# **Stella Maris Catholic Primary School**

NEWSLETTER 5 September 2019

**Dear Families** 

This Sunday in the gospel we hear three parables as Jesus' response to the Pharisees and scribes, who were grumbling amongst themselves about Jesus eating with tax collectors and sinners. It is interesting to see the unexpected actions of the parable characters. A shepherd cares so much for one lost sheep that he leaves ninety-nine behind in the wilderness.

A woman expends significant energy to find her lost coin, and then hosts a party that likely costs her more than the coin is worth. A father showers gifts upon his disrespectful, wasteful son, simply because the son shows up. Such are the ways of God.

Congratulations to all who represented Stella Maris in the Interschool Cross-country at Shakespear Park last Thursday. We had our first ever 1<sup>st</sup> placing with Luchian Opperman winning the Year 6 Boys race, and our first ever 2<sup>nd</sup> place with Grainne Aitken filling that place in the Year 5 girls event.

Thank you to all the Dads who were able to join us for "Dads Day at Stella " last Friday. Special thanks to the team who prepared the lunch. What a great turnout.

### **Coming Events**

September	6	Matikao Team Mass in the Library at 11:20am	
	9-13	Maori Language Week	
	10	Interschool Netball tournament	
	11	Class, Individual and sibling photos	

Congratulations to the following who were awarded certificates at Assembly:

<b>St Mary</b>	<b>St Lucy</b>		
Luca Boric, Christer Juntilla,	Jannik Anders, Lily Rivers-Simons,		
Rafael Moura de Lima, Lucas Broomfield.	Pippa Walker, Indi Davies.		
<b>St Benedict</b>	<b>St Anne</b>		
Izzy Reid, Rennie Leach, Kieran Edwards.	Ruby Nakhla, Emalyn Harvey.		

### **Team News**

**Matikao Team:** It was wonderful to see so many Dads at school last Friday. You were great and the children really appreciate the time you spent learning and playing with them. Tomorrow, Friday 6th September, Matikao team are celebrating Mass together. We welcome family members to join with the children for this special time together, 11.20am in the library.

**Mokehu Team:** This week we have had quite a settled week, so we have been working hard in classes on our Innovation concept. Classes have been looking at ways to improve systems or areas around our school and are evaluating a range of possible solutions to problems before selecting their course of action.

**Huruhuru Team:** Last night the team held a parent meeting about our camp in Raglan in November. Thank you to all the parents that came to listen and ask questions about this outdoor education programme. For those who were unable to join us we have placed the slideshow from the meeting on the Huruhuru team website for you to view. Congratulations to the Inter-school Cross Country team for your effort and achievements last week. You all represented the school well. We received our best placings, with a 1st - Luchian Opperman, 3rd - Grainne Aitken and 7th - Sam Minogue in the top ten.

#### Alan Watts

Principal

### **Stella Maris Catholic Primary School**



From September 1st to October 4th Christians around the world celebrate the Season of Creation. During the Season of Creation, we live out our faith to care for creation. If you're new to this movement, welcome! If you've participated for years, welcome home. During the Season of Creation, Christians around the world rejoice together. We're called to honor the Creator by loving creation and each other. This year, we're protecting the web of life in all its variety, because each species reveals the glory of the Creator. At Stella Maris our Green Team, organised by Mrs Bates, leads us in this all year round but perhaps during this month we could take stock of what we are currently doing to protecting all life and reflect upon how God is revealed through Creation to us.

God, our Creator, as we reflect on the mystery of our fragile planet, we celebrate the wonders of Earth as our home. Help us to discern how we have polluted our planet and to empathise with the groaning of creation beneath us. Teach us to sense the presence of God pulsing through Earth as a living green blue sanctuary. Teach us to love Earth as our home. In the name of Christ, the Word of God, who is the creative impulse in all

Karl Hobman DRS

### SCHOOL NEWS

### Stella Maris School Enrolments 2020

As planning for 2020 is well underway, this is to remind you that if you have a child turning 5 next year and you have not yet completed an enrolment pack, can you please do so. Either contact the school office to have one posted to you, or you can download a copy off the school website. If you have any queries please email achieve@stellamaris.school.nz Thank you.



### Absences

When advising the school of your child's absence, please also include the reason for the absence.

**School Accounts** 

creation. Amen.

Accounts have been posted to all families this week and include any payments made up to 31st August 2019. If you have not yet paid your term 3 account, which is now due, you can do this via the internet or at the school office. Direct payments are to be made to ASB 12 3046 0362238 01 please use your 4 digit account number and your surname as a reference. A request please to all families to have your account paid in full on or before the 10th December. This will allow time for preparing the reporting and reconciliations required by the Catholic Diocese of Auckland. A reminder that all Attendance Dues and Special Character is paid to Stella Maris and is then forwarded to the Diocese. If you have any queries at all about your account or you wish to discuss anything please call Mrs Mackereth at the office. Thank you.

### SPORTS NEWS

### Netball

### Stella Silvers.

The last game for the **Silvers** was a close one! Stella Maris ended up taking the game 8-6! They were neck and neck with Orewa Primary until 5 minutes before the end!! As this was our last game for the season, all the girls got player of the day for an outstanding season! Well done girls! Miniball

Stella Shadows Vs Whangaparaoa. Great team work this week, lots of passing and marking up on defence helped us have a very convincing win 18-1. Marco and Seb worked hard at the steals and clearing the ball and down the court. Goals scored - Ben 3, Zach 9, Will 3, Cody 1, Levi 1, Liam 1.

