

Kia ora e te Whānau

Here at Stella Maris our school motto “Shine for God” is at the very heart of who we are as a school community and we do this through the way we all live the Marian Values in our everyday lives. This year we have really seen our school community “Shine for God” in so many different ways as everyone rose to the challenges the year has given us all, and our faith has played a large role in the way we have gotten there as a community.

Thank you to all the families who displayed the Marian Values of “courage, strength, wisdom and empathy” as you supported your children in their home learning, and then “trust” in the school as you helped them return to school. **Thank you to our PTFA** who “serve” our school so well, and continued to do so even as fundraising events were cancelled, showing “compassion and empathy” continuing to provide meals when needed and supporting families in the community. **Thank you to our School Board** who showed “wisdom, faith and trust” as we moved through a very different year.

And a huge **thank you to our staff and students** who adjusted to school that has looked so different throughout the year as we went from the usual, to learning from home, to bubble school and then to a “usual” with tight public health measures in place. You all did this with great “faith, courage, strength, compassion and wisdom” and have impressed with your huge show of resilience.

At this time we farewell staff members Leizl Mowbray, Christine Shanks and Sue Lock who are moving on from Stella Maris. You have all been an integral part of the Stella Maris team and we thank you for all you have done in your time at Stella Maris.

And to our Year 6 students, your last year at Stella Maris may not have been what you envisaged but you all continued to be Stella Stars as you navigated the challenges we all faced. As you graduate and head off onto the next steps of your journey, remember to always “Shine for God” as you take on the new adventures ahead of you. Remember the Marian Values - use them to live, learn, work, make decisions and contribute to the communities you will be part of.

<i>Thomas Aguas</i>	<i>Kree Hape</i>	<i>Miller Lodewyks</i>	<i>Zac Roughton</i>
<i>Jordyn Campbell</i>	<i>Mason Harkness</i>	<i>Oliver Low</i>	<i>Luke Searancke</i>
<i>Cassandra Candy</i>	<i>Will Hegan</i>	<i>Asher Lu</i>	<i>Joseph Shimwell-Painter</i>
<i>Liam Craig</i>	<i>Josh Herlambang</i>	<i>Jackson MacLean</i>	<i>Tyler Slater</i>
<i>Finn Cuffe</i>	<i>Wade Hessel</i>	<i>Viktor Magdziarz</i>	<i>Dylan Tang</i>
<i>Sienna Dance</i>	<i>Jessica Holm</i>	<i>Cody Mant</i>	<i>Rosie Thomas</i>
<i>Toby Di Muro</i>	<i>Callum Hope</i>	<i>Connor McDougall</i>	<i>Liam Tracey</i>
<i>Shyla Dickinson</i>	<i>Noah Johanson</i>	<i>Maika Moce</i>	<i>Luke Tucker</i>
<i>Annalise Eastham</i>	<i>Tegan Jones</i>	<i>Adriano Montague-Brown</i>	<i>Nina Van Kampen-Marsich</i>
<i>Zoe Gan</i>	<i>Finn Jordan</i>	<i>Oliver Nielsen</i>	<i>Taya Whittaker</i>
<i>Donte Gomes</i>	<i>Shiloh Juntilla</i>	<i>James Orjalo</i>	<i>Lucas Wildener Von Fruhauf</i>
<i>Benjamin Grounsell</i>	<i>Darcy Kelleher</i>	<i>Bella Pistorius</i>	<i>Hayley Wyatt</i>
<i>Sebastian Grounsell</i>	<i>Tiana Lafaialii</i>	<i>Declan Porter</i>	<i>Isla Ye</i>
<i>Ryan Habeck</i>	<i>Nicholas Lim</i>	<i>Mason Pratt</i>	<i>Vanessa Zwart</i>
<i>Sam Handford</i>	<i>Alec Lloyd</i>	<i>Henry Reardon</i>	

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School Notices

Thank you to all of those who gifted yummy treats to the staff for sharing at morning tea or lunchtime. These were very much enjoyed and appreciated.

Uniform: A reminder that from the beginning of 2022 we expect all children to be in full and correct school uniform – this includes the school hat, plain black school sandals, and plain black hair accessories.

Uniform Shop: Positive Image will be closed for Christmas and New Year from 4:30pm Tuesday 21st December to 8am Wednesday 12th January.

Ritchies bus routes 2022 – The MoE has changed the contractors who service a number of school bus routes. In 2022 Bayes Coachlines will be serving a number of the routes that have been covered by Ritchies in the past.

- Route 205 (formerly 1516) Wainui to Orewa College
- Route 209 (formerly 1523) Makarau to Orewa College
- Route 210 Parakai to Stella Maris/Kingsway
- Route 211 Warkworth to Rosmini
- Route 214 Waitoki to Kingsway

Full route information is available on the school website: <http://stellamaris.school.nz/news-information/>.

Netball and Kapa Haka Uniforms: If you haven't yet returned your child's uniform please do so tomorrow.

Please keep an eye on the Parish website for Mass times over summer. If you wish to receive the Parish newsletter and email communications you can register for this at the bottom of the homepage <https://hbcparish.org.nz/>

This will be our last Beacon/Newsletter for 2021. We will communicate any changes to Covid protocols and public health measures that impact us at school before the start of the new school year – in time for us to all be prepared.

In the meantime we wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a safe and relaxing holiday. We will look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Tuesday 8th February.

Ma te Atua koutou e manaaki – May God bless you all

Catherine Cyprian
Principal

