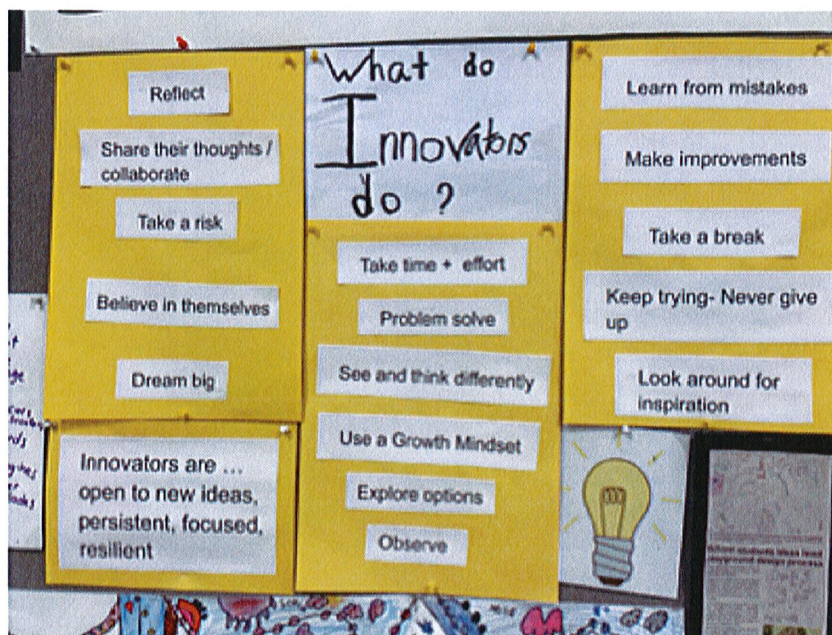


# Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

Kia ora e te Whānau

This term the Concept for inquiry has been Innovation. As I have walked through classes this week I spotted on the wall of St Joachim a list of what innovators do as they come up with new ideas to improve something, a list that included characteristics such as being reflective, persistent, resilient, risk takers, collaborative, use a Growth Mindset and learn from mistakes. All of these are what we teach our students through the Key Competencies and have been evident in the students as they have worked together to design and create this term. Yesterday a number of classes spent time comparing and contrasting staff cars – a 1970 Morris 1100, a 2012 Yaris and a 2021 Tesla - discussing the innovations that have been made in cars between 1970 and 2022 – why and how these innovations have come about. It has been great to hear the buzz of learning happening.



**Wheel-a-thon:** A reminder that the children need to bring their “wheels” to school next Wednesday 28th September for the Wheel-a-thon. Bikes, scooters, skateboards, rollerskates... but no electric wheels please. A huge thank you to all of those students who have registered and collected sponsors so far. It has been such a fantastic effort from everyone so far.

**Uniform Term 4:** Please note that as we move into term 4 students change to summer uniform. The option of wearing long black trousers will not be in place as the warmer weather arrives. The main change is from shoes to sandals – plain black sandals (no colour, or coloured soles), and of course hats are compulsory in Term 4. A reminder too that long hair needs to be tied up completely – no half ponytails – with plain black hair accessories.

One final reminder that Monday is a Public Holiday to allow New Zealanders to honour Queen Elizabeth II, therefore school will be closed on Monday.

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

Catherine Cyprian  
Principal





## DRS Message

Last Wednesday we had our first of many Professional Development sessions as a staff to explore the new RE curriculum. We explored the Bishops foreword, with words of encouragement and support for those teaching the RE curriculum in NZ. Some key comments noted by staff were; "The gospels show us that the journey of following Jesus is often demanding but is never a path taken alone. Jesus walks with us and nurtures us as we grow in His love, in the light of the Gospel...The new curriculum provides guidance for rich learning about God, the Good news, our story in Aotearoa NZ and being Church...it connects this to a lived experience of grace, holiness, wisdom, justice and prayer." Next year we continue our Professional Development around the new curriculum for RE and aim to be implementing this in 2024, based on Diocese recommendations. It is an exciting time to be in Catholic Education and sitting alongside the curriculum refresh in Social Sciences, Mathematics and Literacy education in New Zealand continues to target the needs of our learners in an ever changing world.

