

St Mary's Dunedin



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2nd February
Term 1 - Week 1



TE REO MĀORI

Te Kupu o te wiki

Hoa- friend

Mark 1:29-39

He cast out devils and cured many
who were suffering from disease



School Calendar:

February

6th **WAITANGI DAY**
8th Hearing You (fortnightly)
14th Ash Wednesday Mass 2pm
15th Board meeting
26th Bike School
29th Safe Sounds visitor



January & February birthdays

8th Jan -Reuben	29th Jan -Leyna
12th Jan- Ryah	15th Feb -Ngaika
16th Jan -Melissa	17th Feb -Olivia
20th Jan -Meris	

Nau mai haere mai, maligayang pagdating, welcome back, swagatham!

As we gather once again for the 2024 school year, it is with great joy that I extend a warm welcome back to our beloved small Catholic school family. May this school year be filled with inspiration, growth, and blessings for each one of you.

The journey ahead is an exciting one, where we will learn, laugh, and grow together as a community. Let our values instilled in us, guide our actions, and may the spirit of compassion and understanding be our constant companions.

To our returning families, welcome home. To our new families, we are thrilled to have you join our family. Let us embrace each day with enthusiasm, curiosity, and a commitment to excellence.

We are working towards the upcoming academic year be one of accomplishment, friendship, and spiritual fulfillment. Together, let us create a school year that reflects the love and compassion that defines our Catholic faith.

Wishing us all a fantastic and successful school year!

In Christ's love,
Corinne.

HAPPY BACK to SCHOOL WEEK!



Year 4 Play



Year 5 Play



Year 6 Play



Maximise your child's communication potential with



Parlez Speech and Language Therapy provides high quality professional help to people in the Dunedin area, South and North Otago. We also offer remote telehealth sessions.

Meet Meryl Jones Practice Owner/Therapist

Meryl is a registered speech-language therapist with the New Zealand Speech-language Therapists' Association with over 30 years experience.



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📘 Parlez Speech Language Therapy

📷 [parlez_speech](https://www.instagram.com/parlez_speech)

📍 Room 9, Level 2, 1 Bond St, Dunedin 9016

At Parlez SLT we are committed to helping children and young people fulfil their potential in life by removing communication barriers.

We offer high quality evidence-based intervention for children who have any of the following issues:

- ▶ Late talkers: saying very little or struggling to produce language at the same level as their peers.
- ▶ Difficulty understanding what they are told.
- ▶ Unclear speech e.g., due to using a limited number of speech sounds or articulation difficulties.
- ▶ Difficulty producing specific speech sounds e.g., lisps
- ▶ Difficulty talking fluently e.g., stuttering.
- ▶ Problems with voice e.g., hoarse, husky voice, losing their voice altogether.
- ▶ Difficulty with appropriate social use of language.
- ▶ Need alternative ways to communicate to support or replace speech.
- ▶ Difficulty with phonics causing literacy issues.

How We Work

Assessment and intervention can be offered wherever best suits the child and their family e.g. in clinic, at home or at pre-school/school. Telehealth sessions can also be provided if appropriate. After school sessions can be provided.

We know that working as a team will achieve better outcomes, so we liaise with other relevant people involved in the child's care e.g., teachers, GP, allied health team.

Following assessment an individualised intervention plan will be agreed with parents. This will outline goals, frequency of sessions and timeframes.

Intervention often involves work on the child's environment e.g., educating and training communication partners alongside direct work with the child.

For therapy to be effective, a therapy support person is generally needed to help with home practice of work given in therapy sessions.

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AFFORDABLE MUSIC CLASSES

HELD AT OUR SATURDAY MORNING OR AFTER-SCHOOL MUSIC CENTRES
LARGELY FUNDED BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

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Visit our Website: <https://www.smmcotago.nz>

SATURDAY MORNING MUSIC CLASSES

A locally operated non-profit organisation, established in 1968, providing very affordable music education in Dunedin and Central Otago for primary and intermediate school children. Our Open Division caters for secondary school students and adults, including beginners and advanced learners.

