

St Joseph's School Balclutha

Newsletter

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends

*It is easy to tell one another what we should and shouldn't do, and how we should behave as followers of Christ, but often we find it difficult to actually put our words into practice, or to practise what we preach'.
How are we going to do this this week?*

Staffing for 2024

We are excited to announce that we have filled the position for a teacher in Room Aroha. We would like to welcome Brenda Walls onto our teaching staff and we look forward to working with her. Brenda comes to us from Rosebank school.

Room Pono	Niamh McElrea	Year 1 & 2
Room Aroha	Brenda Walls /Annette O'Mahony	Year 3 & 4
Room Awhero	Fiona Mc Laughlin	Year 5, 6, 7 & 8
Teacher Aides	Stephanie Bowden and Michelle O'Connor	
Office Manager	Shirley Katon	

VIGIL MASS

November 4

Altar Servers

Wendy Agajona

Projector

Astrid Murray



VALUE AWARDS

Model an Attitude of Gratitude

Nailah Cabangon

Drei Catequista

Isabelle May

Prayer

Loving Father, teach us your loving ways and help us to serve you and one another according to your commandments of love.
Amen



Calendar of Events

Thur 2 November All Souls Day

Mass in Balclutha at 6:30pm

Fri 3 November

Room Pono's Shared Prayer. 2:20pm in the Church

Friday 25 November

Shared Prayer Room Aroha

Teacher Only Day

School closed on Monday 13 November

Room Awhero Camp

Tuesday 14 - Friday 17 November

Learning Together For Life
Ako Tahi Mo Te Oranga Tonutanga

Dates to Remember

2 November All Souls Day - Mass in Balclutha at 6:30pm

13 November School closed Teacher Only Day

14 November - 17 November Room Awhero's Camp

29 November School celebration Mass and prize giving at 6pm

30 November Fiona returns to Ireland and Mrs Miller teaching in Room Awhero

14 December Last day of Term. School finishes at 3pm

31 January School Starts for 2024

Uniform

At the Board meeting on Tuesday evening the full new uniform was approved. This will be able to be purchased on line and from the uniform shop in Dunedin. More information about this will be in the newsletter when it is finally set up with the company, which will take a couple of weeks. We will let you know when you can start to get items from the uniform shop. Remember parents do not need to replace the uniforms as there is a rollover period of three years. All new students to the school will have to wear the new uniform and there will no longer be white shirts for the year 7 & 8 girls. All children will be wearing the new maroon polos.

St Mary MacKillop Awards.

Congratulations to all the children who will be receiving their St Mary MacKillop Awards over the next couple of weeks. As there are too many to do this Friday after Shared Prayer we will be looking at awarding some on the following Friday at school. We will let you know when your child is receiving their award.

Bronze Award

Clytie Geddes
Holly Ewald
Kobie Twaddle
Tristan Turner
Nailah Cabangon



Sliver Award

Drei Catequista

Shared Prayer

Room Pono will lead us in Shared Prayer on Friday 3 November at 2:20pm .
Please come along to the Church and celebrate with us.

