

Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Kia ora e te Whānau

As term 2 draws to a close I would like to say thank you to everyone for your continued support of the school as we have navigated the ups and downs of a huge term in which we have returned to normal on some fronts and developed a new normal on others. We have appreciated you following the Health Protocols we have had in place through this term, in particular with keeping the children home when they are unwell and all adults wearing masks when you are onsite, this has helped greatly in keeping our numbers down as low as possible. We also appreciate your patience and support when we have had staff off sick as well. It is important that we continue with these protocols into the new term as it is not only Covid that is impacting the health of our students and staff as the flu season really takes hold.

Last week we farewelled Helen Mackereth and she has sent the following message of thanks to our school community:

I wanted to express my gratitude and thanks to our school and parish community for the stunning farewell I received last week. Whether you popped in to say goodbye, sent an email, attended the very meaningful Liturgy that St Nicholas led, thank you to you all. I have been very spoilt and I feel extremely appreciated by all those I served. any thanks for the beautiful gifts that were left at reception for me. All the years of service have been a huge part of my life that I will never forget. The hundreds of families that came through the doors have all left a lasting impression in my heart. So many happy memories that I will treasure forever. I'm so excited for the next chapter of my life, enjoying our beautiful region and beyond, simply taking time to smelling the roses. I am sure it is not goodbye, but rather, I look forward to seeing you again. God bless you all, thank you, and remember... "Manners Matter" – Helen Mackereth.

We are excited to inform you that we have appointed Katherine Craig as our new School Administrator. Many of you will know Katherine as she has been a member of our school and parish community for just over 9 years as a parent and also as a Teacher Aide and Office Administrator. Congratulations to Katherine on her new role.

The term break is a good time to make repairs to uniform, ensure that the children have all of the correct items for the new term, including plain black shoes, and plain black hair accessories. Have a great break away from the routine of school days and we'll look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 25th July.

Ma te Atua koe e manaaki – May God bless you.

Catherine Cyprian

Principal

Team News

Matikao: The children are certainly as ready, as we are, for a little holiday! They have managed so well this term with all the illnesses and absences but are very tired now. Thank you for all you have done to keep your children and their teachers safe and as well and healthy as possible in these trying times. We hope you will all have a restful, rejuvenating break, embracing some sleep-ins and some fun and recreation. Be safe, stay well and enjoy!

Mokehu: Kia ora parents, we have made it to the end of the term and judging by how tired many of the children are it has been both a busy and successful term. We hope you are able to take time over the next 2 weeks to recover and re-charge ready for term 3. We have noticed an improved independence from the children this term which is very pleasing. Over the holidays you may get a chance to continue with our Kaitiaki topic and you could spend time collecting rubbish from around your neighbourhood and also continue with daily reading. We look forward to touching base with you all for parent interviews in week 1.

Huruhuru: The holidays are finally upon us and the students are all looking forward to a well deserved break, after a very busy second term. Reports have been restructured and will be going home tomorrow. Please ensure you have booked a time for parent/teacher interviews in the first week of term 3. Wishing our Huruwharu whānau a safe and blessed holiday.



DRS Message

The new Religious Education Curriculum has been accepted by the NZ Bishops and will be introduced into NZ Catholic schools over the next few years. We see a refocussing on the Evangelising call for all Christians and how through exploring the values Jesus demonstrates and teaches we might better build a relationship with God. One of the quotes from Pope Francis in this new curriculum brings home the importance of not just knowing about Jesus, but living our faith through service.

Pope Francis writes,

"The Gospel tells us constantly to run the risk of a face-to-face encounter with others, with their physical presence which challenges us, with their pain and their pleas, with their joy which infects us in our close and continuous interaction. True faith in the incarnate Son of God is inseparable from self-giving, from membership in the community, from service, from reconciliation with others. The Son of God, by becoming flesh, summoned us to the revolution of tenderness." It is with great pleasure we have been able to enjoy more and more encounters with others thus giving us more opportunities to live as Jesus wants us to live.

You have called us to serve you, and we stand ready and willing to volunteer wherever You desire.

Please direct our hearts to the areas of service where You can best utilize us as Your instrument of blessing to others.

Amen.

SCHOOL NEWS

Wednesday 27th July commencing at 1pm
Thursday 28th July commencing at 3.15 pm
(School will finish on Wednesday at 12.20 pm)

Parent Interview

Bookings are to be made online by visiting
www.schoolinterviews.co.nz
(Bookings will be open from the 17th June)
 Our School Access Number is rthgb
 Please ensure you have booked your child
 in for this important process

Parent Interviews Term Three

School reports will be sent tomorrow 8th July. Parent interviews will take place during week one of term three. Wednesday 27th July school will finish at 12.20pm. Please make your bookings online at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz the code to access the bookings is rthgb.

Bus Information For Wednesday 27th July

The Bayes 22 bus to Gulf Harbour will run at the earlier time of 12.20pm. All other buses will run at the regular time. If you want your child to catch the later buses they will need to be booked into sKids until the bus arrives in the afternoon. To book into sKids please see information following.

Skids Stella Maris Wednesday 27th July

Skids will be able to open early at 12:20 pm. If you need after school care on Wednesday 27th July from 12:20 pm, book ad-hoc or extension ASC. To register/book, please go to https://www.skids.co.nz/locations/stella_maris/ and Click "Book Here". Search for Stella Maris School.

