St Joseph's School 50 Kelvin Street TIMARU





Newsletter 2019/05

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Peace prayer of Saint Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.



O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to
eternal life.



Amen.

On Friday our school community joined with groups around the country to donate funds to support the people affected by the Christchurch tragedy. \$450 was raised and will be sent to the Christchurch Mayoral Fund for distribution. During the week, our students also gathered to pray, held a minute's silence, and our Kapahaka Group performed a haka. Our senior students wrote cards of sympathy and support which were sent to some of the schools affected and to the Mosque.

The staff and Board have reviewed our lockdown procedure which is comprehensive. A few practical considerations have been highlighted such as ensuring toilet access and food for each class. We practice all our emergency procedure evacuations regularly and will practice the lockdown procedure next term.

If we are directed to go into lockdown by the police or Ministry of Education, parents would be informed via text alert. When it is advised to release students we would then inform parents, and release students in a managed way. In this case we would appreciate parents waiting for this release.

Lockdown Procedure



We warmly welcome the following students who have joined our school community -

Lachlan Fraser Room 2

Memphis McCarthy Room 2

Matilda Lee Room 1

Jacob Chapman Room 1

Class Award Winners

Room	Week 7	Week 8
1	Harlan Westaway	Emeliah Hansen
2	Irene Thomas	Blake Webber
3	Carson Richards	Molly Carroll
4	Hugh Laming	Sara Dawson
5	Renzo Pettengell-Huerta	Mannat Battu
6	Jamie Harvey	Patrick Dawson
7	Rose Doran	Mikayla Grant
8	Tamzin Risman	Have a Go sports day
9	Karen McDonald	Have a Go sports day
Terrific Behaviour	Archie Lee	-
Mercy Shield	Eve de Joux	Asha Lamont

Board Report - Term 1

Welcome the first Board report for 2019. This term has raced by and I can't believe we only have 2 more weeks left of the school term.

This year has started with more exciting developments. We are in the process of working with the Diocese in planning for a building project and with that, a complete rejig of the classroom spaces. The Board has worked together with staff, to do a reconciliation of the current spaces we have, spaces that are needed, and areas which need an upgrade. We will work our way through a list of priorities with the Diocese and hope to have a building started over this year.

Obviously this will be one of our big focuses along with continuing to implement and evaluate our Strategic Plan.

Our School Community Group, again last year, provided us with a large grant to assist with the purchase of maths equipment, the scatter microphones and sound system in the hall, and supported discovery and student leadership activities. Thank you to Co-Chairs, Anna Bridson and Rebecca Fennessy for your leadership and all the committee members who work tirelessly behind the scenes assisting in helping the Board get the resources needed for our school.

This year is elections again for the Board of Trustees, which will take place on **Friday 7 June**. We welcome anyone that is interested in what it means to be a board member to make contact with myself or one of our other board members, and we welcome you to attend a board meeting. I am happy to be contacted on 027 6845098 or pam@mvphysio.nz

Pam Allan

CHAIRPERSON

School Community Group News

At the recent School Community Group AGM, the following were elected -

Co-Chairs: Anna Bridson & Rebecca Fennessy

Secretary: Claire Hamilton
Treasurer: Michelle Laming

Meetings are set for the 1st Thursday of the month.

The first meeting will be held on **Thursday 4 April** at **7.30pm in the School Hall**. Any new members are very welcome.

School Community Group - Entertainment Book

The School Community Group is offering the Entertainment Book for sale again this year (\$70.00 each). We won't be sending the hard copy books home with students, and



encourage people to buy the Digital Membership - which is super easy to use and can even be shared with other family members.

Pre-order the NEW 2019 | 2020 Entertainment Membership and receive bonus offers you can use right away!

Tell your family and friends - for every membership sold, \$14 goes to the school. Find out more or order now at this link. or get in touch with Kate Doran on 022 3013096 or email kate.doran@gmail.com



Friends of the School Community Group

We are calling all Parents and Caregivers who do not wish to join the School Community Group but would love to offer a helping hand now and then.

To become a 'FRIEND' of The School Community Group, please advise your contact details on this form.

We will keep you informed of up and coming activities or events that we need extra help for.

