

COMMUNITY NOTICES

St Thomas Aquinas Parish
is hosting a

Quiz Night

WEDNESDAY 10 JULY

6.45pm registration for 7pm start

At the Lounge Bar - Middle Pub, Winton

\$20.00 per team of 4
Get a team together ...



Or come along
and make up a
team on the night

SPORT TERM 3

The following sports are being offered for Year 3-6 students in Term 3:

Mini Ball

The Miniball competition, which is run at Stadium Southland in Invercargill, will start midway through term 3 and is on Tuesday afternoons.

(More information will be out about Miniball in the coming weeks.)

St Thomas are hoping to have enough players to form the following teams:

- Year 3&4 Girls
- Year 3&4 Boys
- Year 5&6 Girls
- Year 5&6 Boys

(Mixed teams may be made, if numbers are low)

If you are interested in playing, please collect an entry form off your teacher, or Mel in the office.

Rugby Southland Primary School Indoor Rippa Rugby Series 2019

Rugby Southland are to be running an innovative fast paced version of Rippa Rugby played Indoors. With only **FOUR** players on the court at once, and a **maximum of SIX** players in a team everyone will have the perfect opportunity to have a go at playing rugby and showcase their ability while having fun with their friends at the same time. This exciting competition will be played out over a four week period, on Thursdays on the following dates from 4-6pm.

- August 1st
- August 8th
- August 15th
- August 22nd

Games will take place for Invercargill & Winton based Schools at ILT Stadium Southland, Invercargill

Who - Grades will be single gender only & available to all children in Year 3-6*. St Thomas are hoping to have enough players to form the following teams.

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E Te Atua - nga mihi o te ra, ki te whanau e hui nei. God, give us your blessing this day as we gather in your name.



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Mission Statement: Quality Catholic Education

Our Vision: A supportive environment where we live our faith and celebrate our learning in life. At St Thomas Aquinas School we are **CHASERS**. We live through our Mercy Values of: Compassion, Hospitality, Social Justice, Excellence, Respect, Service.

Term 2 - Week 8

Thursday 20th June 2019

Dear Students and Parents,

As we are in the throws of winter many of our children and staff are experiencing sickness. We are trying all preventive strategies to stop the spread of germs. Thank you to our families who have kept children who are sick at home as this supports us in our quest to keep our school environment as healthy as possible.

Last week I had the pleasure of watching a number of our students participate at Central Cross Country. I was blown away by the effort our children put in; they have a great understanding of what it means to show the Mercy value of Excellence. I was proud to see some of our children achieve their goal of completing the course despite their apprehension. I witnessed most of our children give absolutely everything they had in order to achieve their personal goal of getting in the top group of runners. As a group they represented themselves and St Thomas Aquinas very well. We wish those students advancing through to Southland Cross Country all the best.

This week our Student Council held a Bake Sale to raise funds to improve the playground. I have been impressed by the way our senior leaders have planned and organised this event as a collective group. I can see that their leadership skills continue to develop every time they take on one of the goals within their action plan. Their action plan has been created in response to the student survey they carried out earlier in the year. The Student Council will continue to keep you updated on what they are trying to achieve for the greater good of all students.

Lastly I would like to thank you in advance for your support in carrying out our Teacher Only Day for our staff to attend professional development. As you know this sits alongside our school wide goal of increasing engagement in writing. **School will be closed for instruction on Wednesday 26th June next week.**

Ma te atua e tiaki,
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May God bless you,
Teresa Jarvis

Central Cross Country at Dipton



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Key Dates

June 2019

- 21 Southland Cross Country at Waimumu
- 26 **Teacher only day - school will be closed**
- 28 Central Cup at ILT Stadium Year 5-8

July 2019

- 1-4 Year 7-8 Technology
- 5 End of term
- 22 Start of Term 3
- 25 School Disco

September 2019

- 12-13 Room 2 Camp Columba
- 17-18 Life Education bus visit
- 24-26 Room 3 Camp Tautuku

Room 1 will be
hosting
Assembly
tomorrow
9.05am
In Room 1

MASS

Sunday 23rd June 10.30am. Please ensure if you are unable to be at Mass that you organise someone in your place. Servers: Lucy Spice & Sarah Crowe. Children's Liturgy: Carmel Casey.

TEACHER ONLY DAY - Wednesday 26th June - SCHOOL CLOSED

Our school wide target this year is around engaging our students in their writing. The teaching team have a Professional Learning session on Wednesday 26th June (next week), this will mean that school will be closed. We thank you for your support and cooperation in advance.

THANK YOU

A special thank you to the Winton Night & Day for supporting our school, by donating goodies for our Pentecost celebration.

CENTRAL CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to all our students that participated at Central Cross Country last Friday. Well done to our three students that have made it through to Southland Cross Country at Waimumu tomorrow, Friday 21st June.

Hayden Findlay who came 3rd - 10 year old boys
Charlotte Jespersen who came 5th - 11 year old girls
Declan Dudin who came 1st - 12 year old boys

SOCIAL SCIENCE FAIR

The Southland Social Sciences Fair is set up in the Workingmens Club. There are 250 exhibits on all sorts of topics prepared by Southland school students. They have a good number of entries from Arrowtown School this year for the first time, and one from Perth! Entry is free. Open until 2pm Saturday. Open daily 9-5pm and until 8pm on Friday.

YOUNG EINSTEIN COMPETITION - Congratulations to our Year 7-8 team that came 2nd in the Central Western competition yesterday.



CENTRAL CUP TOURNAMENT - Year 5-8

On Friday 28th June our Year 5-8 students will be participating in teams across four different codes (Basketball, Soccer, Volleyball and Netball) in the Central Cup Tournament at ILT Stadium. Details about this event will be shared closer to the date. If you are able to help with managing a team on the day please let the office or teachers know. Students will be travelling to & from this event by bus.

CHEESE ROLL HELP

We still require help to make the cheese rolls for our school fundraiser on Wednesday 26th June (teachers only day). If you can give an hour of your time please contact Megan Graham on 021 026 74066.

ATTENDANCE

A reminder to let the school office know if your child is absent from school due to sickness or any other reason. Thank you.

TERM 3 SPORTING OPPORTUNITIES SEE OVER LEAF - Miniball & Rippa Rugby Tournament.

Room 1's tree art - by Isla Langford.

"In our playground there is a tree. It is tall and it had a birdhouse in it. It has bark, it is hard. There is grass growing in the tree. It looks nice. The grass is light green. There are cracks on the trunk too. On one of the branches there is a red hoop. On the trunk there is some bark that looks like a door in the tree. It is at the bottom. The tree trunk feels bumpy. There are seeds in the tree."

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which was a success!



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