Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

Kia ora Whānau

Here we are again returned from Level 3 lockdown and I find myself once again saying thank you to everyone. The processes for moving in and out of the different Covid Alert Levels are well in place now and I thank everyone for the great teamwork to ensure the safety and health of everyone. It was certainly an adventurous and challenging week of Level 3, storms and tsunami warnings. Thank you to all families for your support of your children in their online learning. Thank you to all staff for the work they did to provide the online programmes for their students. Thank you to all staff who were at school supporting the "Library Class", as they became known, of essential workers's children. And thank you of course to all of our students who engaged in and shared your learning online. The MoE has provided information about support that is available – please use the link below if you require this: https://education.govt.nz/assets/Documents/School/SchoolsBulletin/2021-Bulletins/2021COVID/2021MAR05SupportInformationSheets.pdf

Next Wednesday we are having a visit from the Police Eagle Helicopter. This is an opportunity for our students to learn about how the Police use this service to help keep us safe. The helicopter will be landing on our school field.

Thank you to all of the families who came along to the Welcome Picnic and the Meet the Teacher evening. We are looking forward to seeing you again as you come with your children next Wednesday or Thursday to set their goals for the next steps in their learning.

The BOT are delighted to welcome Father Raphael Lobo as Proprietors Appointee, along with Mrs Olwyn Hobman who has been elected as the Staff Representative. Mrs Hobman replaces Miss Cyprian and Father Lobo replaces Father Emile. Welcome and thank you both for your dedication to the school.

Congratulations to the Recipients of Certificates This Week

St Mary	St Lucy
Alex Arnott, Natalie McDonald,	Mila Baxter-Mackay, Rafael Bovelander,
Rikard Candy, Rylee Sutherland	Ruhaan Panjwani, Rose Tauva
St Nicholas	St Peter
Isabella Ascensao, Darby Purvis,	Denzel Butt,
Daniel Coetzee, Rafael Moura de Lima	Matilda Merriner
St Anthony	St Joachim
Ethann Kelay, Belle Slater,	Vincent Straka, Patrick Hammond,
Harrison Shaw	Logan Ung, Aiden Perera

Tiaho mo te Atua - Shine for God Catherine Cyprian Principal

Team News

Matikao Team: How wonderful to be back in the classroom this week! Lockdown is sadly becoming a familiar part of school and everyday life and will no doubt be with us on and off for a while yet. We thank you for your support in the children's learning again last week. It is always useful (and often heart-warming) to receive your input, responses, photos and messages letting us know how the children are getting on. Thank you to those who provided this.

Mokehu Team: Bula Vinaka, this week we are back into learning from school. Thank you to all of the children who worked so hard during lockdown, we enjoyed seeing what work you were doing from home and the use of Google Classroom was a good way for children to maintain their school routines and relationships. This week we are continuing to set up our routines in class and are busy discussing ways of maintaining our own Hauora in these challenging times.

Huruhuru Team: Welcome back to our students after our recent lockdown. After a busy week of distance learning programmes, students and staff arrived on Monday morning pleased to be back at school. We would like to thank those that attended our 'Meet the Teachers afternoon' and look forward to our upcoming Triadic Goal Setting Conferences. Please ensure that you return the slip with your requested interview times to your child's teacher.

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The return of 300 smiling and excited children on Monday brought back tremendous spirit and energy to our school. When Jesus said we must "See the world like children in order to enter the Kingdom of God", he points out to us we should look to them for guidance with how to be resilient and view life. The children's joy at seeing their friends again, the excited noise on the playground and field during break times and the general buzz of happiness in classrooms as children talked to teachers and engaged in learning was so very evident. While not immune to the stresses and confusion that this challenging time brings the strength these children gain from their peers, staff and their faith in Jesus points to a hopeful future. One where there is a knowledge that with Christ everything is possible, that in a community working together we are strongest and that even in tough times finding some joy, some excitement in simple pleasures brings about the Kingdom of God for us here and now!! May we call on Jesus to help us to see the positive moments he provides for us!

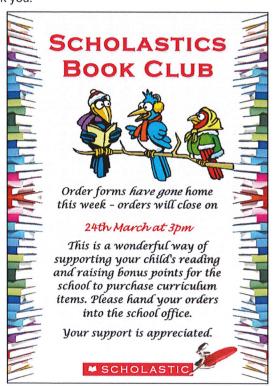
> God of Joy, We ask that we may see you in the simple pleasures of our daily lives. May we recognise Your love in those we meet. May we allow Your Spirit to speak to us. May we see Your children find joy and be able to experience these moments ourselves.

Karl Hobman DRS

SCHOOL NEWS

School Accounts: Attendance Dues And Donations

These have been posted out to all families. If you have any queries at all please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Helen Mackereth E: helen@stellamaris.school.nz. For the benefit of new families, the account is for the entire year and families can pay either term by term or one annual payment, which is ever the best way for your family. If you are wanting to set up a fortnightly automatic payment, can you please ensure that the amount of each payment will cover the total amount due and be paid on or before the 3rd December 2021. Thank you.





