Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

ZESSLETTER

Kia ora e te Whānau

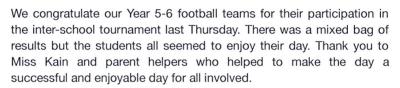


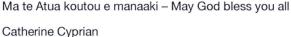
This week I myself have been on the receiving end of the love and care of our wonderful school community. Having had a fall at the beginning of the week and fracturing my elbow I received many blessings for a speedy recovery, and along with the gentle hugs from some children a request for a copy of my x-rays "because we are learning about the structure of the body in our class".

This term's concept of Structure has led to inquiries into natural and man-made structures, and structures in the physical world and within society. Students have been building bridges, creating 'skeletons' with items found in the classroom, and learning about the structure of the Church, of the school and our government. There has been a lot of excitement as they share their learning.

We say a huge thank you to Fr Raphael who has been leading each of our teams in Mass. Last week Matikao team came together to celebrate the Eucharist, this week Mokehu and next week it will be Huruhuru. Each team has a focus related to their learning about the Church and our God given gifts and talents.

On the last day of the term we are participating in a gold coin donation mufti day (non-uniform day) alongside all Catholic schools throughout Aotearoa, New Zealand to raise funds for Caritas to support Oecusse School in Timor-Leste. More information coming next week.





Principal



TEAM NEWS

Matikao Only one more week of Term 2 - where has the time gone? Matikao team has been preparing for the visit from the Firewise team for the last few days and making sure the children know what to do in the event of a fire. We thank you for your continued support when keeping unwell children home. With the weather turning and bugs going around we have continued to focus on hygiene in classes - washing hands, sneezing and coughing into our elbows, using hand sanitiser and keeping our distance when sharing ideas while talking.

Mokehu Kia Ora Parents, it is hard to believe we are into week 9 of the term already! A reminder that all children are to be reading every night, they are also given 10 spelling words to learn each week and basic facts to practise. The car ride to school is a great opportunity to practise the speed and recall of basic facts and fun for siblings as well.

Huruhuru We thank St Dominic who led us in a Huruhuru Team liturgy about the Fruits of the Holy Spirit today. We are currently preparing for two team events next week. The first is our Team Speech Competition next Tuesday. Several students from each class will deliver their speeches, before Miss Cyprian and Mrs Hobman decide the two speakers who will represent the school at the North Shore Catholic Schools competition next term. Our second event is our Team Mass led by Father Raphael on Wednesday. Several students from each class will be reading prayers or scripture for our special Mass.

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Director Of Religious Studies (DRS) Message

St Augustine is quoted as saying..."If you understand God, what you understand isn't God." At my DRS conference last week we had a presentation from Dr Rocio Figuero, a Peruvian Catholic Theologian. She talked to us about the Mystery of God. She explored how God is revealed "just enough" to us to increase our intrinsic desire to know God. As an educator she emphasised Thomas Aquinas' message that we must give our God many names. She talked about how any similarity we can find between something and God, the difference is far greater. She also explored how we see the Trinity. She talked about the value of exploring the relationship of the Trinity, a co-equal model of God. A mutual relationship in love. This is all reassuring for us as we grapple with our Faith. It acknowledges the importance of allowing our children to explore the many metaphors for God in the Scriptures; God the Potter, Jesus the vine, The Alpha and Omega, The Bread of Life, The Mother Eagle, The Breath of Life, Wind and Fire, and so many more. We hope to place our students and ourselves in front of this Mystery, to explore this Mystery and to build a relationship with our God who meets us where we are, at our own level of faith, and wants us to question, seek connection and recognise God walking alongside us.

God of everything,

May we seek you in all we do.

May we find you in all we see.

May we speak about you in our words and actions.

May we grow towards an everlasting relationship with you.

Amen.

SCHOOL NEWS



BOARD OF TRUSTEE BY ELECTION Voting Closes Friday 23rd June 4:00pm Votes Counted 29th June

Sports News



Our year 5 and 6's enjoyed a great day at the inter-school football tournament last week at Stanmore Bay. They practised their skills, represented our school with great sportsmanship and displayed our Marian Values.

