

Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER 15 August 2024

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Kia ora e te Whānau

Today we joined the parish for Mass to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Mary. At Stella Maris Mary is our guide, making this day is an extra special day for us all. Mary is known as the first disciple and it is through her discipleship that Mary teaches us how to be a follower of Jesus. It is her qualities that have helped to form our Marian Values that are at the heart of our school. Please join us in praying our school prayer to honour Mary, mother of Jesus, mother of us all.

*Oh Mary, Star of the Sea,
We entrust this day to you,
Look upon us with a mother's love,
Keep us in your heart,
Protect us from all harm,
And be our guide on life's journey.
Amen*

Thank you to the PTFA and their team of helpers for organizing another fun disco for the students. A great time was had by all and this wouldn't have been possible without the service that our wonderful PTFA and helpers give to our school. Thank you to you all.



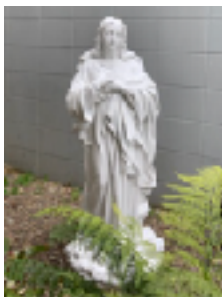
Road and Carpark Safety: We have an increasing number of students who are walking home down Old Mill Rd in the afternoons. With this in mind we ask when using Old Mill Rd to access school through the top gate that you drive slowly up and down the street. We ask also that you drive slowly in the school carpark. Children have a tendency to duck out from between cars and we would like to keep everyone safe.

Upcoming events:

- **School Cross Country** Friday 23rd August, 1pm. All spectators are welcome.
- **Open Day for 2025 enrolments** Wednesday 28th August 9am to 12pm. If you know of families who are interested in enrolling their children at Stella Maris please invite them to attend the Open Day.
- **Dads' Day** Friday 30th August – All dads are invited to join us at school for the afternoon. Order your lunch (Dad's Pies) and join the children for lunch then an afternoon in class sharing in their learning.

Ma te Atua koe e manaaki – May God bless you

Catherine Cyprian
Principal



DRS Message

Our school feast day was celebrated with our Parish family on Thursday with a special mass for the Feast of the Assumption. Throughout the week our students explored how Mary died peacefully just as if she fell asleep and her friends and the apostles took her body to be buried. We learn that her body was raised to heaven by the glory and power of God. Mary's assumption into heaven reminds people that they are also called by God to eternal life in heaven through humility and serving him. Mary's service and complete openness to God's call is an example of how we can be a true disciple of Jesus. Pope Francis challenges us "Do I make service the 'springboard' of my life? ... Do I, like Mary, exult in God? ... And, after praising Him, do I spread His joy among the people I meet?" The Holy Father concluded his remarks with the prayer calling on "Mary our Mother, assumed into heaven" to "help us to climb higher each day through prayer and service." He also offers another prayer, "May Mary extend her maternal protection over each one of you".

Mō Maria aianeī O tatou waiata Kia kaha rā tātou Kia nui te aroha
For Mary now, Our songs. Let us be strong. Let there be great love.

*Ka waiata
Kī a Maria
Hīne I whakaae
Whakameatia mai
He whare tangata
Hīne pūrotu
Hīne ngakau
Hīne Rangimarie
Ko te Whaea
Ko te Whaea
O Te Ao*

*I sing to Mary, our mother,
The one who heard God's call
The call to be the mother
of our Lord (of us all)
Gentle woman, loving mother,
Our Lady Queen of Peace
I sing to Mary, the mother of our Lord*



TEAM NEWS

Matikao Team

Wow! What fun we all had at the disco last Friday! Our tamariki shone and sparkled as they danced the night away, showing their developing dance moves and generally having a busy, noisy and happy evening. Our school Feast Day Mass at St John's was lovely and the children all managed themselves well and made us proud to be together to celebrate as a school.

Mokehu Team

Kiaora Whanau, last week the excitement and talk of the school was the PTFA Crazy Hair Disco. This was a wonderful night and the entire Mokehu team thanks the PTFA team for running this. It was great to see so many different variations of 'crazy hair'. The Code work continues this week and children have been given spelling words to supplement this programme. A reminder that Shine Challenges are due to be completed by early term 4. This is an additional homework challenge that the Mokehu and Huruhuru teams are encouraged to do and cover the following areas; Marian Values, Physical Activity, Academic Excellence and The Arts. If you need more information about these, please contact your class teacher.

Huruhuru Team

Today, we celebrated our feast day and the Assumption of Mary at St John's Church. The students embodied the Marian Values of Whakapona (Faith) and Aroha (Love) as they worshipped Our Lady. As usual, our seniors served as exemplary role models. The smiles on the faces of the congregation reflected their appreciation of the students' excellent behaviour.

