

Friday Newsletter



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WEETBIX TRYATHLON

On Sunday a group of children participated in the 'Weetbix TRYathlon'. The day started very early and very cold, but the sun soon came out to warm all the frozen toes! The Dunedin Tryathlon was sold out with 1422 children competing which was an impressive sight!! There were also over 200 volunteers which helped the day run smoothly with lots of smiles from the participants! The children did so well and should all be very proud of themselves!

Left: A group of the children from St Bernadette's who participated in the TRYathlon;

Centre: Mana, Lukas and Fred

Right: Evie Dummer, Kiana, Niamh and Laura ready for their swim!



SCHOOL MASS

A reminder that there is a school mass at St Patrick's Basilica on Sunday 18th March at 9.30am.

We look forward to seeing lots of our children there. All welcome!

St Bernadette's School ~ Term 1

Please note that schools are closed on Anniversary Day and Easter Tuesday.

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
8	19	20	21	22 Class Mass Room 3	23 R7 Prayer Assembly	24	25 Palm Sunday
9	26 Anniversary Day	27	28	29 Liturgy (am) Holy Thursday	30 Good Friday	31	1 April
10	2 Easter Monday	3 Easter Tuesday	4 Commonwealth Games begin	5 Class Mass Room 6	6 R5 Prayer Assembly	7	8
11	9	10	11	12 Class Mass Room 7	13 R3 Prayer Assembly	14	15

**March 16th
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CAR PARK

Issues relating to parking in the car park have been previously mentioned in our school newsletter but is important to keep reminding people about this.

- Children should **not** be walking to cars without adult supervision as they are unpredictable and very hard to see when reversing.
- If there is someone other than yourself collecting your child, could you please ensure that they park and then walk to collect them from the duty teacher.
- Some parents are also stopping on the yellow lines on Forbury Rd in front of the crossing to drop-off and collect children. This is very dangerous as it blocks visibility at the crossing and puts other children and pedestrians at potential risk.
- Please do not park up the centre aisle of the car park where it is marked **"NO PARKING"** as others are unable to reverse out of their park.

Thank you for helping to keep our children safe!

St Bernadette's Home and School

The Home and School AGM was held on Thursday 15 March and we would like to congratulate the following office bearers:

Chairperson:	Rachel Reed
Vice Chairperson:	Nicky Brew
Secretary:	Lauana Thomas
Treasurer:	Lauana Thomas

A huge thank you to our past President, Amelia Bresanello, Kate Cook - Secretary and to Cameron Hollis who is stepping down as Treasurer after many years, for their fantastic work and fundraising efforts!

- **Tea Towels** are still available for purchase at the school office for **\$5.00**. These would make a great present at Easter!
- The Home & School will be selling the 2018/2019 Entertainment Book and these will be available to purchase from school. More information to come!!

ROOM 3 ART GALLERY VISIT

On Monday the 26th February Ruma Rata went to the Art Gallery where we learnt about Peace. We looked at art pieces that symbolised peace, sung songs that were about peace and then created these beautiful artworks.

Come and have a look at our awesome art display in the office.



Room 1 Art Gallery Visit

Being creative is a good way to find peace. Being creative is entering the right side of the brain. These Room 1 children demonstrated how to enter the right side of the brain and find peace through painting. (These and others can be viewed on our class seesaw site.) Thank you to those parents who accompanied us on the trip.



Above: Kairangi, Gracie-Lee, Xanthe and Leiha show their paintings;
Room 1 sit and listen to John Neumegen explain painting in relation to peace and a group of Room 1 students painting their pictures.

Save this date: 27th October 2018

St Bernie's Cultural Gala Day

We want to give everyone plenty of warning about an exciting day we have planned to celebrate the diversity of the St Bernadette's community and raise money for the upgrade of our playground. From 11.00am to 2.00pm on 27th October, St Bernadette's school will be rocking with amazing entertainment, tasty food from around the world, a range of fun activities for the kids and great bargains from our stalls! Our Home and School Committee are on task with most of the organization but we would love your help with the following:

Do you have a suggestion for some ethnic food?

Do you belong to a group that may like to have a performing slot?

Are you able to support a group of our children to perform?

Could you run or support someone else to run a craft stall?

Have you got contacts that may want to donate items?

Do you have any special skills – eg: face painting, a craft etc?

Have you got time to do some coordinating of donations or raffles?

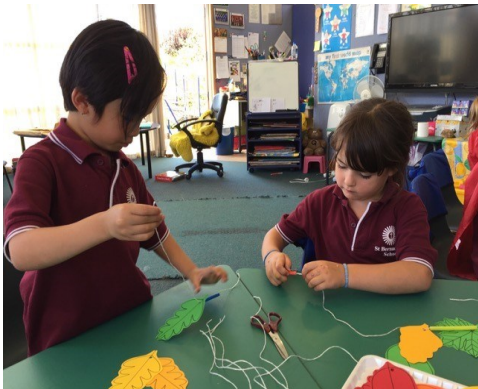
We know we have lots of people in our community who will have amazing ideas and skills to share with us so don't be shy. Let Sally, teachers or any one of our committee members know if you are able to help.

Peace project.

Room 3 are planting out the gardening boxes as a way of bringing peace to our community. Today we had Carl and Craig come in from Mitre 10 as our gardening experts. Thanks so much Carl and Craig! You were great!



Room 6's Shared Reading Book this week was The Gingerbread Man. The children used it as a basis for language work and on Wednesday enjoyed making gingerbread men. Rather than use a cutter, each child moulded their own gingerbread man and there were some wonderful creations. There were guards (thanks Janni!!!) watching the oven so the gingerbread men didn't escape!



Room 8—This week we had lots of fun at Wednesday school learning about Autumn. We made leaf necklaces, Autumn trees and painted stained glass leaves. We love Wednesday School!



Congratulations to this week's Mercy Award recipients:

Nate, Maria, Elani, Chē, Saira, Levi, Armani, Walter, Maia, Aisha, Madison Mounga, Luca, Isaac, Isla, Ellie



A BIG THANK YOU TO PICKMEE FRUIT COMPANY FOR DONATING TWO BOXES OF LOVELY APPLES TO OUR SCHOOL!

Here are some of the children enjoying these delicious apples.



Futsal Draw: Wednesday 21st March

St Bernies United	3.30pm	Court 8
St Bernies Strikers	3.30pm	Court 14
St Bernies Starts	4.30pm	Court 2
St Bernies Hawks	4.30pm	Court 7
St Bernies Flyers	5.00pm	Court 18