

Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER 20 June 2024

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Kia ora e te Whānau

I am writing this week's newsletter from Wellington as I attend the NZ Catholic Education Convention. Today we listened to several inspiring speakers, the first of whom was Joe Paprocki whose keynote presentation was titled 'Transforming Hearts and Minds'. In his keynote Joe reminded us that as parents and teachers we are catechists for our children. He said that faith formation is so much more than simply conveying information – it is about teaching a way of life, the way of Jesus. Catechists are not teachers of a subject, catechists are facilitators of an encounter with Jesus Christ. Our role is to equip those we teach with the ability to see Jesus, to meet Jesus. Listening to Joe was a reflective time in which I thought about the ways that we do this at Stella Maris. It has been a prayerful, reflective day and I look forward to the next two days.

A huge thank you to our PTFA and all who helped make Friday night's Winter Wonderland so much fun for all of the students. It was lovely to see some of our past pupils helping out. There was a lot of laughter, loud singing, and energetic dancing led by DJ extraordinaire, Mr Hobman, who had just as much fun as the children.



Matariki: We are looking forward to you all joining us for the Matariki Liturgy and breakfast next Thursday, 27th June. The Liturgy begins at 7:30am – we ask that you are at school at least 10 minutes before this. The Liturgy, marking Matariki, the Māori New Year, is a time for us to remember our loved ones who have gone to be with God in Heaven, for us to look forward into the year ahead and to spend time with friends and family. As you arrive at school for the Liturgy you will have the opportunity to write the names of loved ones who have passed away on a star and add it to a remembrance board. If it is fine we will be holding the Liturgy outside so please make sure you dress warmly.

NB: for the breakfast BYO bowl, spoon and drink bottle .

If you are able to donate items for the shared breakfast that would be greatly appreciated. All donations can be placed in the boxes in the main atrium.

Nazareth families – one box of Weetbix per family

Bethlehem families – one packet/box of Cornflakes per family

Galilee families – one packet/box of Ricies per family

Jerusalem families – one tin of peaches per family

50 house points for each donated item.

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

Catherine Cyprian
Principal



The Gospel for Sunday 30th June explores two miracles of Jesus. He heals a woman who has been unwell for years but He deflects ownership of the healing onto her belief. Jesus said to the woman, "Dear woman, you are made well because you believed. Go in peace. You will have no more suffering." He tells her that because she made her way through the crowds to touch His cloak and knew just getting close to Him would help her. Her faith inspired action and the power of God became visible through her actions and faith. How do we push through the crowds to get close to Jesus? When and where do we reach out in faith to touch His cloak.

We also hear how Jesus raises a dead girl to life. He says to her, "Talitha, koum!" (This means, "Little girl, I tell you to stand up!") The Glory and Power of God is revealed in some way through this miracle. Perhaps we can hear this command for ourselves. Jesus is perhaps speaking to all of us in some way through this miracle. How can we "Stand Up?" Is there a way we can be a part of God's Kingdom, a part of the story of God's revelation to others? Is there a way we can respond to this call to action from Jesus?

Lord, you call us to 'be holy', and that is not something we can ask you to do for us by some miraculous act, it demands our attention, the willing involvement of body, mind and soul, when lives are changed by a conscious desire to become the people you have called us to be. Be with us on that journey, that's all we ask, dear Lord.

TEAM NEWS

Matikao

Kia ora Whanau. What a wonderful success our Winter Wonderland disco was last Friday! The children really seemed to enjoy themselves and many were not shy in sharing their dance moves. Hopefully these moves will be refined during our dance sessions scheduled for next term! We are skipping our way through June and towards our Matariki celebration liturgy next Thursday. We hope to see as many of our Matikao families there as possible. The liturgy will begin at 7.30am and will be followed by the shared breakfast. Just a note that we hope that family groups will stay together during the morning as Matariki is all about family and friends spending time together - and teachers may be involved in helping with the organisation of the morning.

Mokehu

Kia ora Whanau, this week has seen a lot of follow up work from our Museum trips, children have written recounts and began investigating animals from the Hauraki Gulf. We've also had a team assembly which was led by the children of St Anthony.

Congratulations To All The Children Who Received Certificates

St Anthony	Layla Brennan, Sloan McCafferty, Liam Robertson
St Joachim	Ava Macken, Jayce Naguit
St Peter	Piper Humphrey, Millie Pearson, Sofia Pereira
St John	Tiffany Hoang, Levi Cheval

Huruhuru

Last week a newsletter came home about camp. Parents are reminded that if they wish to volunteer for camp, you must fill out the form attached to the notice and return it to Mrs Law in St Patrick by Monday 24th June. We look forward to our Matariki celebration next week culminating in our lunch and breakfast on Thursday. Throughout this week we will have leadership opportunities in a range of activities with students across the school.

SCHOOL NEWS



**We invite you to join us for
Matariki Liturgy and Breakfast
Thursday 27th June
Liturgy will begin at 7:30am
Followed by breakfast at 8:00am**

**Wednesday 24th July commencing at 1pm
Thursday 25th 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 the 19th June)

Our School Access Number is **dujus**

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

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Parent Teacher Conferences

These will take place in the first week of next term, Wednesday 24th July and Thursday 25th July. Please visit the following website to book your conference time.

