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

Quality learning opportunities, with Jesus Christ as our guide

Message from the Principal......

Public consultation on the Tomorrow's Schools Review report:

Our Schooling Futures, Stronger Together I Whiria Ngā Kura Tūātinitini

You will be aware that the government last year conducted a review of Tomorrow's Schools and released a report in December 2018 on this review, identifying the key issues facing our education system and making draft recommendations. The Taskforce is seeking feedback on these recommendations from the education and wider communities during a consultation period that will end in early April. There is much concern in the education sector at the moment over the short time frame for the consultation, especially given the scale of the recommendations made in the report, which have implications for the direction of schooling in New Zealand over the immediate and long-term future.

A <u>summary</u> of the eight key issues identified by the Taskforce were written and these issues include inconsistencies in the way boards of trustees work across the country, unhealthy competition amongst schools, school leadership, the quality of teaching, and provision of learning support. On reading the report, nobody would deny that our current system is facing challenges but the recommendations need rigorous debate and I would encourage everyone who has an interest in education - and that would include all of us - to read the report or the summary, and to think about and discuss the implications for schooling in New Zealand. There are a number of ways you can respond to the report, <u>click here</u>.

Marist Catholic School is discussing the Tomorrow's Schools Review report and its recommendations at the board, leadership and teaching staff levels and I welcome your thoughts as parents and whānau of the school as well.

God Bless

Sarah Gleeson

Parish/School Mass:

What a lovely celebration with our Parish/School Mass on Saturday. These occasions are very important in further building our faith community, and the full church was witness to the commitment of our families to our Catholic special character.

We did have some communications from families who

had booked prior important occasions and we hope to minimise these clashes by keeping our calendar up to date on the website.

It was wonderful to see our families and parishioners mixing and mingling back at school afterwards. A great evening to celebrate as a Catholic family.





Week 5:

Houston Elliott, Cassidy Parke, Oliver Hurrell, Henry Ryan, Beau Dowling, Lily Abdolkhani, Michael Geary, Hugo Lloyd

Our M.V.P.'s:

Week 4:

Claudia O'Donnell, Seron Stanley, Jordan La Hood, Phoebe Perrett, William Sherwin, Francisco Whiting, India Nash, Macy White



GENTLE REMINDERS:

Important Dates

Ash Wednesday Mass - Wednesday 6 March at 9am Junior Liturgy - Wednesday 13 March at 9am Senior Liturgy - Wednesday 20 March at 9am Yr6 Puberty Talks - Thursday 21 & Friday 22 March Hub 1 Assembly - Friday 22 March at 2:15pm Life Education Visit - Monday 25 - Friday 29 Hub 2 Assembly - Friday 29 March at 2:15pm School Reconciliation - Wednesday 3 April at 9am ICS Softball - Thursday 4 April at Cox's Bay Reserve Hub 3 Assembly - Friday 5 April at 2:15pm

Assemblies on Friday (2:15pm)

We are currently working with the students around entering and exiting the hall quieter than we have in the past. We would appreciate it if parents could also keep this in mind when in the hall before assemblies. Also it is very distracting when parents take their children out during assembly, so we ask that you wait until the end of the day to take your child, unless prior arranged with the classroom teacher.

ICS Sports

The next tournament coming up is ICS **Softball** on 4 April. Letters will be going out soon to the parents of students who indicate an interest in participating. We welcome parental support as coaches, umpires and scorekeepers

SPORT:



On Thursday 28 February, Mrs Taljaard and some of our parents took our ICS Cricket team to Victoria Park for a fun filled day of cricket. We played five matches, winning two of them with high scores. Our Marist boys stood out with their fabulous behaviour

and they played their hearts out. The team was Michael (absent from photo), Isaiah, Liam, Hugo, Tim, Noah M and Knox. Thanks to Jo Lloyd for umpiring five one-hour games back to back, and to Emma for helping with transport and supervising our children. We also want to acknowledge Knox's dad, Brendan, for his impromptu stint as umpire when our opponents had no one to stand in.

