

Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

Kia ora e te Whānau

This week is Support Staff Week, a time for us to celebrate and say thank you to all of our Support Staff for all that they do to support our students, staff, and all that we do at Stella Maris. The theme for the week has been our Super Heroes Support Staff and I have to say our Support Staff here at Stella Maris are true Super Heroes. Their invisible capes see each of them going above and beyond within their individual roles. When you see them around the school please add your thank yous to those of our staff and students. **To Lorraine Budding, Katherine Craig, Steve Flemwell, Warren Hibbert, Nicky Jordan, Karen Lloyd, Sarin Lork, Katie McClennan, Mon McKernan, Sandy Morgan, Luciana Moura, Mel Shimwell, Colleen Smith, Catherine White, Lola Wilson, Bec Wood** we say a huge thank you for bringing your Super Hero powers to Stella Maris.



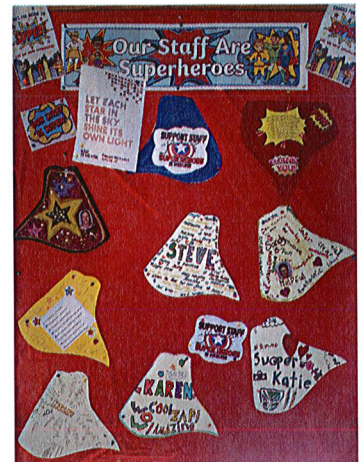
Huruhuru Speech Competition: On Tuesday Olwyn Hobman and myself were judges for the Year 5/6 speech competition finals. We were both very impressed with all of the finalists presentations and the obvious work that had gone into the preparation of the speeches. Congratulations to all students and teachers of the Huruhuru Team for the hard work and successful speech competition. Congratulations to April Shaw and Bianca Arnott who will now go on to represent Stella Maris at the North Shore Catholic Schools competition.

Enrolments: We are now taking enrolments for 2024. If you have younger children you need to enrol, or you know of family or friends considering enrolling their children in 2024 now is the time to get the forms into the office. From the beginning of next term we start our planning and preparation for next year and it helps to know now our numbers for next year.

I wish to say thank you to everyone who has helped to make term 2 a fabulous term – students, staff and our community. We are looking forward to the new term and wish you all a safe and happy break.

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

Catherine Cyprian
Principal



TEAM NEWS

Matikao And just like that, we reach the end of another term! It has been a busy, happy term, despite the weather, and the children are certainly ready for a break. The Firewise visit last week was well-received by the children even though the team had a call out half-way through the session. It showed us the importance of their work! By now you will have received the mid-year reports for your children - we look forward to seeing you early next term to discuss the progress made and steps forward. In the meantime, we wish you all a happy holiday break and hope you all get some rest and relaxation time to spend together.

Mokehu Kia Ora parents, last week we had Father Raphael lead us in Mass. It was wonderful to share this special time together as we reflected on Jesus selecting his Disciples and how we try to follow Jesus in our daily life. The children who are part of the Sacramental Programme currently, assisted Father Raphael with the Readings and Prayers and did a wonderful job. We wish you all a wonderful holiday break and look forward to an exciting Term 3- where we will be exploring Movement.

Huruhuru The team has completed a busy term with a busy week. On Tuesday we held our Speech Competition. Congratulations to our winners, April Shaw and Bianca Arnott and all the students that participated in this event. You all demonstrated the Marian Values of courage and wisdom. On Wednesday Father Raphael led our team's Mass. Our theme for this was 'Using our Gifts for the Mission of the Church'. This theme ended our Church strand of work. We wish all families an enjoyable holiday break and look forward to seeing our students next term.



