Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

Kia ora e te Whānau

This morning we celebrated Matariki, Māori New Year with a beautiful community liturgy and breakfast. It was a true pleasure to share this time with so many of our kura, school, whānau, and I thank you all for coming to school early on this very crisp morning.









Congratulations Sophia Bell and Rose Walker, year 6 students. This term all of the students in Ahi team have prepared a 3 minute speech which they presented to their class. Two students from each class were chosen to participate in the school finals, and Sophia and Rose won this competition. They then went on to represent Stella Maris yesterday in the North Shore Catholic Schools' Speech Competition. Sophia and Rose each received a highly commended for their speeches.

Board election: Board elections are held every three years, and the next elections for the School Board will be held in September this year. Now is the time for us to prepare for the election. At this stage we are asking you to make sure we have your updated contact details. Each parent or caregiver of our students is able to be nominated and to vote in the election. Information will be sent to you throughout the election process via the email or physical address that we have on file. It is important to make sure that we have your current contact details: email, phone, address. Please contact the school office by next Friday 27 June if you need to update contact details.

HBC Parish Youth group: The parish youth group has started up again, and gatherings are held every second Friday for Yr 6-12 in the St Johns church hall, 6:30pm-8:00pm. The next gathering is 27 June and our year 6 students are invited to join in for reflection, food, games, and to have fun meeting other youth who share our faith. It is free of charge.

YCC Mufti Day: On the last day of the school term, Friday 27 June all Catholic schools throughout Aotearoa New Zealand are asked to participate in a gold coin mufti day for Caritas to stand in solidarity, raising funds and awareness for a focus school in need. Caritas is a Catholic organization that, through our donations and support, works with communities to build on existing strengths and resources, and to help in times of emergency. This year the YCC donations will be used to help St Leo's Secondary School in Kiribati to build permanent classrooms where their students can learn, grow and thrive – something that we can take for granted here in New Zealand. Next Friday will be a mufti day (non-uniform day) here at Stella Maris. Let us be a light of hope for the students of Kiribati. Together, we can help make their dream a reality.

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

Catherine Cyprian Principal

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DRS Message

As we celebrate Matariki this week we should reflect closely on the Bi-Cultural aspect of our nation. Our new RE curriculum has a clear and meaningful commitment to upholding this. Our curriculum states...

"In honouring Te Tiriti o Waitangi and the New Zealand Catholic Bishops' commitment to the principles of protection, partnership and participation in Aotearoa, Tō Tātou Whakapono Our Faith, (the new RE curriculum), provides space for Māori learners to respond to the material in a way that is meaningful to their faith journey in their cultural context. This is an active expression of our Catholic Special Character.

Our Catholic faith is one and universal. Every form of inculturation of the faith enriches everyone. We know that in the history of Aotearoa, the participation and belonging of Māori within the Catholic Church predates the signing of the Treaty. Until the arrival of British and Irish soldiers, the Church here was predominantly Māori. Bishop Pompallier, Marist fathers and brothers, the first group of the Sisters of Mercy, early Mill Hill fathers, and many others, learned Te Reo to be able to build relationships with the indigenous population." Our Faith is enriched through the integration of Te Ao Maori context where all the elements of creation within the living and spiritual realms are interrelated. We strive and are blessed to be authentically Catholic, and authentically linked to the whakapapa of Aotearoa.

Kía tau kí a tatou katoa
Te atawhaí o to tatou Aríkí, a Ihu Karaítí
Me te aroha o te Atua
Me te whíwhingatahítanga
Kí te waírua tapu
Ake ake ake,
Amíne

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ
And the love of God
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
Be with you all
Forever and ever
Amen
(2 Corinthians, 13:14)

TEAM NEWS

Mārama Team

Kia ora Whanau.

We were dazzled by all the glitter and glow of the disco last Friday - but especially enjoyed seeing our tamariki smiling and having fun. Thanks to all who helped it to happen and to DJ Karl for keeping the music coming!

This week we have had a Matariki-filled celebration week and once again the tamariki have smiled as they participated in all the fun activities offered. The special liturgy and shared breakfast this morning was a wonderful experience for all. Ngā mihi o Matariki, te tau hou Māori!

Mānawatia a Matariki, The Mārama Team.

Ahi Team

Today, we have reminders for our families.

- ★ Some students have yet to pay their Maths Buddy fees for the year. The office has a list if you are unsure if it has been paid. The fee is \$25.
- ★ Next Tuesday, 24th June, is our Puberty Day for our Y5/6 students. If your child is not participating in this programme, please email tracey@stellamaris.school.nz so she can organise a classroom for your child for the day.

