

Friday Newsletter



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PALM SUNDAY

This Sunday is Palm Sunday.

Palm Sunday is the first Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem days before he was crucified. Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the re-enactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem.

In the gospels, Jesus entered through Jerusalem riding a young donkey and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes or palms or small branches in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect. Palm branches are a widely recognised symbol of peace and victory hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday.

The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic. It represents the humble arrival of someone in peace. During Palm Sunday palms are distributed to parishioners who carry them in a ritual procession in to church.

The palms are blessed and usually kept to be burnt in the following year's Ash Wednesday observance.

We hope to see lots of our children at mass on Sunday.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS WEEK'S MERCY AWARD RECIPIENTS!

Top: Tamzin, Josh, Leo, Nina,
Niamh, Jordan
Middle: Beth, Susanna, Trinita,
Abbey, William
Bottom: Wesley, Jordan, Mackenzie,
Rose, Eli



St Bernadette's School ~ Term 1

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

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
9	26 Anniversary Day	27	28	29 Liturgy 9.30am 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 23rd
Term 1
Week 8
2018

HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS

- ♦ Tea Towels are 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!!

THIS WEEK'S ART GALLERY VISITS!

Room 4 visited the Dunedin Art Gallery on Tuesday. John showed us some really interesting Australian artworks in the gallery and some very early Maori rock art paintings. Then he took us to the classroom and showed us some techniques for making traditional Aboriginal artworks. We all loved our experience there and are really proud of our finished products. We have shared them with our families on classdojo and you can see some of them on the Art Gallery website at <http://education.dunedin.art.museum/main-categories/arround-the-world>

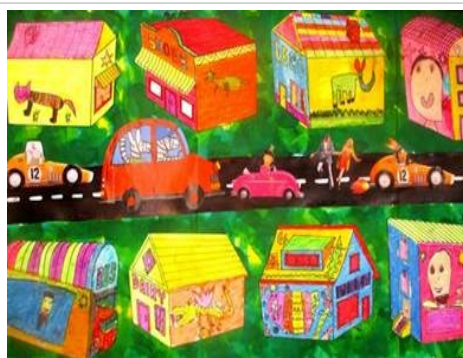
Here are some pictures by Callum, Alice, Sophie and Madison and Room 4 watching John.



Room 7

Here are some great pictures from Room 7 Art Gallery Visit! We learnt about street art and drew our own pictures on the walls of buildings to make this mural of a street.

Can you spot Ed Sheeran??!



Room 5 made beautiful Indian elephants using coloured paper, pastels, material and jewellery.



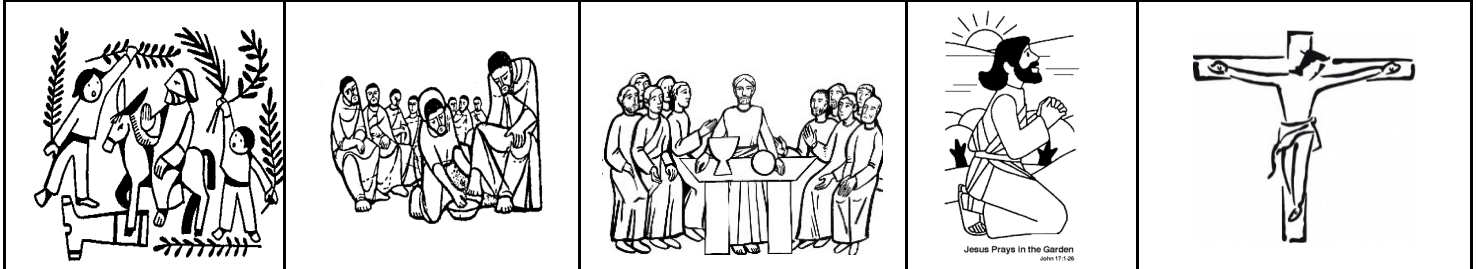
HOLY THURSDAY LITURGY

Next Thursday 29th March is known as Holy Thursday and traditionally at St Bernadette's we have celebrated this day with a liturgy in the school hall at the end of the day.

This year however, renovations in the hall and Room 1's involvement in a ukulele event in the Octagon have meant we have had to rethink this traditional celebration. We have decided to have a procession around five Holy week stations portraying events of this special week.

These stations would be set up around the playground and this procession would take place at 9:30am. Parents who bring their children to school will be welcome to share a hot drink and a hot cross bun between 9:00am and 9:30am in the staffroom. Easter Sunday will not be part of the story we portray as we will highlight this when we return to school the following week.

