



St Brigid's School Newsletter

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Term Two - Week 7, 4th June 2026



Blessed



On Sunday I was so delighted to celebrate the wonderful achievement of my friend, and Trinity Catholic College staff member, Amelia Bresanello, who has been awarded the King's Service Medal (KSM) in the 2026 King's Birthday Honours List for her outstanding service to the Dunedin community

For over 30 years, Amelia has dedicated her time to supporting young people through Edmund Rice Camps Dunedin. Her leadership, care and commitment have made a lasting difference in the lives of countless children and families across Otago. Through her work, she has helped provide opportunities, support and essential resources to young people facing challenges, ensuring they feel valued, included and cared for.

Many of you will remember that the proceeds from our school photos last year were donated to support Edmund Rice Camps. We are proud that our school community has been able to contribute to the valuable work that Amelia and the camp volunteers do for children and families in need.

Congratulations, Amelia, on this special recognition. Your commitment to serving others reflects the values at the heart of Catholic education and inspires us all.

If you would like to support the ongoing work of Edmund Rice Camps, check out their website

<https://www.ercdunedin.com>



EDMUND RICE CAMPS - DUNEDIN

MO NGA TAMARIKI - FOR THE CHILDREN

SKI TRIP

CARDRONA FAMILY SKI WEEKEND

St Francis Xavier School is organising a ski trip to Cardrona Ski Field and warmly invites St Brigid's families to join them on the weekend of 8th–9th August.

This is a fantastic and more affordable way to introduce your family to skiing, with costs significantly lower than standard public prices.

Families will need to arrange their own accommodation and will meet on the mountain to collect gear and lift passes.

If you are interested in attending this trip, please email andrew@stfrancisxavier.school.nz. Once your email is received, a booking form will be sent to you to complete and return.

Please ensure all bookings are submitted by Thursday 18th June.



Miss Wassell received an email from Caritas, thanking us for our amazing fundraising efforts during our Caritas Challenge last term! We raised an amazing \$1510.50 which becomes \$6042 with the \$1=\$4 agreement they have with MFAT (Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade)! A huge congratulations to all of our wonderful St Brigid's community.

Congratulations to our three top fundraisers :

Stevie Smith, Walter Munro, and Erin Chadwick.



Today is World Environment Day and each family will be coming home today with a special donation from ODT called Penguin Kind- 501 sustainable actions under \$100.

Thank you

This looks like a fun book with great challenges for sustainability at home.

We would love to hear any challenges you take up.

Send us your photos :)



Another garden cleaned up and ready for planting



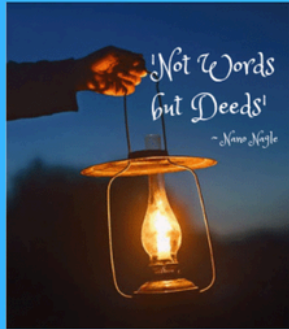
Take a little time to learn together

TIME Aso nei Today Ananafi Yesterday Taeo Tomorrow Ua ta le fia? What is the time?	EMOTIONS Alofa Love Fa'aaloalo Respect 'Ata Smile or laughter Fiafia Happy Ita Mad Fa'anoanoa Sad	CONVERSATION O lou igoa o My name is O a mai oe? How are you? Manuia faafetai Fine thank you Faafetai tele lava Thank you very much Manuia lou aso Have a great day O fea o e alu i ai? Where are you going? O ai? Who O le a? What O fea? Where A fea? When Aisea? Why Fa'aapefa How E mafai ona Is it possible Alu i o Go over there Sau ii Come here
SAMOAN GREETINGS Talofa lava Hello Afio mai Welcome Tofa Soifua Goodbye		
DAYS OF THE WEEK Aso Sa Sunday Aso Gafua Monday Aso Lua Tuesday Aso Lulu Wednesday Aso Tofi Thursday Aso Faraile Friday Aso To'onai Saturday	PEOPLE Tama Boy/Father Tina Mother Teine Girl Tamaiti Children Tamaloa Man Fafine Woman Matai Chief	
IN THE KITCHEN Umukuka Kitchen Vai Water Kuka Cook Kofe Coffee Ti Tea Susu Milk	AT THE OFFICE Nofoa Chair Laulau Table Galuega Work Fono Meeting Pule aoao Boss Pule Manager	EATING & DRINKING Inu Drink Fia inu Thirsty Ai Eat Fia ai Hungry Mea'ai Food Fufulu ou lima Wash your hands

Nano Nagle Trust

Are you struggling to meet the costs associated with your child's education due to:

- illness
- bereavement
- changes in benefits
- separation
- the cost of living
- supporting a large family
- unemployment



We Can Help!

