

# St Brigid's School Newsletter



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*Dear Parents / Caregivers,*

*15<sup>th</sup> August 2024  
Term 3 – Week 4*

Today we celebrate The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This day celebrates the mystery that the Virgin Mary was taken into heaven body and soul. Mary's assumption into heaven is also the patronal feast of the Catholic people in New Zealand. In other words, she is the Patron saint of New Zealand and is her feast day. It was wonderful to share mass as a school today to celebrate.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us now and guide us in our efforts to love and serve one another.

This Sunday is our St Brigid's School mass. It is time to gather as a school community with our parish community at Mercy Church. We look forward to seeing everyone there and seeing St Brigid's Shine.

Teenaka Kennedy

### **A Samoan Prayer to Mary**

Si o'u alofa oe,  
Maria Tina paia,  
O le Alo tasi lava o le Atua mamalu,  
o le Atua mamalu.

Peace be with you,  
Mary the holy Mother  
Of the only son of the holy God,  
of the holy God.



### **Bilingual Support**

We enjoy Wednesdays with Bala, our bilingual support worker. Bala works with children in our Indian community to support them in classroom programmes. Today she taught children about Indian Independence Day, followed by the national anthem and colouring activity of the national flag of India. This celebration is for all people of India and is celebrated around the world today.

John also works on a Wednesday with our Filipino Community. He is teaching songs and language and works in the classrooms supporting learners. We are so grateful for their support.



### **PolyFest.**

Children and teachers are working hard to prepare for the Otago PolyFest. The whole school will perform on Friday the 13th of September at 1:20pm. Children will get dressed at school and travel by bus to the Edgar Sports Stadium and after our performance we will stay on to support St Bernadettes school. We will return to school at 2:45pm. Bus cost will be covered by your school donation.



**University student placement** -Miss Reihana has been working in Room 4 this year with Miss Wassell as a final year teaching student. She will begin her final placement next week for five weeks. We appreciate her work in our school, and we look forward to the exciting things she has planned.

### **PB4L (Positive Behaviour for learning school) grants.**

We successfully received a grant for signage for the school. We love our signs - a great reminder for all to live our school values.

### **Winter Walk or Wheel to School Day!**

If you wore a crazy hat to school on Wednesday, send your wacky hat day photos to [transport@dcc.govt.nz](mailto:transport@dcc.govt.nz) by Wednesday 21st August to go in the draw to win one of three \$50 Otago Sports Depot vouchers.



### **Health Nurse**

If you ever have any health-related questions or need support, you are welcome to call:  
Our school health nurse - Chanelle Hibberd 027 3596817  
[Chanelle.hibberd@southerndhb.govt.nz](mailto:Chanelle.hibberd@southerndhb.govt.nz)



### **Tahuna Year 8 Students.**

We have enjoyed a visit from the Tahuna Year 8 students who have interviewed our seniors about sports and activities they enjoy. They will return and share their game with the children. Games will develop skills in sportsmanship, following rules and having fun. We look forward to this.

### **Swimming**

Each Thursday children bus to Moana pool for swimming lessons. It is a great opportunity for a lesson and a play. We are grateful to our staff and parents for supporting us each week.



### **Hot Lunches for Swimming days- Term 3**

You are welcome to bring pre-cooked food for a heated lunch on Thursdays. A reminder food needs to be wrapped in tin foil and clearly named with your child's room number on it.

The PTA lunches are on every Friday. Please check Facebook each week for the food of the week.



## **Bingo Night**

Thank you to friends and whānau for joining us last night for our bingo night. It was a lot of fun and we raised \$3008 for resources and activities for our children. Thank you all for your support. Special thanks to our P.T.A especially Jason McCook who organised so many awesome raffle prizes which resulted in our success. Thank you all!

## **Thank you to all our Bingo night sponsors.**

### **Please support these businesses:**

St Brigid's School whānau  
Highlanders  
Otago Cricket  
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Otago Nuggets basketball  
Southern Hoiho basketball  
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Dunedin Ice Stadium  
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Carters Tyres  
Bunnings Dunedin  
Nomoos  
Royal Albatross Centre  
Café Valencia  
Avis/Budget Rental Group  
Products gifted with thanks to the Barker's of Geraldine team.



## **Accounts.**

We are so thankful for the payments we have received since accounts went home last week. The term donations help to pay for extracurricular activities such as buses, swimming lessons and Life Education. We do rely on these payments to offer opportunities for our tamariki.

Automatic payments are welcome if that is a better option for you. Thank you for your support.

## **What's on in Term 3**

### **August**

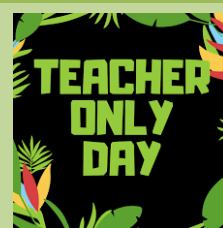
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	Bingo Fundraiser Green Island Rugby Club 7pm
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	Feast of the Assumption Assembly 2:30pm- no swimming
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	Milo at school in the Hall 8:30am
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	School Mass at Mercy 9am
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	Omathlon/ Swimming/ Assembly 2:30pm
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Mass at School 10am
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> August	Swimming/ Assembly 2:30pm

### **September**

Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Fathers Day
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Swimming/ Assembly 2:30pm
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Mass at School 10am
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	Conservation Week
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	Māori Language Week
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	Swimming/ Assembly 2:30pm
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Polyfest- St Brigid's Performance 1:20pm Edgar Stadium
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	St Brigid's School Mass
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> / Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Road Safety Lessons with Constable Eddie
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Catholic Social Justice Day
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Swimming/ Assembly 2:30pm
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Mass at School 10am
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Swimming/ Assembly 2:30pm
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	First Day of Term 4
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Teacher only day- School closed.
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	Labour Day- School is closed.

Assembly- Term Three are on every Thursday in the School from 2:30pm. You are all welcome.

We have Teacher only day on the 21st of October. School will be closed.



## R.E. Comment...



### WHAT IS A CATHOLIC FEAST DAY?

The Catholic Church assigns one date out of the year for each and canonized saint — known as the saint's feast day. The saints are remembered on their individual feast days with special mention, prayers, and possibly a scripture reading. The 15th of August is the feast of the Assumption of Mary. Mary is the Patron saint of Aotearoa New Zealand.

### School Bank Account Details

#### Board of Trustees - School Account:

06 0942 0045712 00

(For stationery payments, sports fees, EOTC & Copier contributions etc)

#### PTA – Fundraising Account:

06-0901-0797125-00

(For fundraising, uniform shop, lunch orders etc)

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## St Brigid's Catholic School

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Andersons Bay



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office@stbrigidson.school.nz  
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St Brigid's Board of Trustees (School Account)

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