Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

N E W S L T T E R

Kia ora e te Whānau

This morning was the first time we have been able to come together as a whole school *inside* in over a year, and what a special reason it was, as we came together to pray the Rosary to honour Mary, our Mother, in the Month of the Rosary. While we have been able to celebrate liturgies as a whole school over Zoom throughout the year it was great to be together in person today. These opportunities to come together in prayer and liturgy are so much a part of who we are as a school community and we are looking forward to continuing these throughout this term. Thank you to St Joseph class who led us in the Rosary this morning.

Term 4 is always a busy term with many different activities and this year is no different. Over the coming weeks our students will be involved in swimming and athletics, and the Huruhuru Team are off to camp. Then towards the end of the term there is (to name a few) the Matikao Christmas celebration, end of year picnic, Thanksgiving Liturgy and Year 6 Graduation. It is important that you keep an eye on the newsletter, school App and notices for information about these events so that no one misses out.

A reminder that yesterday's Beacon is the last one to be sent out via email. We will be sending the Beacon via the school app from now on. Please ensure you have downloaded the app as we will be using the App more as a way of communicating with the community.

Uniform reminders: This term school hats are compulsory when outside. Also please ensure that long hair is tied up and off the face, no half ponytails.

I wish everyone a happy and blessed term.

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

Catherine Cyprian Principal

TEAM NEWS

Matikao

Matikao Team welcomes all our whānau back for the last term of 2022 - and it promises to be a very busy one! We are getting excited about all the activities ahead - swimming, athletics and a Christmas celebration, to name a few. We hope the fun, rest and relaxation the children have had (and hopefully a little bit of fun for you parents and caregivers, too!) will see us begin this new term with energy and excitement - full steam ahead!

Mokehu

Kia ora whānau, welcome back to term 4. Thank you to the children who came wearing the summer uniforms and had remembered their hats. This term we are focussing on Enrichment and how we can both enrich our lives and the lives of others. We will be encouraging the children to continue to build their independence, they will get opportunities to show this during our swimming sessions. A reminder that Shine Challenges are due in at the end of week 2.

Huruhuru

Welcome back to our final term of 2022. Our calendar is filled with events such as camp, swimming lessons and school and interschool Athletics. Our camp is now just over 3 weeks away (week 4 - 7-9 November) and the students are becoming quite excited. Last term we sent home an equipment list for each student. We will also send another copy home next week, so look out for this if you didn't receive it. The camp fees are due by the end of October, so please ensure that these are paid in time. Please feel free to email tracey@stellamaris.school.nz if you have any camp questions.

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DRS Message

We start this term praying the Rosary in all classes daily and are blessed to be able to come together for whole school Rosary once again on Thursdays. We aim to teach our students that the Rosary, in Catholic tradition, is said to have been instituted by the Blessed Virgin in the 13th century. Mary is said to have appeared to St Dominic and encouraged us to pray the Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be karakia regularly. This was easier for lay Christians to show devotion through these karakia as reading psalms was often not possible. Praying the Rosary encourages us to meditate upon events surrounding the life of Jesus. We encourage our children to bring their sorrows, joys and wonderings to mind as we explore the many moments within the Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries. This exploration of traditional karakia helps our students to learn habits, skills and attitudes related to different forms of karakia. We also want them to know that this taonga of traditional karakia has been used for centuries by people to spend time with God and has been passed down to us to continue to help us grow ever closer to a full relationship with God.

Prayer is turning the heart toward God. When a person prays, they enter into a living relationship with God. (Catholic Faith and Catechism for Youth #469).

SCHOOL NEWS

School Accounts 2022

These have been posted out. 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 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

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

Swimming

These sessions will start this 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. Information including session times and cost have been sent home. There was also a form attached which asks for you to record your child swimming level, this need to be returned to the class teacher promptly.

LABOUR DAY
MONDAY 24th OCTOBER
SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED





School Sprints Day Thursday 3rd November

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

Matikao field activities will be held on Thursday 8th December

Mokehu field activities will be held on Wednesday 7th December.

Drama, Speech, And Self-Confidence Classes

Marrzipan Drama is now accepting new enrolments for term 4! They will be running awesome classes after school on Tuesday focusing on using drama skills to teach self-confidence. Marrzipan plays fun and engaging games, and the students perform a play at the end of the term to parents and friends. Get in touch with Manon to come along for a trial class, sign up for the term, or chat about how Marrzipan classes can benefit your child's development. Contact Manon on 0273673334 or email auckland@marrzipandrama.co.nz





Friday 4th November. 9.30am -12.00pm

Rosmini College Orientation Day

Friday 4th November. 9.30am - 12.30pm







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Mark Your Diaries

24 Oct	Labour Day - Public Holiday school closed
03 Nov	Huruhuru School Athletics Day
03 Nov	School Sprints from 1pm Year 0 - 6
04 Nov	Carmel College Orientation 9.30am - 12.00pm
04 Nov	Rosmini College Orientation 9.30am - 12.30pm
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
16 Dec	Children's Picnic and class swap
20 Dec	TERM FOUR ENDS 12.20pm

2022 School Term Dates

TERM 4 Monday 17 Oct - Tuesday 20 Dec

2022 Public Holidays

24 Oct

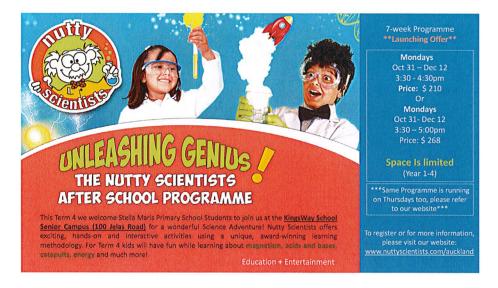
Labour Day

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 Raphael09 426 5599 ext 2

Parish Secretary –
 Theresa Fouché
 09 426 5599

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

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