Dear Parents and Friends

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With the weather cooling off it is worth mentioning the efforts of our hardy hockey players and coaches who are outside practising on Monday’s after school at the turf at Balmacewen Intermediate School and then playing (sometimes under lights in the dark) on a Wednesday evening. Hockey is a fast and exciting game and I know our children really enjoy playing. It is worth acknowledging the efforts of our coaches Estelle Peyroux and Will Deerness in developing the skills of our players. Hockey has a long tradition in our school and it is great that we are having younger children join up and become involved.

From Monday we are very happy to welcome Mrs Todd and Mrs Thurlow back to school for a 3 week teaching block. Our children enjoy having these two wonderfully enthusiastic teachers come into school and as final year teachers at the College of Education we value them as important members of our small but highly efficient staff.

jaa ne (Japanese farewell)

Richard Duffy

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

Friday 29 May
Room 2 Assembly, 2:30 pm in Room 1
Queen's Birthday, no school.

Monday 1 June
Life Education

Friday 5 June
PTFA Meeting

Thursday 11 June
BOT Meeting

Monday 15 June
Year 3&4 Sports@Edgar

Wednesday 17 June

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

Altar Servers

23 May  Soni and Semisi Taungapeau
30 May  David and Atu Makasini
6 June   Jean-Luc and Angeliaue Peyroux

Midwinter Carnival Lantern Making
Registrations for participating in lantern making as part of the Dunedin Winter Carnival on the weekend of June 13 &14 opened on Monday. More information can be found on the website by searching “Dunedin Midwinter Carnival”

Ski Group Fundraiser
Chocolates are currently being sold as part of a fundraiser for our senior ski camp in September. Jacquie has done a fantastic job organising these and from Friday anyone wishing for another box of chocolates to sell are best to see Asela or Richard about organising this.

Sports Corner

Hockey Draw - Wednesday 20th May (Today)
Storm (Year 3&4)  3.40pm at the McMillian Turf.
Strikers (Year 5&6) have the bye this week.
Please be there at least 15min before your game starts.

Last Week:
The Storm won 3-1. They created lots of scoring opportunities by spreading out and scored 3 great goals.
The Strikers won 4-2. They worked really well as a team and passed the ball beautifully.

Player of the Day for the Storm was Madison (St Brigid's) for awesome tackling.
Player of the Day for the Strikers was Guin for great defending.

Miniball Draw
St Mary’s Magic vrs George St Blue, Court 4, 5:25 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Mrs Kath Kenrick has kindly accepted Fathers invitation to prepare a group of our children.

As you are aware, there is a slight change in plan for the Reconciliation Programme.

These lessons will now be on a **Monday afternoon in Room 1, from 3.30-4.30pm**. Beginning Monday 25th May.

Ascension and Pentecost
*Last weekend we celebrated the Ascension of Jesus.*
This is when Jesus returned to his Father in heaven. If Jesus had stayed on earth forever, people would have had to travel to his home to be with him. But now, because he is with God, he is everywhere! We can be with Jesus any time, anywhere.

*This weekend we celebrate Pentecost.*
Before Jesus returned to heaven, God promised that he would be with us always. So he sent the Holy Spirit to be with us, to live in in us forever.
The birthday of the Church is celebrated on Pentecost. It is the day the Church was born, when the Holy Spirit began to work among the community of disciples.

PTFA Cheese rolls
*Many Hands Make Light Work*
Our cheese roll making day is this Sunday in the kitchen at Balmacewen Intermediate School from around 10am. Special thanks to Holly Wilson for coordinating this event and our PTFA for committing their time.

All help is greatly appreciated as the money raised from these types of initiatives benefits all of our children in different ways in our school

Please let Holly (0226409929) or Kelly (02102757306) 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 ___________
Room 2 has football fever!
We have been practising our soccer skills during our PE lessons and are very excited about Mr Duffy entering us into the ‘Futsal World Cup’ at the Edgar Centre in a couple of weeks.

This week we have been working on our entry for an ‘U20 Football World Cup’ Competition.

We have chosen the Mali football team to support. We have to create a supporters banner, dress in their colours (yellow) and create a chant. We have to video our entry and send it to the radio station.

The prize is tickets for the whole school to go to a Football World Cup game at the Forsyth Barr Stadium! We are pretty excited and hope we win!!

Can all Room 2 children please come dress in yellow THIS Friday so we can record our video.

Last Wednesday we went to Cadberry’s and we went on a school tour. We got to see some trucks and were given some big bags of chocolate that we took home. We learnt that the milk for chocolate comes from Otago but we are not sure where the cocoa beans come from. My group is doing dance for Electives and we have been learning formation dance and we are going to show two dances in assembly soon.

For writing we were writing about the moon which involved poems and stories about the moon.