YCC Day Gold Coin Mufti Day Friday 8th July!

This day continues the legacy of Mufti Mania and invites all Catholic schools across New Zealand to come together to stand in solidarity and raise funds for a selected focus school in need of our support. This year we turn our attention to Laura Vicuna School in the Holy Land. This special school began in 1988 and needs our help as they look to fix and repair their toilets, purchase new equipment, as well as round tables for small group learning activities. Students across New Zealand can bring lasting change by simply donating a gold coin and wearing non-uniform.

Subway Orewa – Part Time Role

We have part time vacancy in Subway Orewa. 2- 3 shifts per week Monday-Friday, during school hours.

School holidays you are not required.

If you are friendly and efficient, preferably with food experience, (although full training will be given), and wanting to work in a fast paced environment, please email to apply subwayorewa@xtra.co.nz



School Accounts

Thank you to everyone who has their school account paid up to date. Statements have been posted out last week to families, any payments made after the 27th June do not appear on your statement. Payments for term one and term two should be paid before the end of the this term, 8th July 2022. If you have any queries please call the office or email achieve@stellamaris.school.nz Many thanks to the families who have paid the year in full it is very much appreciated.

SPORTS NEWS

Basketball Results

Last week Stella Celtics played Kingsway School and won their game 7 - 0. They have also come in the top two of their group and are playing in the finals this week.

Player of the day Zeya Pereira.

Hockey Results

A fantastic effort once again on Monday night for our hockey teams.

Year1/2 Teams

Team 1 Lost 3 - against Waitoki

Player of the Day Amelia Bayly

Team 2 Drew 2 - 2 with Red Beach

Player of the Day Mikayla Tang

The Year 3/4 Teams

Another great week of hockey games despite playing against some tough opponents.

Stella Maris drew 1 - 1 against Waitoki and won 2 - 1 against Gulf Harbour

Fair Players Morgan O' Keefe and Jannik Anders

Super Star Awards Khalum wood and Matilda Tang

The Year 5/6 Team

A fabulous win of 8 - 0 against Silverdale

Player of the Day Devin Harkness

Year 6 Netball

Over the past two weeks we have had three wins out of the four games played. Congratulations to players of the day Emma Edhouse, Erin Walker, Hannah Abiva, Avianna Broomfield and Alyssa Coetzee.

Well done to the players of the day Madison Ling and River Thompson for their great effort back in early June.

A special thank you to the Year 5 students who have filled in when our Year 6 team members have been off sick

Environment Group

Our school Enviro Team would like to let you know that the following two initiatives from Terracycle NZ are underway this month.

1. Plastic Free July, a global movement calling us all to be part of the solution to plastic pollution has begun. Small actions can add up to make a big difference!

Some reminders of ways you can support the cause

Use re-usable bags when shopping.

Avoid using plastic bags for your fruit and vegetables at the supermarket.

Use reusable mugs when you go out for a coffee.

Exchange bottles for bars - shampoo, conditioner and soap bars.

Give up chewing gum - it is mostly plastic!

2. Are you unsure what to do with your old or broken toys that are unfit to re-home?

Thanks to our exciting new partnership with The Warehouse, you can drop them off in-store from now until 26 July. From here, they'll be sent to TerraCycle for recycling.

Items accepted for recycling -

***All toy brands**

***Plastic toys**

***Metal toys**

***Plush toys**

***Electronic toys with batteries removed**

***Broken toys**



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DOVE FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN WILL MEET
ON WEDNESDAY, 20th JULY, 2022 at 7:30 P.M.
AT ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH,
336 WAIRAU ROAD, GLENFIELD.
TOPIC: **HE MAKES US NEW**
Scripture: **2 Cor 4: 16 - 17**
TESTIMONY: Maha Shasha
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FROM THE NORTH SHORE. Please wear a mask.
For info please contact Sylvia 021 088 22990



Mark Your Diaries

08 Jul	YCC Gold Coin Mufti Day
08 Jul	School Finishes for Term 2
25 Jul	Term 3 Commences
27 Jul	Parent Interviews - School will finish at 12.20pm
28 Jul	Parent Interviews - School will finish normal time
02 Aug	Individual and Class Photos
03 Aug	Team Photos
24 Aug	Open Day for 2023 Enrolments 9am to 12pm

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

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

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

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Donations

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PTFA Bank Details

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Waitemata Health

www.webhealth.co.nz

Auckland Youth

www.akyouth.org.nz

6 July 2022

School Board Parent Election 2022

Nomination round

Our school will be undertaking a parent election for 5 School Board vacancies. This process will start with the issuing of nomination papers to our caregiver community by Friday 15th July 2022.

We have employed CES to undertake the election process on our behalf. This year with legislative change, our nomination form and full instruction on how to place your nomination into our own School's Election website will be emailed to you if we have your email address in our database or you will receive it by post if we don't have your email in our database.

Nomination papers will also be available at the school office. The school will send those on to CES for processing upon receipt from candidates.

Nominations close on Wednesday 3rd August at 12 noon. Election day is Wednesday 7th September.

We look forward to your participation in this process.

Wayne Jamieson

Returning Officer

CES

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