



Newsletter 29 Term 4: 3 November 2011

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends

Important Dates

Tues-Mon 25-31 Oct	Life Education
Friday 4 Nov	Stormbirds 9.30-10.30 am
Tues 8 Nov	Road Patrol Training 1.30-2.30 pm
Wed 9 Nov	Stormbirds 1.30-2.30 pm Junior Tabloid Sports Eastern Zones Athletics
Thurs 10 Nov	Staff-only Day – school closed
Fri 11 Nov	Show Day – school closed
Fri 18 Nov	Stormbirds 9.30-10.30 am
Tues 22 Nov	Stormbirds 9.30-10.30 am
Thurs 8 Dec	Feast Day Leavers' Dinner
Thurs 15 Dec	6 pm Thanksgiving Yr 8 Mass

BOT Meetings: You are most welcome to attend our BOT meetings at 7 pm on Tuesday 8 November and 6 December

NBC Footsteps Virtue Week 3 T4: **Forgiving / Muru**

Sometimes people do wrong things that hurt you. You must forgive them. Then you can be sure that God will forgive you anything that you do wrong. Matthew 6:14

At New Brighton Catholic School we are Forgiving. God gave us the power of free choice. Sometimes people choose to do wrong or hurtful things – all of us do this at one time or another. It might be a little thing, such as forgetting to do something that we promised to do, or perhaps a bigger thing, such as not telling the truth or taking something that is not ours to take. When someone forgives us, we get another chance and can try again to do what is right.

By forgiving someone you overlook the mistakes that they made and love them just as much as before. It means that you find it in your heart to give the person another chance. Forgiveness is the best way to encourage yourself and others to be better followers of Christ and to make changes.

Dear Jesus, thank you for your forgiveness.

Thank you for forgiving me when I do something wrong.

Help me to forgive others the way you forgive me. Amen

Condolences

The school community extends its sympathy to Grace Schischka and family. In the past few weeks Grace's grandmother, grandfather and great uncle have passed away. Our sympathy also to Jade, Holly and Jasmine Barr-Williams whose great grandmother passed away recently. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Assembly: Rm 6 is the Assembly Class for prayers Wk3 T4.

Staff-Only Day

Our usual Staff-Only Day on the Thursday before Show Day is next Thursday.

Pets Day

On Wednesday 16 November we are having a Pets Day from 9-10.30 am. We ask parents to stay with the pets and that all animals be in cages and dogs on a lead. We will be judging the animals by categories. Please let your class teacher know what pet you will be bringing.
The School Council

Congratulations

On 17 December 1961 Fr Bryan Parish was ordained a priest. To celebrate his 50th Jubilee a Mass and a parish meal were held on Tuesday.

We give thanks for Fr Bryan and the work he does in our school and parish. Please keep him in your prayers.

BOT Meeting – Change of Date

The BOT meeting was transferred to 8 November due to Father's celebrations.

Thank You



The Pye Foundation very generously provided NBC with a grant of \$10,000 to purchase their books and resources and this morning seven cartons were delivered to us.

Fete

What a fantastic day. Many thanks to Melinda and her team, our hard working PTFA.

See some great photos of the fete in the Library.

Red Cross Torch Radio Preparedness Programme

You may have seen the launch on TV with St James, Aranui. Our school families will receive their torch radios at 10.30 am next Wednesday in a presentation by Red Cross. We thank the New Zealand Red Cross for their support in such a practical way.

\$5 Duffy Book Club Offer

Orders due by next Wednesday 9 November in an envelope marked *Duffy Book Club* and posted in the Office Counterslot. Thank you.

Jo Christophers

School Athletics

Because of the terrible forecast yesterday morning, we postponed the Junior Tabloid Sports – now on next Wednesday afternoon, 9 November. To ensure we had entries for the Eastern Zones Athletics next Wednesday, we ran the Senior Athletics yesterday morning (before the predicted thunderstorm!). Congratulations to the following students who will represent NBC: Emilie Carey, Estelle Alderson, Brydie Shea, Breana Newburn, Laura Jones, Amy Beaver, Paige Atkinson, Piper McKeefry, Brianna Willoughby, Rebecca Lilley, Jessica Hanson, Claudia McKenzie, Olivia Carey, Grace Taurima, Mischa Horton-Davey, Shakira Fukofuka, Katerina Fonoti, Abby Jones, Claudia Roberts, Milan Johnston, Tayla Kleiss, Maria Cooke, Neko Tohiariki, Sam Turner, Dean Harris, Lopeti Sumner, Tom Clark, Salio Tafaese, Romek Gall, Matt Robin, James Kleiss, Joshua Stockman, Carl James, Pelenato Tafaese, Joshua Denley, Corbin Haitana, Fintan McKeefry

We were able to text details of the reorganised day as soon as the decision was made just after 8 am yesterday. Have you registered for our text messages?

