



St Brigid's School Newsletter

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Term Two - Week 10 - 25th June 2026

Grateful, Thankful and Blessed

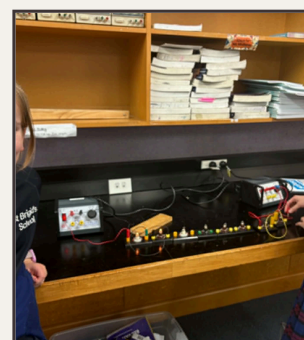
Being part of our Dunedin Catholic community is one of my favourite parts of being in education. Our schools are connected not only by shared values and faith but also by the people who work together to support the growth and success of every child.

This week, I have been especially grateful for the wonderful principals and staff across the Dunedin Diocese and for the spirit of collaboration that exists between our schools. Through these strong partnerships, our students are given opportunities to learn, and connect.

A wonderful example of this was our Year Six students' participation in the SEEK Programme at Trinity Catholic College. The afternoon provided an opportunity for our children to experience life at Trinity while developing their scientific knowledge and skills. Kerron Thomson, a fabulous teacher, led a hands-on session exploring electricity. Students created circuits, investigated which materials conduct electricity, and tested their ideas through practical learning.

Beyond the science, our students experienced the warmth and hospitality of the Trinity community. During break time, we enjoyed spending time with Trinity students and staff who made us feel welcome. It was wonderful to see our pupils confidently engaging in learning and beginning to picture themselves as future members of the Trinity community.

Thank you to Kerron Thomson and to Trinity Catholic College community for providing such a positive experience for our students.





Peninsula Art Exhibition – Student Information



All children will be creating an art piece to present in the Peninsula Art Exhibition during Week 3 (Monday). The exhibition will be open from Tuesday 4th August to Friday 7th August, until 5:00 pm each day, at Bayfield High School Hall. All are welcome to wander around and see the amazing art completed by your children as well as other Peninsula schools.

Two students from each school will receive a prize. Winners will be announced, and the prizes will be awarded on Thursday 6th

We will let you know who the lucky winners are.

School Camp

Year 5 and 6 children will all attend school camp from the 12th - 14th of October. Planning is underway and parent helpers have been contacted.

Congratulations!

The NIDD Fair Play Award goes to Izzy McCook

THANKS KERRY AND CHLOE!



July NIDD Spirit Award Teamwork



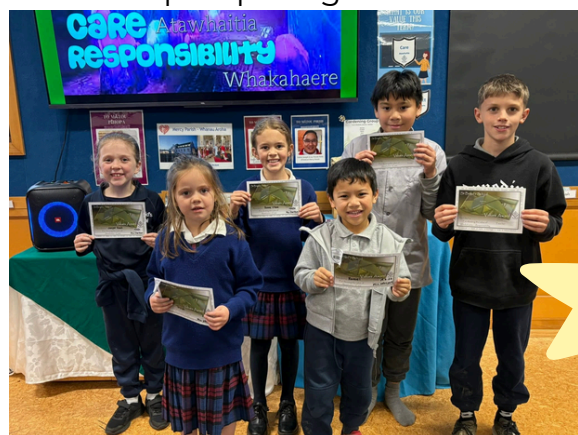
Celebrating students who work well with others, encourage their peers/siblings, and contribute positively to group activities both at school and at home

Presentation day-July 31st (TBC due to School holidays)

St Brigid's School Mass

Thank you for joining us. We loved seeing our children together leading our school mass on Sunday. It is so special to celebrate with our parish.

Thank you to Miss Wassell and the team for preparing our children.



Women's Wellness Mini retreat

Saturday August 1st
St Brigid's school Hall
1-3.30pm \$45

Plates
Anthony McLean
Clinical Mat Pilates instructor & PT with 18 years' experience, specialising in pelvic health, and pregnancy.

Clinical Psychologist
Dr. Victoria Valentine
21 years experience, host of Just a Minute with Dr. Kumari, and creator of Just a Minute mindfulness cards

Dietitian
Jo Murphy
Supports healthy, holistic relationships with food along with current nutritional knowledge

Enjoy three engaging sessions delivered by our expert speakers, complemented by a nourishing afternoon tea.

Join this inspiring school fundraiser and give back while you recharge!

Secure your spot today!

wellnessminiretreat.nz



School Reports

School Reports will be sent home next Thursday.

Helping To Brush?

'It's best to wait until they turn 8...'
...before you stop helping your child to brush their teeth

Until about age 8, your child is likely to miss brushing areas such as their back teeth and their gums



Describing progress for mid and end of year reporting using five descriptors

The progress descriptors describe student progress across the school year. A student who has achieved proficiency is prepared for the next year of learning.

Progress descriptor	Emerging	Developing	Consolidating	Proficient	Exceeding
Mid-year reporting	Not yet on track to meet expectations		On track to meet expectations		
End of year reporting	Has not met expectations			Has met expectations	



Term 3 Swimming

Please we are still looking for swimming and sideline volunteers for Term 3. We need helpers to ensure children get to go to the pool when not in lessons.

There is no cost to our families this year for the seven weeks of swimming lessons as we have received a \$5000 grant from NZCT. We are so grateful to NZCT for this grant.

School Counsellor

If you would like to refer your child to our school Counsellor please complete the form

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Golden Ticket Lunch

We will have our second Golden ticket lunch on Monday 29th June. Congratulations to all of our golden ticket winners.

