

# Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

Kia ora e te Whānau

This year in the Church is a jubilee year in which the theme is Pilgrims of Hope. On Monday of this week the senior leadership team and myself, alongside leaders from Catholic schools across Auckland, had the privilege of attending a day with David Wells, a theological speaker, teacher and family man who took us all on a journey in which we explored what Hope means to us as Catholics, as followers of Christ Jesus. He spoke of the theological virtues – Faith, Hope and Love (Charity). Faith believes – it is what propels us, Love responds and cares – through our love for God and love for our neighbour, and Hope sustains – it brings us home to God our father. He went on to say that Hope will turn apprehensiveness into confident trust, anxiety into serenity and hesitation or doubt into conviction. We are an Easter people, we live with the hope and joy of Jesus's resurrection, and the belief that death, suffering, and despair can be overcome by new life, love, and God's grace. Easter gives us hope – a hope that promises fullness of life.

Extract from the Jubilee Prayer written by Pope Francis:

*May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, the yearning for heavenly treasures and pour over all the earth the joy and peace of our Redeemer. To you God blessed in eternity, be praise and glory for ever and ever. Amen*



**Parking/queuing in Old Mill Rd** – Please be respectful of our school neighbours if you are using Old Mill Rd to access or leave the school through the top gate. Sadly some of our school neighbours have reported some aggressive behaviour from a couple of our parents, a behaviour that reflects badly upon our school. A reminder that if you are using Old Mill Rd please do not park on the grass berms or block driveways, and if you are queuing at the end of the day please avoid stopping across driveways where possible. And at all times please be respectful of our neighbours and one another.



**Wheelathon** As of yesterday 273 of 357 students are signed up for the Wheelathon and we have gone over the \$14 000 mark. The Wheelathon event is being held next Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> September – there is still time for the last 85 students to sign up and see if they can raise a few dollars towards the fundraising efforts of the school.

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

Catherine Cyprian  
Principal



## DRS Message

This week in the Gospel we hear that God loves us so much that He sent His only Son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.

### God's Love:

The phrase "For God so loved the world" signifies God's universal and unconditional love for all people, regardless of their background or actions.

### God's Sacrifice:

To demonstrate this love, God gave His "one and only Son". This is interpreted as God sending Jesus to earth to live a sinless life and die as a sacrifice for humanity's sins.

### The Gift of Jesus:

Jesus is presented as the one who offers salvation through His sacrifice.

### Belief and Eternal Life:

The condition for receiving this salvation is belief in Jesus. Those who believe will not "perish" (which can mean to die spiritual death), but will receive "eternal life".

### Universal Invitation:

God's love extends to the "world," meaning every person. The choice is presented to believe in Jesus as the Messiah and accept His offer of eternal life.

## MĀRAMA TEAM NEWS

Kia ora Whanau.

What a wonderful vibe there was around the school last Friday afternoon - so many dads and so many happy kids. Thanks for being with us to share the fun. We hope you all enjoyed your Father's Day weekend.

On Monday the Mārama team gathered together with a beautiful assembly all about Respect that was led by St Leo children. We hope this message of respect has been demonstrated at home and school, throughout this week.

Last week we finally managed to catch up with the Firewise team from Silverdale Station, after earlier having several aborted missions due to emergency call outs. The children practised 'get down, stay low, get out' in the hall to the sound of a smoke alarm, were reminded of the main safety points in case of fire and got a good look at the firefighters specialised equipment and were able to climb into the fire engine to have a look around inside. A worthwhile and exciting learning opportunity!

Wheelathon - this happens next Tuesday! There is still time to register and raise some funds!

Ma te Atua koutou ē Manaaki,  
the Mārama Team.

## AHI TEAM NEWS

Congratulations to our Interschool Cross Country representatives, who participated in either the individual or team events last week. Individual successes included: 2nd Brody Morris, 5th Lily Rivers-Simons and Joaquin Martin - Buitron and 10th place to Pippa Walker. Once again our students demonstrated their perseverance and resilience, and should be proud of their achievements. We thank Mrs Cunningham Tyler for training and managing the team. A huge thank you to all parents who assisted on the day.

