# Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

Kia ora e te Whānau

For this week's newsletter I asked for some Camp Reflections from Huruhuru Students. These two below will give a feel of what the children gained from the experience. Look out for more reflections next week.

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

Catherine Cyprian

Principal

Alyssa Coetzee: As soon as I got off the bus with my piles of luggage I knew that camp Carey park would be the best 3 days of my life, and I was right! Camp Carey Park strengthened my confidence and risk taking ability. I overcame my fear of heights by giving crate stacking and the flying fox a go, which ended up being my top two favourite activities. I enjoyed cheering my tribe (the Super Dozen) on and encouraging them and myself to put 100% in each of the activities. Camp was a memorable experience that was filled with laughs and building new connections. There were a few bumps and bruises here and there, but that only made us strengthen our school values... wisdom, courage, faith, obedience, empathy, loyalty, service, trust, strength, compassion and to SHINE FOR GOD.

Aiden Skinner: As soon as I excitedly jumped off the bus I knew it was going to be the world's best adventure and well, I was right. The first day was so fun it - was so fun it was hard to explain. The first thing we did when we got there was sprinting to the cabins to find where we were sleeping. Our first activity was archery which was absolutely awesome. Our tribe hit the target at least once, it was bonkers. Then we had the flying fox which was an easy 10/10. It was out of this world, it felt like I was flying! And then on the second day we went kayaking at 9:30 in the MORNING and it was freezing cold. We had a big water fight at the end. After that we did hobo stoves which is where you make and cook really good bread it tastes like pancakes, but thicker and tastier. Around an hour after that we did the confidence course which is like a big adventure playground, but I really hurt my back and leg on the tarzan rope. After that we did trolley carts, it's like a race car going down a steep hill and you have to build it which I really liked. At our freetime at 4:00 pm we did the slip and slide it was awesome.

## **TEAM NEWS**

**Matikao:** Our swimming sessions finish tomorrow – and what an amazing experience it has been for the children! Their skills and confidence in the water have grown considerably, as have their independence and resilience. We have been delighted at the way they have managed themselves throughout the two-week period, whatever the weather! They have made us proud. Now we move on to athletics training – the children will certainly be fit and healthy, ready for their summer holidays!

**Mokehu:** Kia ora Whānau. This week started on a high with the wonderful World Cup win by the Black Ferns. Classes have been discussing the resilience and courage that the team showed, playing against a bigger England team and being behind for much of the match. We have been busy with our swimming lessons, the children are really benefiting from having sustained, regular swimming lessons from the great instructors at Northern Arena. Their independence in getting themselves ready for the lesson and then dried, and dressed for school is also greatly improving. Hopefully this independence is becoming evident at home as well! Thank you to all of our parent helpers that have assisted with walking to and from the pool. Next week we will be back into athletics training. Congratulations to Mrs Manning who became a Grandmother this week to baby Hugo.

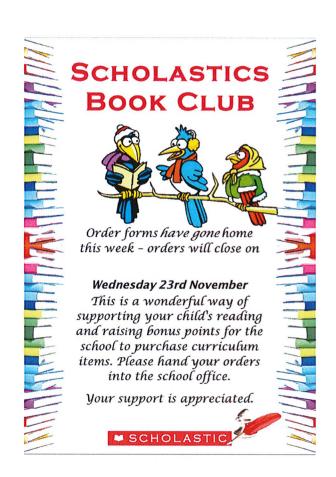
**Huruhuru:** Camp may be over, but the memories are keeping us going as we head into the remaining weeks of the year. This week we managed to complete our athletics day which had been interrupted by rain in week 3. The interschools event will be held next Thursday, 24 November. Swimming for our team starts next week - Mon-Wed, Fri and then the Monday of of the following week. Students can change into their togs and PE gear for the walk to and from the pools. Please ensure your child has their togs, towel, PE gear, goggles and swimming cap each day.

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As we race headlong towards Advent and our preparations for the coming of Jesus we reach the end of the Liturgical year. On Sunday we celebrate Christ the King and are reminded in the Gospel of the two men crucified alongside Jesus. Jesus offers the thief who asks to be remembered a place with him in Heaven. This comes as good news to all of us as we see Jesus, in his worst possible moments, forgiving the thief. We can take comfort knowing that in preparation for the coming of Jesus, in preparation for our eternity, we only need to turn towards him, seek his love and ask for forgiveness.

E Ihu, maharatía ahau, Ina tae maí koe, kí to rangatíratanga. Jesus, remember me, When you come into your kingdom.



# Bring a Treat, or Can or Cereal, Week 14th to 18th November this is 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.

### **Parish News**

A request has been made from our parish, St John's Church in Orewa for any parent, grandparent or guardian who would like to volunteer with the sacramental programme for 2023. If you feel that would like to help please contact Farren Coetzee on 027 302 1776 or via email @ farrengcoetzee@gmail.com.



Mokehu Athletics Day Matikao Athletics Day

Wednesday 7th December. Thursday 8th December



"Shine For God"

### Year 5 and 6 Sprint Results 2022

Place	Year	Girl	Воу
1 <sup>st</sup>	5	Ruby Nakhla	Matteo Austria
2 <sup>nd</sup>	5	Eva Di Muro	Orlando Purvis
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5	Nuala Cuffe	Leo Lawson
1 <sup>st</sup>	6	Amaia Warren	Will Tait
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6	Sanvi Bhatt	Reeve Giddy
3rd	6	Lily Tracey	Marco Cardeno

### **PTFA Cookie Dough Fundraiser**

Our first spot prize winners are: Aiofe Hogg, Daniel Pratt, Sofia Pereria, Ava Macken and Shaan Hansje. Don't forget to register to be in to win more spot prizes and to help raise funds for our schools sunshades.







# **Stella Maris Catholic Primary School**

### Mark Your Diaries

21 Nov	Year 5/6 Swimming starts
24 Nov	Interschool Athletics
07 Dec	Mokehu Athletics and Sprints Day
08 Dec	Matikao Athletics and Sprints Day
12 Dec	Service and SHINE Awards Assembly 9am
15 Dec	End Of Year Thanksgiving Mass 11am St John's Church
16 Dec	Children's Picnic and class swap
16 Dec	Reports go Home *Please note change to previous date
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
<b>TERM</b>	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**



St Mary enjoying some play based learning

### **Telephone**

### Netball

Cancellation Number –09 424 2318

### **Parish Office**

– Parish Priest – Father Raphael 09 426 5599 ext 2

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 Theresa Fouché
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### 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

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Attendance Dues & Donations
12 3046 0362238 **01**All other Payments
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### **PTFA Bank Details**

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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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