SCHOOL NEWS

Certificates

St Leo Georgia Nolan, Brooklyn Comber

St Mary Eva Hosking, Skye Wooldridge, Lola O'Brien, Zachary O'Shea.

St Lucy Milla Dee, Bailey Kemble, Elijah Heinrich, Georgia Ramsey

St Francis Liam Lin, Nate Dalzell, Isha Phanseker

St Nicholas Lachie Walsh, Theo Dicdican

St Anne Zachary Oliver, Ari Finnegan

Sacramental Programme

Please pray for the following present and past Stella Maris students who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at St John's Church this Saturday.

Rose Tauva, Mila Henderson, Rafael Moura de Lima, Marco Tome, Charlie Corfield, Flauren Rayen, Amberose Lin, Liam Lin, Maxwell Kinmond, Finley Gale, Levi Cheval, Huxley Selkirk, Flori Elliman, Navi Jayakody, Sofia Pereira, Leo Wakelin, Harley O'Brien, Kieran Gibson, Randil Ekanayake, Layla Brennan, Daniel Pratt, Sloan McCafferty, Milla-Rose Slattery, Aroha Vidoto, Rob Perez, Maxim Teterin, Joshua Harvey, Euan Antonio Gutierrez, Anna Turner, Jordan Alapatt, Leo Doyle, Lucas Cris Dicdican, Danita Spalletta, James McColl, Maddison McColl, Aoife Byrne, Samuel Bessone, Stella Rodriguez, Grace Dobson, Oliver Morton-Jones, Thomas Hammond, James Hammond, Amelia Tamayo, Joshua Oliver, Nathan Cross, Kaelem Cross, Mollie Heneghan, Genoveva Martin-Buitron, Joaquin Martin-Buitron, Mikayla Tang.



Teacher Only Day Friday July 25



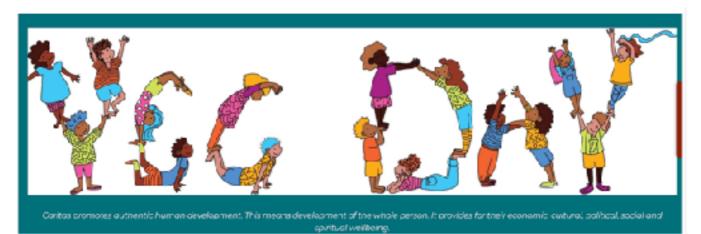


GOLD COIN MUFTI DAY FRIDAY 27 JUNE

Raising Funds for St Leo Secondary School Kiribati







YCC Day will be celebrated on Friday, 27 June.

This year, we are standing in solidarity with St Leo's Secondary School in Kiribati.

By coming together as one, we can help the students and teachers at St Leo's achieve something they've always dreamed of — permanent classrooms where students can learn, grow, and thrive. Just imagine how much this will support their learning every day!

As Pilgrims of Hope, we are called to walk with faith and love, bringing change where it is needed most.

This YCC Day, let's be a light of hope for the students of Kiribati. Together, we can help make their dream a reality.

Wednesday 16th July commencing at 1.15pm Thursday 17th July commencing at 3.15 pm

Parent Teacher Interview

Bookings are to be made online by visiting

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

(Bookings will be open from the 23rd June)

Our School Access Number is jutct

Please ensure you have booked

in for this important process

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Mark Your Diaries

20 Jun	Matariki - School Closed
27 Jun	YCC Gold Coin Mufti Day
27 Jun	Term Two Ends 2.45pm
14 Jul	Term Three Starts 8.45pm
16 Jul	Parent Teacher Interviews start 1:15pm
17 Jul	Parent Teacher Interviews continue 3:15pm

25 Jul Teacher Only Day

18 Jul

2025 School Term Dates

TERM 2 Monday 28 April - Friday 27 June TERM 3 Monday 14 July - 19 September

TERM 4 Monday 6 October - Tuesday 16 December

Second Hand Uniform Sale in the foyer 8:15-8:45

2025 Public Holidays

Matariki Fri Jun 20 Labour Day Mon Oct 27



SchoolDocs/Policies: We have moved all of our policies to SchoolDocs. If you need to access any of the policies you can click on the link on the school website – look for the SchoolDocs link under the Community page. You will need the following username and password to access them.

https://stellamaris.schooldocs.co.nz Username: stellamaris Password: shine

Telephone

Netball

– Cancellation Contact – teresa@netballnorthharbour.co.nz

Parish Office

- Parish Priest -Father Chris 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