On a different note, we will continue with cross-country training this week, so please remember to send a change of clothes and trainers for the sessions. This is a reminder that school cross-country will be held next Friday at 1pm, and we look forward to plenty of parent support.

SCHOOL NEWS

School Fees

Accounts have been posted to families and payments have been processed and allocated up until 31 July. **Term one and term two fees should by now have been paid** with term three now due. If you have any queries in regards to your account please contact Katherine Craig achieve@stellamaris.school.nz.

School Cross Country Friday 23 August

The children have been training hard for the school cross country. Come along and show your support on 23rd August, racing starts at 1pm. Children come to school in uniform and change into House colour T-shirts for the run.



Sacramental Mass St Johns Church Sunday 18 August 12.30pm.

Please Keep The Following Candidates In Your Prayers

Emily Alder, Marco Alcarladio, Araya Armstrong, Suriya Armstrong, Alexander Arnott, Diveej Arena, Samantha Aviles, Emma Ayala, Blake Bakker, Penelope Bell, Sophia Bell, Samuel Bell, Mhaxein Caballete, Charles Cagalawan, Zhorine Cagalwan, Zhorine Cagalawan, Elinyssa Caingod, Inigo Cardeno, Alicia Chan, Liam Colcol, Indie Davies, Lily-Snow Rivers-Symons, Seth Day, Ruby Day, Caitlyn D'Mello, Latham Drake, Isabel Marrier-D'umieville, James Echouse, Martha Alumna, Margaux Lumber, Elizabeth Emmanuel, Esther Emmanuel, Rafael Esposito, Caitlin Finch, Calum Gilmour, Sneed Gilmour, Gia Gomes, Mia Granich, Zara Grinch, George Hammond, Cooper Hanlon, Katelyn Joe, Edwin Jomon, Allegra Kinmond, Earl Lagasto, Edric Legasto, Ava Macken, Elise Madrazo, Angel Manual, Carissa Meinaka, Amelia Menzies, Stella Okrosa, Maziel Oliver, Millie Pearson, Zeya Pereira, Renzo Petersen, Ava Reade, Lucas Reade, Ziet Dario, Rose Smith, Apollo Stylianou, Makayla Tang, Maxim Teterin, Rita Toma, Linus Treydte, Austin Van Den Heerver, Marco Watson, James Wilson, Christian Ye.

SPORTS NEWS

Basketball

Although the team had a loss with the score for Stella Breakers 4 and Orewa Strikers 7 the boys played really well!

Player of the day Jacob Walker.

Stella Rockets enjoyed another win; 22-8 vs Wentworth Lightning. Great team effort once again and a special mention to Owen Straka who was voted by the team as Player of the day. Well done! Proud parents and some great entertainment.

Hockey

Congratulations to the following children who were awarded Player of the Day this week; Brody Morris, Zeya Pereira, Abi Johansen, Gray Brennan, Skye Wooldridge and Georgia Morton-Jones. Special mention to Gray and Skye who scored their first ever goals!

Next week we have 2 year 5/6 teams participating in the Inter-School hockey tournament, these teams have been training hard all season and we wish them the best of luck for their games.

Netball

Stella Maris Year 6 played Stanmore Bay school last night and lost by only 1! The final score was 13-12 in a very hard-fought game. The girls played amazing and were up by 3 at one stage. Player of the Day: Bianca Arnott Good effort girls!

"Quality Education in a Catholic Environment"

Stella Maris School Open Day 28th August 2024

9am – 12pm

Years 1 – 6

Enrolments



We invite you to our school's open day to have a guided tour, meet staff and students, and experience first hand the very special learning environment that Stella Maris has on offer. We look forward to meeting you.

50 Silverdale Street (opposite Silverdale Centre)
Enquiries please phone 09 427 9189 or
Email: achieve@stellamaris.school.nz
Website: www.stellamaris.school.nz

STELLA MARIS PTFA PRESENTS

DADS DAY FUN LUNCH

PIES \$6.50 *OF AVAIL.
SAUSAGE ROLLS \$6.50
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**FRIDAY 30TH
AUGUST**

ORDERS OPEN ON KINDO NOW!
KINDO ORDERS MUST CLOSE 22ND AUGUST

Term 3

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22nd July – 27th September
skids Stella Maris

