



Newsletter 20

Term Three: 11 August 2011

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends

Important Dates

Mon 15 Aug	Staff-only Day Dr Tom Mulholland evening for parents
Wed 17 Aug	12.15 pm <i>Feast of the Assumption Liturgy</i>
Thurs 18 Aug	9.15 am Cybersafety Yr5-8
Mon 22 Aug	10.30 am Army Band Concert - all
Wed 24 Aug	11 am Duffy's Book Bus Adventure Cantamaths Yr 7&8 3.30 & 4.45 pm
Fri 26 Aug	Rm 5-7 Airport PTFA's Wine Tasting & Quiz Night
Thurs 8 Sept	11.30 School Mass
Fri 9 Sept	Catholic Schools Tournament
Tues 13 Sept	Transitional Parents
Thurs 15 Sept	Music Festival Rehearsal
Wed 28 Sept	Rm 3&4 Ferrymead
Thurs 29 Sept	Rm 1&2 Ferrymead
Fri 30 Sept	School Disco

BOT Meetings: You are most welcome to attend BOT meetings at 7 pm on Tuesday 20 Sept, 1 Nov, 6 Dec

NBC Footsteps Virtue Wk 3 Term 3:

Harikoa/Joyful

*A joyful heart is like the sunshine of God's love,
the hope of eternal happiness.* Mother Teresa

At New Brighton Catholic School we are Joyful.

Joy comes when we are doing what we know is right. Joy is the inner sense that can carry us through hard times, even when we are feeling sad. It is what causes us to delight in God's presence and to appreciate the beauty of God's creation. The joy we feel may be directly related to our satisfaction in helping others.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta worked tirelessly in her daily desire to help those in need. She found joy in the help that she was able to give to the poor and the needy. You are practising being Joyful when you:

- Give thanks to God
- Look inside yourself for happiness
- Enjoy whatever you are doing
- Appreciate the gifts in your life and in others
- Have a good sense of humour
- Feel an inner peace even when things are tough

Dear God, I am full of joy because you love me! No matter what happens I know that you will take care of me. Help me to share my joyfulness with everyone I know. Amen



The Feast of the Assumption

We celebrate Mary being taken body and soul to heaven. In the Gospel at the celebration of the Eucharist Mary says: *From now on all generations will call me blessed; for the mighty one has done great things for me, and holy is his name.* What is great about Mary being taken body and soul to heaven? That means that what happened to Jesus in His resurrection, God has done for Mary. Mary shares in Jesus' resurrection. When Mary's life on earth ended it was not just her soul that was taken to heaven but her body too. God did this for Mary because she is the mother of Jesus, God's only son, and throughout her life she did everything that God asked her to do. Christians believe that like Mary they too will share in Jesus resurrection – Te Aranga when their life on earth ends.

Next Wednesday 17 August at 12:15 pm we will be having a whole school Liturgy to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. We warmly invite all family and friends to join us in the Church.

Assembly: Rm 5 is the Assembly Class for Week 3 Term 3.

Cuppa and Chat

Join us tomorrow morning after Assembly for a cuppa and a chat.
The Pastoral Care Committee

Virtues Assembly

A special moment in our assembly this week with Libby Galbraith, one of our ex pupils, talking to us and thanking our pupils for the DVD of support and for our continual prayers. We were also able to bless Libby with water from Lourdes in France to help in Our Lady's way for her healing. Please keep Libby in your prayers as she continues her oncology treatment.

Gondolences

The school community extends its sympathy to Dominick Matau and Asianna Lealiifano and family. Their grandmother passed away recently.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Scrunchies

Rm 1 are making hair scrunchies to sell at the School Fair. We need old school pinafores, please. It doesn't matter their condition as we will use them. Please give to Lorraine Lowe in Rm 1.

Thank you.

Megan Stewart

Help – just 15 mins a week!

We still need your help to keep our children safe! We need a few more parents to call on to fill in for road patrol when our regular parents and caregivers are unable to come. Please help out. See me in Rm 1 with your details. Many thanks. *Lorraine Lowe*

Scholastic Book Club

Orders due to school tomorrow in an envelope marked *Book Club* and posted in the Office counterslot. *Jo Christophers*

Year 7/8

On Saturday 6 August, Otutahi Rugby Club was being filmed by Maori TV at Bower Park. The programme was called *Bring Your Boots* and was hosted by Glen Osborne. Sars, Declan and Liam were some of the people being filmed. Liam said, *We started with some training and then just before the match we did a haka.* We played Christchurch Black and won 56-29. At prize-giving, Sars won the most improved player award, Declan won the most valuable player award. Declan has been selected to play for the Canterbury Zones team. *Sars, Declan and Liam (Rm 1)*

Board of Trustees

From Tuesday's meeting:

- As part of our triannual review process the BOT is formalising a review of earthquake procedures. We welcome your views; either email office@nbc.school.nz or pop in an envelope marked BOT and post in the office counterslot.
- As part of our review process the BOT is developing an exit survey for people leaving the school. This will help us to monitor, improve our programmes, and plan for the future.
- The BOT thanks Geoff Gillam who has been NBC's financial adviser for 12 years at Canterbury Education Services. We wish Geoff all the best in his new endeavours.
- The BOT recognises the importance of the Dr Tom Mulholland Seminars on Monday. This supports the BOT's Strategic Goal No 1 - Positive Healthy Relationships. **As part of our school community, please join us in taking advantage of this motivation speaker.**

Reduce Stress?

Healthy Thinking Seminar

Villa Maria Auditorium

7.30-9 pm Monday 15 August

Dr Tom Mulholland on

*De-stress – Take Control –
Move Forward with Healthy Thinking*

Support Please!

We strongly urge our parents to attend this seminar. As the topic is in our Strategic Plan, it will become part of our culture.

Many thanks to The Canterbury Catholic Primary Principals Association who have sponsored this evening for parents/caregivers in our Catholic Schools. (That means it's free to you.)

One Community – Learning Together

Christchurch Schools Music Festival

On 26 October at 7.30 pm we will be part of the massed choir at the CSMF. All choir children have been given a ticket order form and extra forms are in the school office if you would like to join us in this musical celebration. Orders and correct money in an envelope marked *Music Festival* need to be posted in the Office counterslot by Friday 19 August. Tickets purchased this way are cheaper than through Ticketek. *Lorraine Lowe*

Measles

Following an outbreak of Measles in Auckland and the Waikato, The Ministry of Health have asked that parents check that their children's immunisations are up to date.

Wow!

Check out the Library. Many thanks to the PTFA and their fantastic fundraising efforts for our new 50" Plasma TV.

*God Bless
Deb Daines
Principal*

Going home today: RE T3 Newsletter

Parish Fr Bryan Parish (388 9020)

Mass at St Mary's Parish Centre at 10.30 am on Sunday.
Everyone welcome.

Baptismal Preparation Programme

Thursday 1, 8 and 15 September 7-8 pm St Mary's Parish Centre.
Welcome Sunday – 4 September 10.30 am Mass
Baptism Sunday – 18 September 10.30 am Mass
Please contact Fr Bryan for more details.

Attendance Dues: Term 3's Attendance Dues are now due.

Community

On the Library noticeboard:

- Storylines Festival – free family day – Sunday 21 August
- Chch Netball *Junior Netball Academy* – registration forms in the Office.
- Quake Info from Lianne Dalziel MP
- North Beach Tennis – Junior registration/Kiwi Tennis Coaching
- Roger Sutton's (CERA) Weekly Update

PTFA

Our aim: To unite the school community through social events and to fundraise for our school.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 30 August, at 7pm in the staff room.

Everyone is welcome.

Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser – Thank You

Thanks to the Millar, Morgan, Hanson, Ernst, Alderson, Uhrbom, Kinder, Righton, Williams, Cairns and Ryan-Verry families for their fantastic help on the day. We raised over \$400. Thanks to all who bought a sausage on the day.

School Lunches Thursday 18 August: Hot Dogs

Order forms in the Library. Orders and correct money in the blue tin by 9 am Wednesday, please.

Recipe Book Order Form: Don't forget to order your recipe books. Orders need to be returned by Friday 19 August and can be placed in the RED BOX in the office.

Wine Tasting and Quiz night – Friday 26 August



Come to this fun Waipara wine tasting quiz night in the School Hall – test your knowledge and get together with the school community



Details on the PTFA noticeboard.

Get a team of ten together or let us team you up on the night!

Tickets \$15 pp - wine tasting and nibbles included.

Buy your tickets after school Wednesday, Thursday and Friday or place your order in the Red Box in the Office – remember to write your child's name and room number and the number of tickets you require – don't forget to include the correct money!

Children's Calendars

Completed artworks will go home on 15 September to be returned the following week with your order and money. This timeframe will allow for overseas posting for Christmas. If you have any special requests for the art, please see your child's teacher. Ideas are on the PTFA noticeboard.

Thanks for your continued support.

Kellie Moore (383 5111) kellie@ascc.co.nz

Earthquake Recovery

On the Library noticeboard is this week's CERA update and information from Lianne Dalziel, MP.

We can print you a copy of the Temporary Accommodation Assistance application form if you need it.

<http://www.quakeaccommodation.govt.nz/apply-for-temporary-accommodation-assistance>

Important Numbers

Govt Helpline:	0800 779997*
Quake Counselling	0800 777846
Catholic Social Services	379 0012
EQC	0800 326243
Council	941 8999

Land information: www.landcheck.org.nz

North New Brighton-QE2 Hub/Fletcher Construction for emergency work/weatherproofing/safety repairs 341 9979

Red Cross

Apparently two new grants have been approved and will be announced shortly. Keep an eye out for *Dislocated Child* and *No Sewage for Three Months*.