The **Netball** skills session / muster is on Wednesday, 6 March at 2:30pm for Year 4's and at 3pm for Year 5/6s under the guidance of Bernice Mene. Letters have already gone out with all the information. Your child will be put into teams and a sign-up form will go home with participants on the day.

Ash Wednesday:



Today begins the Liturgical season of Lent - a time of preparation for the Risen Lord (Easter). This involves looking deep within ourselves and making promises to God in the hope of becoming better people who make better choices. Jesus loved the world so much he

sacrificed himself so that we too could reach eternal life with Him in Heaven.

Our Learning:

In Hub 2 and Hub 3 our students are using the Daily 5 literacy framework as a structure for learning.

The Daily 5 is a literacy structure that allows for differentiation and provides the skills to grow as a reader, it also develops independence and good routines.

It is an integrated literacy instruction for use in Reading and Writing. It has 5 components that can be taught daily: 1) read to self, 2)read to someone, 3) listen to reading, 4) word work, and 5) writing

Using this framework, teachers are able to work with small groups of students as well as confer with each student.

Other Languages

We are very lucky at Marist to have opportunities for our students to participate and learn different languages.

In 2019 we have Mandarin Extension Group - Tuesdays and Kapahaka Group - Thursdays.

We extend a very warm **WELCOME** to the following new students who have started with us recently:

Andi Gonzales
Taha Abdolkhani
Welcome back Honey Mantell and Lola Mantell

PTA Corner:

Upcoming Fundraising Events

School Disco - Friday 31 May - 5-7pm in hall Quiz Night - Friday 14 June - Details to follow

A big thank you to Deirdre Hutton and her Hub 3 team for all their hard work organising the BBQ after the Parish/School Mass last Saturday night.

Our Student Leaders for 2019:







Student Leaders: Liam Dowling, India Nash (Deputy)

Environmental Leaders:

Marysia Malarczyk

Sienna Short

Georgia Foden

Peer Mediators: Isaiah Va'auli Courtney Staples







Librarians:Emilia Young
James Williams

Liturgy Leaders: Nevaeh-Rose Ford Samantha Nebres Victoria Tang

Technicians:Xavier Filikitonga
Santiago Leano



House Captains:

Cana - Pearl McDowell, Nixon Bernard

Jordan - Ava Mauger,

Tayla Fiu

Galilee - Noah Stanway,

Iris Lawrence

Bethlehem - Ardyn McCarthy, Sophie Dyer



SACRED HEART PARISH 16 VERMONT STREET, PONSONBY

Sunday: 10.30am (includes children's liturgy)

Vigil: 5pm Saturday

Monday to Thursday: 8.00am

Friday: 12.00noon

Saturday and Public Holidays: 8.00am

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Sunday: 8.30am

Monday-Saturday: 7.00am

Confessions:

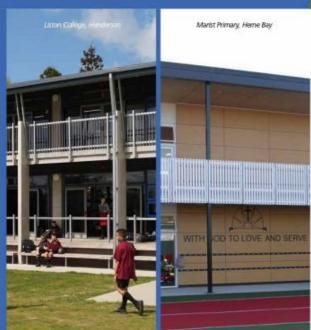
Friday: 11:30am to 11:55am Saturday: 4:15pm to 4:45pm



Attendance Dues

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Attendance Dues are used to pay for building related costs at Catholic Schools in the Auckland Diocese.

Paying Attendance Dues is a condition of enrollment for all students enrolled in New Zealand Catholic Schools.

Attendance Dues are compulsory – there is a legal requirement for parents and caregivers to pay Attendance Dues under the Education Act 1989.

ATTENDANCE DUES ARE:

2019	PRIMARY STUDENTS	SECONDARY STUDENTS
per year (ncl. GST)	\$440	\$860
per term (incl. GST)	\$110	\$215

For more information:

www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-schools/ catholic-schools/fees-and-contribution/

Phone: (09) 360 3040 Email: acfl@cda.org.nz



<u>Kelly Club</u> 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.

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.