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Thank You

The Belgian Embassy and Christchurch Honorary Consul hosted an evening to celebrate the premiere of the Tintin movie and Belgian culture from which they kindly made a donation to NBC.

Road Patrol 2012

Calling all parents! We need your help to keep our children safe in 2012 by becoming a road patrol parent. It only takes 15 minutes in the morning from 8.30-8.45 am or after school from 2.45-3 pm. If you drop off or collect your child from school, please give a thought to spending a few minutes helping out. If you can help support the children who do this duty, please see me or leave your name and preferred day and time with the Office. It's an important job and is really valued by staff, children and other parents. Please come and lend a hand! Many thanks.
Lorraine Lowe (Rm 1)

ICAS

Congratulations to all the children who participated in the International Competitions for Schools this year. We had a limited number of students involved and achieved some great results. Jessica Tater achieved a credit in the computer skills test and the writing test, putting her in the top 20% of results from NZ and Australia! Olivia Carey pushed the top 10% with her distinction in spelling. Overall we had four children involved with entries in computer skills, spelling, writing, and mathematics.
Nick Gray

Community Dental Service (formerly *School Dental*)

The mobile dental van has arrived at NBC. Most of our students will have their annual dental check-up this week or next. X-rays and preventative treatment such as fissure sealants and fluoride treatments may be carried out. But if your child requires other operative work, such as fillings or extractions, they will bring home a Care Plan indicating the work required. Then just call 0800 846 983 to arrange a time when you are able to take your child to the new Community Dental Clinic based at Aranui High School, 21 Shortland St, for treatment. For further information about the new facilities please visit the community Dental Service website: www.cdhb.govt.nz/dentalcare/child-adolescent-oral-health-development.htm or call 0800 846 983 if you wish to discuss care for your child.

No newsletter next week as Thursday is Staff-Only Day. Enjoy the short week and long weekend.

*God Bless
Deb Daines
Principal*

Going home today:

- RE Newsletter Term 4
- Kids Duathlon flyer

School Community



Laura and Abby Jones met with the Prime Minister at the opening of Cashel Mall.

Community

On the Library noticeboard:

- Roger Sutton's weekly update
- Kids Duathlon 27 November Hagley Park
- *To Affirm* – 3 December Wainoni Park
- Adventure & Education at Stewart Island – Yr 6-9
- Direct Uniforms Supplies in receivership – Sale
- Baby & Kids Expos and Gear Sale – 27 November

PTFA

Our aim is to unite the school community through social events and to fund raise for our school.

Our Spring Fete!

What a great Day!

We hope you enjoyed the family day out! Wasn't it great seeing all the kids running around having fun? That's what it's all about!

The cake stall was amazing - the baking we received from you was fantastic. Thank you, thank you!

I would like to say a **HUGE** thank you to all the volunteers who made the day a great success. A special mention goes to the Fete Sub-Committee, a large amount of work was achieved in a small amount of time. Awesome job, guys! We have been receiving great feedback from not only the parents but the wider community.

We raised \$5,000 - Great Effort!!

Please remember to support our **wonderful sponsors** who supported us on Sunday: Fonterra, Christchurch City Council, Harcourts Parklands, New Brighton Silver Band (Great Entertainment), BP, Shoreline Gym, Hanmer Springs Pools, Reading Cinemas, Clip n Climb, BNZ the Palms, Pak n Save, Anne and Sean Houghton (Wine), Bunnings and Toy World (Marshlands), Hammer Hardware NB, Mitre10 Ferrymead, ASB, Paper Plus NB, Switch, K Mart, Freedom Cars, Life Pharmacy Riccarton, Moi Sales & Marketing, Sally Millar (Plants). We look forward to next year!

Sponsor Profile: *New Brighton Silver Band* welcome new and current brass players. If you are interested in learning to play a brass instrument then give us a call. For all enquiries about playing or learning please contact our conductor Craig Williamson on 3881054. Should you want to hire the band please contact Viv Willan on 3749189. Proud to be part of the New Brighton community and for more information about your local band visit our web site www.newbrightonsilverband.org.nz

Suggestions

We welcome your suggestions where you think there is a real need/benefit for the kids. Place ideas into our "PTFA" box located in the office. We will then raise them at the following PTFA Meetings. Please include your name so we can get back to you personally.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 6 December at 7pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome.

Lunch - Thursday, 17 November: Hot Dogs

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

Thank you for your continued help and support
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