Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

ZESSLETTER

Kia ora e te Whānau

We have made it to the end of the first term since midway through last year in which the school has been able to remain open for learning for the full term. This does mean we have some very tired students, staff and families, however everyone has much to be proud of. Everyone has shown great resilience as we have navigated a term that had some elements of feeling normal but many that became the new normal. What has continued to impress us is the independence the students have shown in getting themselves to and from the classrooms at the beginning and end of the day, or those who have managed learning from home when they have been isolating. All students have shown growth in their use of the Key Competencies – particularly "Managing self". I would like to say thank you again to all staff and parents who have supported the students through this term.

Any update of Covid protocols for the school will be communicated to families in the second week of the holidays – once we have had time to process information from the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education.

Thank you to St Joseph class and Mr Hobman who led us in the Stations of the Cross today. Thank you for the time and preparation you gave to ensure that this was a special time for our school as we recall Jesus's journey to the Cross.

Please see the Board Update further in the newsletter for information about our new Board member and the upcoming Board elections which will be held in September.

While we are all very much looking forward to a break over the holidays we must remember that this is a very important time of the year for us as Catholics. The Easter Triduum begins this evening with the Mass of the Last Supper, on Good Friday we recall the Passion and crucifixion of Jesus, at the Easter Saturday Vigil the paschal candle is lit from the Easter fire – a ceremony of darkness and light. The Triduum finishes with the Resurrection on Easter Sunday, a time when we celebrate that darkness is overcome by light. We wish you all a safe and blessed Easter and will look forward to the new term.

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

Catherine Cyprian Principal

Stella Maris Board of Trustees Newsletter Term 1 April 2022

I will take this brief opportunity for a short Stella Maris School Board update. We are pleased to announce that Liz Hansen will be joining us on the Board as of this month as a Parent Co-opted member of the Board. As a brief introduction she outlines "We became a part of the Stella Maris family in 2020 when my son first started school. Although this was a strange time to join amongst lockdowns and disruptions, we were immediately impressed by the sense of community amongst Stella Maris teachers and families. I now have 2 children at school, Tasman in St Nicholas and Evie in St Lucy. I look forward to joining the Board and working alongside the other Board members and being of service to the school." We all wish Liz a warm Stella Maris welcome.

This year is the year of the School Board elections. The normal School Board 3 year term for parent elected and the Proprietor Appointed positions were extended by the Ministry of Education last year, from the usual finish time of April, out to September. If you have aspirations to be of service in the school in this way please do reach out to myself, or to Catherine Cyprian, who will put you in contact with the right person.

Kind Regards - Derek Molloy - Stella Maris Board Chairperson Email bot@stellamaris.school.nz

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DRS Message

It is fitting we end our term with the pinnacle of our faith. Jesus suffering for us but demonstrating His triumph over death in His resurrection. By praying more, fasting and offering more to others we have prepared as best we can to walk the last journey with Jesus to Golgotha. While recognising His sacrifice we hold on to the knowledge of what comes after. The power of the Resurrection brings forgiveness to those who seek it.

May you and your whanau have a memorable good Friday celebration! There is no power on earth greater than the mercy of the Lord on us all. In our prayers this Easter let us ask for God's mercy and love.

Lord Jesus, we know we sometimes wash our hands of you.

Give us the courage to follow you.

Help us to be determined and firm in our conviction that following Your will and showing love to all is more important than any other treasure that we have in this life.

Grant that the way of the cross may be for us the way of life and peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

TEAM NEWS

Matikao

The end of the term and what a term it has been! We have been so very proud of how the students have managed themselves with their first ten week term in some time. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very blessed Easter celebration and a well deserved break.

Mokehu

Kia Ora parents, congratulations on making it to the end of term 1. We have had a very busy and enjoyable term and the children have really worked hard and enjoyed being back at school with their classmates. We wish you all a Happy Easter and hope you are able to have some rest and relaxation time with your loved ones. We ask that children continue to read daily. The school holidays are a great opportunity to complete some Shine Challenges and be ready to share them in term 2.

Huruhuru

A busy term has come to an end. We were pleased to have 10 weeks at school with no lockdowns. Many students who needed to isolate at home were able to use our team website and zoom meetings to support their learning. We are pleased with how the students adapted to our current learning environment and look with interest to what term 2 will bring us. We wish students a happy holiday and look forward to seeing you all back to begin term 2.

Term 2 Uniform Change

A reminder that after the holidays the students change to winter uniform, the most significant change is footwear. School Uniform socks and plain black school shoes, no street shoes to be worn please. Any enquires regarding purchase of items (apart from shoes) can be made to Diane at "Positive Image" who are our uniform provider in Silverdale, 16a Flexman Place Silverdale phone 0800 462 430.