Anna Bridson

CO-CHAIRPERSON

McCain Foods

The students of Room 8 would like to publicly thank McCain Foods for their generous donation of delicious pizzas and wedges for their Camp held in February. The students enjoyed a delicious lunch after a busy morning.



New World Lunches - Discontinuation of Tuesday Lunches from Term 2

New World Timaru have advised that they will discontinue the Tuesday school lunch system at the end of Term 1 due to the decline in orders.



Poppy Week

Anzac Day Poppies are currently available from the school office to support the work of The Returned Services Association.



Senior Students will visit individual rooms with the poppies until the end of term. Donations for these would be gladly received on behalf of The Returned Services Association.

South Canterbury Swimming Sports

Congratulations to the following students who will represent the school tomorrow at the South Canterbury Swimming Sports -

Flynn Brookland, Mikayla Grant, Sonny Hamilton, Hannah Heffernan, Archie Jones, Ruby Laming, Grace Lysaght, Karen McDonald, Pippa Nevin, Madison Sugrue, Dalton Todd, and Ethan Venmore.

Chess News

Last Sunday, several of our students competed in the Sarapu Chess Competition at Waihi. These competitions take place at the end of each month between 1.00 - 5.00 pm at Waihi. If your child would like to take part in the future, let James or Carmel know. The next competition is on **Sunday 28 April**.



2019 Triennial Board of Trustees Elections Election Day - Friday 7 June 2019

The NZ School Trustees Association are working very hard to encourage parent and whanau participation on school boards in order to help shape and support the education of their children. To that end they are rolling out the *Korari Programme* for anyone interested in finding out about standing for the school board elections and having a say in the education of their children. We have linked the following resources for your information

- Korari: A programme (workshop) that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees.
 NZSTA will be rolling out workshops in March/April this year.
- 2. <u>Korari Form:</u> NZSTA will support anyone who advises us they are interested in becoming a trustee, by way of the workshops, but also by providing access to our Learning Management Systems where online modules regarding school governance, student achievement etc. can be completed.

 The form should be emailed to <u>korari@nztsa.org.nz</u>
- Community member guide to the role of the Board of Trustees: This
 explains a lot of commonly asked questions and information about being a
 trustee.

We hope you find the attached links useful. Our current Board Chairperson, Pam Allan is also more than happy to be contacted on 027 6845098 if you have any questions about becoming a board member.

News Bytes of Faith

Monday 1 April - Friday 5 April

During Lent many Catholics pray a special prayer called "The Stations of the Cross", especially on the Fridays in Lent. On Good Friday, Catholics all over the world gather at 3.00pm to pray the Stations of the Cross as part of the Easter Triduum. It is at 3.00pm because Catholics believe that it was at the third hour after the crucifixion that Jesus died on the cross. The stations of the Cross remind us of the events leading up to the death of Jesus.

"From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split." (Mt 27:45-51).

Monday 8 April - Friday 12 April

The 7th of April is the feast day of St John Baptist De la Salle. He was born in Rheims, France in 1651 and was ordained as a priest in his 20's. He devoted his life to educating children, especially the poor. He died in Rouen, France in 1719. the religious order he founded, the "De La Salle Brothers" came to New Zealand and founded De La Salle College in Auckland, Francis Douglas Memorial College in New Plymouth and John Paul College in Rotorua. John Baptise De la Salle was declared patron saint "of all who teach young people in the Catholic Church" by Pope Pius XII in 1950.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

GirlGuiding New Zealand

"GirlGuiding NZ is looking for fun, energetic leaders who will provide positive support to girls aged 5-17 years old while delivering exciting programmes once a week.



Group meetings run for up to 2 hours once a week during school terms. We have developed an amazing programme that uses fun, adventure and friendship to build girls' confidence and life skills to help grow the next generation of female leaders. All support and training is provided by a dedicated team to help you do a great job. You can choose the age group you work with and you can take on a level of commitment that suits. You just need to bring drive and passion to empower girls and lead them towards a bright future!

If this sounds like you, find out more information here -

https://www.girlguidingnz.org.nz/join-us/leaders-volunteers.

