

Friday Newsletter



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Celebrations of Peace

Last terms school wide study topic was Peace. The learning connected with this topic is completed and classes are moving on to new topics to explore. Two classes, however, are still working on the celebration component of the inquiry process.

Room 3's project to celebrate the end of the Peace inquiry unit was to create a Peace Place outside our classroom. We decided to make a flower garden as an area for us to enjoy and relax. A group of children from the class visited Mitre 10 on Monday and bought some material and plants to help us make the peaceful place.

Here is a report on the shopping expedition from Sylvie. 'On Wednesday straight on the dot of 12:30, Honey, William, Jordan and I went in Mrs A's car to Mitre 10. We were off to buy the plants for our Te Rongo Kari or Peace Place. We saw my Nana and took a photo with her then we got a hot chocolate. They were so good! Then we looked for the following things; 1 hydrangea, 16 pansies, 8 of the polyanthus, 8 alyssums, 2 bags of soil, 2 trowels, 2 lavenders and 2 bags of daffodils. We also took more photos with Carl, Craig and Mrs A's parents. They helped us by giving us information about gardening. Then we got back to school and planted everything. It was beautiful!'








Room 1 are preparing something special for the whole school. We are making a movie! The movie will be made on the theme of peaceful leaders. It will look at five very special people who were wonderful examples of how to make change in peaceful ways. The stories of three of these great people are well known to us all, Mahatma Gandhi, Nelson Mandela and Martin Luther King. The other two leaders of very special significance, especially to New Zealanders are Tohu Kākahi and Te Whiti o Rongomai. Their story is becoming more widely understood and appreciated, not only in New Zealand but around the world. It is the story of Parihaka. The story of the peaceful resistance of the people of Parihaka is a treasure in the history of Aotearoa New Zealand. The children in Room 1 are looking forward to sharing this story with the whole school community.
The Raukura (white feather) is a sign of peace associated with the people of Parihaka

- Thank you all very much for making sure that the children are in correct winter uniform for the start of the term.
- The hall extension is nearing completion. The temporary interior wall should be down by the end of next week and the carpet will be laid inside the chapel area and the hall.
- The sliding doors between the chapel will be put in place shortly and the area should hopefully be ready for use in about three weeks.



May 4th
Term 1
Week 1
2018

St Bernadette's School Calendar Term 2 2018

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	30	1 May	2	3	4 Prayer Assembly R2	5	6
2	7	8	9 Whole School St Johns 1st Aid  Sen	10 Class Mass Room 2	11 Prayer Assembly Room 5  Jun	12	13 Mothers' Day Ascension Sunday
3	14	15	16 Pasifika Fono  Sen	17 Class Mass Room 1	18 Prayer Assembly Room 7  Jun	19	20 Pentecost Schools' Mass 9.30am
		22	23  Sen	24 Class Mass Room 3	25 Prayer Assembly Room 3  Jun	26	27
5	28	29 Kavanagh College Production	30  Sen	31 Class Mass Room 7	1 June Museum Visit Seniors  Jun	2	3
6	4 Queen's Birthday	5	6  Sen	7 Class Mass Room 3	8 Prayer Assembly Room 1  Jun	9	10
7	11	12	13  Sen	14 Class Mass Room 5 Matariki 5pm	15 Prayer Assembly  Jun	16	17 Schools' Mass 9.30am
8	18	19	20  Sen	21 Class Mass Room 4	22 Prayer Assembly Room 8	23	24
9	25	26	27  Sen	28	29 Prayer Assembly Room 4  Jun	30	1 July
10	2	3	4	5	6 End of Term	7	8



Sapphire Gullen



Blake Joubert

Welcome
to
St Bernadette's



Maine Ngatae



Isla Maguire



MERCY AWARDS

AROHA ▢ COMPASSION
RATO AWHINA ▢ SERVICE
TIKA ▢ SOCIAL JUSTICE
MANAAKITANGA ▢ HOSPITALITY
PANEKIRITANGA ▢ EXCELLENCE
TE TAPU O TE TANGATA ▢ RESPECT



Back Row

Mia
Daniel
Sean
Jacob
Shalia
Molly Jane

Middle Row

Nikau
Roman
Skyla
Evie



Front Row

Anika
Elizabeth
Charlie
Aaron
Bella
Evie

Classes are beginning the Holy Spirit strand of the Religious Education programme. Today Room 3 and 6 worked together to make windmills. Windmills are seen as a symbol of the Holy Spirit. You can't see or touch the Holy Spirit but you can see the Holy Spirit at work. The prayer says, 'Holy Spirit you are God's breath in me.'



