#### Dear Families

In the gospel this Sunday we hear the parable about the 10 bridesmaids – 5 of whom were wise and 5 who were foolish. Jesus gives us a picture of Jewish wedding customs in his time. The groom would take the bride from her father's house to his own, but only when all negotiations had been completed, hence the delay in this case. A servant would alert the groom's household that the couple were on their way. The wise bridesmaid had plenty of oil for their lamps the foolish ones didn't. The message for us is to be prepared as we don't know when the lord will come for us.

Thank you to Sheena Lu and her amazing team of helpers who did a magnificent job preparing the hall for the disco, and helping clean up afterwards last Friday. Our students had a most enjoyable evening.

#### **Coming Events**

November 06 PTFA Fun lunch

09 Hearing and vision testing.

09-13 Swimming continues for Years 1-4

11 Huruhuru Athletics

13 Rosmini and Carmel orientation days

Congratulations to the following who were awarded certificates at Assembly:

<b>St Joseph</b>	<b>St Augustine</b>
Tyler Slater, Jett Marshall,	Connor McDougall, James Thorpe,
Noah Johanson, Zach Main.	Sam Minogue, Kiki Timlin.
St Dominic	<b>St Patrick</b>
Celeste Heaney, Gabbie Arlantico,	Mason Pratt, Alec Lloyd, Donte` Gomes,
Josh Herlambang, Will Hegan.	Declan Porter, Vanessa Zwart.

#### **Team News**

Matikao Team: Wow! What a fun evening at the disco! Many are saying that it was the best they have ever been to. Well done PTFA and Mr Hobman for making it such a success and - thank you for the music! The term marches on at an alarming rate! The children continue to amaze and delight us at how well they embrace and accommodate change. The first few days of swimming have gone - swimmingly! Onwards we go!

**Mokehu Team:** The first week of swimming has gone very well. Thank you for all of your support. We have noticed the huge improvement in independence across all of our classes. Next week will carry on with swimming, and then in week 6, we will be focusing on athletics skills.

**Huruhuru Team:** Congratulations to the Inter-school Cricket Teams that competed recently. We are proud of your accomplishments. The students are now preparing for our Huruhuru Athletics Day next Wednesday 11th November. We will begin the day with our field events at 9am, with the track events beginning at 1:15pm. Parents and whanau are welcome to join us throughout the day. Results from this day will be used to select athletes for the inter-school event on 24th November.

Alan Watts

Principal



With our focus on the Rosary over the first three weeks of this term the school has had opportunities to examine our Special Character goal for 2020. To develop a deeper understanding for ourselves and our students of the links between the Marian Values and how Jesus lived these. It is important for us at Stella Maris to acknowledge the role of Mary in guiding our way to Our Saviour, Jesus. She models perfect discipleship in her complete faith in Jesus. It is through the Rosary we can explore those major moments in Jesus' life where Mary was present and observed her Son fulfilling his mission. May we continue to return to the Rosary, not just during October, to find strength in prayer.

"To recite the Rosary is nothing other than to contemplate the face of Christ with Mary."

Pope John Paul I

In times of darkness, holding the Rosary is like holding your Blessed Mother's hand. Pray the Rosary every day.

Abandon yourself in the hands of Mary.

She will take care of you."

Padre Pio

Karl Hobman DRS

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

#### **School Accounts**

Final accounts for 2020 have been posted out to families. If all payments can be made on or before the 10th December please, this will allow enough time for the reporting required to be submitted to the Diocese before the end of the school year. If you have any concerns regarding your account please contact Mrs Mackereth at the school office helen@stellamaris.school.nz

#### **Photolife**

Shoot keys and instructions on how to order photographs have been sent home with your children. If you have any questions please contact Photolife directly on 0800 501 040 or 09 262 1040. The expiry date for free delivery of photos is 15th November 2020. Any photos ordered after this date will incur a charge.

#### Weetbix Kids Hibiscus Coast Tryathlon 2021

HBC Weetbix tryathlon 28th March 2021. Stella Maris has entered to have a group. If your child would like to be involved follow the link to register. We'll have a gazebo for the team to sit under. It's a fun, social event so we would love to have lots of Stella Maris kids join. Thank you to our school co ordinator Alexis Purvis.

https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx? E=40603&G=119901

#### Coffee Club Silverdale

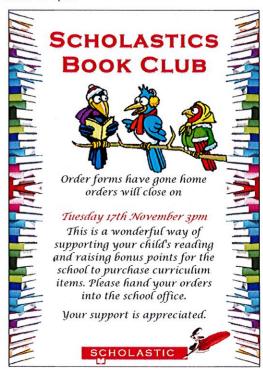
New owners have taken over the business next to the school. As an incentive when you or your family members are purchasing please tell them you are from Stella Maris and the school will receive reward points which will be paid back as a donation to the school. Call in and introduce yourself. Thank you

#### **Assistant Caretaker Stella Maris School**

A position is available at the school for two days per week commencing in the new year. If this sounds like you and you would like to join the team please send an expression of interest with your CV to <a href="https://helen@stellamarisschool.nz">helen@stellamarisschool.nz</a> This is Thursday and Friday each week from 7.30am to 3.30pm.