A prayer from the New Curriculum.

*Honour and glory to God  
Peace upon the earth  
And goodwill to all people.*

*You have gifted us this treasure, our faith, our place to stand proudly  
and with humble strength inside, outside, above and below.*

*For this we give thanks and acknowledge you.*

*To us who have received this knowledge, this experience gathering each  
day, to break open the Gospel of Christ sharing the love, peace and mercy  
of our loving God.*

*Be courageous in sharing, be gentle in teaching, be words of love.*

*Amen*

## TEAM NEWS

**Matikao:** The term rolls on and Spring has now definitely sprung! We have been noticing the physical changes in nature all around us and celebrating the new life it brings. Our RE theme of Sacrament reminds us that all of God's creation is steeped in His holiness/tapu and as such must be treated with respect. The way we treat others reflects our understanding that God's grace and holiness is in each one of us and in the living world around us - which reminds us of what we learned in our concept of Kaitiakitanga last term. Are there new innovative ideas we can share to reflect our care for the world we have been gifted by God's grace? Even small efforts at home can make a difference.

**Mokehu:** Kia Ora whanau, a reminder that Shine Challenges are due by the end of week 2, term 4. Thank you to the children who have been actively working on these and presenting them, we look forward to seeing the remaining ones presented. Shine Challenges are an optional homework activity for children years 3-6. More information about Shine Challenges can be found in the Google Classroom. Thank you for the fantastic fundraising efforts, every little bit contributes to achieving our school goal and as of Monday the Mokehu team are leading the way.

**Huruhuru:** On Wednesday we held an Information night for parents to learn more about our camp next term. Many thanks for those of you who were able to attend. We have taken notes from the meeting and will send these home to all Y5/6 parents before the end of term. An equipment list will accompany these notes.

If you have any further questions regarding camp, please email Tracey Law at [tracey@stellamaris.school.nz](mailto:tracey@stellamaris.school.nz). As we write this newsletter we are preparing for the interschool cross country on Thursday. The students who are representing the school have been training very hard for this event. We congratulate them and hope they enjoyed their day. Thank you to Ms Kain for supporting this team.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### School Accounts 2022

These have been posted out this week. Any payments made up to the 19th September have been credited to your account. A BIG thank you to all the families who have their account up to date. A reminder that your account should now be paid for Terms 1, 2 and 3 of 2022. If for some reason your account is not up to date, please contact Mrs Craig at the office, [katherine@stellamaris.school.nz](mailto:katherine@stellamaris.school.nz) or 427 9189 extn 215, to make an appointment to come in to discuss your situation. Your account for the year should be paid on or before the 1st of December. This will allow for the reporting to the Catholic Diocese of Auckland to be done in a timely manner before the end of the school year. Thank you.

### Rosary During The Month Of October

Starting next term the children will be praying a decade of the rosary each day in their classrooms and as a whole school on Thursdays. From next week Rosary beads will be available to purchase from the school office \$1.00.





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## Swimming

These sessions will start next term with the year 1-4 swimming daily from Monday 7th to Friday 18th November. Year 5-6 students will start their sessions on Monday 21st November to Monday 28th November. Permission forms and information regarding times and the cost of these sessions to follow.



## School Sprints Day 3rd November

Field events for year 5-6 will be in the morning with **whole school sprints year 0-6 in the afternoon starting at 1.00pm**. Supporters are welcome to come and cheer the students on.

Matikao fields activities will be held on **Thursday 8th December** and Mokehu field events will be held on **Wednesday 7th December**.

## Second Hand Uniform Sale

Tomorrow 8.15am - 9.00am in the school foyer.

## Wheel-A-Thon Wednesday 28th September

The Next spot prize will be drawn tomorrow.

### Congratulations Liam,

winner of the Sports Camera from the PTFA

Keep up the great fundraising for the  
Wheel-a-thon



Next spot prize draw is Friday

## Sacramental Programme

Please pray for the following as they prepare for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion to be celebrated at Mass this Sunday 25 September, 12.30pm at St John the Evangelist Church in Orewa.

