



Newsletter 25

Term Three: 19 August 2010

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends

Important Dates

Fri 20 Aug	Young Leaders Duffy Assembly am - Basic Facts Challenge in classes pm – Last day Hagley Sport
Tues 24 Aug	Rm2&3 Ferrymead 9 am-2.30 pm 2 pm Transition Group 7.30 pm PTFA meeting
Fri 27 Aug	Basic Facts Challenge in Houses School Disco
Tues 31 Aug	2 pm Transition Group
Thurs 2 Sept	1.30pm Pause . Prompt . Praise reading workshop
Tues 7 Sept	2 pm Transition Group
Wed 8 Sept	Read Aloud Rm 1-3 – 10.30 am dep.
Thurs 9 Sept	1.30pm Pause . Prompt . Praise reading workshop
Thurs 16 Sept	Catholic Tournament (postponement 23/9)
Fri 17 Sept	Jump Rope for Heart 1.15 pm
Tues 21 Sept	Duffy Role Model Assembly 7 pm BOT Meeting
Fri 24 Sept	2.45 pm Term 3 ends

BOT Meetings: You are welcome to attend: 7 pm in the Meeting Room on Tuesday 21 September, 19 October and 30 November.



NBC Footsteps Virtue Wk : SELF-AWARE

The Glory of God is the person fully alive.

The life of the person is the vision of God. St Irenaus

At New Brighton Catholic School we are Self-Aware.

Being self-aware can mean caring about our bodies and ourselves.

Caring about yourself means that you treat yourself with the respect and concern that you deserve as a child of God. Treating your body with respect is looking after it, with regular exercise and proper eating. Exercise might mean playing and being physically active. We exercise at school when we do PMP or take part in a competitive game with our classmates. When we go to soccer practice or dance class we are giving our body the necessary exercise to help it perform. Everyone can benefit from regular exercise and we need to look after the gifts that God has given us when he created us. *Jo De Bono, DRS*

Assembly Class

Rm 4 is the Assembly Class for Week 6.

Hagley Sport – Friday 20 August

Sport cancelled.

75th Jubilee

New Brighton Catholic School is celebrating its 75th Jubilee this year during Labour Weekend (23-24 October).

All enquires or for a registration form please contact Katrina Galbraith, email gerry.katrina@gmail.com or phone 382 3387.

The Jubilee Committee

2011 Planning

To assist with classroom planning for 2011, please let the Office know of any intended transfers.

If you know of anyone thinking of sending their child to NBC, please ask them to ring the Office. I am looking at closing off some classes.

Reading is Fun

Sit and read a story with your child/ren. By reading and sharing time together, you will reinforce the attachment you have established earlier. Make it even more fun by using different voices, and loud and soft tones, or making faces and gestures. Remember to let your child/ren know that you love to spend time reading with them. It is important that children love stories and enjoy reading over their whole lifetime because reading is so important for learning. By the time your child is a year old, you will find they love to have their own stack of books that they can pull out and play with. Their interests will change with time. Finding out that reading is fun and exciting makes your child want to learn to read. This creates a solid foundation for reading and other learning.

MOE's Team Up pamphlet

Don't forget to take your children to New Brighton's fantastic library and make use of all the wonderful things it has to offer.

Jo De Bono

Help!

Don't forget - The Spring Clean Swap Shop needs your unwanted clothes and accessories. *School Council & House Captains*

School Disco – Friday 27 August

Check out the posters around the School for details. It's \$2 per child or \$5 per family. *The School Council*

Transition Group

The Transition Group for children starting in Terms 3&4 meets in the Library at 2 pm on Tuesday 24 & 31 August and 7 Sept. The children and their parents get to know each other over coffee and play and at 2.30 pm the Group joins Rm 8 for a story and prayers. This is a valuable opportunity for the children to become acquainted with their peer group and to become familiar with school routines. We appreciate your support and would love to see you on Tuesday.

We will run another block session in November for children starting school in Term 1 2011. *Jan Fensom/Veronica Kidd*

Pause ... Prompt ... Praise

Do you want to assist your child with their reading at home? I am running a two-session parent workshop on this topic on Thursday 2 and 9 September from 1.30-2.30 pm.

