Principal's Message

Monday 9 May 2016

It was a lovely Mother’s Day family Mass on Saturday evening and a big thank you must got to Mrs Deerness for her time and efforts in organising these Masses. Seeing so many of our school mothers involved in the Mass in some way or another was also very nice.

I am currently involved in some personal/professional readings on the health effects of over consumption of sugar. Funnily enough we don’t actually need processed sugar in our lives in any form and can consume sugars in fruit and other foods. I’d like to thank parents for the healthy options they generally take to providing lunch and break time food for their children at school. Any sweets that children have in their lunchbox from time to time are usually well outweighed by healthier food types.

We continue to enjoy the lovely late autumn weather.

Enjoy your week.

Tot gauw (Dutch farewell)

Richard Duffy

You are far more precious than jewels.

-Proverbs 3:10-
**Dates for your Diaries**

**May**
- Monday 9- Friday 10, Room 3 Skills to Swim - remember those togs
- Monday 16 Catholic Schools Day
- Friday 20 BOT meeting 7 pm in the staffroom
- Monday 23 PTA meeting 3 pm in the staffroom

**June**
- Wednesday 1 Cheese Roll order forms back in
- Friday 3 BOT Election Voting closes 12 noon
- Sunday 12 Cheese Roll making day

**Altar Servers**
- May
  - Saturday 14 David & Ati Makasini
  - Saturday 21 Kata & Janivah Moata’ane
  - Saturday 28 David & Ati Makasini

**Pine Cones**
We have decided to donate the rest of the pine cones to the Syrian families that have recently settled in Dunedin, as part of our social justice for this year.

**Hockey**
Wednesday 11 May
- Year 3 & 4 Storm 4:30 pm on Far 1
- Year 5 & 6 Strikers 5:40 pm on Pav 3

Both games are at the McMillan Turf
Please try to be there 15 min before your game.

The staff would like to extend a very big thank you to Caroline Walker (Katia’s mother) for her huge contribution of surplus stationery from the Otago Daily Times, it including pencils, erasers and work books.

We will be making up some homework packs and sending home by the end of this week.

**Room 3 Swimming**
This is happening all this week.
Children need togs and towels daily. If they forget, you will either be rung or we will be hiring them and at $6 a time and adding them to your school accounts

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**St Mary’s Kaikorai School Board of Trustees Election**

Nominations are invited for the election of five parent representatives to the Board of Trustees.
A nomination form and a copy of this notice has been posted to all eligible voters.
Nominations close at noon on 20 May 2016 and should be accompanied by a candidate’s statement.
The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.
There will also be a list of candidate’s names for inspection at the school.
Voting closes at noon on 3 June 2016.
J E Tetlow
Returning Officer
**Mother’s Day Mass**
Wow, what a fantastic turnout to our Term 2 Family Mass. Thank you so much for your support.
We hope all our mothers and grandmothers had a lovely restful day being spoilt by your children.

**Congratulations to our Young Vinnies**
Our Year 5&6 children were commissioned by members of St Vincent de Paul during our mass on Saturday night. Well done ‘Young Vinnies’ we are looking forward to helping you to help others.

**Pentecost Sunday - 15 May**
The word Pentecost means 50, and refers to the 50 days after Easter. It is called the birthday of the Church because it marks the beginning of the work done by the Church when the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit.
During the Ascension, when Jesus went home to heaven, he promised that we wouldn’t be alone. He sent down the Holy Spirit to be with us as we carry on his work on earth.
We will be celebrating this Feast Day with a liturgy on Friday 14th May at 2.40pm.
You are very welcome to join us.

**Catholic Schools Day**
Monday 16th May
We are planning to meet with Sacred Heart School at the Botanical Gardens on Monday to celebrate Catholic Schools Day. More details will follow in a separate note once everything is finalised.
If you are able to help with transport, please let Jacquie know.

**Parents/Teachers Association (PTA)**
Your committee for 2016
Chairperson: Suzy Pickworth,
Secretary: Erin Kenny
Treasurer: Roman Kubala
Committee: Alice Wouters, Mullens family, Rachael Deerness, Jacquie Tetlow, Kelly Keach, you?
You are all welcome to attend our next meeting Monday 23rd May straight after school in the staffroom.

**Fundraiser for Term - Cheese Rolls**
Cheese roll order forms are coming home today and need to be returned with money by Wednesday 1st June.
We will be making them on Sunday 12 June at Balmacewen Intermediate School more details coming soon.
Many hands make light work and it will be come when you can leave when you must type arrangement.
Sign up sheets will be in the school office closer to the time.
Last week we read the story “Dad’s Snore”. We had a go at writing some extra pages for it.

Dad snored very loud. It went into my room and he woke me up! (Matthew)

Dad’s snore went into the mice cage. It woke the mice up. After that, it went into the budgies cage and woke the budgies up. (Stanislav)

Dad’s snore went under the table. It woke me up. (Isobel)

Dad’s snore went into the baby’s room. It woke her up and she cried. (Alicia)

My reading group read an article about gulls living in Sulphur Bay near Lake Rotorua. We learnt how the sulphur in the water affected the gulls.

In maths we learnt about movements where things are flipped, slip and rotated. Then we started making some patterns using different shapes. On Friday for maths we did problem solving where we were given two problems. Working with a partner we had find the written part in the problem that told us something we knew and could start solving from. Then we had to decide on some way we could display this like on a table or

Sausage sizzle/Hot Chocolates Order Form - Friday Lunchtimes
Name _____________________________
Number of Sausage/s $1.50 each ____________
Hot Chocolate (free) only 1 per child___________