Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

N E W S L E T T E R

Kia ora e te Whānau

This week and at the end of last week we have asked our families to help those who are in need within our community. Last Friday our school turned pink as we supported Pink Shirt Day and we discussed and thought about strategies to stop bullying and show respect for everyone. We raised \$379.90 that will be donated to the Mental Health Foundation. This week we have called for donations of non-perishable food items for our Parish Care and Share. The small contribution that each of us was able to provide has created a big contribution for the Care and Share, and will make a big difference to those in our Parish community who are in need. Thank you to everyone for your generous donations and support and putting our Marian Values into action.

We continue to have a number of students and staff who are either testing positive for Covid or who are isolating as household contacts. While students who have tested positive are able to return to school once they have completed their 7 days of isolation it is important that when they return that the students are well and able to self manage any ongoing symptoms such as a runny nose or cough. To keep everyone safe and well we will ask parents to come and collect any children who are not well and not able to manage those ongoing symptoms.

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

Catherine Cyprian Principal

TEAM NEWS

Matikao

What a great team! Matikao children (and staff!) are weathering the storm of colder weather, illness and isolation like professionals! The children continue to inspire us with their resilience and perseverance, no matter what is thrown at them. Thank you, Parents, for supporting them and us, their teachers, as we continue to make the most of our school and learning time together. It just proves that together we are strong!

Mokehu

Kia Ora parents, on Monday the Mokehu team enjoyed a Zoom visit from New Zealand author, Helen Griffiths who shared her book "Treasure Beyond Measure". We all thoroughly enjoyed this experience and gained an inside view as to life as an author. A reminder to parents that our homework expectation in the Mokehu team is 200 Mathletics points a week, 20 minutes reading and they have 10 spelling words that are tested on a Friday. If your child uses the Core5/Lexia programme they should be using this for 10 minutes a day. Thank you for your support with this.

Huruhuru

As we are writing this we are preparing for the Yr 5-6 Rippa Rugby Inter-School Tournament. Hopefully the weather remains fine for the teams to compete on Thursday, and we wish participants well in the tournament. Our next Yr 5-6 inter-school event is football with trials beginning this Friday. We continue to have students working from home due to isolation. We would like to remind students **who are well** that they **can** work through the activities on the 'Huruhuru At Home' website.

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DRS Message

Thursday 26th May sees us celebrate the Feast of the Ascension where Jesus rose to Heaven in sight of some of His Disciples. He goes to Heaven to sit at the right hand of God. Pope Francis explores this in many of his writings about the Ascension.

"How wonderful it is to hear this! When someone is called in front of a judge or goes to court, the first he does is look for a lawyer to defend him. We've got one who always defends us, who defends us from the devil's snares, defends us from ourselves, from our sins! Dear brothers and sisters, we have this Advocate. Let us not be afraid to go to him and ask forgiveness, to ask for blessing, to ask for mercy. He always forgives us. He is our Advocate. He defends us always. Never forget this!"

Pope Francis also tells us..."Brothers and sisters, on this Feast of the Ascension, while we contemplate Heaven, where Christ has ascended and sits at the right hand of the Father, let us ask Mary, Queen of Heaven, to help us be courageous witnesses to the Risen One in the world, in the concrete situations of life.

Dear Lord Jesus Christ, right before your Ascension into heaven you told your apostles to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth upon receiving the Holy Spirit. May I be similarly inspired to spread your Gospel message in word and deed, according to your will for me.

Amen.

SCHOOL NEWS

Netball

Our lucky netball players Hailey and Daisy were excited to meet two New Zealand Silver Ferns, Michaela Sokolich Beatson and Tayla Earle from the Northern Mystics last Thursday night.



Hockey

A fantastic night of games on Monday. It is wonderful to see to see so many enthusiastic Players from Stella Maris.

Year 1/2 Team 1 Draw 1-1

Player of the Day: Milla-Rose Slattery
Year1/2 Team 2 Won against Orewa 1 - 0

Player of the day: Mia Granich

Year3/4 Stella Stars Won against Gulf Harbour 4 - 3

Player of the day: Caitlin Finch
Fair Player: Maxim Teterin

Year 3/4 Stella Strikers Lost to Gulf Harbour 1:4

Player of the day: Fair player : Year 5/6 Player of the day:

Bianca Arnott Bayleigh Franich Won North 5-1 Trisha Palande

PARISH NEWS

Sacramental Programme 2022

Enrolments are open 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

COMMUNITY NEWS





Mums, dads, grandparents, carers, aunties, uncles, your local Hospice shops have been hit hard by Covid-19 and we really need your help. Come and volunteer with us! Just one three-hour shift per week will make such a difference to us. Flexible weekly shifts are available to fit in around your lifestyle, and our volunteers have so much fun and really enjoy the company of the other volunteers and shoppers. Come on your own or bring a friend and help Hospice care for your community. Call into your local shop and talk to the manager or contact your local Hospice Volunteer Coordinator Karen Little, Karen.Little@harbourhospice.org.nz 021 199 5149.

I have a can-do attitude!



Cereal, Pasta, Flour Bathroom item or A Can

23rd to 27th May to support Hibiscus Coast Parish Care & Share Group

Baskets will be available in the foyer for you to leave your item.

All produce goes to families in the community who are in need.

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Mark Your Diaries

26 May	Carmel College Open Evening 4 - 5.30pm
30 May	Carmel College Daytime Tours
06 Jun	Queen's Birthday School Closed
07 Jun	Mokehu Penticost Celebration Disco 11.20am
07 Jun	Matikao Penticost Celebration Disco 1.30pm
09 Jun	Year 5/6 Football Tournament

2022 School Term Dates

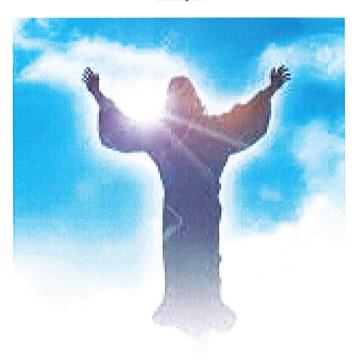
TERM	2	Monday	02 May –	Friday	08 Jul
TERM	3	Monday	25 Jul -	Friday	30 Sep
TERM	4	Monday	17 Oct -	Tuesday	20 Dec

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
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PTFA Bank Details

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