Benefits:

- All our children will greatly benefit from parents reading alongside them in the classroom, building up their reading mileage, targeting children who are struggling with fluency and confidence.
- Encourage parents to participate in their child's learning both at home and school.
- Continue to build home/school partnerships

If you are interested, please let Mary in the Office know by Monday 30 August. Thank you. *Jo De Bono*

Parents Inc. Hot Tip: Helping Kids Cope with Strong Feelings

If your child struggles more than most with strong emotions like fear, frustration, or anger, then you can be a powerful model of how to cope when these feelings threaten to take over. A child in a furious rage is hard to help with rational suggestions. When emotions are spilling over, show them what self control looks like. Let them see you gather yourself, calm down and even take a walk outside. A child loves to find ways of managing their own anger – and you will be their first and most important teacher.

Thank You

We are very grateful to Chevron NZ for awarding us a Caltex Energy for Learning Resource Grant for Reading Recovery and for the *Constable Keith & Sniff's Greatest Hits* CDs. The \$300 will buy new Reading Recovery resources.

*God Bless
Deb Daines
Principal*

Community

On the Library Noticeboard:

- Social Justice Week 12-18 September
- Dore Programme – Free Info Evening
- Junior Golf Coaching – Waitikiri Golf Course
- Parklands United Softball Club registration
- Chch Sth Parents Centre Baby & Kids Gear Sale

Going home:

- Sport Canterbury Holiday Programmes leaflet

PTFA

Be quick - order movie tickets now!

Tickets are now available for our 3D movie preview of *Despicable Me* at The Palms on Sunday 19 September - only \$12 adult or child! Please complete the order form below (or write your own) and place it and your money in the box in the Office. We will send the tickets home on Thursday 2 September.

Tickets are priced low so that we can all go and just have fun! We do still need to cover costs, so ask all your friends and family to come along and join us.

At the disco....

The PTFA have organised a wine and cheese evening in the Parish Centre for parents while their children dance the night away. So, come and join us! There will be wine available for purchase as well. We will also have tea, coffee and cake available for a small charge.

And outside the Parish Centre, for the hungry people amongst us (children or adults), we will be selling American Hotdogs for \$2.00 each.

It's going to be a great night, the School Council have arranged a brilliant disco for the children, so please come along and support the wonderful school community we have at NBC.

School Lunches - Thursday 26 August - Subway

Cost: \$5 for sub, cookie and apple

Order forms in the Library. All orders and money in an envelope in the blue tin in the library by 9 am Wednesday.

Next Meeting

Our next Meeting is on Tuesday 24 August at Anne-Marie's house, 21 Eastwood Drive, at 7:30pm. Please feel welcome to come along – we would love to see you!

Thanks. Claire Uhrbom, PTFA Secretary, 021 2857359

From Our Health Nurse

It is the time of year when there are a lot of bugs and viruses around causing people to become unwell with coughs, colds, flu's and stomach upsets.

Most of these bugs are easily spread from one person to another through the air by children coughing and sneezing. Over winter, when it's cold outside, the inside room temperature can get very warm and people are in close proximity – ideal conditions for germs and bugs to grow rapidly.

If your child has a cold, the flu, or a tummy upset, we recommend that they stay home for a couple of days, getting plenty of rest and fluids. This will assist them to get better quickly and reduce the spread to other children. If they are not improving, you should take them to the doctor.

Making sure children are dressed warmly, get enough sleep, exercise every day and eat plenty of fruit and vegetables all help with general health.

It is also important to teach children about good hygiene measures that can protect themselves and others from infections:

- Coughing and sneezing into a tissue, then putting it into the rubbish bin
- Using their elbow to cover their mouth and nose when they sneeze or cough if they do not have a tissue.
- Blowing their nose when needed (sniffing can lead to earache).
- Washing hands after coughing or nose blowing.
- Washing hands after going to the toilet.
- Not sharing food, drink bottles, whistles, recorders etc.

Please feel free to contact me on 383 6877 ext 99615 if you have any questions. Thanks, Liz Hampton PHN

Parish

Fr Bryan Parish (388 9020)

Parish Mass Times:

St Mary's	Sunday	10.30 am
Morning tea after Mass every 1 st & 3 rd Sunday		
St James'	Saturday (Vigil Mass)	6.00 pm
	Sunday	9.00 am

Attendance Dues

Thank you to those who have paid. Unfortunately we will have to ring and remind some families. Please honour your commitment and keep your Attendance Dues up to date.

NBC PTFA presents a
preview screening of
Despicable Me – in 3D
3.30 pm

Sunday 12 September
at Readings Cinema, The Palms
Tickets: \$12 adult or child



Child's Name: Rm:

Number of Tickets: Amount Enclosed: