# St Mary's Dunedin



BELONG, BELIEVE, ACHIEVE.

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## TE REO MAORI

Te Kupu o te wiki Kainga- home Mark 1:40-45
The leprosy left the man at once, and he was cured



#### School Calendar:

#### February

14th Ash Wednesday Mass 2pm

15th Board meeting

26th Bike School

29th Safe Sounds visitor

March

9th School Mass 6pm



### February birthdays

15th Feb -Ngaika 17th Feb -Olivia

### Junior Room - Miss Rowley (Whaea Rowley)



This week we have spent time learning about our literacy and numeracy activities and games. We have worked on being independent once we have learned a game and then we have shared what we have learned with others so all the children can play all the games.



#### Middle Room - Mrs Dillon (Whaea Dillon)

A warm welcome back to all families in Room 2. The children have settled in very well and I am looking forward to being part of their learning journey this year. In class over the last 2 weeks our focus has been on establishing class routines, rules and responsibilities. This linked with our learning about the treaty of Waitangi and the importance of setting rules together so we can achieve the same goals in a happy and calm environment. We also looked at the New Zealand flag and learned of its history over time.





#### Senior Room- Mrs Guthrie (Whaea Guthrie)

This week we have started our learning about Kia Noho Hāhi - Being Church. This focuses on the spiritual journey of each person. The children will grow their understanding of what a sacrament is and what they do. This will involve exploring the seven sacraments and making connections about how these can be part of their life journey. We have also created our own covers for our RE learning in the Being Church strand.





#### **Altar Server Training.**

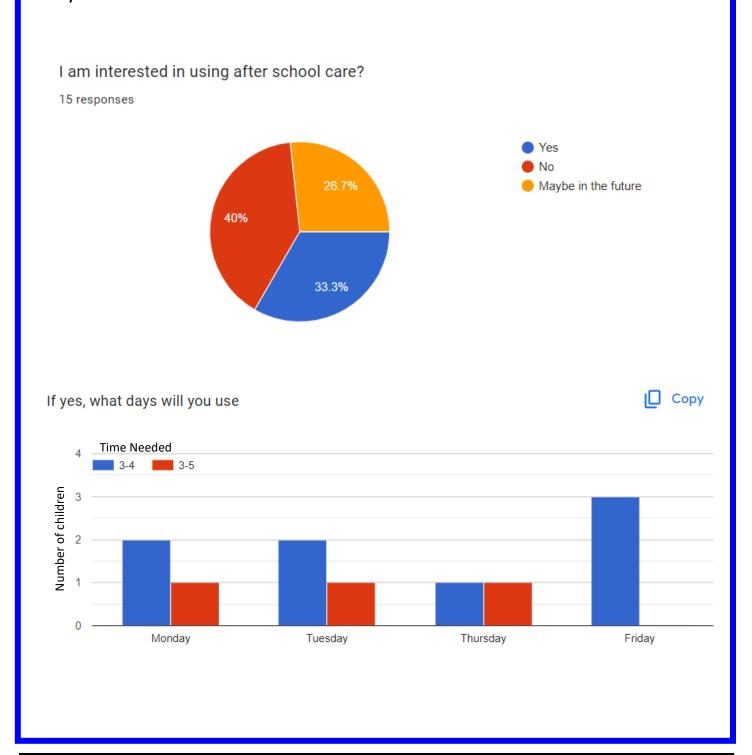
Our alter servers had their training with Father Vaughan this week. They will be developing their service over the coming few weeks at our Friday mass, with the support of our only fully trained server - Alyssa.







Here are the results from the after school survey. As you can see there are not enough children for a company to run this onsite. The school is open to ideas on how we can make this work for parents who are wanting care. Please contact me with your ideas.



All of our school policies are held in one place on our SchoolDocs website.

You can access these by visiting https://st-marys.schooldocs.co.nz/Logon Username: st-marys and password dominic





Please join us at 2pm on Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> February for our Ash Wednesday Mass.



We welcome Jameisha, our school councillor, back to our school family once again this year. If you would like your child to see her then please see reception to make sure you have signed the relevant consent form. This is a free service for our families.



#### **HOT FOOD FRIDAY!**

Remember that you can place your child's Hot Food order during the week using the pinned order form link on Skool Loop.





## Cathedral & Hill Suburbs Pastoral Area

ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL ST MARY'S (Kaikorai) ST FRANCIS XAVIER (Mornington) ST JOSEPH'S (Brockville)

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS AND SERVICE TIMES – 14 Feb (Day of fasting & abstinence from eating meat)

9:30pm Mass: St Francis Xavier, Mornington: (School attending)

12:00pm (noon) Mass: Cathedral: (School attending)

2:00pm Ashes Service: St Mary's, Kaikorai (School attending)

5:30pm Mass: Cathedral (138th Anniversary of its dedication 1886)

#### Waitangi Day

Bishop J. B. F. Pompallier arrived in New Zealand in 1838, and established many Catholic missions. Pompallier was sympathetic to Māori concerns, and for his time, he had an enlightened view towards Māori culture. He was at Waitangi when the Treaty was signed on 6 February 1840, and asked Lieutenant-Governor Hobson for his promise to protect the Catholic faith. This pledge is sometimes referred to as the unwritten "fourth article" of the Treaty, and is said to protect and recognise not only major western religions, but also Māori custom. Abridged from, The Treaty of Waitangi Information Programme State Services Commission 2005





#### Laudato Si' reflection

Who are the 'lepers' in today's society? How are destruction of the environment and increased poverty interlinked? LS 157 - Francis says:"...the common good calls for social peace, the stability and security provided by a certain order which cannot be achieved without particular concern for distributive justice; whenever this is violated, violence always ensures. Society as a whole, and the state, in particular, are obliged to defend and promote the common good".

(Diocesan LS Group)



# We need your help to grow our school!

Do you know of any families who are looking to enrol in our amazing school?

We would love to meet them to discuss and show them the opportunities that small school education has