#### Player of the day

#### Zac Roughton

A reminder for all Miniball teams, your subs for term 3 are now due. These can be paid at the school office. Thank you.

#### Weetbix Kids Tryathlon 2019/2020 Season

A big thank you to Alexis Purvis who will be our school co ordinator for this event. More information on how to register will follow.

### **○** Congratulations

Erin Cahill won a Gold medal in her first ever Taekwondo Competition. NZ Open Tournament, held at AUT Akoranga. Erin has put in a lot of hard work and practice leading up to the competition. Well done Erin!



### **Interschool Rippa Rugby**

Well done to all students who participated in the recent Rippa Rugby Interschool tournament. Our Boys team won each of their 3 games with the Girls team winning 2 of their three. Thank you to our wonderful parent helpers for your support on the day.





### The PTFA 2020 Planning Meeting

Will be held on the 18th September at 7pm in the school staff room. Do you have great fundraising ideas ? but no time to execute them? Is there something you think the school could benefit with having that we focus our fundraising on next year? e.g shade sails, classroom equipment. What do you want to see on the "event calendar" next year. Please come along to have your say and support YOUR school. If you can't make the meeting, email ideas to stellaptfa@stellamaris.school.nz every idea is welcomed and appreciated.

### **PARISH NEWS**

### **Parish Youth Group**

The next gathering will be on Friday 13th September 7 – 9pm in the parish hall. Youth of all ages are welcome. Please bring a plate of eats to share. For more information contact Tania Alofaki 020 4147-3785.

## Come And Celebrate The Birthday Of Our Mother Mary

Saturday 7th September, Holy Mass at 9.30am at St John's Church, Orewa. Morning tea fellowship after Mass. Please bring a plate to share and wear something blue or white. Enquiries to Amelia Alba 022 406 2192.

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **French Cooking Class**

Stella Maris parent Claire Thiveyrat will be holding a French Cooking Class on Thursday 12th September 11am – 1pm. Fundraising event for a series of workshops to take place in Spring to support mothers on topics around healthcare, wellbeing and self development. If you would like to attend please contact Claire 021 272 2425.



Brain Play coding, robotics, and 3d printing classes. Afterschool, weekend, and holiday courses. Free trials available. Ages 5+. Five Auckland locations. Email us for more information on info@brainplay.co.nz or see brainplay.co.nz."



### **Stella Maris Catholic Primary School**

### **Mark Your Diaries**

06	Sep	Matikao Team Year 0-2 Mass in the Library 11.20am - All welcome
09	Sep	Mokehu Assembly 11.20am
10	Sep	Year 5 and 6 Interschool Netball Tournament
10	Sep	Pizza and Chip Evening - Families new to Stella Maris 6pm
10	Sep	BOT Meeting 7.30pm
13	Sep	Mokehu Team Year 3-4 Mass in the Library 11.20am - All welcome
16	Sep	Huruhuru Assembly 11.20am
20	Sep	Huruhuru Team Year 5-6 Mass in the Library 11.20am - All welcome
20	Sep	PTFA Children's Disco
22	Sep	NZ Chinese Language Week
23	Sep	Whole school Assembly 9am, Presentation of certificates and cups
25	Sep	Hangi Lunch
25	Sep	PTFA Forum 7.15pm
26	Sep	Liturgy 8.55am
27	Sep	PTFA Market Day
27	Sep	End Of Term
29	Sep	DAYLIGHT SAVING STARTS - CLOCKS FORWARD
14	Oct	Start of Term 4
11	Oct	PTFA Fun Lunch - Sausage sizzle and Cupcakes Huruhuru making cupcakes
17	Oct	National Shakeout Day
21	Oct	Matikao Team Assembly 11.20am
24	Oct	Liturgy 8.55am
25	Oct	PTFA Mufti Day - Fund raising for path around field - Gold coin donation
27	Oct	Tokelauan Language week
28	Oct	LABOUR DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
29	Oct	Grandparent's Day 8.45am
01	Nov	PTFA Market Day
01	Nov	All Saints Day
02	Nov	All Souls Day
02	Nov	Matikao and Mokehu Swimming programme starts - 2 weeks
15	Nov	Rosmini Orientation
18	Nov	Huruhuru team at Camp Raglan all week
05	Dec	School Helpers morning
05	Dec	PTFA Fun Lunch - Pizza
		Please note: school calendar dates may be subject to change
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### 2019 School Term Dates

TERM 3 Monday	22 Jul –	Friday	27 Sep	
TERM 4 Monday	14 Oct -	Friday	20 Dec	
	2019 Public Holiday			

Labour Day

#### 2020 School Term Dates

TERM	1 Friday	07 Feb	-	Thursday	09 Apr
TERM	2 Tuesday	28 Apr	-	Friday	03 Jul
TERM	3 Monday	20 Jul	-	Friday	25 Sep
TERM	4 Monday	12 Oct	-	Friday	18 Dec

### Family Whanau Book Resource Link

28th October

http://www.faithalive.org.nz/assets/Resources/Family-whanau-book.pdf



"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

#### Netball

- Cancellation Number -09 424 2318

Parish Office
– Parish Secretary –

Theresa Fouché

### theresa@hbcparish.org.nz

 Pastoral Associates – Deacon Murray Morgan <u>murraymorg@gmail.com</u> 09 426 5599

Deacon Greg Murphy greg09122015@gmail.com 09 426 5599

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