CLASSICAL

A full spectrum of orchestral instruments across the string, woodwind, brass and percussion families is offered.

CONTEMPORARY

Choose from a more contemporary style instrument, including guitar, drums, ukulele and saxophone.

SINGING

Learn how to use the most portable of instruments - the human voice!

LET'S MAKE MUSIC & RECORDER

First musical experience for 5 and 6 year-old children. Recorder lessons are for those who are at least 6 years-old.

ENSEMBLES

A range of ensembles - string, orchestras, ukulele bands and more. You can even join if you're not taking lessons with SMMC.

ENROL NOW FOR 2024

Enrolments taken for all of our teaching centres

SATURDAY 10 FEBRUARY

9:30 - 11:00

**BATHGATE PARK SCHOOL
GEORGE STREET NORMAL SCHOOL**

WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

3:30 - 4:30

ELMGROVE SCHOOL, MOSGIEL

TEACHING CENTRES

DUNEDIN

- George Street Normal School
- Bathgate Park School
- Mornington School
- Tainui School

MOSGIEL

- Elmgrove School

CENTRAL OTAGO

- The Terrace School, Alexandra
- Cromwell School, Cromwell





Tennis Otago Incorporated
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Physical: Stevenson Tennis Centre, 33 Logan Park Drive, North Dunedin

Monday Tennis Info Sheet

Kia Ora,

Our Monday programme is all set to start on **12th February 2024**. A brief breakdown of each grade is detailed below as well as some important information regarding the competition.

Dates: February 12, 19, 26, March 4, 11, 18 (6 Weeks)

Staff/Reporting: We will have a staff member present at the Stevenson Tennis Centre throughout the event. The gate will be open from 3:40pm for players to sign in.

Equipment/Tennis Balls: We will provide tennis balls on the day. We also have tennis racquets available to borrow if any players require one.

Blocks: Tennis Otago will assign your school to one of the blocks and let you know which block your school is in once registrations have been completed.

Cancellations: If the day's play is cancelled, Tennis Otago will notify schools and parents by no later than 2:30pm on the Monday in question.

Cost: \$40 per person



PARENTING COURSES

TERM 1 2024

Find new tools to help develop your parenting skills with practical ideas and great support through the following courses:

❖ **Toolbox Younger Years: Preschool / Primary**- 6-week course
Wednesday 9.30 – 11.30am (Starts 21st Feb)

❖ **Toolbox Older Years: Primary /Tween/ Teen Years**- 6-week course
Wednesday 7-9pm (Starts 21st Feb)

Cost: \$85 Individual/ \$120 Couple, Subsidised rates available

Topics include: • The importance of love and connection • Different parenting styles • Discipline and boundaries • Understanding your child's big emotions / The teenage brain and risk-taking

Toolbox Enquiries to Michelle Morris, 027 2767833 michelle@cathsocialservices.org.nz

❖ **Game on (for Dads)** – 6-week course
Wednesday 7-9pm (Starts 21st Feb) 6-week course.
Cost: \$85, Subsidised rates available

This group is run for Dads by Dads, to be the best Dad they can be for their kids. We will explore what we want for our kids and what we have to do to make a positive difference.

<https://www.gameonline.org.nz>

Game On Enquiries to Callum Hartstonge, 021 072 4952, callum@cathsocialservices.org.nz

❖ **Incredible Years** - 14-week course.
Friday Morning course 9:30am-12pm in **Term 1 2024**, (Starts 23rd Feb)
Cost: FREE, participants need to be prepared to attend all sessions.

The Incredible Years Parent Programme for parents (or caregivers) who have young children aged from 3 to 8 years with challenging behaviours. The programme provides practical suggestions in every-day situations with a focus on you and your child's wellbeing.

Incredible Years Enquiries to CSS office 4553838, office@cathsocialservices.org.nz

All courses run at Catholic Social Services (unless specified)
42 Macandrew Rd, South Dunedin

To register: CSS office: 4553838, www.cathsocialservices.org.nz/courses-events/



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