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz Password/access code **dujus**

NOTE: SCHOOL WILL CLOSE AT THE EARLIER TIME OF 12.20pm ON Wednesday 24th JULY. Interviews begin at 1:00pm. Skids will be open if you wish to book your child in for the afternoon.

Buses: Bayes bus 22 to Whangaparaoa /Gulf Harbour will run at the earlier time of 12.20pm. **All other buses** will operate at their usual time, therefore, these bus children will need to be collected early or booked into Skids to await their afternoon bus pickup.

Dance Next Term

A notice / permission form has been sent home with students. These daily dance sessions are for all students and will take place over two weeks. The cost for the two week programme is \$30.00. Please make payment at the school office or online into school account number 12 3046 0362238 00.

SPORTS NEWS

Player Of The Day- All Sports - Coaches And Managers

If you want to have your players of the day mentioned in the newsletter, please email Mrs Smith with the sport and child's name by Wednesday morning; colleen@stellamaris.school.nz

Basketball

Stella Rockets had an amazing win this week! 22-7 playing against the Net Ninjas. Great job boys and all playing with fantastic teamwork. A special mention to Kieran Edwards our player of the match and to our wonderful fan base, the parents! Such a pleasure to see big smiles after a great effort.

Stella Mambas had a fabulous game against SBS Slamdunkers winning 26-6.

Hockey

On Monday the hockey games were played under a beautiful setting sun. Congratulations to the following children who got player of the day for their teams: Milla Dee, James Hammond, Millie Pearson, Stan Buchanan, Marco Tome, Alexander Liow, Khalum Wood, Jannik Anders, Rose Walker, Cooper Hanlon



New Student Information Evening - Tuesday 20 August

Orewa Arts and Events Centre, Orewa College

An information evening for all parents/caregivers of students enrolling for 2025, including information on academic programmes and co-curricular opportunities. Following the presentation, there will be an opportunity to speak with staff about digital devices, specialist classes, sports, uniforms and enrolment.

Tour Days - Tuesday 27 and Wednesday 28 August 2024

Orewa College is pleased to invite all our new students for 2025, and their caregivers, to register their interest in one of our Tour Days in August. These guided tours will take you through our grounds and give you an opportunity to see students learning and ask any questions you or your students may have. Please complete the form available on our website to register your interest and choose a preferred tour date and time. This form will close at 11.59pm Thursday 22 August

Enrolment - apply now

Visit our website under Information/Enrol to complete an online application. Enrolment interviews will start in September.

Should you have any queries, please contact enrolments@orewacollege.nz

SCRATCHPAD

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Make The Most of Your Holidays With a Fun-Filled Learning Experience!

BOOK NOW

- Introduction To Developing Websites
- Learn To Code In Python
- Code That Robot Using Edison
- Develop Games With Roblox
- Create Videos using AI
- Code That Robot Using MBOT
- Develop Games With Gamedesigner
- Introduction To Graphic Design
- Let Us Code
- Minecraft - Develop Your Own Mods
- Let Us Learn 3D Printing
- Minecraft Modding Junior
- Create games using Scratch

8th July - 19th July

(09)815 0825 www.scratchpad.co.nz info.silverdale@scratchpad.co.nz



STELLA MARIS PTFA
PRESENTS

KIWI CLASSIC PIE & CHIPS FUN LUNCH

**FRIDAY 5TH
JULY**

PIES \$6.50 *GF AVAIL.
SAUSAGE ROLLS \$6.50
POTATO CHIPS \$2.00

ORDERS OPEN ON KINDO NOW!

KINDO ORDERS OPEN TILL 28TH JUNE.

Mark Your Diaries

20 Jun	Whole School Liturgy 9.00am
20 Jun	Year 5/6 Interschool Football Tournament
24 Jun	Matikao Assembly 11.20am
26 Jun	Second Hand Uniform Sale 2:15pm - School foyer
27 Jun	Matariki Liturgy 7.30am followed by Breakfast 8.00am
28 Jun	Matariki Observed - School Closed
29 Jun	Confirmation Mass 2pm - St John's Church
01 Jul	Full School Assembly 9.00am
04 Jul	School Liturgy 9.00am
04 Jul	School Reports available to view on Hero
05 Jul	Catholic Schools Mufti Mania - Gold coin donation
05 Jul	PTFA Friday Pie day - Orders will be via Kindo
05 Jul	Term Two Ends 2:45pm
22 Jul	Term Three Starts 8:45am
22 Jul	Dance Programme for all students two weeks
24 Jul	Parent Teacher Interviews - School closes at 12.20pm
25 Jul	Parent Teacher Interviews Continue school closes 2.45pm

2024 School Term Dates

TERM 2	Monday	29 Apr - Friday	05 Jul
TERM 3	Monday	22 Jul - Friday	27 Sep
TERM 4	Monday	14 Oct - Friday	20 Dec

2024 Public Holidays

King's Birthday	Monday	Jun 03
Matariki	Friday	Jun 28
Labour Day	Monday	Oct 28

Family Whānau Book Resource Link

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

Equipped, and Edified
Baptism in the Spirit

Tuesday 25th June

7.30pm-9.30pm
St Thomas More Church

Praise & Worship | Prayer ministry | Anointing | Community

Telephone

Netball

- Cancellation Contact -
teresa@netballnorthharbour.co.nz

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

**“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**