Alternatively, you can email Andrea on andrea.mcclean@girlguidingnz.org.nz to talk about the different options."

South Canterbury Rugby - Gala Night

UNDER 11 & NEW UNDER 13 GRADE



ALPLINE ENERGY STADIUM

Turn up as a team or come along and we will put you in a team. Wear playing gear, gym shoes or boots. Competiton starts 15th May continues every Wednesday night to the end of Term 2.

Give it a go in 2019!

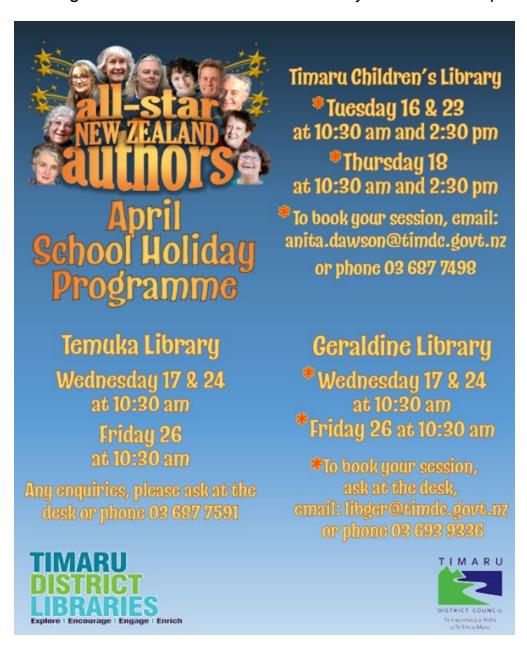


Contact Caro for more details: 021399 465

Timaru District Libraries - April School Holiday Programme

All sessions are free to attend.

Bookings for Timaru and Geraldine Library sessions are open now.



FlipOut Timaru

The place for Parties, Fundraising, and General Flipping Out. We also have Ninja Classes - an after school activity where you learn to flip like a Ninja and practice tricks to impress your friends. A free trial is available to those who have not participated in the Ninja Programme before.



Playgroup is here on Thursdays and Fridays for pre-schoolers. Ask your teacher to bring you to FlipOut on a class treat day - we have great school discounts. Player of the Day Awards are available for sports teams. Mondays - Saturdays FlipOut between 6.00pm and 8.00pm for \$12.00. that is \$12 for 2 hours - Whoop Whoop!

For more information, phone us on 03 688 2807 or email timaru@flipout.co.nz

Antarctic Centre School Holiday Programmes

• "Experience Antarctica" \$69.00

(6 - 12yrs)

Do your children like adventure and having fun?
Then during the holidays have them join the explorers at
the Antarctic Centre! They will discover the Little Blue
Penguins, chill out in the snow and ice room, ride the



awesome Hagglund, find out how to survive in Antarctica, play games and much much more...!

The adventures will be running Mon 15 – Thurs 18 April 2019 from 9.00am – 4.30pm during the first week of the holidays, and as each day is different, book for one day or more!.

• "Be a Penguin Keeper for a Day" \$79.00 (10 -13yrs)

Join our penguin keepers and assist them in their daily routine to look after the Little Blue and White Flippered Penguins. Includes an exclusive back stage access to other areas including the vet room and penguin feeding pulpit.

Other activities include the 4D and Hagglund Ride.

This programme will be running Mon 15 – Thurs 18 April 2019 from 9.00am – 4.30pm during first week of the school holidays.

Limited number of places each day.

All bookings are now via our website

https://www.iceberg.co.nz/our-experiences/school-holiday-programmes/

Please remember to complete the additional medical information.

Active Kids Holiday Programme 2019 15 - 18 April (4 days only)

Registrations are open for the next holiday programme.

Active Kids Holiday Programme 2019





How much fun can you take?

- Enjoy 30 minutes of music with your preschool child.
- Meet and chat with others in the same season of life.
- Your child will delight in the play time after the music session.
- You'll enjoy food and drink together.

We'd love you to join us.

Tuesdays, 9.30am, during school terms, St Thomas' Church. Cost: \$3 per child/\$5 per family. Queries to Rose 027 431 3579.





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