

Marist Catholic School Herne Bay News

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Our Charism

As Marists, we think, judge, feel and act in the way of Mary

Our Mission

learning opportunities, with Jesus Christ as our guide

Dear Families,

Welcome to the second newsletter of Term 4. There have been lots of fantastic activities, events and happenings at school over the last couple of weeks which I am pleased to share with you in this newsletter.

A new principal to lead Marist!

The Board of Trustees went through a rigorous recruitment process to ensure the right person was selected to lead Marist as its new principal. Congratulations to Sarah Gleeson who will be our new principal next year. Sarah has lead a number of successful projects working with her school community and has an evident passion for teaching and learning. Sarah, I am sure you will enjoy being part of our Marist whanau and community, we look forward to welcoming you and working alongside you.

In Our Beat Concert

On Wednesday 24th October, our Marist choir did us proud, they performed along with 9 other Inner city schools in the In Our Beat Concert. Congratulations to Josh Benozza, Victoria Tang and Olevia Barron Afeaki who won solo parts for the popular song - A Million Dreams.

Congratulations also goes to 10 of our students whose dance performance did Marist so proud! Our students were asked to be the final school item for the night as Marist has a reputation of putting up amazingly polished performances. Special thanks to Rose Philpott and Katherine Kelly for the efforts they put in to train our students. Thank you Clara for the helping out on the night, painting each of the dancers faces with a different design.





All Saints Day Liturgy

School Liturgy for All Saints Day

Last Thursday, 1 November, Marist had a School Liturgy celebrating All Saints Day. All whanau groups presented a Saint that they had researched. We learnt more about St Francis of Assisi, St Patrick, St Cecilia, St Oscar Romero, St Mary MacKillop, St Zita, St Giuseppe Moscati, St Bernadette, St Peter and St Paul. A big thank you to our teachers who prepared our students, the students for their beautiful singing, our Liturgy team members who ran the Liturgy and our parents who came along.

Thank you to our DRS, Katherine Bartlett for organising this beautiful liturgy and to all teachers and students for their planning and support.

Book Week

Once again Book week was a great success with different activities happening each day. Author David Riley was a special highlight for our students from Years 3 to 6. He inspired our students with true stories of people whose lives changed by reading books.

As always the ever popular Book Character parade was fun, entertaining and enjoyable. Thank you to all the parents and whanau that came along to support the parade. Our Scholastic Book Fair was a great success. We sold around \$4,700 worth of books with 85 books donated to our school library. Thank you for your generosity. A special Thank you to Kate Gillespie who set up a roster to help with the sale of books after school. To all who helped, your support and assistance was greatly appreciated.





Swimming has Begun!

As you all know swimming lessons are well on their way. We received a grant from Lion Foundation to help support part of the cost of these lessons. The balance of the cost of these lessons is included in the 'Activities' component of the contributions that we ask for each year. If you have yet to pay the 'Activities' component please be in touch with Christie in the office or with Sharon directly.

Class configurations for 2019

When planning classes for the forthcoming year, as is always the case, each year, we look at our student numbers and work out our class configurations. For 2019, as we farewell a large Yr 6 cohort this year, it impacts on our numbers for next year. Another important factor we consider is the teacher to student ratio. This has allowed us to group our students accordingly:

- Hub 3 Yr 5 & 6 (2 teachers)
- Hub 2 Yr 3 & 4 (3 teachers)
- Room 9 - Yr 1 & 2 (2 teachers)
- Room 2 - new entrants

Staffing News

It is with much sadness that I inform you that Dale Nolan will be leaving our teaching staff at the end of this year. Dale has worked at Marist for the last 3 years and has done a great job engaging our students in the innovative learning practices that have seen fabulous learning and personal growth in our children working in Hub 2. Dale, we will miss you and wish you all God's blessings and the very best of luck for the future.

Recruitment for this position is currently underway and I look forward to announcing our new staff members in due course.

Possible Teachers Strike Day Monday 12th November: - If the NZEI strike goes ahead, Marist will be closed. Kelly Club has offered their services to families who need it. Please contact them directly- phone Danny on 0212582696 or visit www.kellyclub.co.nz The strike has yet to be confirmed as negotiations are continuing. We will keep you posted as to developments as soon as we know.

