



St Brigid's School Newsletter

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3rd September 2026. Term 3 Week 7

Dear Parents and Whānau,
Tomorrow is our School Disco, and we are looking forward to seeing you all there. We will have chicken burgers available for families to purchase. Please remember to order and pay before the night.

We will also have our disco shop open, with prices available for you to see below, and a photo booth..



A very warm welcome to Jackson, who started school this week.

Jackson is excited to begin his school journey in Room 4 with his friend Raniel.

We are so happy to have and your family at St Brigid's. [Welcome!](#)



Social Justice Week 2026

We look forward to seeing you all there.

We would also like to wish a relaxing day on Sunday celebrating the fabulous father figures in your life.



**Father's Day Blessing
Loving God,**



We give thanks today for all fathers and father figures who share their love, guidance and strength with us. Bless them with patience, wisdom and joy as they care for their families. We also remember those who are no longer with us and give thanks for the love they shared. May all fathers be blessed with love, peace and happiness, today and always. Amen.

All forms have been sent home. We are encouraging everyone to help out and take on any odd jobs around the home or neighbourhood (such as washing cars, walking dogs, or helping in the garden). Collect sponsorships for your work and return the money and card to school by Friday the 11th of September

All funds raised will go directly to Edmund Rice Camps Dunedin, helping support their work running camps for local children who need it most.

Ameila Bresanello won a King Service Award earlier this year for her work with Edmund Rice Camps in Dunedin over the past 30 years. All Central Dunedin Catholic Schools are working together to support Edmund Rice Camps.

St Brigid's School Polyfest Performance

We are incredibly proud of the preparation and hard work that has gone into our 2026 Polyfest performance. We have a variety of children leading each item, including our school musicians who will help keep us in time. It has been wonderful to see the confidence and teamwork of all our tamariki.

We will perform on Friday 11 September by bus leaving school at 11.00am. We will return to school after our 11.54am performance about 1pm.

If you are interested in coming along to support us, please make sure you arrive early to secure a good spot. Most importantly, make sure you are loud and proud as you cheer on and support our school!

A huge thank you to Carmel and the team for all the time, effort and encouragement they have put into preparing our children.

Ka pai, St Brigid's!

We can't wait to see you there!



Te Reo Māori in Our Classrooms

Our tamariki are continuing to develop their te reo Māori through waiata, daily prayers and everyday language used in the classroom. It is wonderful to see their confidence growing as they use new kupu and phrases throughout the school day.

In Room 3, the children have been learning a whakataukī (Māori proverb or saying) each week. They have enjoyed learning the meaning behind each whakataukī and sharing these with their whānau as part of their weekly reporting. This is a wonderful way for our tamariki to connect their learning at school with their families at home.



As a Mercy school, we are proud to be inspired by the life of Catherine McAuley, founder of the Sisters of Mercy.

Catherine dedicated her life to serving those in need, especially children, families and people experiencing poverty or hardship. Her example reminds us that Mercy is more than a name – it is a way of living. At our school, we work to continue Catherine's mission by showing care, compassion, respect and service to one another and our wider community. Her words, "Do the good you can," continue to inspire us to make a difference through small acts of kindness every day. We will celebrate Mercy day with a Mass at Trinity Catholic College with our other Duendin Mercy schools on the last day of this term.

We will travel by bus and then walk to Moana Pool. Children will be able to swim and if interested can go on the hydroslide. We just need enough parent supervisors to make this happen. Please let the office know if you can help. All costs will be covered by the school.

St Brigid's School Survey

We would love it if you could take some time to share your ideas and thoughts as we look at school planning for 2027.

<https://forms.gle/G3eCv5AQro1cFt9U6>

Uniforms

If you have any school uniforms that you no longer need and would like to donate to our school uniform shop, please drop them into the school office. Families are welcome to come and have a look through the uniform shop if you need any additional items.

Summer uniform can be worn at the start of Term 4, so please make sure your child has everything they need before then.

If you need a new pinafore, Prom x are now selling them for just \$58, making this a much more affordable option for families.

New uniforms can also be purchased from The Warehouse or at the school uniform shop beside the urgent doctors.

Thank you to everyone who donates uniforms to help support other families in our school community.

OUR UNIFORMS

GIRLS (SUMMER)	BOYS (SUMMER)	GIRLS (WINTER)	BOYS (WINTER)
			
• Navy jersey • Catholic Schools Pinafore • White short sleeved shirt • White socks • Black shoes • Navy blue hair ties, clips and ribbons	• Grey polo shirt OR • Grey short sleeved shirt • Grey shorts • Grey socks • Black shoes	• Navy jersey • Catholic Schools Pinafore • White long sleeved shirt • Navy tights • Black shoes • Navy blue hair ties, clips and ribbons	• Grey polo shirt OR • Grey long sleeved shirt • Navy track pants • Grey socks • Black shoes
Jersey is for Summer and Winter.		Jersey is for Summer and Winter.	