We remind our students that our Wheelathon is next week, and we encourage Ahi students to fundraise for this event if they are able to.

This week, a notice went home with students who wished to participate in the Y5/6 Swim Trials for the Interschool Swimming Event next term. Students participating in this trial **MUST** be competitive swimmers and be able to adhere to the requirements for the event. Please refer to the notice that is attached to HERO. If you have any questions, please email Natasha Kain. [natasha@stellamaris.school.nz](mailto:natasha@stellamaris.school.nz)

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## Wheel-A-Thon -Timetable For Tuesday 16 September.

Year 5-6:

**9:30-10:00-** 30 minute wheel-a-thon session.

**10:00-10:30-** Timed laps, (optional).  
(Back to class after for a rest).

11-00 Normal time for MORNING TEA.

Year 3-4:

**11:20-11:50-** 30 minute wheel-a-thon session.

**11:50 -12:20-** Timed laps, (optional).

12:20 Normal time for LUNCH.

Year 0-2:

**1:20-1:50-** 30 minute wheel-a-thon session.

**1:50- 2:20-** Timed laps, (optional).

*Keep collecting sponsors.  
Over \$14,000 already raised.*

There will be ice blocks and Banana's handed out on the day  
Thanks to Dole and our PTFA


[www.bossmamalifestyle.co.nz](http://www.bossmamalifestyle.co.nz)

## BACK2BASICS

An 8-week safe return to exercise program for all mums returning to exercise postpartum and beyond

**Next intake starts:**  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October - 11am  
North Boxing Academy, Silverdale

Sign up online today!



**BOOK ONLINE:**



**BRING A FRIEND PROMO:**  
SIGN UP WITH A FRIEND TO  
RECEIVE \$30 EACH OFF FEES

**PROMO CODE: 'B2B30'**

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YOU CAN BRING YOUR BABIES, KIDS,  
PRAMS ETC TO ALL OUR CLASSES

- Class Duration: 45 minutes for 8 weeks
- Focus:
  - Rehabilitating and strengthening the deep core
  - Emphasis on pelvic floor and transverse activations
  - Implementation into basic movement patterns
- Weekly Structure: Slowly builds from low to moderate impact, preparing mums for transition into Boss Mama Bootcamps with ease
- Class Size: Maximum of 6 mums for personalized 1-1 support
- Cost: \$150
- Eligibility: Must have 6-week clearance from a doctor or medical professional to return to exercise



**ASH**  
Personal Trainer specialised in pre/postnatal

"My mission is to empower mums to live their best life by educating them on their bodies throughout pregnancy, postpartum and beyond - guiding them to create healthy, long lasting habits."

 Boss Mama Lifestyle

 @boss.mama.lifestyle

## Cans For Christmas - St Vincent De Paul



St Vincent De Paul

*Second Hand Uniform Sale  
Tomorrow 2:30  
school Foyer*

## Be In To Win 1 of 25 Junior Surf Scholarships



**25 JUNIOR SURF SCHOLARSHIPS**  
Up For Grabs



**TO APPLY SCAN THE QR CODE**



2025-2026 Season  
Applications Close 12 Oct 2026

\*Scholarships available to New Members aged 11-12 only.  
\*Recipients will be chosen at the discretion of the Club's A.M. Board

**... APPLY NOW ...**

email [admin@orewasurfclub.org.nz](mailto:admin@orewasurfclub.org.nz) for more info  
or scan the QR Code to apply



# HOLIDAY HQ KIDS FEST



## Holiday HQ

Holiday HQ the ultimate destination for kids looking for an unforgettable break from the school routine!

From exciting outdoor escapades to creative workshops, cooking classes and interactive learning sessions - our expert educators provide a dynamic blend of engaging activities and enriching experiences.