### Congratulations to:

Blanca Arnott	Katie McDowall
Emilio Boric	Vienna Mainwaring
Hugo Boric	Nicholas Manalo
Luca Boric	Niron Perera
Nico Boric	Eden Snaith
Portia Boric	Bailey Symmons
Liam Child	Matilda Tang
Mia Child	Filipe Tauva
Daniel Coetzee	Antonia Tvrdeich
Matthew Dizon	Ivan Tvrdeich
Zachary Dizon	Alessandra Watson
Kian Dolendo	Milan Vinish
James Friday	Tara Walter-Rao
Riley Go	Michaela Westcott
Danelle Hollier	Khalum Wood
Connell Holm	Rhaedyn Wood
Isabella John	
Christer Juntilla	<b>Confirmation Only</b>
Shania Limrick	Allaryce Go
Madison Ling	Aaron Brennan
	Hollie Brennan

## PARISH NEWS

### ALPHA For HBC Parish

Are you interested in exploring more about the Christian faith? Our parish are running a second ALPHA series starting Tuesday 27th September at 7pm in the St John's hall for 9 weeks. Each week the discussion focuses on a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Everyone is welcome. If you are interested call or text Clive for more information or to register. 021 264 2256

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## Mark Your Diaries

23 Sep	Second hand uniform sale 8.15am - 9am
26 Sep	<b>Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day - School Closed</b>
28 Sep	Wheel - a - thon
30 Sep	<b>TERM THREE ENDS 2.45pm</b>
17 Oct	<b>TERM FOUR STARTS 8.45am</b>
17 Oct	Daily Rosary during the month of October in the classrooms
24 Oct	<b>Labour Day - Public Holiday school closed</b>
03 Nov	Huruhuru School Athletics Day
03 Nov	School Sprints from 1pm
07 Nov	Year 0-4 swimming starts - daily for two weeks
14 Nov	Care and Share Week
21 Nov	Year 5/6 Swimming starts
12 Dec	Service and SHINE Awards Assembly 9am
13 Dec	Reports go Home
15 Dec	End Of Year Thanksgiving Liturgy 11am St John's Church
13 Dec	Reports go Home
20 Dec	<b>TERM FOUR ENDS 12.20pm</b>

## 2022 School Term Dates

TERM 3	Monday	25 Jul	Friday	30 Sep
TERM 4	Monday	17 Oct	Tuesday	20 Dec

## 2022 Public Holidays

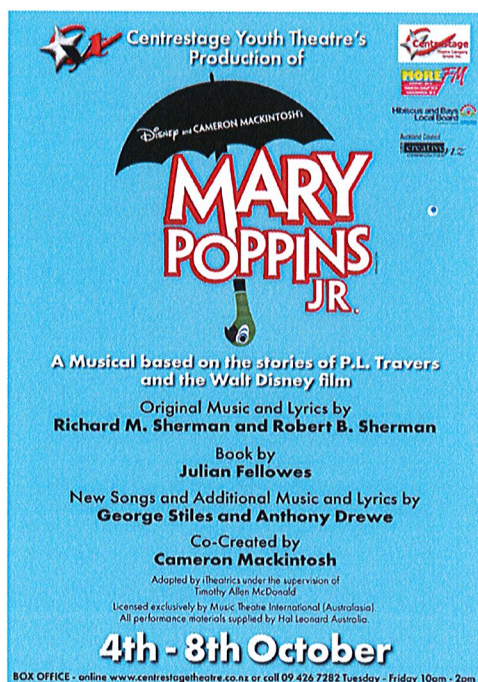
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## 2023 School Term Dates

TERM 1	Tuesday	07 Feb	Thursday	06 Apr
TERM 2	Monday	24 Apr	Friday	30 Jun
TERM 3	Monday	17 Jul	Friday	22 Sep
TERM 4	Monday	09 Oct	Wednesday	20 Dec

## 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](mailto:theresa@hbcparish.org.nz)

### SKIDS

- After School Care -  
021 0829 7693

### 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](http://www.stellamaris.school.nz)

### School Bank Details

Attendance Dues &  
Donations

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All other Payments  
12 3046 0362238 00

### PTFA Bank Details

12 3046 0376269 00

### Waitemata Health

[www.webhealth.co.nz](http://www.webhealth.co.nz)  
Auckland Youth  
[www.akyouth.org.nz](http://www.akyouth.org.nz)

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