We are creating a St. Brigid's Community Recipe Book We would love each family to contribute:

- One or two savoury recipes
- One or two sweet recipes
- Favourite lunchbox idea



Once all recipes have been collected, they will be compiled into a professionally presented recipe book available for purchase by our school and wider community. Funds raised from book sales will go directly towards supporting St. Brigid's School.

This is a wonderful opportunity to share a little piece of your family, celebrate the diversity of our community, and create a keepsake that everyone can enjoy. Recipes can be emailed to office@stbrigidsdn.school.nz or dropped into the office.

This Friday's lunch is pizza!! 🍕🍕😊

Options are cheese pizza, ham pizza, Hawaiian (ham and pineapple) and pepperoni. \$2 per slice

Orders and payment due 10pm Thursday, 25th June.

Online payment: St Brigid's Home and School Association Acc. No. 06-0901-0797125-00

Cash payments can be made to classroom teachers.

Enquiries to Jane Hawkins 02040928377

Please click on the link below to order <https://forms.gle/jS8oXfbf4jEcyFni7>

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.

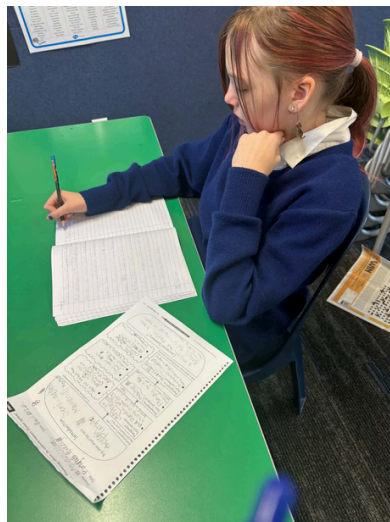
Through games, art and craft, hands-on activities, and new friendships, children will:

- ✦ 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

57 Bayfield Road, Tainui/ Andersons Bay
03 4543477 or office@stbrigidsdn.school.nz

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

Teacher Only Day – 28 August

Isobel will be running After School Care on the Teacher Only Day, Friday 28th August. The cost for the day is \$20 per child.

Please contact Isobel directly to make a booking.

022 382 6983

School Calendar

Term 2

26th Mass
2nd Reports go home
3rd Assembly

Term 3 Dates

July

20th Prayer to Welcome Miss Low 9am in the hall
24th Mass 10:30 a.m Tuakana teina /Cultural time
27th Enviro meeting
28th Matariki Liturgy and shared food 5:30 pm in the school hall
30th Swimming whole school
31st Assembly
1st Womans Wellness day

August

Active August begins
3rd Peninsula Art Festival
6th Swimming
7th Mass 10:30 a.m Tuakana teina /Cultural time
10th Parent interviews
11th Parent interviews
12th Wacky hat day
12th Board meeting
13th Swimming
14th Assembly Cultural time
18th Ariki Cup
20th Swimming
21st Mass 10:30 a.m/ Tuakana teina
24th/ 25th Art Gallery School
27th Swimming
28th Teacher only day

September

3rd Swimming
4th Family School Disco
4th Mass 10:30 a.m Tuakana teina
7th Social Justice week
7th - 11th PolyFest - Time to be decided
9th Board meeting
10th Swimming
11th Assembly/ Cultural time
18th Mass 10:30a.m /Tuakana teina
25th Mercy Day/ Cultural time
Last day of the school year is 16th December -
Family Carols from 11:30 followed by Lunch.

TRINITY'S MATARIKI FESTIVAL

Stalls, Hangi, Poi, Fry Bread, baking, face painting, Photo Booth, balloons and kai

Trinity Catholic College
Dominican Courtyard
30th June 2026
5pm - 7pm

All of the proceeds will go to Te Kaika Moana & Māori centred initiatives

See you there!



 **Catholic Social Services**

TERM 3

PARENTING COURSES AND SUPPORT GROUPS

WE OFFER A RANGE OF PROGRAMMES TO SUPPORT TAMARIKI AND WHĀNAU

TOOLBOX PARENTING (OLDER YEARS, 10+) (6 WEEKS) STARTS WED 5TH AUG 7-9PM
CIRCLE OF SECURITY PARENTING GROUP (8 WEEKS) STARTS MON 3RD AUG 10-11.30AM
PARENTING TEENS WORKSHOP (2 WEEKS) 28TH JULY & 4TH AUG 9.30AM-12PM
GAME ON, FOR DADS BY DADS (6 WEEKS) STARTS WED 5TH AUG 7-9PM
ABC PLAYGROUP (0-5 YEARS) (FORTNIGHTLY) STARTS THU 30TH JULY 10AM-12
WHĀNAU CARERS SUPPORT GROUP (MONTHLY) 20TH JULY, 17TH AUG, 21ST SEPT 10AM-12

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO ENROL OR FOR MORE INFO:
WWW.CATHSOCIALSERVICES.ORG.NZ



42 Macandrew Road, South Dunedin, 9054
03 455 7830 - office@cathsocialservices.org.nz

Late Starts and School Closure.

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

St Brigid's School Board of Trustees
Account Number: 06-0942-0045712-00
St Brigid's School PTA
Account Number – 06 0901 0797125 00

BBO July Holiday Camp
Tue 14th - Thu 16th July 2026
9am-12pm @ Edgar Centre
Children in Y1-8
\$35 per day or \$90 for three days
Reg Link:
<https://membership.mygameday.app/regoform.cgi?formID=121405>