

Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

Dear Families

Two thousand years ago in the Middle East, an event occurred that permanently changed the world. The resurrection of Jesus, which Easter celebrates, is the foundation of the Christian faith.

Easter is the celebration of Christ's resurrection from the dead. It is celebrated on Sunday, and marks the end of Holy Week, the end of Lent, the last day of the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday), and is the beginning of the Easter season of the liturgical year. Following Easter Sunday, the season of Easter begins and lasts for seven weeks, ending with Pentecost.

On behalf of all the staff may I wish you and your family a very blessed and Happy Easter, enjoy the sacredness that this special time in our Church brings. If you are going away over the holidays, travel safe on the roads. I look forward to seeing you all back on the 1st May for term 2.

Congratulations to the following who were awarded certificates at Assembly:

<p>St Mary Blake Giddy, Lockie West, Orlando Purvis, Harper-Rose Stevenson.</p>	<p>St Lucy Will Tait, Lily Tracey, Liam Child.</p>
<p>St Benedict Connor McDougall, Grayson Bayly, Trisha Palande.</p>	<p>St Leo Chloie Alcoseba, Taya Whittaker, Oliver Low.</p>
<p>St Nicholas Connor McGowan, Shyla Dickinson, Viktor Magdziarz.</p>	<p>St Joachim Thomas James, Felix McKenzie-Linnell.</p>
<p>St John Lathem Johnson, Aaron Lal, Emily Rackham.</p>	<p>St Anthony Sienna Jordan, James Williams-Horgan, Ethan Eastgate.</p>
<p>St Peter Ruby Tait, Dylan Blanchard.</p>	<p>St Patrick Adrianna Beck, Millie Walsh.</p>
<p>St Joseph Adam Viscoe, Kate Grant.</p>	<p>St Augustine Catelin Martinovich, Finn Aitken.</p>
<p>St Dominic Ollie Dennis, Auriel Straka.</p>	

Charism Awards

Finn Jordan - Matikao Team Tessa Nui - Mokehu Team Tara O'Shea - Huruhuru Team

Team News

Matikao Team: As the term comes to an end, we would like to thank all the parents and families who have supported Matikao students in their learning. We could not manage without you! We wish you all a safe happy holiday, and look forward to seeing everyone back next term!

Mokehu Team: Have a Happy Easter and safe holidays. Thank you for your help and support during the term. We look forward to greater things from your lovely children next term. Please remember to save boxes and construction materials for our 3D robot making. It would be good to see some of you at the 11.00am service for ANZAC day, on 25th April at the RSA Vipond Road Whangaparaoa.

Huruhuru Team: Congratulations to everyone involved in the Soapbox derby. Your efforts all paid off with fantastic results for the teams. We are all so very proud of you. It has been a very busy term with children continuing to develop their independence and settling into class routines.

God Bless

Alan Watts



This week is Holy Week. Our students have been learning about the joyfulness of Palm Sunday and the Passion of Jesus, which followed so quickly. At the celebration of the Eucharist on Holy Thursday we think about the Last Supper and how Jesus washed the feet of his disciples. This morning the whole school gathered to remember the events of Good Friday. St Joseph led us with reverence and creativity as we prayed the Stations of the Cross together. On Easter Sunday we celebrate the Risen Christ with our church communities and our families. I wish you all a happy and holy Easter (and a refreshing and joyful holiday break!).

*"You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified.
He is risen; he is not here."*

Mark 16:6

Kathie Bodle
DRS

SCHOOL NEWS



Soapbox Derby

A huge congratulations to our Soapbox Teams on a successful weekend. On Saturday the Whangaparaoa event was held and four of the Stella Maris drivers came 1st - Noveah Butt, 2nd - Billie Harwood, 3rd - Quinn Wright, and 4th - Ashton Savage, all going through to the National event the next day. On Sunday Stella Maris driver Ashton Savage came 3rd at the Nationals. All team members are to be congratulated for their commitment, enthusiasm and the support they gave to one another over the weekend. Thank you to Steve Flemwell, Catherine Cyprian, Tracey Law and all of the parents who helped and supported the team at

practices and over the weekend. Thank you to the sponsors of our trolleys, 309 - Clarkson Electrical, 303 - Aspire Engineering, JG Civil, Lawson Roofing and Crest Clean. And also thank you to the Stella Maris community who came along and supported the team throughout the weekend.

Winter Uniform

A reminder that we change over to the winter uniform at the beginning of term 2. The main change is into shoes and socks. Please ensure your child is wearing plain black school shoes (not street shoes) and black knee socks. Long sleeved shirts or blouses are optional, many children choose to continue wearing the short sleeved tops through winter. Undergarments must not be visible. Make sure all uniform items are named. Thank you.

Donations Receipt

If you are wanting to receive a receipt for donations paid to the school for the last financial year 01.04.2016 - 31.03.2017, please email achieve@stellamaris.school.nz, this will be emailed back to you.

