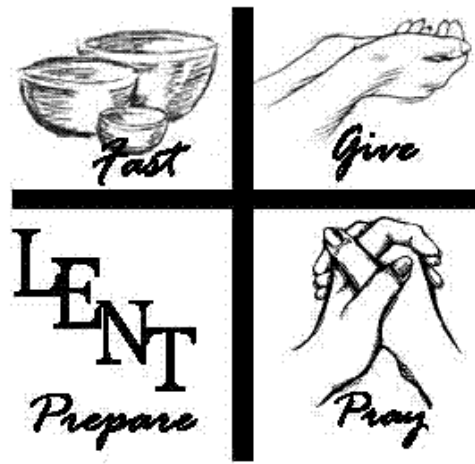




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Reflection



Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Lent is a time for prayer, contemplation, reflection and preparation for Easter. The season of Lent is a highlight in the Catholic calendar, an opportunity for “spiritual self-improvement”.

It is also one year since the devastating Christchurch earthquake. Our thoughts and prayers are with the people of Christchurch in their on-going struggle towards recovery.

Where do we find you, O God? We find you in hands outstretched and hearts opened, not in the tremble and tumble and the terror. We cloak ourselves in concrete and steel. You cloak yourself in love and compassion.

Help us to rebuild, and in so doing to dedicate ourselves to the greatest of all blessings : life.



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Ash Wednesday Mass

Rooms 4 to 8 will join with our Parish and Sacred Heart Primary School at

Sacred Heart Basilica at 9:00 am

to celebrate Mass for Ash Wednesday next

Wednesday 22 February.

We ask for your support in dropping students to the Basilica between 8:30 – 8:50 am. They will be bussed back to the school after Mass.

Junior School Ashes Paraliturgy

The Junior School will hold an Ashes Liturgy in the hall at **9:10 am**. Parents are most welcome to join us.

Swimming Programme

Thank you for your on-going support for our swimming programme. Despite the frustrations with the weather etc. It is great to see the daily improvement in skills and confidence in all students. This is particularly important in an island nation surround by water and with high drowning rates.

Parent Meetings

It was great to meet with many parents over the last two weeks at class parent meetings. We appreciate the chance to explain class programmes and to provide parents with information on new initiatives such as the consolidated account for activities and our Learning Management System Ultraset.

At the Room 7 & 8 parent meeting my much loved black cardigan went missing. If anyone finds they have a spare black cardigan – I would love to have mine back.



Carmel Brosnahan-Pye
PRINCIPAL



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We warmly welcome the following students who has joined our school community.

Emma Comeau	(Room 7)
Hannah Leonard	(Room 7)
Luka Foy	(Room 6)
MaKenzey Oates	(Room 6)
Savannah Oates	(Room 4)
Stevie Voyce	(Room 3)
Flynn Cooney	(Room 2)
Joshua Fitzgerald	(Room 2)
Shakira Smith	(Room 2)
Sharnika Smith	(Room 2)

Class Award Winners

Room	Week 1	Week 2
1	Wade Peters	Sophie Kane
2	Eliza Noone	Jodie Haines-King
3	Madison Holgate	Thomas Johnson
4	Elizabeth Kinney	Ben Cockroft
5	Blythe Ashurst	Vincent Passos-O'Brien
6	Mya Nevin	Nicholas Goodwin
7	Samuel Gray	Logan Fynn
8	Nikita Quinn	George Duff

Citizenship Shield

- Dominic Wilson

Terrific Tickets

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School Community Group AGM

WHEN: Thursday 8 March 2012

WHERE: Richard Pearse Tavern
7:30 pm

All Welcome. We would love to see some new faces so please feel free to come along for a coffee/drink and sit in on the meeting with no pressure at all to join.



Early Closing

On **Tuesday 28 February** all staff will be involved in a Professional Development meeting from **2:00 – 5:00 pm**.

School will finish early on that day to allow for this

Staff will be looking at our St Joseph's Curriculum and reviewing curriculum delivery in 2012.

We appreciate your support with this

The bus run will be operating at the earlier time of 2:00 pm

Parents Morning Tea

WHEN: Friday 17 February 2012
WHERE: Café Heartland
10:30 am onwards

Arrive whenever you can between 10:30 – 11:30 am.

A great opportunity for new parents to the school to come along and meet up over a hot drink.

Any queries contact Tracey Talbot ☎686-1858



Hockey

The 2012 primary hockey season takes place from May to September.

We field teams in both the 6 a-side and 11 a-side competition.