Director Of Religious Studies (DRS) Message

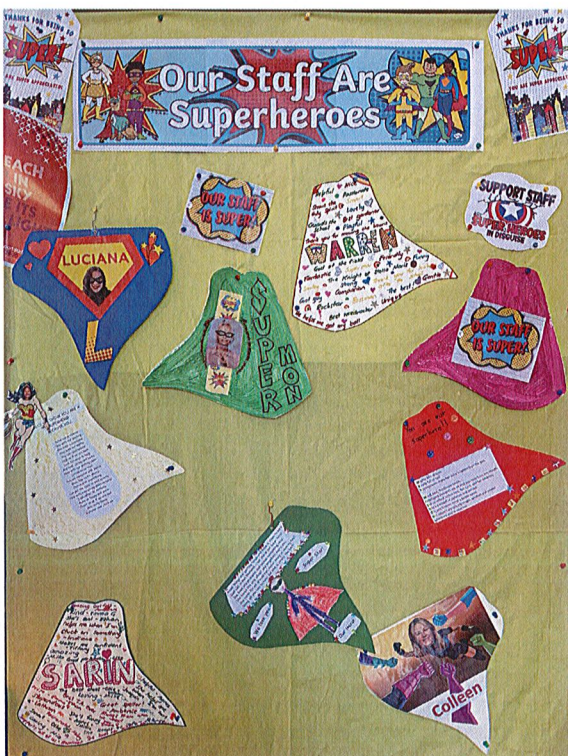
This week we celebrate some very important people at Stella Maris; our support staff. Our caretakers, office admin staff, librarians, teacher aides, IT technician, cleaners and all those who work alongside our children. We acknowledge the huge role they play in our school. Things like emptying the dishwashers without people knowing, cleaning the fridges, wiping tables, cleaning class equipment, quick trips to the photocopier, responding to teacher requests for assistance, keeping an extra eye on our students during break times, organising resources, one to one teaching with our divergent learners and others in our classes, taking groups, supporting our children who feel sick, getting balls off the roof, helping those of us who have computer issues, organising book weeks, cleaning up unsavoury messes, all the workings of office admin and so very much more. Our students wouldn't receive the education they get without these very special people behind the scenes. We are truly blessed at Stella Maris with so many who go above and beyond, who continue the work of Jesus in our school. It is important we acknowledge how the Holy Spirit works through these wonderful people. It is clear this is not a job for our Support staff, it is a vocation. We thank you so very much, we deeply appreciate you all, we know that without you we would be lost and we ask God to continue to bless you and your families. Right in front of our eyes we have a real life example of living the Marian Values. We thank you for the way you all "Shine for God".

*We ask You Lord to bless our Support Staff at Stella Maris.
May they realise the many ways their actions bring about
Your Kingdom here on earth.
May their service inspire all of us to greater acts of service
in Your name.
Amen.*

SCHOOL NEWS

Mufti day: This Friday we are participating in the YCC Non-Uniform Day (mufti day) alongside all Catholic schools throughout the country to help fundraise for Caritas to support Oecusse School in Timor-Leste. All gold coin donations will be gratefully received. This is a simple way for us all to demonstrate our Marian Values of compassion, empathy and service.

Parent Teacher Conferences: A reminder that our Parent Teacher conferences for mid-year reporting are being held in the first week of next term - Wednesday 19 July and Thursday 20th July. School will close at 12:20pm on Wednesday 19th July, and at 2:45pm on Thursday 20th July. Please make sure you have booked your interview time.



Wednesday 19th July commencing at 1.15pm
Thursday 20th July commencing at 3.15 pm

(School will finish on Wednesday at 12.20 pm)

Parent Interview

Bookings are to be made online by visiting

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

(Bookings will be open from 19th June at 10am)

Our School Access Number **646nc**

Please ensure you have booked your child
in for this important process

Stella Maris Board Of Trustee Term Two 2023 Newsletter

Dear families of Stella Maris,

As we approach the end of term 2, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the incredible progress and memorable moments we have experienced together at Stella Maris, our beloved Catholic primary school in Silverdale.

Term 2 has truly been a testament to the diverse and holistic education we provide at Stella Maris. Our students have not only excelled academically but have also embraced creativity, compassion, and sportsmanship. They have engaged in meaningful experiences that have broadened their horizons and nurtured their overall development.

We celebrated Book Week, a time when our students immersed themselves in the joy of reading. The hall was transformed into a magical space, and our students delved into the world of literature through captivating stories and engaging activities. The highlight of Book Week was our Book Character Parade, where our students brought their favourite book characters to life with creativity and enthusiasm. It was a delightful sight to see their imaginations soar!

We also celebrated Mum's Day, a special occasion to honour and appreciate the incredible mothers and mother figures in our students' lives. The day was filled with heartfelt gestures, handcrafted gifts, and moments of gratitude. We recognize the invaluable role that mothers play in shaping the lives of our students, and we wanted to express our deepest appreciation for their love, sacrifice, and unwavering support.

Furthermore, our students have demonstrated remarkable sportsmanship and talent in the interschool football and Rippa rugby competitions. They have represented our school with pride, showcasing their teamwork, determination, and skills. We applaud their efforts and commend them for displaying the values of fair play and respect both on and off the field.

In addition to these achievements, we have also observed and celebrated significant religious events that hold great importance in our Catholic faith. Our students have actively participated in various liturgical celebrations, deepening their understanding of our faith and fostering their spiritual growth.

I want to express appreciation to all of you, our supportive parents. Your unwavering commitment to your children's education and involvement in our school community have been instrumental in creating a nurturing and thriving learning environment. Your presence and active participation in PTFA events, such as the recent movie night, have brought joy and unity to our school community. Together, we are building a strong foundation for our students' success.

