Dear Parents and Friends

Wednesday 13 May 2015

Many thanks to all of those who attended our parish/school Mass on Saturday where we celebrated Mother’s Day. It’s a lovely opportunity for us to come together as a school group and celebrate something important together.

I sometimes forget just how much history our church has and when you consider the number of people in our school or local community who were either baptised or received other sacraments such as marriage there, it does make the church of St Mary’s Kaikorai quite a landmark in our area. It was really quite moving to talk with Mrs Pemberton outside our church after school on Friday after her late husband’s funeral was held there the previous day. She told me that they were married there in 1967 and that it was really special for her to be able to farewell him in our parish church.

Our children are about this time enjoying their tour around Cadbury’s and again I’d just like to thank a kind family for supporting us with this. We have so many very kind people in our school community who do so much for our school behind the scenes that they can go unnoticed at times but we really do appreciate all they do in the interest of our children.

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Richard Duffy

We aspire to become confident, creative, life long learners who follow Christ
Dates for your Diaries

Thursday 14 May
PTFA meeting, after school

Friday 29 May
Room 2 Assembly, 2:30 pm in Room 1

Monday 1 June
Queens Birthday, no school.

Friday 5 June
Life Education

Thursday 11 June
PTFA Meeting

Monday 15 June
BOT Meeting

Wednesday 17 June
Year 3&4 Sports@Edgar

Friday 19 June
Room 3 Assembly, 2:30 pm in Room 1

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Altar Servers

16 May  Emila Makasini and Summer Paulin
23 May  Soni and Semisi Taungapeau
30 May  David and Atu Makasini

Midwinter Carnival Lantern Making

We are very excited about being the venue for lantern making as part of the Dunedin Winter Carnival on the weekend of June 13 &14 from 10am until 4pm. If our school families are interested in registering for this event, registrations open from Monday May 18. More information can be found on the website by searching "Dunedin Midwinter Carnival". Many thanks to Kelly Keach for investigating and organising this event.

Ski Group Fundraiser

Our ski group have talked of their wish to sell chocolates for a fundraiser for camp in September of this year. Chocolates from Cadbury’s may be here as soon as Friday or early next week.

Sports Corner

Hockey Draw - Wednesday 13th May (Today)

Storm (Year 3&4)  3.40pm at the McMillan Turf.
Strikers (Year 5&6)  6pm at Queens High School.
Please be there at least 15min before your game starts.

Last Week:

Both teams had very close games. The Storm fought hard and defended well but lost 4-2. The Strikers had a tough game with no subs and managed an awesome draw 3-3.

Player of the Day for the Storm was Chloe (St Brigid’s)
Player of the Day for the Strikers was Ella (St Brigid’s)

Miniball Draw

St Mary’s Magic vrs Mornington Red, Court 4,  3:40 pm
Mother’s Day Mass
A big thank you to all of the families who attended Mass on Saturday night to celebrate our special mums! Your support was greatly appreciated.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
There will be a parent meeting for those involved in the Sacramental Programme this afternoon, Wednesday 13th May at 3.15pm in Room 2. Lessons will begin next Saturday at 6pm Mass. (23rd May)

PTFA Cheese rolls
Our cheese roll making day is on Sunday May 24 in the kitchen at Balmacewen School. We desperately need all order forms back by this Friday please so that orders can be placed for bread etc.

We still need a lot of help on the day with the making. It is always a nice wee social get together and chance to have a chat while we get the job done. Please let Holly (022 640 9929) or Kelly (021 027 57306) know if you are able to help.

Sausage sizzle/Hot Chocolate Order Form - Friday Lunchtimes
Name _____________________________

Number of Sausage/s $1.50 each ____________ Hot Chocolate 50 cents ___________
Electives have been going well and in dance we have been learning quite a few routines such as a hip hop routine as well as a contemporary routine.

We made some pictures using mimio to show unsafe fire situations.

In maths my group has been working on decimals, percentages and fractions and learning how to change between them to solve number problems.

In reading my group have been researching famous New Zealanders and answering questions about them. I researched about Willie Apiata who is a soldier who won a Victoria Cross medal.

We have been thinking about and celebrating our wonderful mums!!

I love my mum because she lets me help decorating cakes. She helps me clean my room when it gets messy. My mum is very loving.

Love Bronny.

I love my mum because she looks after me when I feel sick. She makes non gluten food for me and it is yummy. She cares for me. My mum is the best in the world.

Love Emilie.

I love my mum because she gives me the best birthday surprises. She is the best mum.

Love Gabriel.

I love my mum because she takes me to the beach. I love her kisses and cuddles. She loves me and I love my mum so much.

Love Maddy.

We made these special glitter heart candles for our mums at Discovery Time.