We also made some poppies and placed them in a sand tray as part of our ANZAC prayer reflections. The children sang the National Anthem and listened to the last post as part of this experience.



Home and School News Entertainment Books

Get your Entertainment Membership to help St Bernadette's School raise much needed funds!

Give Mum an Entertainment Membership this Mother's Day and she can enjoy more than 12 months of valuable dining, shopping and travel offers! Buy from us today and you'll also be supporting our School. Buy either the book or the digital version. Either is \$60.00 payable in the school office or on line.

Barbeque

We do not have enough helpers to fill our Barbeque roster this term.

This is such a great fundraiser for the school so if you can help please let us know!

All that is involved is setting up the Barbeque at 11.30 on a Friday morning, cooking and serving the sausages and cleaning up. It only takes about an hour. Please let the office know if you are able to help!

To preview the Entertainment 2018/2019 go to:
entertainmentbook.co.nz/about/flickbook/dunedin

To order go to:

entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/260g507



A number of children from St Bernadette's have been asking to be baptised. In the next couple of weeks we will begin working with these children to help them prepare for this important first sacrament.

The celebration of the children's baptisms can occur on a variety of dates and either as a group or sometime on their own. It might be possible for us to celebrate some of the baptisms in our new school chapel when it is finished. If you would like your child to receive the sacrament of baptism please complete the form below and return to school or contact Fr Gerard on 021 580 610 or gerard.aynsley@gmail.com. Either Fr Gerard or Fr Sani will make contact with you over the next few weeks to discuss with you further what is involved.

Term 2 Swimming Programme

St Bernadette's School appreciates the importance of helping students to develop their confidence and skills in swimming and aquatic activities. The Board of Trustees and the Home and School Association are very supportive of the swimming programme. Both of these group assist financially to ensure that the programme is affordable and appropriate for the children of St Bernadette's. Classes travel to Moana Pool on either Wednesdays or Fridays in Terms 2 and 4. The Swimsation Swim School will be teaching the programme. Each visit to the pool includes a 30 minute lesson as well as a 30 minute recreational swim. The New Zealand Physical Education curriculum confirms that aquatic activities enhance knowledge of safe practices and the development of skills. Personal confidence and social skills are fostered through aquatic activities.

Senior Programme

Wednesdays: May 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, June 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th

Class	Bus Leaves	Swimming	Recreational Swim	Bus Leaves
Room 1	9.35am	10am - 10.30am	10.30am - 11am	11.30am
Room 3	9.35am	10.30am - 11am	10am - 10.30am	11.30am
Room 2	10.05am	11am - 11.30am	10.30am - 11am	12pm

Junior Programme

Fridays: May 11th, 18th, 25th June 1st, 8th, 15th, 29th

Class	Bus Leaves	Swimming	Recreational Swim	Bus Leaves
Room 8	10:05am	10:30-11am	11-11:30am	11:45am
Room 6	10:05am	11-11:30am	10:30-11am	11:45am
Room 7	11:05am	11:30-12pm	12-12:30pm	1:15pm
Rom 5	11:05am	12-12:30pm	11.30am -12pm	1:15pm
Room 4	11:05am	12:30-1pm	12-12:30pm	1:15pm

We would really appreciate any offers of help with supervision for both Juniors and Seniors.

Adults are required for supervision in and out of the pool, and assisting junior classes with dressing. If you are able to help could you please contact the school office or the class teacher. Helpers can travel on the bus with the children or meet us at the pool.

All clothing should be named, including goggles, towels and a warm jacket. It would be a good idea for girls to wear shorts under their tunics so they can leave their tunics at school if they wish.

We ask that the children in Rooms 6 and 8 wear their togs to school under their uniforms as there will be no changing space available before their swim.

The juniors are still able to order sausages on Fridays and they will be ready for them on their return from Moana Pool.