

Friday Newsletter



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Andrés receives the ashes from Star

Season of Lent begins

Two significant days in the Church calendar were celebrated this week. **Shrove Tuesday** (sometimes called Pancake Tuesday), is the day before the start of Lent. Traditionally it's an opportunity to use up certain cooking items prior to a time of fasting. This week at St Bernadette's the tradition meant a yummy pancake with maple syrup. These days children are not asked to fast, rather to make a special effort during the next few weeks leading up to Easter to try hard to be the best people they can be, to look after themselves, to be good family members and consider people less fortunate in their own community and around the world.

On **Ash Wednesday** the school held a Liturgy in the hall and three senior children placed ashes on the foreheads of pupils and teachers. The ashes represent our efforts over the next 40 days in trying to be the best person that we can be. It means will do our best to prepare ourselves for Easter.



Cricket World Cup

Joel and Isaac both play cricket for the Albion Cricket Club which was lucky enough to supply junior players to accompany the players onto the pitch at University Oval on Tuesday. The boys walked on with the Scottish team and also spoke with several Black Caps. They were given a special uniform to wear and were allowed to keep it. Some of Isaac's family who live in India saw him on TV and rang his dad to tell him that they were watching the game live and saw him on television. It's a small world!

Feb 20th
2015
Term 1
Week 3

St Bernadette's School

Dates for the Diary

Wed	Feb	25th	Athletics Day
Thurs	Feb	26th	Mass Rooms 1,7,5
Fri	Feb	27th	Prayer Assembly R4
Mon	Mar	2nd	Swimming starts
Tues	Mar	3rd/4th	Parent/Teachers Meetings
Thurs	Mar	12th	Swimming ends
Fri	Mar	13th	Prayer Assembly R5
Fri	Mar	13th	Inflatable World
Thurs	Mar	19th	Mass - Rooms 6&3
Thurs	Mar	19th	Maori Dance Company
Fri	Mar	20th	Prayer Assembly R8
Mon	Mar	23rd	Anniversary Day Hol.
Thurs	Mar	26th	Class Mass R4 & 8
Fri	Mar	27th	Prayer Assembly R7
Sun	Mar	29th	Palm Sunday
Thurs	April	2nd	Holy Thursday
Thurs	April	2nd	End of Term 1
Fri	April	3rd	Good Friday
Sat	April	5th	Easter Sunday
Mon	April	20th	Start of Term 2

Combined Mass

10am Sunday-St Patricks

The final combined Pastoral Area Mass until Easter 2016 will be held at St Patrick's Basilica this Sunday the 22nd of February.

The Basilica will be closed from the 5th of March while renovations take place.

Inflatable World

Home & School Family Night

March Friday 13th

\$15 Family Ticket / \$7 Individual

Pizza for sale - \$1 per slice

5:30pm - 7pm

Parents to supervise own children.

Inline Roller Skating Lessons

After a long break we are trying to re establish roller speed skating in the Dunedin area. We are offering skating lessons on a Monday night during term one. [facebook.com/pages/Southern-Skating/](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Southern-Skating/)

T-Ball Draw Saturday February 21st

Bernie Braves v SPC Sluggers 10am Diamond 10

Welcome to new trainees - Lachlan and Luke for this week.

Bernie Busters v Wakari Blue 9am Diamond 6

This is a continuation of last term's season, with the same players. Subs have already been paid. We hope to see a much better turnout of the Busters tomorrow. Welcome new additions; Nathan and Carolyn.

Rippa Rugby Monday February 23rd

Aces (Y3,4) v Bathgate Park Field 2 3.45pm

Stars (Y5,6) v Carisbrook Field 3 4.15pm

St Bernadette's Athletics Sports

Next Wednesday February 25th Corstorphine Park (Middleton Rd)

It's one of those special days on the school calendar that the children will be sure to remember. The annual St Bernadette's Athletics Sports is taking place next week. This is a chance for the children to show their athletic skills, and participate in friendly rivalry against their school mates in other teams.

Blue Sharks, Red Eagles, Green Tigers and Yellow Lions.

Family and friends of the school are very welcome join us!

Children are asked to wear their summer uniform, but they are allowed to also wear a little 'extra colour' to associate themselves with their team. At the end of the day we will hold a special assembly back at school to offer congratulations and announce the team results.

Each term at St Bernadette's, the Home and School Association sponsors a school activity. The Athletics Sports is the event for Term 1 2015. This means there will be no direct cost to families for this day.

There is an extra incentive this year with the first awarding of the Sutherland Trophy for the winning team. We will be travelling by buses, leaving school at 9.15am and returning at 12.15pm.

If the weather is poor the postponement day is Thursday the 13th of March. Check the website if the weather is doubtful. The children will take their play lunch and a drink with them. Without a grandstand it is important that the children wear sunscreen and have a sun hat.

TIMETABLE

9.15am	Buses leave
9.30am	Teams assemble
9.40am	1st Field Event
9.50am	2nd Field Event
10.00am	3rd Field Event
10.10am	4th Field Event
10.20am	Morning Tea
10.35am	Girls' Sprints
11am	Boys' Sprints
11.25am	Senior Relays Junior Novelty Races
11.50am	Distance Races
12.20pm	Tidy Up
12.30pm	Buses return.