Skids Holiday Programme 19th - 29th April

Fun trips and themed activities for kids aged 5-13 are available. Book now at https://enrolmy.com/skids-cheery-kids-limited Any questions please phone 027 846 1725 email stellamaris@skids.co.nz

Term 1 - Week 9		
	Special Character Award	Principal's Award
St Lucy	Carter Still	Alex Zachary
St Benedict	Rafael Bovelander	Penelope Campbell
St Anne	Lucas Dicdican	Jayce Naguit
St Leo	Mila Baxter-Mackay	Ada Shimwell
St Nicholas	Talulah Cooper	Liam Kilkolly-O'Kane
St Joachim	Matthew Dizon	Ryder Still
St Anthony	Caspian Bates	Mieszko Pulawski
St John		Araya Armstrong and Suriya Armstrong
St Peter	Hannah Thompson	Hugo Masutti
St Augustine	Andres Abuyabor	Charles Cate
St Dominic	Leon Bell	Madison Ling
St Joseph	Zachary Dizon	James Walker

School Accounts

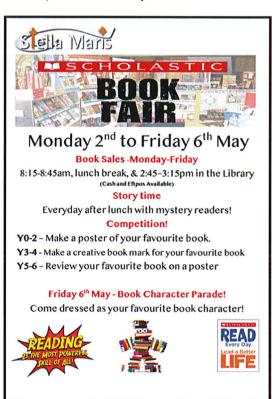
Accounts were posted out at the beginning of the week, please note that Term 1 Attendance Dues, should have been paid by now. Any payments made after the 10th of April will not appear on your statement. An absolute HUGE thank you to all the families who have paid their account in full for the year, it is very much appreciated. For our newer families to the school, all Attendance Dues and Special Character payments are collected on behalf of the Auckland Diocese and these are sent into the Catholic Schools Office each month. If you have any queries or wish to discuss anything regarding your family account please contact Mrs Mackereth at the office 09 4279 189 extension 215 or Email: helen@stellamaris.school.nz

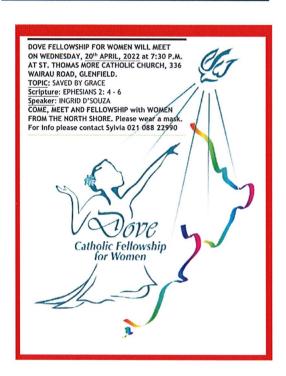
Buses Term Two

Bus students where handed a bus form to be completed ready for term two. There was also a downloadable link in this weeks Beacon. This can be emailed to Colleen E; colleen@stellamaris.school.nz

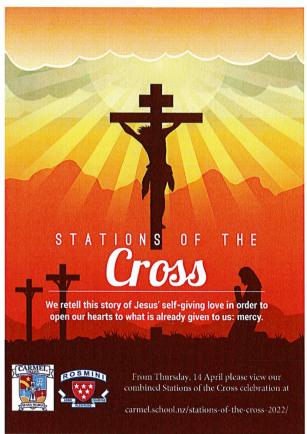
Mum's Day 2022

As we are unsure what the new covid traffic light setting will look like in term 2, it has been decided to postpone the annual mum's day till later in term 2. The book fair will still be held from Monday 2nd to Friday 6th May. Please see the poster advising of the plan for this very special week in the school calendar. The holidays may be a good opportunity to prepare your child's costume for the book character parade on 6th May.









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Mark Your Diaries

15 Apr Good Friday 25 Apr ANZAC Day

02 May Term Two Begins 8.45am

02 May Book Fair Week

06 May Book Character Parade

2022 School Term Dates

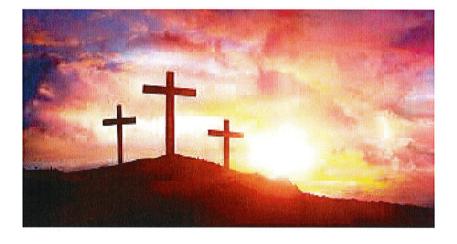
TERM 2 Monday 02 May – Friday 08 Jul
TERM 3 Monday 25 Jul – Friday 30 Sep
TERM 4 Monday 17 Oct – Tuesday 20 Dec

2022 Public Holidays

Good Friday 15 Apr Easter Monday 18 Apr ANZAC Day 25 Apr Queen's Birthday 06 Jun Matariki 24 Jun Labour Day 24 Oct

Family Whanau Book Resource Link

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



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Cancellation Number –09 424 2318

Parish Office

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 426 5599 ext 1

theresa@hbcparish.org.nz

SKIDS

After School Care –027 846 1725

School Dental Clinic

09 426 8470

Bayes Buses 09 426 5504

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

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