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......

In preparation for the year ahead, staff in our school spent time at the beginning of the term discussing our shared vision for the school and how we are going to work together to achieve this vision. We talked about how we can further strengthen the different teams that make up our school –our whole school team, teaching team, support staff team, leadership team – in order to continue to build a 'strong school' (some of you will have seen this work displayed in our staff room).

We looked closely at the five dimensions that make up a 'strong school' – clarity of purpose, accountability, effective organisational structures, trust, and opportunities for learning – and we will be monitoring our progress towards sustaining the key characteristics of effective teams. Because we are a Catholic school, we also looked at these dimensions from a Catholic perspective and kept our Marist values in mind. It would be an interesting but difficult exercise to include our 'parent and whānau' team in this work, and yet this team is an integral part of our whole school team and is crucial in ensuring our students are successful learners.

We could ask ourselves questions like

Do we give one another the benefit of the doubt before arriving at a negative conclusion? (criteria for a trusting team) or Do we Identify potential problems quickly through open discussion? (criteria for an accountable team)

Contained in this newsletter are some suggestions for how we can continue to work together to build a strong school where everybody lives and experiences the values of Mary, to bring us all closer to Jesus.

God Bless **Sarah Gleeson**

Parish/School Mass:



What a wonderful evening we had on Saturday night with the Parish and School community coming together to celebrate the Eucharist and also mix and mingle. We were pleased to see an 85% attendance. We look forward to our Term 3 mass on Saturday 22nd August.

A big thank you to the PTA for

our fully sustainable BBQ, which was fantastic.

We also raised \$60 with the sales from Mr Whippy, which will be going towards the student council's 2020 fundraising project.

Our M.V.P.'s Week 1-3:



Augustino Peterson, Savannah Gapes, Seron Stanley, Hugh Livesay, Aiofe Omeri, Hugo Lloyd, Alessia Mudu, Lizzy Rozells, Francisco Whiting, Madeline Ferriera, Tino Maber, Cassidy Parke, Gloria McFadden, Addison Rands, Lyla Watson, Mercy He, Elliotte Tunai-Vermylen

GENTLE REMINDERS:

Important Dates

BOT Meeting - Monday 24th Feb at 6:30pm Ash Wednesday Mass - Wednesday 26 Feb at 9am ICS Cricket - Thursday 27th Feb at Victoria Park Assembly (Cleary) - Friday 28 Feb at 2:15pm Kahui Ako Conference - Wednesday 11 March - School closes at 1pm

Mufti Day - Thursday 12 March

- raising money for 'Light it up Orange' Assembly (Chavoin) - Friday 13 March at 2:15pm Parent Interviews - Tuesday 17 & Wednesday 18 March ICS Softball - Thursday 26 March at Cox's Bay Reserve Assembly (Bernard) - Friday 27 March at 2:15pm

Enrolments

If you have any children or friends/family with children wishing to start at Marist in 2020 now is the time to be enrolling them. Enrolment forms are on our website to download and once completed email them through to principal@maristschool.co.nz. We have a full roll for non-preference (non catholic) students, however, they can be added to our waiting list.

Lateness

It is extremely important that students are given the opportunity to get themselves ready and prepared for their learning. For this reason it is vital that all students arrive before the bell each day. Our school bell rings at 9am for class to begin, so please ensure your child is at school before this bell.

Congratulations to the following children who celebrate their birthday in FEBRUARY:

Gabriela Fullerton-Smith Savannah Gapes Alexandra Marshall Foot Jack Turner Oliver Hurrell Hanna Fuyala Isabelle Neal Enzo Esparza



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

Marist Birthday Gift:



This year each student will be receiving either a Marist pencil or pen as a gift from the school for their birthday.

Miss Gleeson is looking forward to wishing each child a Happy Birthday and embracing this special day with them throughout the year.

2020 Student Leaders:

We congratulate the following school leaders who were acknowledged at our Assembly last week.

