### Marist Catholic School Herne Bay News

### Issue 20, Term 4, 11th December 2019



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......

Thank you all for a great year at Marist Catholic School! We look forward to this week's Mass, which is a fitting way for our whole community to thank God for all the blessings of 2019, and to farewell our graduates moving on.

We have a lot to be proud of at our school. Our data analysis indicates that our children achieve higher than the national picture and this is the result of a lot of hard work from all members of the learning partnership –the students, their parents and their teachers.

Reading - 97% of our students are at or above their curriculum level
Mathematics - 98% of our students are at or above their curriculum level
Writing - 99% of our students are at or above their curriculum level

Our children are increasingly taking responsibility for, and showing resilience in their learning and in 2020 we will be focusing on ensuring that our parents are able to feel confident in supporting this learning even more. We also thank the parents and the wider community who generously support all children in the school through involvement in the board of trustees and the PTA. Our teachers, and the support staff who enable their work, also deserve our thanks for their dedication to ensuring every child at Marist Catholic School reaches his or her potential.

Our children experience their learning in an environment that is deeply rooted in Catholic values and Gospel truths that will lead them to both personal and professional success in the future. The school is an arm of the parish, and we thank the parish team for supporting our children in developing a deep relationship with Jesus Christ. We have been very blessed with having Fr Rory alongside us this year and look forward to this closeness between parish and school going from strength to strength in the future.

Thank you all. I hope you have a well-deserved break over the summer. God bless you and keep you safe during the holidays.

Ngā mihi o te Kirihimete ki a koe. *Sarah Gleeson* 



Advent:

Advent is the period of four Sundays and weeks before Christmas. Advent means 'Coming' in Latin. This is the coming of Jesus into the world. Catholics use the four Sundays and weeks of Advent to prepare and remember the real meaning of Christmas.

The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent, and one candle is lit each Sunday. Three of the candles are purple, this is a liturgical colour that signifies a time of prayer, penance, and sacrifice. The three purple candles, symbolise hope, faith and penance, with the pink candle symbolising joy.

### Week 7 & 8 MVP's:



Addison Rands, Harvey Simons, Oliver Hurrell, Sam Tippett, Henry Ryan, Zebella Sinclair-Ford, Scarlett Buckingham, Beau Dowling, Georgia Hatton, Junior Fiu, Lily Higgins, Aiofe Omeri, Macy White, Rico McWilliams

### **GENTLE REMINDERS:**

### Important Dates

Reports go home - Wednesday 11th December End of Year Concert - Thursday 12th December @ St Mary's College, 1pm End of Year Mass - Friday 13th December, 9:30am Prizegiving - Friday 13th December, 11:30am School Closes - Friday 13th December, 12:30pm

### 2020 dates are already on our school app and in the coming weeks.

### **Renaming our buildings:**

We have decided to change the names of our buildings to reflect the Special Character of our school in 2020.

The names of our buildings will now be a nod to the amazing people who founded the Marist order as well as our very own school.

Throughout 2020 our community will be learning more about these amazing people, so keep an eye out for snippets in the newsletter as well as hearing from your children what they have learnt about these extraordinary human beings.

### Our buildings for 2020 will be.....

Current	New Name	Person
Administration Block	Cronin	Monsignor Cronin - Parish Priest
Rooms 2 & 3 Block	Austin	Sister Austin - A founding sister of Marist School, Herne Bay
Room 9 Block	Bernard	Mother Bernard - A founding sister of Marist school, Herne Bay
Hub 2	Cleary	Bishop Cleary - Founding priest of Marist School, Herne Bay
Hub 3	Chavion	Jean-Marie Chavion - Founder of the Marist order
Prefabs by playground	Kostka	Sister Kostka - A founding sister of Marist school, Herne Bay
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### Principal for the Day:



Hi, My name is Sophie Dyer, you probably know me from around the school. I'm in year six this year and I'm leaving to go to Baradene college in 2020.

On the 28th November I was Principal for the day. Being a Principal is a lot different from being

a student, it goes from teachers being in charge of you and then next thing you know you're in charge of them. As Principal, you realize that without you the school's systems would not work, you have to interact with the classes and go to the end of the line to make their learning spaces and environments top-notch.

At Marist, you learn 4 words straight away that you are told to follow all through your years at Marist. Those words are Respect, Integrity, Courage, and Humility, which are the words of our Rich Values. We get reminded to follow them in everything we do just like Mary. At Marist, we try to think, act and judge in the way of Mary.

During my time at Marist, there have been many memories that I have loved especially all the ICS sports events I've taken part in that I will treasure forever. Being a Marist student has been such an adventure for me and I hope that the students both current and future will find Marist an adventure too.