Summer Sports

Let's get active. Term 4 Sports registrations. **LAST DAY TO SIGN UP - 11th September**



Futsal played at Edgar

Years 1–4 Tuesday, 13 October–1 December 8 weeks

Years 5–8 - Wednesday, 14 October–2 December. 8 weeks

\$50 per players.

Registrations - <https://forms.gle/NRdBqCTHbZFAc7AE9>



Touch Rugby played at Kennsington Oval

Games are played on Thursday in Term 4

\$36 per player

3.45pm Year 3-4 Open Social

4.15pm or 4.45pm Year 5-6 Open Elite, Year 5-6 Girls Development, Year 5-6 Social

<https://forms.gle/2SmktjqXJdYXc94m6>



Tee Ball Registrations for the 2026/27

Register with Cardinals Club

Age grades are based on your child's age as at 31 December 2026.

Register today by visiting:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/cardinalsotago?em=0>.



Flipperball

If interested email office@stbrigidsdn.school.nz and we will forward on any information.

Year 3-6 played at Moana Pool.

Games on Sundays and the odd Saturday if needed.

Must be a confident swimmer.

Girls Smash | Year 3–6

Girls Smash is a fun, social cricket programme designed specifically for girls who want to give cricket a go, develop their skills and play with their friends. No previous cricket experience is required.

Term 4: Monday 2 November – Monday 7 December

Mondays | 4–5pm | Logan Park

6-a-side pairs cricket • Register individually or as a team • Ice cream truck at every session!

Individual Registration - <https://www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/register/842b87>



**ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN
FOR 2027!**

**ENROL NOW AND BE PART OF OUR
CARING, SUPPORTIVE AND INCLUSIVE
SCHOOL COMMUNITY.**

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

We offer safe, fun and engaging care for your children:

- ✓ Before School Care
- ✓ After School Care
- ✓ Holiday Programme

Where children feel welcome, supported and cared for.



CARE

We show kindness and look after one another.



RESPECT

We value everyone and treat others the way we want to be treated.

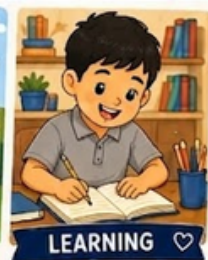


RESPONSIBILITY

We do our best and take responsibility for our actions and our learning.



FAITH



LEARNING



FRIENDSHIP



FUN



A CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Grounded in faith and guided by our Mercy values.



QUALITY LEARNING

Engaging programmes that nurture curious, confident and capable learners.



WELCOMING COMMUNITY

A place where every child is known, valued and supported to shine.



BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Convenient care options for busy families.

Come and see what makes St Brigid's special!

Enrol today for 2027!

We would love to welcome your family to ours.

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Living Water
Season of Creation 2026

Immersion in Living Water
EZEKIEL 47:9, 12

During the ecumenical Season of Creation (1 Sept – 4 Oct) Christians throughout the world are invited to give thanks for the gifts of creation, celebrate, pray and take action to care for creation. This year's theme is **Living water** and we are invited to let God's living water flow through our lives. "The symbol depicts water flowing from the Temple of God - at first a tiny stream that grows deeper, and deeper and as it does so, it brings life to dead areas and restores fertility to damaged or barren ecosystems. Through living water comes healing; but in order to receive new life, we too must step into the water and also become part of God's river of life, taking part in the healing of creation." [from page 10, Season of Creation Celebration Guide, <https://seasonofcreation.org/>]

Before or After School Care is available!

After School Care at St Brigid's School. Please contact Isobel 022 382 6983

St Brigid's School Board of Trustees

Account Number: 06-0942-0045712-00

St Brigid's School PTA

Account Number – 06 0901 0797125 00

School Calendar

September

3rd Swimming
4th Family School Disco
4th Concert Year 3-6 Trinity
4th Mass 10:30 a.m / Tuakana teina
7th Social Justice week
8th Board meeting
10th Swimming
11th Poly Fest 11:50am
11th No Assembly
18th Mass 10:30a.m /Tuakana teina
25th Mercy Day/ Cultural time

**Last day of the school year
is 16th December**

**St Brigid's School Musical
11th December
6pm Trinity Auditorium**

Policies

For information about our School Policies

<https://www.schooldocs.co.nz/>
Community Username :stbrigidsdn
Community Password :brigids57



Māori Mass

The next Māori Mass will be on 6 September at 4.30pm at St Patrick's Basilica in South Dunedin. Everyone is very welcome.