Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We are underway with a really busy and exciting Term 3. When the staff met on Monday morning for an admin meeting we commented on how much we had going on with our term calendar. We are looking forward very much to our camps later in the term and our senior children get the fantastic opportunity to spend two days skiing at Cardrona near Wanaka as well as a day experiencing some of the tourist type activities around the Wanaka area.

It is wonderful for me to have the opportunity to work alongside our children at times and I can really see the growth they are making in their learning as I’m sure parents can also see. We are lucky to have highly skilled staff who bring a lot of expertise to the programmes they deliver. Our low class sizes also allow staff to provide a lot more one on one learning for children which is of great benefit also.

Warm regards to you all

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

Monday 20—Friday 24 July  
Room 3 Skills to Swim

Thursday 23 July  
PTFA Meeting after school

Tuesday 28 July  
Electives Start

Monday 3 August:  
PTFA Quiz Night at Cableways

Tuesday 4 August  
St Mary’s Cross Country 11:30 am

Friday 7 August  
St Dominic’s Mass

Monday 10 August  
BOT meeting at 7 pm in Staffroom

Tuesday 11 August  
Zone Cross Country (postponed date Thursday 13 August)

Saturday 5 September  
Fathers Day Mass/Confirmation

Altar Servers

25 July  
Emila Makasini and Summer Paulin

Ski Camp Meeting

Next Wednesday we are holding a meeting in Room 3 from 7pm to discuss camp later this term. We want to discuss fund raising, some other details and answer any questions you may have at this stage.

Chocolates Fundraiser

There are still a few boxes of chocolates for selling. Remember this money comes off your camp fees. So the more you get out and sell the less you have to pay for camp! Please see Jacquie in the office for another box, if you need it.

Term 3 Electives

Our Term 3 electives of Pasifika learning and guitar start this Tuesday and will run from 1:30-2:30 pm alternate Tuesdays and Thursdays until Thursday August 27. Children know which elective they will be involved in for the term.

School Cross Country

Our school cross country is set for Tuesday August 4 from 11:30. We’re doing quite a bit of training at the moment and would like children to have running shoes at school daily. They are welcome to leave their running shoes here at school over the next couple of weeks if they wish.

PTFA Meeting

Our PTFA is meeting in the staffroom tomorrow at 3pm straight after school. All are welcome to come along for a cuppa and a chat about one or two of the things going on.

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
**Sacrament of Confirmation**

Please keep Launga, Christian, Allyssa, Riley and Vili in your prayers as they begin to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation this term.

*Parent Meeting - Today at 3pm in Room 2.*

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**Quiz Night**

Monday 3rd August at Cableways.

*Great Prizes, Great Night, Great Fun*

*$5 per person plus money for raffles*

*Registration starts 6:30 pm*

*Quiz starts 7:30 pm*

*A great way to start off Term 3!*

Wouldn’t it be fantastic if EVERY FAMILY in school got a team together to come along, have some fun, and support our school.

Even if you don’t have a team, don’t let that put you off.

Come along and be part of another team.

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**Sports Corner**

**Hockey Draw** - **Wednesday 22nd July (Today)**

- Storm (Year 3&4) 3.40pm at the McMillian Turf, Pav 2
- Strikers (Year 5&6) 5.20pm at the McMillian Turf, Pav 2

Please be there at least 15min before your game starts.

**Miniball Draw**

St Mary’s Magic vrs Tainui Shakers, Court 4; 5:25 pm
This morning we had a session with our Sports Activator Naomi. This term we are focusing on Athletics. Today we learnt the techniques for long jump, the triple jump, and shot put. It was lots of fun!

We are also training each day for our school cross country. We are learning to pace ourselves so that we can make it up the hill and around the course without stopping.

We need to bring our running shoes to school each day.

Next Tuesday (28th July) we are taking part in the FMS Challenge at the Stadium. We join other schools in activities to do with throwing, running, balancing, jumping and movement.

Room 2 children need to come to school wearing their sports uniform that day.

This week Room 3 have been having swimming lessons at Moana Pool. On Monday we were tested and put into groups for the lessons and we all did really well.

In our spelling with Mrs Cross we had a test to see where we were with our spelling to start the term.

I have been enjoying talking and learning more about God in RE.

Sausage sizzle/Ice Blocks Order Form - Friday Lunchtimes

Name _____________________________

Number of Sausage/s $1.50 each ____________ Hot Chocolates 50 cents__________