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<p>22-26 July</p> <p>Champions Unite!</p> <p>Paris 2024 kicks off this week, join us for a celebration of sports, culture and unity.</p>	<p>29 July – 2 Aug</p> <p>International Day of Friendship</p> <p>Celebrating International Day of Friendship with a week of teamwork with Power Teams.</p>	<p>5-9 August</p> <p>Enchanted Escapades</p> <p>A week filled with mystery and magic. Join us for an enchanted adventure!</p>	<p>12-16 August</p> <p>Hola! It's a Mexican Fiesta</p> <p>Experience the vibrant culture of Mexico through food, art and sports.</p>	<p>19-23 August</p> <p>Panda Madness</p> <p>Celebrating the endangered Panda with sculptures, Panda training and Kung Fu Panda ninja.</p>
<p>26-30 August</p> <p>Journey Around the World</p> <p>It's 'Global Kids' bonanza. Explore the world through food, games and craft activities in the Adventure Programme</p>	<p>2-6 September</p> <p>Bugs Life</p> <p>Craft your own origami bugs, play Queen Bee Games and learn about the life cycle of Monarch Butterflies.</p>	<p>9-13 September</p> <p>Roald Dahl Week</p> <p>Celebrating the wonderful works of Roald Dahl from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory to the BFG.</p>	<p>16-20 September</p> <p>Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori</p> <p>Celebrate Māori Language Week through games, art and waiata with us!</p>	<p>23-27 September</p> <p>Prehistoric Times</p> <p>Join us for a week of prehistoric adventures as we journey back to when dinosaurs roamed the earth.</p>

Choose your **ADVENTURE**

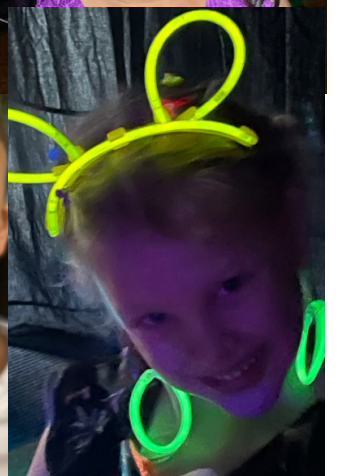
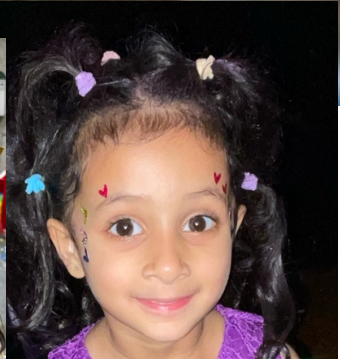
RISE THEN SHINE AND STAY AND PLAY



Crazy Hair Disco



Thank you to everyone who helped



Mark Your Diaries

18 Aug	Holy Communion Ceremony 12.30pm St John's Church
19 Aug	Whole School Assembly 9am
22 Aug	Interschool Hockey
23 Aug	School Cross Country 1pm - Whole school in House Colours
28 Aug	Stella Maris Enrolment Open Day 9am - 12pm
29 Aug	Kahui Ako Kapa Aka Showcase - Rosmini College
30 Aug	Dad's Day at Stella Maris
01 Sep	Father's Day
03 Sep	New Zealand Playhouse Production "The Reluctant Dragon"
09 Sep	Dance sessions continue all week
16 Sep	Care and Share Week - Bring a food item
19 Sep	Interschool Cross Country - Shakespear Park
20 Sep	Second Hand Uniform Sale 2:30pm
20 Sep	PTFA Adult Fundraiser - Quiz night RSA 6pm
25 Sep	Wheel-a-thon Fundraiser and Sausage sizzle
27 Sep	TERM THREE ENDS 2:45pm
14 Oct	TERM FOUR STARTS 8:45am
14 Oct	Daily Rosary in the classrooms during October
25 Oct	Second Hand Uniform Sale 8:15am
29 Oct	Grandparent Day at Stella Maris
01 Nov	All Saints Day
02 Nov	All Souls Day
11 Nov	Year 0-4 Swimming starts - Northern Arena - 2 weeks
25 Nov	Year 5-6 Swimming starts - Northern Arena
09 Dec	Huruhuru Camp
16 Dec	SHINE and Service Awards Assembly
17 Dec	Class Swap and Picnic
18 Dec	Year 6 Graduation Dinner 5pm
19 Dec	End of Year Thanksgiving Liturgy 11am
20 Dec	TERM FOUR ENDS 12:20pm

2024 School Term Dates

TERM 3 Monday	22 Jul - Friday	27 Sep
TERM 4 Monday	14 Oct - Friday	20 Dec

2024 Public Holidays

Labour Day	Monday	Oct 28
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Family Whānau Book Resource Link

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

A Reminder For House Colours

Nazareth - Red
Bethlehem - Yellow
Galilee - Green
Jerusalem - Blue

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**