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Newsletter

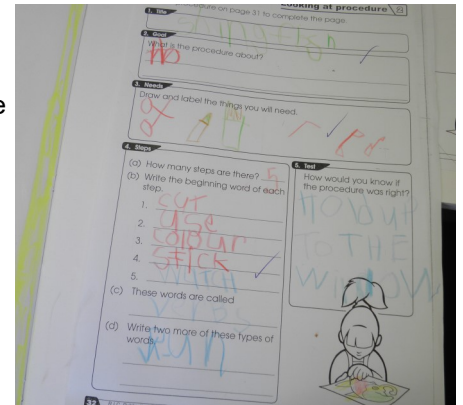
Friday 2nd August 2019 - Week Two

Junior Room - Mrs Dillon (Whaea Dillon)

It was great to have a full classroom this week as Reuben returned to school from his holiday in America.

Our focus this week in RE has been learning about the Sacrament of Baptism. We have been looking at the symbols of Baptism and the meaning behind these. It would be wonderful if your child could bring any photos or objects of their baptism to school for us to look at.

We have also been looking at procedure writing this week and learning about the features of this style of writing. All of the children have worked really hard with their writing and here is Rueben's story.



Senior Room - Mrs Guthrie (Whaea Guthrie)

The children have had a productive week with their learning. We have completed our learning from the Church strand and just begun our learning from the sacrament strand. Preparation has also taken place for our presentation at our shared St Dominic Mass. Well done to our Year 6 leaders for their role in the mass. Our theme for learning this term is "NZ our place". The children will be locating places around New Zealand and will plan, design and produce their own brochure about their chosen area/place/region. This will take the form of a travel brochure enticing visitors.



Science at Kavanagh.

As part of our collaboration with other Catholic Schools in our Kahui Ako, our Year 5 and 6 students shared in a morning of learning in the Kavanagh College Science Laboratory with their teacher. In class they learned about matter and got to make slime. This was followed by pizza, hash browns and hot chocolate. This will be followed by another visit later this term (no date yet).



Growing Our Faith. Celebrated saints this week. 29th July St Martha, 31st July St Ignatius of Loyola, St Alphonsus of Liguori, 3rd August St Dominic.

Thirteen of our schools and colleges in the Dunedin Diocese have a commitment to the Dominican heritage, charism or history. Ten Dominican nuns arrived in Dunedin in February 1871. Within a few days of their arrival they established Dunedin's first Catholic high school for girls. Lets celebrate these amazing women and their gift of faith and Education to us on the 3rd of August.



Netball & Miniball

Draws for both will be advised Monday



Issue 5 out now.

Please order online as follows:

Principal recognition Day

On Friday the 9th August it is the national day of support for Principals. We are going to hold a mufti day where children can wear green to show their support to our amazing Principal— Mrs Guthrie.

If you are able to bring a shared plate for morning tea with green as the theme please let Mrs Dillon know.

Your support in this day would be greatly appreciated!

Quiz Night Fundraiser

Tuesday 17th September 2019

Quiz starts at 7pm

\$5 per ticket—cash upfront please

Maximum 6 people per team

Please support this fun night, get your family and friends together—think about your team name—very important!!!

Thanks from your PTA

School Calendar:

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August:

- 6th Year 4-6 - Zone Cross Country
- 9th Wear green for mufti day— Principal day
- 31st Fathers Day Mass & Gathering

September:

- 6th Grandparents Day
- 6th Sports Activator
- 17th PTA Fundraiser - Quiz Night
- 20th Sports Activator
- 27th Assembly (to be confirmed)

Weather Conditions



The decision to delay opening or closing the school is made by a designated group of schools around the Dunedin area. This group then notifies local media, this generally means that we will find out about it in the same way and at the same time as you. If the school is closed for the day, or starting late, a post will be put on our Facebook page and an email sent out to all families. Please be aware that the school phone may not be monitored.

The following radio stations may broadcast school closures from 6.50am:

Radio Dunedin 1305 AM
The Breeze 98.2 FM
More FM 97.4 FM
The Hits Dunedin Facebook Page

At all times families are to consider their own safety with regards to travel to and from school in adverse weather conditions.