Our goal is to give every Year 6 child the opportunity to develop the skills and attributes of leadership in an area that they are interested in, or in an area of need in the school. Over the year we will be providing opportunities for our school leaders to show development in their abilities to work collaboratively and to show service to others.

We have levels within Leadership and Service with the expectation that at the end of the year all our leaders will have had the opportunity to achieve level 3 in service and leadership. Our leaders will be role models at all times displaying our school's RICH values.

Student Leader: Hugo Lloyd Deputy Student Leader: Knox Thawley

Student Council:

Austin: (Year 0/1)

Littlewood: Oren Parke & Lottie Walker

Bernard: (Year 1/2)

Gapes: Gavin Galardo & Gloria McFadden *Rebello:* Sam Tippett & Agnes Hardy

Cleary: (Year 3/4)

Houston: Marcello Mudu and Erin Duffy *Bartlett:* Lizzy Rozells and Alexander Fullerton-Smith

Chavoin: (Year 5/6)

Rahimi: Monty Simpkins & Sophie Danaher Paterson: Isacc Short & Alice Stanway Song: Beau Dowling & Lily Abdolkhani

Liturgy Leader: Aoife Omeri, Kate Barrington Gabriela Fullerton-Smith &

Tessa Lepionka

Environmental: Destiny Hunuki-Hurt, Maximo Dadah & Leeanna Valisto

Technicians: Michael Geary & Elijah Leaoasavaii

House Captains:

Cana: Jack Turner & Imogen Bartlett Bethlehem: James Dobrec & Macy White Galilee: Christian Delute & Jessica Dorbu Jordan: Preston Stanley & Alessia Mudu

Cultural: Augustino Peterson, Sophia Fonua & Elias Alderton Ngariki

Journalist: Tim McIntyre, Izzy Gardner, Molly Campbell

Librarian: Noah Madden & Rico McWilliams

Welcome back to school:



Special Character:

As you will be aware the names of our buildings have changed this year and throughout the year as part of our Charism teaching the students will be learning about the wonderful people our buildings are named after.

To ensure that you also know more about these people we will be sharing some information about them in our newsletters.



Monsignor Cronin - Administration Block:

Born in Ponsonby on September 9, 1929 in a nursing home that stood alongside what is now Joe's Bargain House. Monsignor Cronin was no stranger to our Parish considering the fact that he was baptised, confirmed and said his first mass in the old Sacred Heart Church on O'Neil Street.

He was educated at Trinity Street School, Herne Bay, and Marist Brothers in Vermont Street before moving to Wellington for his secondary education at St. Patrick's College, Silverstream. After college he entered the Holy Cross College at Mosgiel and was ordained at St Patrick' Cathedral on July 18, 1954.

Monsignor Cronin's first parish was Franklin Junction where he spent two years, followed by Hamilton (two years) and St Patrick's Cathedral (nine years). He then spent two decades as a naval chaplain based at Motuihe Island, Devonport and finally Wellington. He left the post

as a Monsignor and stayed on in Wellington to look after a parish until he was sent to Glen Eden in 1984.

He later became parish priest at Sacred Heart in Ponsonby and many years later he found himself as spiritual director of the very same seminary he attended but now relocated just down the road from Sacred Heart Church in Vermont Street.

Aside from his parish and seminary responsibilities Msgr Cronin was the Chancellor of the Diocese of Auckland and as such an advisor to Bishop Pat Dunn.

Msgr Paul Cronin died peacefully 19 December, 2010 in his armchair at Ponsonby presbytery, watching and dozing in front of his TV, after a full Sunday's ministry!

Remembering Lent

Ash Wednesday is next week and this marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday. Lent is a special time when you can share the concepts of prayer and giving with your children. Take family time each day to offer devotional prayers. Consider as a family how you might help others in need by giving of your time or resources. Even very young children can understand and will enjoy participating in the process.



Almighty and Everlasting God, You have given the human race Jesus Christ our Saviour as a model of humility. He fulfilled Your Will by becoming Man And giving His life on the Cross. Help us to bear witness to You By following His example of suffering And make us worthy to share in His Resurrection. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son.