**skids Support Office**  
Freephone: 0800 274 772  
Phones: (09) 576 6602  
[skids.co.nz](http://skids.co.nz)

## Spring Holidays 2025

**Strap In these spring holidays at Holiday HQ Kids Fest!**

Get ready for non-stop games, challenges and activities to keep kids engaged, active and having fun all day long. Whether you're heading off on an exciting excursion, exploring the wonders of STEM, or mastering life-sized games, it's an unforgettable experience where every move counts!

22 September – 3 October 2025

**skids**

22nd September – 3rd October 2025

### September

Monday 22nd

#### Medieval Magic

Experiment with your own magic potion, make dragon masks, create & go through an obstacle course to reach the dragon's lair!

Tuesday 23rd

#### Soundwave: K-Pop Dance Workshop

Wow everyone with a K-pop dance routine with our friends from Kinetic Studio! Practice, perform and have fun expressing yourself in various art forms!

Wednesday 24th

#### Tépi: Adventure Alley

Trampolines, hoops & climbing walls! What more can you ask for? Have a bouncing fun with your friends with us today! Fun continues on site.

Thursday 25th

#### Fun Fair Market Day

Build & run your own market stall! Be it games, craft, food or face painting, enjoy the day with your friends!

Friday 26th

#### Wheel Into Spring

Bring your own wheels & let us help you on an scavenger hunt! Make dirt pudding, paint a seed & enjoy prize wheels!

### September

Monday 23rd

#### Fiesta of Colours

Join us for a colourful Mexican fiesta! We'll dive into bright crafts, a radio station then keep the fun going with lively games and activities!

Tuesday 30th

#### TSD: Magezone Silverdale

Be ready for some team play & the Floor is Lava games at Magezone. More fun, treats & activities on site.

### October

Wednesday 1st

#### Be Active: Roll Out Mini Golf

Agreat day to tee off with friends on our mini golf course. Decorate your own golf ball and add an obstacle to finish this par hole!

Thursday 2nd

#### Make & Create

From craft to recipes, today is a fun-filled day where we can let our creative juices flow. Parents beware: there may be fun leftovers to take home today!

Friday 3rd

#### Pawome Pals

Join us for a paw-some get-together! We'll baking, craft projects, trivia and games, the day will surely be pawsome!

Scan the QR code to secure your spot today!



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## Mark Your Diaries

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|--------|--------------------------------------|
| 12 Sep | Second Hand Uniform Sale 2:30pm      |
| 15 Sep | Whole school Assembly 9am            |
| 16 Sep | Wheel-a-thon                         |
| 19 Sep | <b>End of Term three 2.45pm</b>      |
| 06 Oct | <b>Start of Term four 8.45am</b>     |
| 06 Oct | Daily Rosary during October          |
| 09 Oct | Whole School Rosary 9am              |
| 10 Oct | Second hand Uniform Sale 8.15am      |
| 16 Oct | Whole School Rosary 9am              |
| 16 Oct | Shakeout Drill                       |
| 23 Oct | Interschool Softball                 |
| 27 Oct | Labour Day - School Closed           |
| 28 Oct | Grandparents Day 8.45am -11am        |
| 31 Oct | Carmel and Rosmini Orientation Day   |
| 10 Nov | Marama Team swimming one week        |
| 17 Nov | Ahi Team swimming one week           |
| 21 Nov | Mufti Day - Bring a Gourmet Item     |
| 05 Dec | Splash 'n Dash                       |
| 12 Dec | End of Year Thanksgiving Liturgy     |
| 15 Dec | Shine Challenge and Service Assembly |
| 15 Dec | Year 6 Graduation Dinner 6pm         |
| 15 Dec | <b>End of Term 4 12.20pm</b>         |

## 2025 School Term Dates

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| TERM 3 | Monday 14 July - 19 September          |
| TERM 4 | Monday 6 October - Tuesday 16 December |

## 2025 Public Holidays

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| Labour Day | Mon | Oct 27 |
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**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](mailto: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](http://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](http://www.webhealth.co.nz)

Auckland Youth

[www.akyouth.org.nz](http://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**