Attendance Dues, Course Costs, Uniforms
(camps and donations excluded)

Talk to the principal of your school

Please note if you are applying for an Attendance Dues rebate you must be able to demonstrate that you are making attempts to pay some of the cost on a regular basis. Your Diocese account also needs to be submitted with your application.

2026 Closing dates for application submissions
27 March, 30 June, 30 September

The next meeting of the Nano Nagle Trust is on the 27th of June. The Trust aim to help whānau who are experiencing tough times. To be approved it is important to be able to show you are making regular payments to the Diocese and give a little information about your situation. Please see Teenaka if you would like to make an application.



We have School Mass every second Friday at 10:30 am You are all welcome!

After School Care

After School Care is available in our school hall each day from 3:00pm – 5:45pm.

If you require care on a regular basis or for casual days, please contact Isobel on 022 382 6983 for more information.

Teacher Only Day – 28 August
Isobel will also be running After School Care on the Teacher Only Day, Thursday 28 August.

The cost for the day is \$20 per child.
Please contact Isobel directly to make a booking.

Congratulations



NIDD Spirit Award Nominations

Linda has nominated her junior netball team for consistently showing outstanding fair play during both practice sessions and games.

Well done to Bonnie, Zach, Alice, and TJ for demonstrating great teamwork, respect, and sportsmanship. As well this morning our Fair play awards from Tua kana Teina time on Friday. Well done!



What's coming up?



- 5th Assembly
- 12th Mass PALS- tuakana-teina
- 17th BOT
- 19th Assembly
- 26th Mass
- 2nd Reports
- 3rd Assembly

Last Day of Term 3 - July 3rd
 Last day of the school year is 16th
 December - Family Carols from
 11:30 followed by Lunch.

SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL

AND GET 20% OFF A MONARCH WILDLIFE CRUISE

Create lifelong memories and have a wild time with family.
 10% of your ticket cost goes back to our school.

Valid from 1 May to 30 September 2026.
 Book online at: wildlife.co.nz/wildlife-cruise

ST BRIGID'S BUSY BEES

Four year old programme

Every second Wednesday 1:45- 2:45pm
 Term 3 Dates: 29th July, 12th August, 26th August, 9th September

Is your child getting ready to start school?
 Our fun, Busy Bees Programme is the perfect way to help them feel confident and excited about their school journey.

Through games, art and craft, hands-on activities, and new friendships, children will:

- ✦ Explore early literacy and numeracy skills
- ✦ Build fine motor skills
- ✦ Develop confidence and social skills
- ✦ Become familiar with our school environment and teachers

BOOK NOW FOR TERM 3

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PARENTS AND/OR CAREGIVERS MUST BE PRESENT, SO COME ALONG AND MEET OTHER PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Structure For Each Day

Monday July 13th (McMillan Hockey Centre Otago Hockey)	Ultimate Sports Clash (Multi-Sport Madness) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crazy Multi-Sport Games • Team Relays and Fun • Prizes and awards!
Tuesday July 14th (McMillan Hockey Centre Otago Hockey)	Pyjama Party Tuesday (Dress Up Day #1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cricket Rounders Tournament • Capture the Flag Mania • Pyjama Day Dress Up
Wednesday July 15th (Edgar Centre)	Hockey Vs Cricket <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hockey-Themed Relays • Cricket-Themed Fun • Battle of the Codes
Thursday July 16th (Edgar Centre)	Cricket Carnival <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sparks Smash Showdown • Four Corners Cricket • Team Tournament Games
Friday July 17th (Edgar Centre)	Friday Frenzy (Dress Up Day #2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dress up as your favourite Sports Star • Classic Party Games • Favourite Games Voted by Kids

Late Starts and School Closure.

The decision to delay the opening or closing of 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 notice will be made on our school facebook page. The following radio stations generally broadcast school announcements from 7am: The Hits Breakfast with Callum & P (Facebook Page) & Radio Dunedin 1305 A The Breeze 98.2 FM More FM 97.4 FM We ask that families consider their own safety first with regards to travel to and from school in adverse weather conditions.

School Accounts

St Brigid's School Board of Trustees
 Account Number:
 06-0942-0045712-00

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