### Congratulations to the following children who celebrate their birthday in DECEMBER:

Fu'a Amiatu Tayla Fiu Alessia Mudu Isla Shipman Toalei Vaai Leanna Valisto Maggie Walker Laurent Van der Veer Champ Meleisea-Murray Tueni Amiatu Nevaeh-Rose Ford Benjamin Murray Alice Stanway Isaiah Va'auli



### Lewis Eady Performance:

Our Lewis Eady students have been having lessons throughout the year and Friday of Week 7 these students were able to perform for their parents at a lunchtime concert. It was fantastic to see the talent that these students displayed.



RICH Challenge winners for 2019: Congratulations to all our students who completed the RICH Challenge for 2019. Amazing work!



### Marist Warriors: Year 5/6 Touch Team:

Our Marist Warriors won the excellence trophy for the under 11 grade at Cox's Bay, yesterday afternoon.

They were undefeated this season and the trophy was awarded for both their great results and sportsmanship.

Well done gentlemen, a wonderful recognition of all the hard work you have put into training for this sport.



### **Swimming Intensive:**

In week 7 the whole school went swimming at the Auckland Tepid-baths each day. The students were able to develop their swimming skills at their own individual levels and build confidence in the water. At the last session the students also experienced water safety skills.

MARIST SCHOOOL HERNE BAY

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT

December 12 | 1 PM St Mary's Secondary College Hall, Ponsonby.

Concert will be professionally filmed. If you would like to purchase the video link to view the concert online please deposit \$12 into the PTA bank account below using your child's surname and "concert" as a reference, then email carmel.willison@live.com.au for the link.

Marist PTA 06-0199-0115904-00





### Please ensure your child is taken from St Mary's after the concert tomorrow. The concert finishes at 3pm.

### Marist Magic Year 4 Netball Champions:

We are so proud of Marist Magic Year 4 netball team. They entered the Spring Tournament at Netball North Harbour and won their division.

They displayed commitment and hard work. Training every Wednesday morning, rain, hail or shine. Well done ladies.



### Year 6 at Pt Erin Pools:

Tuesday last week all our year 6's celebrated the end of their primary years with a trip to the Pt Erin pool for the day. They had an awesome time and enjoyed the pool, slides and BBQ.



### Leavers Afternoon Tea:

A wonderful afternoon last Sunday with the graduating students and their parents. It was fantastic to hear all their favourite memories and recognise this special milestone.



### Weetbix TRYathlon:

Congratulations to all the students who completed the Weetbix TRYathlon on Sunday representing Marist Catholic School.

Henry Ryan Hugh Livesay James Dobrec Marcello Mudu Noah Madden Emilia Young Sebastian Drake Rico McWilliams Ruby Dobrec Monty Simpkins Clara Young

These students also won a school prize which is 15 free entries in the 2020 TRYathlon worth \$900.

A big thank you to Lucy O'Mahony for all the organisation she put into managing our Marist team.

### Have you purchased your Marist 2019 Yearbook?

Available at the school office \$20 each.

The last 50 copies will also be available for purchase at our end of year concert tomorrow!

### 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



### **Confessions:**

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

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

Sunday: 8.30am Monday-Saturday: 7.00am



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### HOLIDAY PROGRAMME It's the most wonderful time, of CATHOLIC SCHOOL, HERNE BAI upon us and we are not holding back. We are doing all things Christmas and the year. Christmas is almost encouraging the spirit of giving, here at Kelly Club EXTRAVAGANZA CHRISTMAS Fri 20 E cream pie challenges and catapult making, we won't be coming back the same. Bring old clothes and a towel 'cause things are gonna get messy! Between flour tag, LET'S GET MESSY Thurs 10 Da MARISI on our day of fun in the sun! Bring your togs and a change of clothes. Water balloons and water guns to help us along! We also have a slip and slide to, you guessed it, slip and Get ready to get wet and cool WAT-ER DAY!! slide. Ved 18 [ Hey Sweet Pie. This isn't your average bake off, it's a massive Kelly Club bake off. We're talking cakes, we're baking brownies, we're making THE GREAT BAKE OFF slices and cutting up some cookies. Might have to get bigger pants after today! 82 Kelmarna Ave, Hernebay 17 Facebook: #Kellyclubmaristcatholic 022 192 6889 Wars came out and to celebrate IE RISE OF SKYWALKER legacies ever made, we are going all out at Kelly club with Light-sabers, Darth Vader masks The rise of Skywalker. It's been the ending of one of the best 43 years since the first Star





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