Bus To School Mass At St Patricks Cathedral

On Wednesday 24th of May the Stella Maris school is travelling by bus to the Cathedral for a 10am Mass. We are considering organizing another bus for parents and parishioners who would like to join us. Would you (or anyone you know) be interested in catching this bus? The cost would be approximately \$5. At this time of the morning using the bus lane saves time. If you would think you would use this bus on 24th May, please contact the school office 4279 189 or email achieve@stellamaris.school.nz with your name and contact phone number.

2017 Interschool Rugby Module.

With declining numbers of teams entering the Year 5-6 tackle grade a decision has been made by the collective HBC Sports Cluster that we will turn our attentions to providing increased opportunities to more students to enjoy the game of Rugby and explore and develop the skills within the Rippa version of the game. Therefore Stella Maris will be entering a Year 5-6 Boys Rippa team along with, for the first time, a girls Year 5-6 Rippa team. We will also enter a Year 3-4 Rippa team. This ensures that the game of Rugby, through these tournaments, will now be opened up to approx 40 Stella Maris children this year.

PTFA NEWS

Congratulations To All Our Easter Raffle Winners

Jan Roe

- \$1000 International Travel Voucher from Chaffey and Szymanka Travel Associates

Barbara Hines

- Masport Elite BBQ from Wright's Outdoor Equipment Centre

Michelle Teddy, Parker-Smeed Family, Andrea May

- Easter Basket Winners

Sue Stanaway, Jan Oosthuizen, Harlem

- Bonus Easter Goodie Bag Winners

Student prize winners for the sale of raffle tickets:

1st returned	Grace Brand and Isla Ye
Most Sold Year 0-2	Declan Porter
Most Sold Year 3-4	Olivia Retimana, Jessie Byrne, Lucas Molloy
Most Sold Year 4-6	Zak Beckett

Total funds raised \$4700 to go towards phase 2 playground upgrade project.

PARISH NEWS

Sacramental Programme HBC Parish

Please pray for the following students as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation and First Eucharist.

Nathan Craig, Anthony Goodall, William Grounsell, Kobi Harwood, Sophia Lopez, Hannah O'Neill, Elizabeth Brennan, Caitlyn Zwart (Carmel)

The Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist is at St John's Church on the 11th of June at 10.15am Mass.

Sacramental Programme Puhoi / Warkworth

Please pray for the following students as they prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist.

Dylan Blanchard, Connor Garrity, Kyle Habeck, Ned Hancock, Monty Hakaraia, Bianca Person, Jasper Quinlan, Pipi Quinlan (Carmel), Nadine Rao (Kingsway)

The Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist is at Warkworth Church on the 5th of August at 5pm. (Saturday Vigil Mass)

Eucharistic Convention

All are invited to this convention from Friday Evening 21st April to Sunday 6pm on 23rd April at Netball North Harbour Centre. To register and to view details on the inspirational speakers visit the website www.auckland.eucharist.nz

Baptism Preparation Programme

The parish are looking to form a team of volunteers to lead this programme. Material and training will be provided. For more information or to register your name, contact Fr John, 426 5599 Ext.2.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Miniball / Basketball

Miniball is a simplified, shorter version of Basketball for children years 1-4. Years 5-6 play Basketball. Games are at the Stanmore Bay Leisure Centre, Tuesdays Years 5-6, Wednesdays Years 1-2, and Thursdays Years 3-4. If anyone is interested in their child playing or putting a team together for the local Basketball / Miniball league, please text Tina McKee Wright on 029 244 4777.

Carmel College Art Fusion Exhibition

Gala Evening Friday 28th April Tickets \$50.00, wine, canapes and live background music. Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th April entry by gold coin donation. For more information see the school notice boards or visit www.artfusions.co.nz

Carmel College Pre-enrolment Evening For The 2018 Year 7 And Year 9 Students

Thursday, 11 May 4:00 – 6:30 pm in the college hall, the programme for the evening is:

4:00 – 5:30 pm Tours of the school

5:30 – 6:00 pm Presentation about Carmel College

6:00 - 6:30 pm Tours of the school

The programme has been arranged to give families flexibility and choice. Some families may be able to attend one of the earlier tours and then the presentation while it may suit other families to attend the presentation and then have a tour after that.

Womens Centre Rodney

Offering a wide range of courses. Empowering, Informing, Supporting. For a full list of term two courses available refer to the school notice board or go to their website www.womenscentrerodney.org.nz

Watersafe Splash Break-away Holiday Programme FREE! Includes Lunch

Stanmore Bay Leisure Centre Tuesday 18th to Friday 21st April 9am to 2.30pm. 11 to 17 year olds. Spaces are limited and will be filled on a first-in basis. For more information or to register Ph 09 306 0890 www.watersafe.org.nz.