The age of our players ranges from 5 to 12 years.

St Joseph's Primary Hockey club is calling for expressions of interest from anyone who has a love of hockey that would be keen to assist with coaching, managing or refereeing any of our teams.

All help and support for our hockey players is greatly appreciated.

Please contact Clare Davenport ☎684-7744.

Ukulele & Guitar Tuition

Small group or individual lessons.

At school by private arrangement.

Inquiries to John Roxburgh ☎684-7861.

Teacher with the New Zealand Modern School of Music



Highfield Tennis Club – Quiz Night

WHERE: SBS Events Centre Lounge
WHEN: Friday 17 February at 7:30 pm
COST: 30 per team up to 5 people

Bring your friends and come enjoy a night full of entertainment in support of the Highfield Tennis Club.

Cash prizes and awesome giveaways.
Bar facility on site with alcoholic & non-alcoholic beverages – EFTPOS available.

Enquiries to Sarah Houghton ☎688-4155 or 022 6481186

NO ENTRY FORMS – JUST TURN UP ON THE NIGHT

Kids Can Do It Tryathlon

This is a popular 'Have a Go' event for 7-13 year olds.

Contact Timaru Triathlon Club

Juliet-gary@xtra.co.nz for further information.

Entry forms are available from the school office

Junior Recruitment Drive – Soccer

If your child is in Year 1 or 2 and keen to join a new St Joseph's (West End) winter soccer team – contact Di Higgins ☎684-8151.

Practices will be on a suitable day after school on the St Joseph's playing field.

Thistle Soccer Club Registrations

WHEN: Saturday 3 March 2012
10:00 – 12:00 pm

WHERE: Thistle Soccer Clubrooms
Browne Street, Timaru

All enquiries to Julie ☎688-6608



NZ Football Futsal Indoor Soccer

Funny name for a great game.

8 week Junior League
age 8 years and under, 9 – 13 years grade.

If numbers warrant, a girls grade could be formed for 8 – 13 years.

League starting Wednesday 8 February 2012 at SBS Events Centre.

Referees needed.

Those interested contact Russell King ☎686-6718 or 021 0791992



Come and Dance Like Nobody's Watching
at Inspirit Dance Clubs hip hop classes for
children 5 – 8 and 9 – 14.

Friday 17 February is
the last chance to enrol your children for
Term 1.

5 – 8 classes begins Fridays at 3:40 pm in the
Highfield School Hall - \$60 per term.

9 – 14 classes begins Fridays at 4:20 pm in
the Highfield School Hall - \$70 per term.

Come along and fill out a registration form.
Children need to bring a water bottle and
wear comfortable sneakers.

Please arrive 10 minutes early to class.

For more enquiries contact Chantelle ☎027
5885384

HIP-HOP

Pass 2 Pub Mountain Bike Ride



The legendary cross country Mountain Bike
Ride for the whole family is back!
Ride the majestic Mackenzie Country.
Adventure, Prizes, Music, Food, Family Fun –
It's all here!

Suitable for beginners and advanced riders.

Register Now!

Go to www.pass2pub.com for more
information and to enter online.

Entry forms can also be picked up at
PlaceMakers and The Cyclery, Timaru

Coming Events

17 February	NO ASSEMBLY
20-24 February	R7 & 8 Camp
21 February	BOT Meeting 7:00 pm
22 February	Ash Wednesday
24 February	Assembly - Prayers R3
29 Feb – 2 March	R5 & 6 Camp
2 March	Assembly – Prayers R2

Public Health Nursing

Tips for settling in and succeeding at school

Set the scene for success. Your child's
transition to school will be more enjoyable and
successful if you put in place some of the
following –

- Help your child get organised. Establish a
school-day routine. This will help your
child feel secure and able to cope with
what is required of him or her.
- Send them off to school with a hug and a
smile from you.
- A busy life at school needs plenty of sleep
to fuel it. a good guide is 11-12 hours a
night.
- Breakfast is high-octane fuel. Good
quality food equals good quality brains.
- Plan play-lunch and lunch with your child.
Let them make some choices from healthy
options.
- Get to know your child's teacher. Be
friendly and see where you can help.
- Support education at home. Any work that
comes from home from school is
important. Check every day what has
come home and give your child support to
complete any tasks required.
- Keep your expectations realistic. Allow
each of your children to develop uniquely,
however, if you feel there is a real
problem, look for the help you need.
- Provide a relaxed atmosphere and a
listening ear for your child to talk about
school.

Parenting with Confidence
www.parenting.org.nz