

Newspage

Week 8 Term1 2022

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends of the School,

Today Friday is the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord. At school we read the Gospel story about when the angel Gabriel announced that Mary was to be the Mother of Jesus. Mary mother of Christ we are your children pray for us.

Retirement

Fr. Chris is retiring from the Parish and is leaving Balclutha after Easter. He will be farewelled by the Parish at the end of Mass on Palm Sunday, 10 April. The children will farewell him at school on Thursday the last day of Term 1. We wish Fr Chris a great retirement, we will miss him at school and we look forward to meeting our new priest Fr Jacob who comes to us from Southland. God Bless Fr Chris and thank you for everything that you have done for us.

PTA Easter Raffle

A raffle card has gone home with each family. Please bring in a boxed easter egg to go towards the raffle. **Money, cards and easter egg donations need to be returned by Wednesday 6th April.** If you would like another raffle card please see the office. The raffle cards will be drawn on Friday 8th April. Any questions please contact the school. Thank you for your support.

If you would like to pay online please pay into the PTA account, 03 1734 0055611 00 and use Easter raffle as your reference.

"Show by
your
Actions
more than by
Words
that you are so!"
St. Mary MacKillop



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Information

Muffi For Ukraine (no uniform)

The focus of our Caritas Lenten journey this year is "We are called to be peacemakers." We continue to show our solidarity for our Brother and Sisters in Ukraine by prayer and almsgiving. We are having a muffi day at school on Monday. Children can wear yellow/blue to show their support for the Ukrainian people. Each child can bring a gold coin donation which will go to Caritas who are providing support at this time.

Now in its fourth week, the war in Ukraine continues to have a devastating effect on civilians across the country.

Caritas Ukraine are supporting people in the following way:

- * providing shelter and accommodation
- * providing food baskets and hygienic sets to affected families
- * providing essential goods to families
- * providing support services - protection, support and childcare.

Covid Information

COVID-19 cases at school

Positive cases: 3

At home Isolating because of family contact: 7

Changes to the Covid-19 protection framework will take effect from 11.59pm Friday 25 March, and to the vaccine mandates which will take effect from Monday 4 April

There is no change to mask wearing in education settings.



Value Award

Make Room For All

Katelyn Doherty

Grace Bensley

Cohen Twaddle

Congratulations to all
these children
Well Done!

Interviews

We are organising parent interviews for the first week back in Term 2. Please phone the office to make a time. Interviews will be 10 minutes for each student.

Tuesday 3 May
3:15 - 6:00
Wednesday 4 May
3:15 - 5:00