On Wednesday 12th December we are hosting our world-famous-at-Marist End of Year Concert. Each of our classes is currently beginning to prepare for items to present at this concert. The cultural items are a big part of our school concert and our students thoroughly enjoy being part of these items. We need your help with organising this, if you can help in any way to put together a dance or a song, or know of someone who could help, please speak to Sharon Menezes or email her at sharon@maristschool.co.nz. The students would be keen to join in a Tongan, Samoan or Filipino item.

Wishing you a happy, safe and blessed fortnight ahead until our next newsletter.

Kind regards,

Sharon Menezes
Acting Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

DRS Corner

The Gift of Imperfection –by Joy Cowley

*God, I thank you for the shadow
that contains the seeds of light.
I thank you for the doubt
that makes me discard
ideas too tight for me.
I thank you for the mistakes
that show me humility is being
human,
and for the blunders that make me
value
the precious gift of laughter.
Above all, I thank you, God,
that I still have plenty of space
to grow in your love.*



Amen.

REMINDER: Sacramental Programme 2019

The Ponsonby Herne Bay Parish have their next Sacramental Programme beginning in February 2019. Forms are available on the website: ponsonbyhernebayparish.org.nz/sacramental-programmes

God bless you all.

Katherine Bartlett DRS

SPORTS CORNER



Join the MARIST school group for the Weetbix TRYathlon on Sunday 9 December at Keith Hay Park, Mt Roskill.

On the day we will have our School gazebo where we can all meet and enjoy the day together.

Enter now and receive the **Early Bird Discount** price of only \$40.00 - a saving of 30%! Early bird discount end this Thursday.

We have created a SCHOOL GROUP for the event and have a specific link to join our SCHOOL GROUP with ease!

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=31832&G=68650>

The TRYathlon is open to Kiwi kids aged 7-15 years of all sporting abilities.

If you have any further questions about the event please contact our parent organiser, Lucy O'Mahony on kom67@hotmail.com

Inner City Basketball – In week 2 we took a team to the Inner City Basketball tournament held at Trusts Arena. It was a successful day with 5 wins 1 draw and 1 loss. The team played very well together and lost narrowly. Overall we finished 4th out of 16 teams. Well done Basketballers! Thanks to Tracey Turner and Dave Rodgers for your help on the day.

STUDENT VOICE

Room 2 Book Parade

On Book Day I was Flynn from The Dragon Defenders. We also had a book parade - it was fun. I have all of the books of The Dragon Defenders.	Sebastian
The Book Parade was today and I was dressed up as Red Riding Hood. After the Book Parade we had Jump Jam and then we went to have our sneaky snack.	Hanna
Today we did a Book Parade and Room 1 went first, then Room 2, then Room 3 went. Then Hub 2 went and then Hub 3. I am wearing my Peter Rabbit Costume!	Bede
We had a Book Parade at school today and I am a Ninja Turtle!	Nesta
We had a parade at school for Book Week. I am wearing a Cinderella Princess costume!	Poppy
Marist had a Book Parade and me and Maggie dressed up as Red Riding Hood. When Room 2 walked around, it was fun!	Rosa

In the morning, we had a Book Parade. Rosa and me loved it and Cole liked it!	Maggie
We had a celebration for Book Week and I was an All Black. We had Jump Jam and we had lots of fun with Mrs P.	Max
We went out for the Book Parade on the turf. Today I'm 'Where's Wally.' Everyone in the school was dressed up and my mum came too!	Issy
Today I am Belle! I was in the Book Parade in the morning. The whole class is dressed up and Mrs P is dressed up too!	Ophelia
Today we had a Book Parade in the morning. We had to dress as a character from a book. I dressed as Silky the Fairy, from the Magic Faraway Tree!	Lizzy
In the morning, we had the Book Parade and we got lots of 'high 5's' with the whole school! We did Jump Jam. I am Batman and my papa was there to watch me in the parade!	Oliver H.
Today we had a Parade. It was fun and we walked around the turf. I got lots of High Five's.	Honey
We had a Book Parade at school today. I am Moana. Fu'a is Moana too!	Tueni
At the Book Parade, we sat on the turf and we did a game. We danced and we did 'Ice, Ice, Baby' and we did other songs. It was fun! Then we went back to class to do writing. I am The Gruffalo.	Oliver M



Oath of secrecy smuggled the gun powder house

Once thirteen me had a very ambitious plan. They wanted to blow-up the house of parliament and overcome the King James the first. They didn't want everyone to know their plan so they

made an oath of secrecy. So they smuggled 36 barrels of gunpowder to the vault under parliament. Then someone knew their secrets, someone knew everything. That someone told the King. The King demanded people to look around. They only found logs of wood. They found Guy Fawkes was found guilty. The twelve other people ran Fawkes away from London and abandoned Guy Fawkes. Guy got torched for four days with all them where found guilty, four of them got shot. Did you know fireworks have gunpowder in them? That's how you celebrate Guy Fawkes.

