sure that I would hate to have an aunty like her. **By Emilie**

Aunt Sponge was mean to James, he was just a little boy. She was a red head girl, she had angry teeth and she was fat. Aunt Sponge said something to James, she said it meanly. James doesn't like it. Her sister, Aunt Spiker is mean too. **By Matthew**

Aunt Sponge is not nice to James. She is fat and she is short. **By Samuel**

Aunt Sponge is mean and ugly. She is fat, very very fat. She has sharp teeth and she is grumpy. **By Kaila**



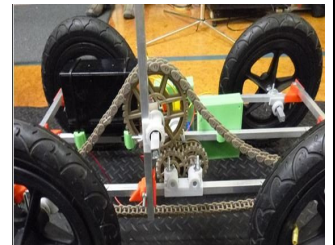
HERE'S THE NEWS

In room 3 we are busy working away on our choose your own adventure stories. When we finish these we will be preparing for the EPro8 challenge in week 1 of next term (29th of July). Another exciting adventure.



Students will be challenged to make a variety of structures that complete mechanical tasks. It all looks incredibly challenging but is manageable. A great excuse to crack out the lego/building blocks/kinex over the holidays if the weather is not so great.

Important concepts to think about are - the base of support, reinforcing the structure and mechanical principles (e.g. how can I make the engine change directions). It should be great fun!



A friendly reminder to check that your child is completing basic facts activities, spelling and reading at home. Reading mileage and basic fact knowledge can be taught at school but detract from developing our deeper thinking skills where we would like to spend most of our learning time.

Thanks
Alan McInally