MCSHB Bullying Prevention and Response Procedures

The prevention of bullying in schools and how schools respond to reported cases of bullying are areas that are of interest and concern to everybody in our country. We are fortunate to have our school values of respect, integrity, courage and humility to help us make our school a respectful and inclusive environment, but it is important that we continue to work together to ensure that our school is a model of best practice in bullying prevention and response.

This is a shared responsibility where students, staff, parents, whānau and other members of the community all work towards the same goal. The first step is to ensure we have a shared understanding of what 'bullying' is, and the definition we have shared with our community in the past is:

Bullying behaviour is not an individual action. Our school community agrees that:

- Bullying is deliberate
- Bullying involves a power imbalance
- Bullying has an element of repetition
- Bullying is harmful.

Bullying behaviours can be physical, verbal, or social, and can take place in the physical world or digitally.

Bullying is not an individual action. It involves up to three parties: initiators (those doing the bullying), targets (those being bullied) and often bystanders (those who witness the bullying).

Our response procedures are very clear and are available on our school website. As always, we are open to feedback on this definition, or any other part of the procedures, from anyone in our community.

High School open days:

Year 6 parents: you will have decided on which schools you would like to apply to for your child, however, the open days offer a great opportunity for you and your child to get an even better understanding on what each school has to offer.

St Paul's College

Open day Thursday 5 March 2020 Commencing at 9.30am or 1.45pm in the Chapel. Enrolment packs for 2020 are available at http://www.stpaulscollege.co.nz/enrolment

Marist College

Open day Tuesday 31 March 2020 3.00pm -6.00pm www.maristcollege.school.nz

St Mary's College

Open day Thursday 5 March 2020 Commencing at 2.30pm or 6.30pm in the Paul Keane Gymnasium. Enrolments for Year 7, 2021 close Thursday 19 March www.stmaryak.school.nz

St Peter's College

Open day for Year 7 enrolments in 2020 Tuesday 25 February 2019, 9.30am or 1.00pm in the college hall (main school entrance Mountain Road)

Enrolments for Year 7, 2021 close Friday 3 April www.st-peters.school.nz

Baradene College

Open Evening Thursday 5 March 2020 at 6:30pm in Auditorium (Entry at Gate 2) Enrolments for Year 7, 2021 close Friday 13 March 2020 <u>www.baradene.school.nz</u>

MARIST FUNDRAISING WITH SKINNIES!

Skinnies is a new kind of sunscreen that's not diluted with water, so a little goes a long way. A pea size blob is all you need for your face, neck and ears for instant long lasting broad spectrum UV protection. Skinnies dries quickly, isn't white or greasy and has no parabens or preservatives.

DEAL

Use code **MARIST** through Skinnies website **skinnies.co.nz** for no freight charge (normally \$5) and \$10 from every tube purchased will be donated to Marist Catholic School, Herne Bay. \$15 for combo packs!

HOW TO BUY

Please use your child's name and hub, and the Marist address (82 Kelmarna Ave, Grey Lynn 1011) in the delivery details.





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- grammar) • Poetry & Story-telling
- Reading Aloud
- Positive Body Language
 (posture, eye contact)
- Manners

We are wanting to start this programme in Term 2 with an after school class. If you are interested in this programme please contact <u>sharon@maristschool.co.nz</u>

Rhythmix Gymnastics Open Day!

Xtreme Rhythmix is offering a "Have a Go Day" for beginners in rhythmic gymnastics at Marist College (Mt Albert) on Tuesday 25th February from 5:00-6:00pm. Come along and learn fun skills with ropes, hoops, balls, clubs and ribbons. See if rhythmic gymnastics is the sport for you!

Beginner classes are available on Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays at Marist College plus a range of classes are available at our other facilities (Eventfinda Stadium, Albany, Glamorgan School and Glenfield College). Email erica.xtremerg@gmail.com for more information or just turn up on the 25th of February and join in the fun!



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