Lily Higgins Hub 2

PTA



Jingle & Mingle

PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR
**END OF YEAR
MARIST
SOCIAL NIGHT**

Friday 23rd November | 7.30pm | Pocket Bar and Kitchen
592 Great North Rd, Grey Lynn, Auckland 1021 (Former ASB Building)

A pre Christmas gathering for all parents, teachers and staff to celebrate the end of another wonderful year at Marist.
For catering purposes, please indicate your availability before 16th November to jbroadstar@gmail.com
We look forward to seeing you there.
Koha at the door is greatly appreciated.

Celebrate with a wine!

Spot Prizes

Koha at the door

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following MVP winners:

26 October

Guy Livesay
Oliver Moore
Francisco Whiting
Maximo Dadah
Henry Dyer
Jose McCarthy
Alessia Mudu
Tyler Wilson
Harriet Neal

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to these children who have celebrated their birthday since the last newsletter:

Luca Joint-Rotondo	3 November		David Bagay	29 October
Oscar Gillespie	24 October		Tessa Lepionka	25 October
Aoife Omeri	1 November		Imogen Bartlett	4 November

KELLY CLUB



Kelly Club is excited to be at Marist Catholic School to run our Before and After care and holiday programmes. At Kelly Club we provide quality childcare in safe and fun surroundings. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children and are comprehensively trained on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

Our Programmes are focused around sports, cooking, art and craft activities as well as structured 'free-time' after a busy day at school. These activities will be incorporated into themed subjects each week that give children the opportunity to extend their learning outside of the school classroom. All Kelly Club programmes are MSD approved and WINZ subsidies will apply – with this support some families can pay as little as \$3.00 per day for care.

Kelly Club operate from 7am on school days. If you need to drop your child at school prior to 8.20am they will be sent to Kelly Club and families will be charged for this service. Kelly Club operate in the afternoon from 3.00pm to 6.00pm.

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Phone: 021 251 7435
www.lcfclubs.co.nz

Lewis Eady

We offer group and one-on-one lessons on piano, guitar, keyboard and ukulele. Woodwind, strings and brass will also be offered should there be sufficient demand. For year 1s and 2s - **Musical Jam**, our fun, instrumental prep programme is a great way to get started.

To enrol for lessons at school, please visit

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ✓ Thursday 8th November – Swimming Hub 3 and Room 1 and 2
- ✓ Monday 12th November – Possible Teachers Strike
- ✓ Tuesday 13th November – Swimming Hub 2 and Room 3
- ✓ Wednesday 14th November – Y5 and 6 Triathlon
- ✓ Thursday 15th November – Swimming Hub 3 and Room 1 and 2
- ✓ Friday 16th November – Lewis Eady Lunchtime Concert 1 pm/Rich Challenge Completed
- ✓ Tuesday 20th November – Meeting for new parents
- ✓ Thursday 22nd November – Inner City Athletics
- ✓ Wednesday 28th November – Visit for New Entrants
- ✓ Saturday 8th December – Leavers Afternoon Tea
- ✓ Monday 10th December – Y6 trip to point Erin Pools
- ✓ Wednesday 12th December – School Concert 1 pm
- ✓ Thursday 13th December – Reports go home
- ✓ Friday 14th December – last day finish at 12.30 pm

TERM DATES

- ✓ 2018 Term 1: 31 January – 13 April
- ✓ 2018 Term 2: 30 April – 6 July
- ✓ 2018 Term 3: 23 July – 28 September
- ✓ 2018 Term 4: 15 October – 14 December

SPECIAL CHARACTER

SACRED HEART PARISH **16 VERMONT STREET, PONSONBY**

Weekly Mass Times:

Sunday: 10.15 am (includes children's liturgy)
Vigil: 5pm Saturday
Monday to Thursday: 8.00am
Friday: 12.00 noon
Saturday and Public Holidays: 8.00am

Confessions:

Friday: 11:30am to 11:55am
Saturday: 4:15pm to 4:45pm

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH **82 KELMARNA AVE, HERNE BAY**

Weekly Mass Times:

Sunday: 8.30 am
Monday-Saturday: 7.00am