Basketball

Year 3/4 Basketball Stella Lakers have shown great confidence and love for the game which has created opportunities for the team to be successful. They have developed as a team and become Stella sports people.

Netball

Stella Strikers

The girls unfortunately lost on Thursday, but made a good account of themselves.

Score was 8-4 to Orewa Primary Player of the Day - Gia Gomes

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE FRIDAY 23RD JUNE 2:30PM IN THE MAIN FOYER.





Aaron Doyle Certifying Drainlayer M 027 571 4992

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Friday 7th

Mr. Magic

Be surprised and amazed with today's onsite magic show! Learn a magic trick you can show your family at home!

Friday 14th

Public holiday

Matariki

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WELLNESS

Starscapades

ARKLOW CONTRACTING LIMITED: ANY WORK GENERATED THROUGH STELLA MARIS RESULTS IN A 5% DONATION BACK TO THE SCHOOL FROM ANY COMPLETED JOB.



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Mark Your Diaries

23 Jun	Second hand Uniform Sale 2.30pm
23 Jun	Board of Trustee By Election Voting closes 4pm
29 Jun	Board of Trustee By Election Votes counted
30 Jun	Mufti Mania Day Gold Coin for Caritas
30 Jun	PTFA Fun Lunch
30 Jun	TERM TWO ENDS 2.45pm
14 Jul	MATARIKI - PUBLIC HOLIDAY
17 Jul	TERM THREE COMMENCES 8.45am
19 Jul	Parent teacher Interviews SCHOOL FINISHES 12.20pm
20 Jul	Parent teacher Interviews Continue school finishes 2.45pm
28 Jul	Second hand Uniform Sale 8.15am

2023 School Term Dates

TERM 2 Wednesday 26 Apr - Friday 30 Jun TERM 3 Monday 17 Jul - Friday 22 Sep TERM 4 Monday 09 Oct - Wednesday 20 Dec

2023 Public Holidays

Friday 14 July Matariki (during term break) Monday 23 October Labour Day

Family Whanau Book Resource Link

http://www.faithalive.org.nz/assets/Resources/Family-whanau-book.pdf

Celebrating 100 Years Of St Mary's Catholic School, Avondale

Calling all ex-students, staff and supporters of St Mary's Avondale. Momentum is gathering for our school's 100th birthday celebrations with lots of exciting events planned for Friday 8th - Sunday 10th September 2023.

Friday 8th September - early afternoon Liturgy to open the weekend of celebrations, student led school tour and open classrooms, special assembly led by the current students and afternoon tea for the Adults/Guests. (Times TBC)

Saturday 9th September: Back to the Future Gala run by ex students 11am – 3pm Junior Rugby League Tournament on the field

Saturday 9th September: Mix n Mingle Social Event From 6pm – 11pm at Avondale RSA R16

Sunday 10th September: Mass of Thanksgiving 10am on the field followed by a potluck picnic

If you are interested in attending any of the events sign up here to ensure you are kept up to date, or email smcps23@gmail.com for further information.

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 –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



AMERICAN HOTDOG& CUPCAKE FUNLUNCH



HOTDOG \$5 CUPCAKE \$2

Ordering open on Kindo Now closes on 28th June ** GF options available

INFORMATION

FOR PARENTS



Programmes run weekly on one day a week for one hour.

This term we will focus on the following sports:

Rippa Rugby

✓ Ultimate Frisbee
✓ Volleyball

✓ Handball

✓ Netball/Basketball

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

For Year 0-4 students.

PRICE: \$112 FOR 8 WEEKS

Wainui School - Mon, 3:05pm

Stanmore Bay School – Mon, 2:55pm

Orewa Primary School – Tues, 3:05pm

Silverdale School – Tues, 3:05pm

Ahutoetoe School - Wed, 2:55pm

Dairy Flat School - Wed, 2:55pm

KingsWay Junior School - Wed, 3:05pm

Orewa Beach School – Thurs, 2:55pm

Red Beach School – Thurs, 3:05pm

Stella Maris Primary School - Fri, 2:55pm

BOOK EARLY & SAVE

Use the voucher code earlybird before 21 July to save!

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