

St Mary's Dunedin

BELONG, BELIEVE, ACHIEVE.



Newsletter.

Friday 14th May 2021 ~ Week Two Term Two



Te Kupu o te wiki

te Wairua Tapu = the Holy Spirit

7th Sunday of Easter.
Father, keep those you
have given me true to
your name - John 17:11-19



Junior Room — Mrs Dillon (Whaea Dillon)

This week we have been learning about the Holy Spirit and how we can show it to others each day. Matua Lucas will be helping us with Maori art, Waiata, our Mihi and Matariki this term. We look forward to his visits. The children have been enjoying creative play and working together to achieve a common goal. We have continued to practise skip counting and adding on from the bigger number in Maths.



Welcome to Nathaniel (Nate).

A very warm welcome to Nate and his family. We look forward to getting to know you more.



Senior Room — Mrs Donnelly (Whaea Donnelly)

This week we have been learning about Yayoi Kusama - an amazing Japanese artist who is famous for her dots. Some children remember the exhibition at the Art Gallery a few years ago where white walls and objects were transformed by coloured dots until there was virtually no white background left at all.

In maths we have started learning how to add in columns - I am sure many parents will be relieved that they can help with this strategy! In writing we have graphic novels, plays, songs, poems and stories being written - with many children collaborating together. A very busy and exciting week.



School Calendar Term 2:

May:

- 19th Otago Nuggets visit
- 26th Food for thought Yr5/6's
- 26th Board of Trustee's Meeting
- 27th Katia's Birthday
- 29th Father Fredy's Birthday
- 31st Gagan's first day

June:

- 4th Teacher Only Day (school closed)
- 7th Queen's Birthday (public holiday)

June continued.

- 9th Clyde's Birthday
- 18th Life Education (Harold) at school
- 18th 10th Anniversary of Fr Fredy's ordination.
- 25th Alyssa's Birthday
- 30th Board of Trustee's Meeting

July:

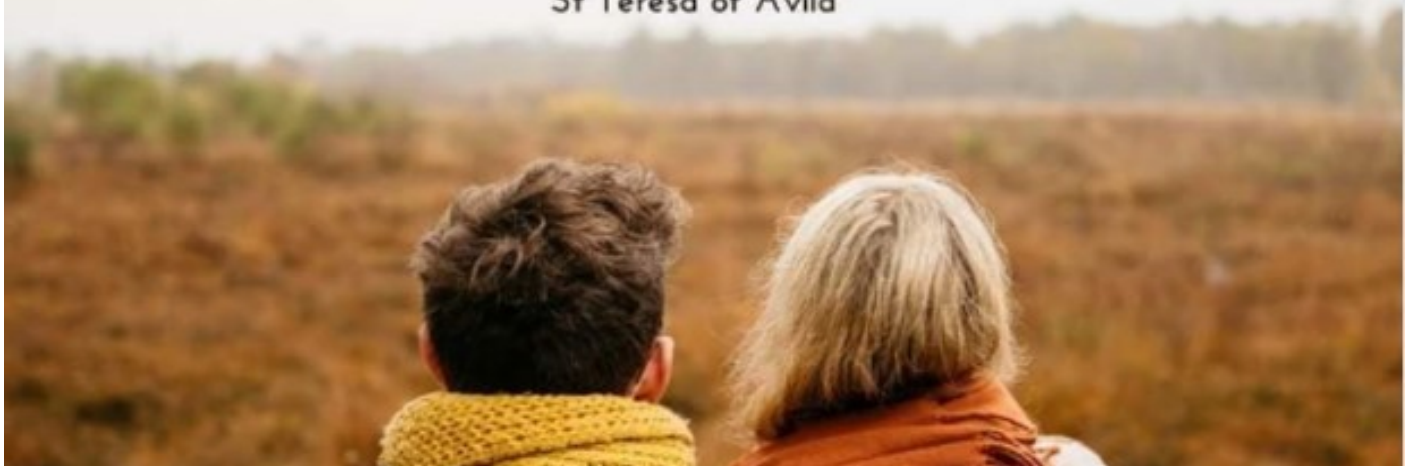
- 1st Kaven's Birthday
- 25th Sierra's Birthday

Thank you so much to our families who supported our school mass last Saturday. It was great to catch up informally afterwards over cake and to wish our mothers a happy mother's day. Of course who could forget our special guest.



Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands, no feet but yours.
Yours are the eyes with which Christ looks out his compassion to the world.
Yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good.
Yours are the hands with which he is to bless us now.

St Teresa of Avila



NEURODIVERSITY PART 2

DYSCALCULIA

A Keynote by Sarah
Sharpe

*An informative session for
whānau on neurodiversity
and how dyscalculia
might affect your child's
math capabilities*

MAY 20, 2021 | 6:00 - 7:00PM
GEORGE STREET
NORMAL SCHOOL

RSVP via the link: bit.ly/2PnbCkc

SAINTS FUN FACTS

by John Sheppard

St. Matthias was chosen as the twelfth apostle as a replacement for Judas. The criteria was the replacement had to have been a disciple from the beginning and baptised by John. The apostles cast lots and Matthias was chosen.



When is Matariki?

In 2021 Matariki will be celebrated between 19 June to 11 July.
Whakanuia te tau hou
Māori, 19 o Pipiri ki 11 o
Hōngongoi 2021.



Thanks again to our amazing Highlander's team who continue to support our families with free tickets!
This Friday is the first match of the Trans-Tasman super rugby.

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SUPER RUGBY
SPEIGHT'S
PULSE
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UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO
BLIS
SMITHS
CRESTED
ADIDAS

HIGHLANDERS
vs
Reds
Fri 14 May 7.05pm
- TICKETEK.CO.NZ -



Dunedin Catholic Schools

Kāhui Ako

TEACHER ONLY DAY – FRIDAY 4th of June 2021

On Friday the 4th of June all the teaching and support staff in all our Catholic Schools are gathering at Kavanagh College for a day of high quality, targeted professional learning. This will mean that schools will be closed for the day. We have tagged this onto Queen's Birthday Weekend.

We would like to extend an invitation to all our parents to the first session of the Expo.

Where: Kavanagh College Auditorium

When: 8.45-10.30 a.m.

Who: Jehan Casinader- 'The Power of Stories'

Each of us has a story about who we are, where we've come from and where we might be going. But where do those stories come from? How do our stories influence our mental health? And how can we tell more helpful, hopeful stories about our lives – especially as we navigate the ups and downs of Covid-19?

Jehan Casinader has wrestled with these questions. He's one of New Zealand's top TV journalists.

Jehan Casinader is a journalist, author and mental health advocate. He has reported for TVNZ's flagship programmes, including Sunday, Seven Sharp, Close Up and Breakfast. He was named "Broadcast Reporter of the Year" at the Voyager Media Awards in 2020, and "Reporter of the Year" at the New Zealand Television Awards in 2018.



*In the aftermath of natural disasters, terror attacks, sporting triumphs and everything in between, Jehan has helped hundreds of Kiwis to share their vulnerable and deeply personal stories with the rest of the country. He is the author of *This Is Not How It Ends: How rewriting your story can save your life* (HarperCollins).*