#### **Scholastic Book Orders**

Brochures for Scholastic Book orders will be sent home tomorrow. This is the final opportunity to order books before the end of the year. A big thank you to all the families who support this initiative. The reward points have been spent on resources for all students to benefit from. Thank you so much to you all. Ordering will close on Tuesday 17th November at 3pm.



#### **Rosmini College Orientation**

Year 7 intake 2021 (year 6 boys 2020) on Friday 13th November meeting at 9.30am outside the Rosmini Auditorium.

### **Carmel College Orientation**

Year 7 and 9 students 2021 Orientation Friday 13th November.



## **PARISH NEWS**

#### North Shore Dove Fellowship For Women

will meet at St. Thomas More Church hall in Glenfield on 18th November at 7:30 p.m. for the final meeting for the year. The speaker is INGRID D'SOUZA and the topic is **THE LORD IS MY STRENGTH**. Scripture reference is Exodus 15:2-3 The Lord is my strength and my might, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. The Lord is a warrior; the Lord is his name.

#### **November Prayers For Departed Souls**

November is the month when special prayers are offered for all the departed souls. Please write the names of those whom you wish to pray for on an intention slip in the church foyer and place it in the basket provided. This will be placed at the altar for the month of November.

#### **Hibiscus Coast Junior Choir**

Any young people interested in joining the choir? Do you like to sing or play an instrument?

#### Sunday Mass At St John's Church, Orewa

This Mass time how now changed from 10.15am to 10.30am

#### Thanksgiving And Welcome Mass 2020

The Auckland Diocese invites all parish volunteers, and those recently received into our family of faith, to share in a Mass of Thanksgiving and Welcome at the Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph on Saturday 7th November 5.30pm Vigil Mass. We wish to thank and honour you all for your desire to build the kingdom in a year that has been disrupted by Covid. Validated parking will be available.

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**





#### Mark Your Diaries

06 Nov	PTFA Fun Lunch
11 Nov	Huruhuru Athletics
13 Nov	Carmel College Orientation Day
13 Nov	Rosmini Orientation Day
16 Nov	Parish Care and Share Week - Please bring a food item
17 Nov	Scholastic Book Orders Close 3pm Final campaign for the year
24 Nov	Interschool Athletics
02 Dec	Parent Helpers Morning Team 11am
03 Dec	Matikao Team Athletics Day 9.15am
03 Dec	Matikao Team Sprints 11.30am
04 Dec	Huruhuru Swimming sessions begin
04 Dec	PTFA Market Day and Uniform Sale
04 Dec	New Entrants 2021 first visit
09 Dec	Matikao Team Nativity Play 1.30pm
11 Dec	New Entrants 2021 second visit
14 Dec	SHINE Assembly, Presentation of Service awards, Pasifika
	and Kapa haka trophies 9am in the hall
17 Dec	EOY Thanksgiving Liturgy
17 Dec	Year 6 Graduation Dinner
18 Dec	Term Four Ends 12.20pm

#### 2020 School Term Dates

TERM 4 Monday 12 Oct - Friday 18 Dec

#### 2021 School Term Dates

<b>TERM</b>	1	Tuesday	09 Feb -	Friday	16 Apr
<b>TERM</b>	2	Monday	03 May -	Friday	09 Jul
TERM	3	Monday	26 Jul -	Friday	01 Oct
TERM	4	Monday	18 Oct -	Monday	20 Dec

#### 2021 Public Holidays

Auckland Anniversary	01 Feb
Waitangi Day	08 Feb
Good Friday	02 Apr
Easter Monday - Tuesday	05 Apr - 06 Apr
ANZAC Day	26 Apr
Queen's Birthday	07 Jun
Labour Day	25 Oct

#### **Family Whanau Book Resource Link**

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

#### Telephone

#### Netball

Cancellation Number –09 424 2318

#### Parish Office

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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

### Coronavirus Healthline

0800 358 5453

#### Stella Maris School

Website –

#### www.stellamaris.school.nz

#### **School Bank Details**

Attendance Dues & Donations
12 3046 0362238 01
All other Payments
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#### **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

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