EVERYONE WELCOME



Ordination of Bishop-Elect Michael Dooley A message from Bishop Colin Campbell

The Ordination of Bishop-Elect Michael Dooley will be celebrated in the Dunedin Town Hall at 6.00pm on Thursday evening, April 26.

The ordination of a bishop is probably the only occasion when representatives from all our parishes and schools from around the diocesan come together for Mass. I invite you to encourage as many members of your school community to come to Dunedin for this special and historic celebration. In particular, I would like to invite children from each of our schools to represent their schools at the Mass.

Children are asked to wear their winter school uniform and there will be seating reserved on the first level of the Town Hall.

Schools are also encouraged to bring their school banners. These will be displayed in the foyer of the Town Hall.

If you have any questions please contact Pauline Lee at (03) 4745750 or paulinel@cdd.org.nz.

In the Spirit
Bishop Colin Campbell

Room 7 shared their Palm Sunday Prayer Assembly to mark the beginning of Holy Week.



REMINDER: THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL ON THESE DAYS

- **Monday 26 March
ANNIVERSARY DAY**
- **Friday 30 March
GOOD FRIDAY**
- **Monday 2 April
EASTER MONDAY**
- **Tuesday 3 April
EASTER TUESDAY**

Room 1—Camp Meeting

There will be a meeting for parents/ caregivers of Years 5 and 6 children on Wednesday 4th April at 5.30pm in Room 1 to discuss the Room 1 camp being held at the end of the year.

CARITAS COIN TRAIL

There will be a coin trail on Wednesday afternoon to raise money for Caritas.

Could children contribute to this by doing chores at home to receive a coin.

Children can give the coins to their teachers.

Thank you

WELCOME TO
ST BERNADETTE'S

CHARLIE RYALL!

Charlie is in Room 8 and is
Leiha's little brother!



Whanau Hui

We had very productive Whanau Hui on Tuesday night.

There are lots of exciting things planned including a Matariki celebration in Term 2, different opportunities to share their mihi, learning about Parihaka and some great new ideas for Polyfest.

Many thanks to Lauana for her commitment to our kura and to our tamariki. We are blessed to have you.

If you want to walk in peace.

Walk in peace.

Walk in your neighbourhood.

The best place is in the neighbourhood by yourself and hug a tree and water a plant.

Water a plant and water a big, big tree that is almost as big as a house.

And you can always go to the beach to swim and play and walk together and hold hands and be friends.

And be friends for ever and make another friend.

By Mackenzie Thompson

Year 2

Room 7

FUTSAL DRAW—28 March

St Bernies United	3.30pm
St Bernies Strikers	3.30pm
St Bernies Stars	4.30pm
St Bernies Hawks	4.30pm
St Bernies Flyers	5.00pm

Here are some Futsal photos from some of this week's games!



Dunedin Public Libraries are holding a giant book sale over the weekend of 6th/7th/8th April which is often a great opportunity to stock up on good quality used books at very low prices.

The book sale will be held in the basement carpark at City Library in Moray Place, with stock replenished frequently throughout the weekend.

Book Sale Bunker

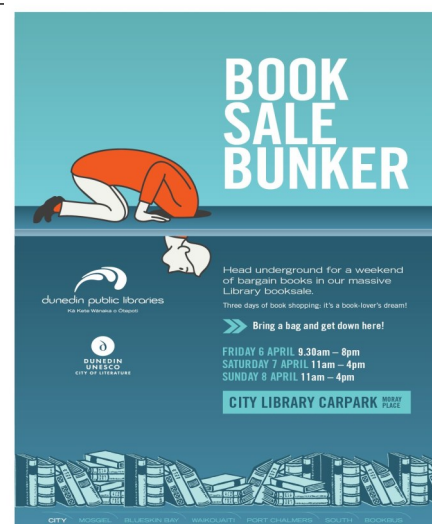
Head underground for a weekend of bargain books in our massive Library booksale.

Three days of shopping: it's a book-lover's dream.

Bring a bag and get down here!

- Friday 6th April, 9.30am-8pm
- Saturday 7th April, 11am-4pm
- Sunday 8th April, 11am-4pm

City Library Carpark, Moray Place



The Autumn Playball Holiday Programme will be operating from Bayfield High School during the upcoming holidays 8.00am - 6.00 pm daily.

With specialised sports clinics delivered to children via our highly trained coaches, everyone is guaranteed to have lots of fun. In addition to this we have Trip Days to Leap, Laser Force, Inflatable World & Am I Fit. For the full schedule and more information head to <http://playballdunedin.com/> - or email: coachliam@playball.co.nz Be QUICK as spaces are filling fast. WINZ Subsidies available.