Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

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Kia ora e te Whānau

This term we have been enjoying coming together as a whole school for Rosary and assembly led by different classes, groups of children and staff. In week one St Joseph led our Rosary, week two was led by the students in Mokehu Team who had received the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist earlier this year. On Monday of this week we had assembly led by the leadership team and on Tuesday St Leo led us in our All Saints' Day liturgy and Rosary. It's been well over a year since our students have led liturgies and assemblies and we have all been so proud of how well they have carried out their various roles – reading, leading prayers and song - leading us so respectfully and prayfully.

Next week is an exciting week across the school as swimming starts for Matikao and Mokehu classes and Huruhuru Team heads off to school camp at Carey Park, Henderson for three days. I'd like to say a huge thank you to all of the parents who are helping out with each of these events and activities which wouldn't be able to go ahead without your help. We truly appreciate you giving your time to provide this service for our students. The students are very excited to be taking part in swimming and camp.

A reminder that in term 4 school hats are compulsory when the children are outside. We still have a number of students who aren't wearing hats so we ask that you please check your children have their hat at school daily.

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

Catherine Cyprian Principal

TEAM NEWS

Matikao: Week 3 has flown by in a flurry of busy-ness (somehow we think this may be the trend for the term!) and now we look forward to our swimming lessons starting next week. Most classes seem to have enough parent walker coverage - thank you for volunteering your time. We ask parents to assemble in the front foyer/main atrium shortly before our walking time. There will be high-viz gear for you to wear, as we do all we can to ensure our children are safe. Please bring raincoats and /or umbrellas for yourselves as necessary. The children will need a rain jacket if the weather looks dodgy. We go regardless of the weather (short of hurricane !!!) as the lessons cannot be made up.

Mokehu: Kia Ora whanau, this morning we were lucky enough to have a visit from Neil at Forest and Bird NZ. He shared with us the programmes they have in place to protect native species. A reminder that next week we are swimming everyday. Swimming caps and goggles are compulsory and your child will need these, with appropriate swimming togs and a towel in a swim bag, at school each day. A raincoat is a good idea as well. Please also encourage your child to be using Mathletics and Core 5.

Huruhuru: 1 week to go.... The excitement is definitely buzzing in the team for our camp next week. Students have been learning about their activities, cabins, tribes and duties while preparing their camp books which will be a momento for them. A final newsletter of reminders will be coming home this week, so please watch out for this. Remember, if you have any questions about camp, please email tracey@stellamaris.school.nz

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DRS Message

This week at Stella Maris we celebrated All Saints' Day and All Souls' day. These are times where we focus on our end goal, joining God in Heaven with all the Saints, as well as our whanau and friends who have gone before us. The Saints offer us examples of "Living the way of Jesus" and through exploring their lives, we hope to learn how we might apply this learning to 2022. When we focus on All Souls we explore ways whanau remember those who have died and pray for them. We acknowledge the sadness and measure this with hope. Hope in Christ's message of mercy, redemption and forgiveness. This week we came together as a staff and school a number of times to mourn the passing of our Dear Mrs Brading. Her 17 years of dedicated service at Stella Maris, her dedication to the work of Jesus and commitment to all our children and staff ensures her memory is woven into the fabric of our school. At our Liturgy on Tuesday we remembered her example of our Marian Values, her love for the joy we see in our children and of course her love for all things pink. We also remembered Mrs Z who died last year and whose Headstone was unveiled last Saturday. These opportunities to remember and mourn together are part of our human journey, done in a way where we seek the embrace of our loving Jesus who is with us through it all.

Pope Francis said in his All Soul's day Mass... "may we never lose our memories as a family, as people. May we never lose hope," he said, "always contemplating the horizon, always looking ahead. May God grant us the grace to recognize the lights that accompany us to where He awaits us with so much love."

SCHOOL NEWS

Uniform

A reminder that we are now in summer uniform and that children should now be wearing plain black sandals.

Please note that long pants are no longer needed as the weather is a lot warmer. Please ensure that your children bring a full water bottle with them each day to. If there is any reason why your child is not in correct uniform please email your child's teacher or send note in.

Swimming

These sessions will start next 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 needs to be returned to the class teacher promptly.



School Athletic Days

*Please note sprints will now be held on each teams respective Athletics Day.

Mokehu Athletics Day Matikao Athletics Day Wednesday 7th December. Thursday 8th December



Carmel College Orientation Day

Friday 4th November. 9.30am -12.00pm

Rosmini College Orientation Day

Friday 4th November. 9.30am - 12.30pm







Holiday Surf Programme Orewa Beach

We are running our popular holiday surf programme over the Summer School Holidays at Orewa Beach. This is open to 6-16 year olds

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Mark Your Diaries

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
07 Dec	Mokehu Athletics and Sprints Day
08 Dec	Matikao Athletics and Sprints Day
12 Dec	Service and SHINE Awards Assembly 9am
13 Dec	Reports go Home
15 Dec	End Of Year Thanksgiving Mass 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

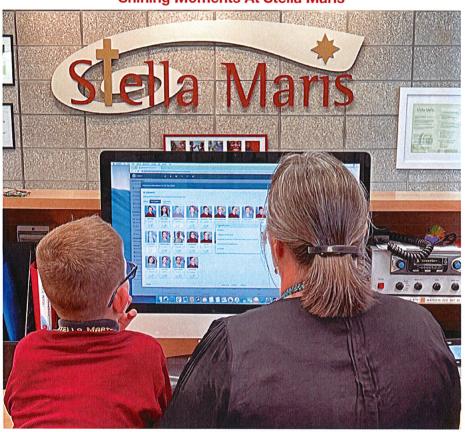
2023 School Term Dates

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

Shining Moments At Stella Maris



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09 426 8470

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09 427 0300 ext 4339

Influenza A (H1N1)

Advise Healthline –
 0800 611 116

Coronavirus Healthline 0800 358 5453

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Stella Maris School

- Website -

www.stellamaris.school.nz

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Waitemata Health

www.webhealth.co.nz Auckland Youth www.akyouth.org.nz

"Ki te ingoa o te Matua, O te Tamaiti O te Wairua Tapu, Amene" In the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Amen

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