As we approach the well-deserved mid-year break, I encourage you and your family to take this time to rest, rejuvenate, and spend quality moments together. Cherish the joys of family and create beautiful memories that will last a lifetime. Let us return for term 3 with renewed energy, ready to embrace new opportunities and continue our journey of learning and growth.

Thank you for entrusting us with the education and well-being of your children. It is a privilege and honour to be part of their lives and witness their growth and achievements.

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Warm regards,

Richard Bayly
Presiding Member

PTFA Term 2 Wrap Up and Handing Over the Reins!

We started off the term with our AGM - our new PTFA committee has been elected! I'm pleased to announce the following are your new PTFA for 2023/24.

Chairperson	Lani Baxter-Mackay
Secretary	Brittany Barnes
Treasurer	Michelle Arnott
Fundraising	Jaime Davies and Kelly Alder
Teacher Rep	Diana Pearson
Pastoral Care	Rachel Waken
Fun lunch	Jen O'Keefe

I thank all these Mums for taking on all these volunteer roles and helping our school with fundraising for projects that will benefit the children and school environment.

This term seemed super quick! the kids loved having Mum's Day back after a few forced years off. We got to enjoy sushi as a fun lunch as well as watching the book character parade.

The Movie night was a fun night had by all! The kids loved hanging with their mates, eating popcorn, pizza and lollies! We thank all the staff and parents that helped this event happen. A big thank you to Kelly and Jaime for the organising!

Kids may have made a start on their calendar artwork in their classrooms, we always end up with such high standard! The artwork will be on display in the foyer from the 7th August. Ordering will only be available via Kindo.

As I hand over the reins to Lani and her team's very capable hands I have been reflecting on how the PTFA is such a huge part of our school. From the committee, teachers, parents, helpers, children, sponsors, local community we just wouldn't be able to achieve any of our fundraising goals if we didn't have a supportive network behind us, every bit of help is truly appreciated.

I leave this role having made some wonderful life friends and encourage you all to come along to the meetings to be involved in the PTFA. There are lots of way to help!

God Bless and happy holidays

Kelly McColl

Sports News

Hockey

Year 5/6 hockey team Stella Strikers played against Red Beach and won 14-0. Well done! Player of the Day - Lockie Pearson, Caitlin Finch.

Year 3/4 hockey Stella Shooters played against Red Beach, and Stella Sticks against Orewa Beach. Player of the Day - Daniel Pratt, Millie Pearson.

Year 1/2 hockey team the Stella Speedsters had a narrow loss to Red Beach this week. Some great tackling and progress at passing to each other. Player of the Day - Stan Buchanan.

Basketball

Year 5/6 Rockets played Stanmore Bay in the final and won 12-3. Special thanks to Christer Juntilla who filled in for us for the final game. It was a great game with all players working well together with awesome passing and strong defence! Thanks to Liz for coaching.



Estuary Arts Centre July Holiday Programme

Estuary Arts in Orewa, 214b Hibiscus Coast Highway are running a holiday programme from 3rd to 13th July. Steam is the theme: Science, technology, engineering, art, math and Lego. To register go to www.estuaryarts.org.






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Parish Of St Thomas More Glenfield

Bishop Giovanni D'Ercole, Bishop Emeritus of Ascoli Piceno, Italy and Fr Donal McIlraith SSC, Responsible for Marian Movement of Priests, OCEANIA will be visiting New Zealand in July. The North Shore parish visit is at St. Thomas More Church, on Thursday, 6th July 2023. Holy Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Giovanni and concelebrated by Fr. Donal at 9:15 a.m. followed by Cenacle (prayers) of Marian Movement of Priests before the exposed Blessed Sacrament.

HOLIDAY ART WORKSHOP

Thurs 6th July 9.30-12.30
Mon 10th July 9.00-12.00

ideal for 6-9Y

At Whangaparaoa library



35\$/ session

for more info/bookings visit
artekid.co.nz

Community Fun Day

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Join in the fun as we celebrate our Community Fun Day! Loads of D.I.Y's, activities, give aways and more.

Saturday 15th July from 10am – 2pm

Sunday 16th July from 10am - 2pm

Activities and fun for the whole family

D.I.Y. WEEKEND. THERE IS RADIO AND BOB THE BUILDER
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Mark Your Diaries

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
26 Jul	PTFA Meeting 7.15pm
28 Jul	Second hand Uniform Sale 8.15am
01 Aug	Photolife - Class and individual photos
02 Aug	Photolife - Team photos

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>

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
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PTFA Bank Details

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In the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Amen**