Auckland Grammar Scholarships

Taking applications for 2018 Boarding scholarships. Cooper-Connell Boarding Scholarship for young-men out of zone. Sir John Buchanan Boarding Scholarship. For more information visit www.ags.school.nz or contact Daniel Oram, Director of Boarding 09 623 5432. Applications close on Wednesday 19th April 2017.



EASTER SERVICES

Hibiscus Coast Catholic Parish

St John's Church, 180 Centreway Road, Orewa – St Francis Church, 7 Motutapu Avenue, Manly

HOLY THURSDAY – APRIL 13

7.30 pm – Mass of the Last Supper,
Foot Washing and Vigil until 10pm
St Francis, Manly

GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 14

3.00 pm – The Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Veneration of the Cross
St John's, Orewa

SATURDAY – APRIL 15

8.00 pm – **Easter Vigil Mass, Renewal of
Baptismal Promises, 1st Mass of Easter**
St John's, Orewa

EASTER SUNDAY MASS – APRIL 16

8.30 am – *St Francis, Manly*
10.15 am – *St John's, Orewa*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7.30 pm – Friday *St John's, Orewa*
4.00pm – Sunday *St Francis, Whg*



Mark Your Diaries

13 Apr	TERM ONE ENDS
14 Apr	GOOD FRIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED
08 May	Road Safety Week Begins
09 May	BOT Meeting 7.30pm
12 May	Mum's Day 12pm–2.45pm
15 May	Book Fair Week
17 May	Pasifika Group perform at St Mary's Northcote
23 May	ICAS Digital Tech 9am
24 May	Full School Mass - St Patrick's Cathedral 10am
24 May	PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm
29 May	Travelwise Survey Week to 2nd June
31 May	ICAS Science 9am
11 Jun	The Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist at St John's Church
13 Jun	ICAS Writing 9am
13 Jun	BOT Meeting 7.30pm
14 Jun	ICAS Spelling 9am
20 Jun	Open Day for 2018 Enrolments 9am – 12pm
28 Jun	PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm
04 Jul	BOT Meeting 7.30pm
06 Jul	Catholic Schools Mufti Mania - Gold coin for Caritas
06 Jul	Reports Home Today
07 Jul	TEACHER ONLY DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
26 Jul	Parent Interviews School Closes at 12.20pm
27 Jul	Parent Interviews from 3pm
31 Jul	NED Show 1.30pm
01 Aug	ICAS English 9am
05 Aug	The Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist at Warkworth Church
10 Aug	Orewa College Year 7-9 pre enrolment Information Evening
16 Aug	Orewa College Enrolment Evening 3.30 – 7.00pm
17 Aug	Orewa College Enrolment Evening 3.30 - 7.00pm
15 Aug	Full School Mass - St John's Church - School Feast Day 9.30am
16 Aug	ICAS Maths 9am
23 Aug	PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm
29 Aug	Photolife - Class and Individual Photo's
30 Aug	Team and Group Photo's
01 Sep	Dad's Day 12.00–2.45pm
24 Sep	DAY LIGHT SAVING STARTS
27 Sep	PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm
24 Oct	Grandparent's Day 8.45–12.00pm
25 Oct	PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm
13 Nov	Orewa College ICL Workshop
14 Nov	Orewa College ICL Workshop
15 Nov	Orewa College ICL Workshop
22 Nov	PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm

Please Note: School Calendar Dates May Be Subject To Change

2017 School Term Dates

TERM 2 Monday	01 May	– Thursday	06 July
FRIDAY 07 JULY	TEACHER ONLY DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED		
TERM 3 Monday	24 July	– Friday	29 September
TERM 4 Monday	16 October	– Friday	15 December

2017 Public Holidays

Queen's Birthday	5th June
Labour Day	23rd October

**Please Find Enclosed The Termly
BOT And PTFA Newsletter**

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Wishing You All A Blessed Easter And Happy Holiday**

Telephone

Netball

– Cancellation Number –
09 424 2318

Parish Office

– Parish Secretary –
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murraymorg@gmail.com

09 426 5599

Deacon Greg Murphy
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SKIDS

– After School Care –
027 846 1725

School Dental Clinic

09 426 8470

Bayes Buses

09 426 5504

Ritchies Buses

09 420 6091

Public Health Nurse

09 427 0300 ext 4339

Influenza A (H1N1)

– Advise Healthline –
0800 611 116

Stella Maris School

– Website –
www.stellamaris.school.nz

School Bank Details

Attendance Dues & Donations

12 3046 0362238 01

All other Payments

12 3046 0362238 00

PTFA Bank Details

12 3046 0376269 00

Waitemata Health

www.webhealth.co.nz

Auckland Youth

www.akyouth.org.nz

**“Ki te ingoa o te Matua, O te Tamaiti O te Wairua Tapu, Amene”
In the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Amen**