# Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

NEWSLET

Kia ora e te Whānau

Welcome back to school for Term 2. Thank you for your support and paitence as we have adjusted to the new protocols and routines under the Orange Phase. It has been great to see parents back in and around the school, popping into the classes at drop off or pick up and having that chance to touch base personally with teachers and what your children have been doing in their learning. A reminder that if you do come into the school we strongly recommend that you wear a mask. We also ask that you avoid overcrowding any indoor spaces – if you need to please wait outside the atrium or the outside classroom door for your child to come out at the end of the day.

This term the concept for the schoolwide inquiry is Kaitiakitanga – guardianship and protection. Students will explore the connection between people and our world, and how we can respect and care for all of God's creation.

Book Week is always an exciting time at school. The children have enjoyed visiting the library through the week to create their wish lists and make some purchases. Tomorrow is the Book Character Parade. We intend to hold this outside on the bank overlooking the field at 11:30am. If the weather holds and we are able to have the Book Parade outside parents are welcome to join us. However, if the weather is wet we will have to hold the Book Parade inside, in Teams. If this happens parents will not be able to attend this time due to the lack of space and ability to ventilate the hall for the larger numbers. We will send a Beacon and App alert out at 10am tomorrow if the Parade has to move inside.

Ma te Atua koutou e manaaki

Catherine Cyprian

Principal

## **Team News**

### Matikao Team

Matikao Team welcomes our whanau back as we look forward to a happy and successful term ahead. We trust you all managed some relaxing family times over the Easter break. We also welcome back Mrs Pam Pyatt as we open St Mary for 2022. We know our new entrants will have a good start to school life under Pam's care.

### Mokehu Team

Welcome back to term 2. It has been nice to see many of you on the school grounds this week. The school has been buzzing with lots of excited children for book week and we look forward to seeing all of them dressed up tomorrow for our annual Book Character Parade. Please continue with the good homework habits that were established in term 1, and we ask you to continue to encourage your children with developing their independence by carrying their own bags, unpacking their belongings and coming into school ready to start their day.

#### Huruhuru Team

Welcome back to a new term. This week we introduced our new Huruhuru Philosophy to our team. Our focus for this will be #respect #whakaute with our 3 main aspects being - #respectourselves #respectothers #respectenvironment. Over the next few weeks we will participate in a variety of learning activities to expand our understanding and use of common vocabulary across the team. Students have had the opportunity to apply for a number of monitor positions this week, including carpark valet, PE shed and librarian. These situations allow students to provide service within the school and develop their leadership skills.

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## **DRS Message**

As we return to school we attempt to surround ourselves in the joy of our Risen Lord. The season of Easter doesn't end on Easter Sunday, in fact this is the very beginning of the the most joyful time for us as Christians. Eastertide is the period of 50 days, spanning from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday. Throughout this time we explore the Gospel stories of Jesus appearing to the Disciples and His words of commission and encouragement to begin their Apostolic mission. It is interesting to note that in proving His resurrection He talks, shares a meal and walks along side the Disciples. Perfect metaphors for how we too can experience the risen Jesus. In our sharing of time with those close to us, in talking to others and walking alongside others during their hard times and good times. The Disciples also felt the presence of Jesus in their actions. This is true for us as well. We pray that we too can feel the presence of the Risen Jesus, rising again, today and tomorrow as we attend to our call to bring about the Kingdom of Heaven in our own lives.

Dear Lord, may I realise afresh today what Your death and resurrection mean for me. Forgiveness, freedom, and the ability to walk with You through this fallen world into eternity.

May I always find my satisfaction in You and Your willingness to offer Yourself to me.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

## **SCHOOL NEWS**

## **Buses Term Two**

If your child is a regular bus user and you have not yet completed a bus sheet, please do so, then we can add their name to the permanent bus sheet for 2022. After we have received this information you will only need to advise the school office if there is a change to the afternoon bus arrangement for your child. Please email your completed bus sheet to colleen@stellamaris.school.nz

http://stellamaris.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/ bus\_sheet-.pdf

### Mokehu And Matikao Dance Term One

The cost for these dance sessions was \$30.00. If you have not already made payment we ask that you please do so. Payment can be made at the school office or via internet payment ASB 12 3046 0362238 00. Please reference your child's surname and Dance.

## Sacramental Programme 2022

Enrolments are open Monday 9th May and families can obtain forms from the School office, the Parish office or from the back of St. John's or St Francis Church. Please note your child/children need to have been Baptised and have turned 8 by the 9th May 2022. Enrolments close on the 29th May and the classes begin on the 5th June. Any queries then please email Farren Coetzee at farrengcoetzee@gmail.com

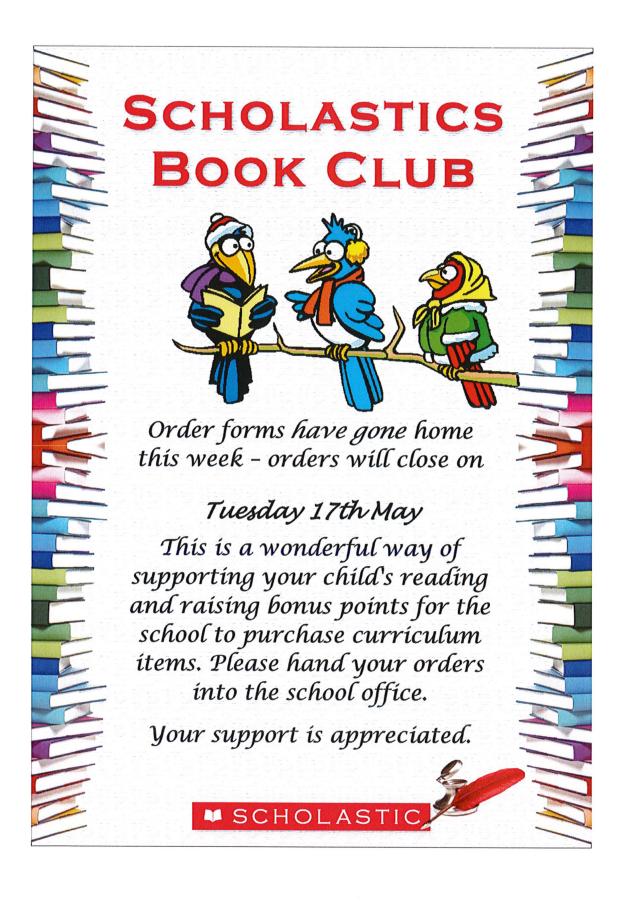
## **Learn Spanish At Your School**

From a native speaker (South American Spanish). In a small group. In school hours. For more information. Please contact Cristina on 0210734528

## **Dove Fellowship For Women**

Topic: Be his Light. 2 Cor 4:5-6. Speaker Judy Olsen. Come, meet and fellowship with women. Please wear a mask. For more information please contact Sylvia 021 088 22990. 18th May, 7.30pm at St Thomas More Church, 336 Wairau Road, Glenfield.





## **Stella Maris Catholic Primary School**

## **Mark Your Diaries**

**Book Character Parade** 06 May

08 May Mothers' Day

17 May Rosmini Open Day 1.30pm 23 May Parish Care and Share Week 06 Jun Queen's Birthday School Closed

#### 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

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



## 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 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

## **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

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