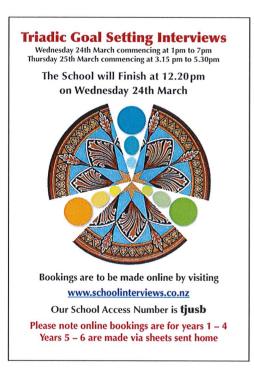
The Beacon And School App

Make sure you are signed up to the Beacon (this can be done at the bottom of the homepage on the school website) and download the School App ("SchoolAppsNZ" - once downloaded search for Stella Maris, then sign up for the Alert Groups you would like to receive alerts from). If we go into lockdown again we will communicate with the school community through these formats. However in normal times we also send out a weekly Beacon with reminders and updates and use the App for reminders.

StationeryA reminder that payment for your child's stationery is due. Thank you to those who have already made payment. You can pay online: Stella Maris 12 3046 0362238 00, or at the school office via eftpos or cash.

Covid 19 Reminders

A reminder to scan the Covid QR code whenever you enter the school and sanitise your hands.



Bus Information For Wednesday 24th March

The Bayes bus will run at the earlier time of 12.20pm. The Ritchies buses will run at the regular time. If you want your child to catch the Ritchies bus they will need to be booked into Skids until the bus arrives in the afternoon. To book into skids please see information following.

Skids Information For Wednesday 24th March

With the school finishing at 12:20pm on Wednesday 24th March, sKids Stella Maris is hosting an After-School Care programme from 12:20pm. Registrations, enrolments, and bookings are made via Aimy, their online Parent Portal and Booking System.

- 1. visit Aimy, https://skids.aimy.co.nz/
- 2. register parent account
- 3. enrol child(ren)
- 4. finalise bookings

When finalising your booking for the 12:20pm start, select "Special Day" as the booking type.

If you have any questions or require any assistance, please contact sKids at stellamaris@skids.co.nz

PTFA NEWS

The Stella Maris PTFA Is Proud To Present Our Next Wellness Talk.

An Evening with Dr Emma Woodward. Anxiety: What it is, what it isn't, and what you can do to support your child. Tuesday 16th March, 7pm - 9pm in the school hall. Tickets are \$15 + booking fee. For more information and to book visit https:// www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/142995135299.

PTFA Meetings

The PTFA have their Annual General Meeting and next General Meeting on Wednesday 17th March in the school staffroom, starting at 7.15pm. All committee positions are to be renewed. If you are interested in a committee position please reach out to Kelly McColl - kelly@mccollbuildingservices.co.nz for more Everyone is invited to attend either or both meetings. Email roxy@thefrontoffice.co.nz to be added to the PTFA email list.



The NZ Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the autumn holidays for 6-16yr olds at Orewa Beach

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6-16yr olds | 5 & 4 Day Programme | \$195 per person 19 - 23 April | 26 - 30 April | AM or PM session times

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Limited spaces | Please email to book surf@nzsurfacademy.co.nz www.nzsurfacademy.co.nz



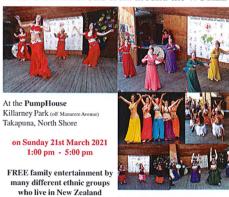


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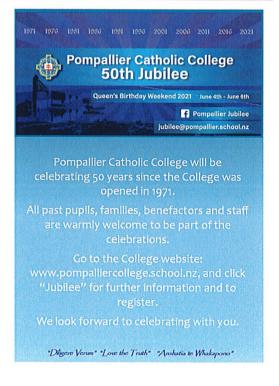
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For further information contact: Ana Maria de Vos Sanchez Phone: 09 638 6771 anamaria.devossanchez@gmail.com Devonport-Takapun



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Mark Your Diaries

	Wark Tour Diaries
15 Mar	Matikao Assembly 11.20am - Alert level 1 only
16 Mar	PTFA Wellness Talk 7pm
17 Mar	St Patricks Day - Green Mufti day and PTFA Fun lunch
17 Mar	PTFA AGM followed by normal meeting 7.15pm
18 Mar	Huruhuru Swim Carnival 10 - 11am - Selected students
21 Mar	World Down Syndrome Day
22 Mar	Mokehu Assembly 11.20am - Alert level 1 only
24 Mar	Goal Setting Interviews - school finishes at 12.20pm
25 Mar	Goal Setting Interviews continue - school finishes of 2.45pm
25 Mar	Inter school swimming
26 Mar	Sustainable Coastlines Presentation in hall 9am - 11.00am
26 Mar	Beach Clean-up Orewa Beach 11.30-2.00pm
29 Mar	Huruhuru Assembly 11.20am - Alert level 1 only
01 Apr	Holy Thursday - Stations of the Cross 9am at Stella Maris
02 Apr	Good Friday - School Closed
05 Apr	Easter Monday - School Closed
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06 Apr Easter Tuesday - School Closed

08 Apr Liturgy - St Joseph

12 Apr Life Education begins - all students

TERM ONE ENDS 2.45pm 16 Apr

26 Apr ANZAC Day

03 May **TERM TWO BEGINS 8.45pm**

03 May Book Fair week Begins

07 May Mums Day at Stella Maris 12.20pm - 2.45pm

07 May **Book Character Parade**

07 May Mothers Day

2021 School Term Dates

TERM	1	Tuesday	09 Feb -	Friday	16 Apr
TERM	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

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



Rite II Reconciliation **Tuesday 16th March 7pm** St Johns Church, Orewa

Telephone

Netball

- Cancellation Number -09 424 2318

Parish Office

- Parish Priest -Father Raphael 09 426 5599 ext 2

- Parish Secretary -Theresa Fouché 09 426 5599

theresa@hbcparish.org.nz

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 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

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