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......



Thank you for bearing with the interruption by collecting your children at 1pm last Wednesday. It was an afternoon of learning for our teachers as we attended the second conference for our Auckland Central Catholic Kāhui Ako / Community of Schools Conference. This community is made up of four Catholic secondary schools and eight Catholic primary schools within the central Auckland area and the theme of the conference was MahiTahi/WorkingTogether.

Communities of Learning were established under the Government's Investing in EducationalSuccess (2014) initiative. They provide an opportunity for schools to work together, rather than on their own, to ensure students achieve their potential throughout their learning pathway. The conference was a celebration and sharing of the good teaching practice happening throughout our schools and will provide the basis of ongoing professional learning for our teachers. We were proud to have two of our staff (Rachael Houston and Lina Rahimi) present the great work that our school is doing this year with our communication of our students learning through the Class Dojo.



God Bless

Sarah Gleeson

Student Council Bake Sale

TUESDAY ZYTH MARCH 10:45AM

To raise money to build a community notice board

- All baking can be taken to the hall by 9am on the day
- If you and your family choose to bake something for our sale here are some suggestions:
 - o Cakes (please be pre-cut)
 - Cupcakes / muffins / scones
 - Cookies
 - Slices

Please be mindful of nut / gluten allergies that some of our Marist community have. Please specify on the baking if nuts are present or it is gluten free.

Our M.V.P.'s:



Week 6 & 7:

Molly Campbell, Izzy Gardner, Maren Carter-Tattle, Zebella Sinclair-Ford, James Dobrec, Violet 'Aho, Ruby Dobrec, Izzy Neal, Jack Hardy, Andi Gonzales, Ethan Delute, Maggie Walker, Oliver Moore, James Tuck, Oren Parke, Margot Tuohey, Mary van Schie, Rachel Nelson, Sean Noble

GENTLE REMINDERS:

Important Dates

Student Council Bake Sale - Tuesday 23 March at 10:45am

Fire Drill - Wednesday 24 March
ICS Softball - Thursday 26 March at Cox's Bay Reserve
Assembly (Bernard) - Friday 27 March at 2:15pm
BOT Meeting - Tuesday 31 March at 6:30pm
Family Fun Day - Saturday 4 April
Stations of the Cross - 6th - 8th April at 9am
Holy Week Liturgy - Thursday 9 April at 9:30am

Parking after school:

Please ensure you are parking legally for after school pick up. The grass verge outside the school is not a carpark. The traffic moves quickly during pick up time so be patient and everyone will be safe.

Recommendation from Ministry of Health:

All members of our community (staff and students) are to stay home if they are unwell. A recommendation from the DHB is that people exhibiting - fever, runny noses, coughs and sneezes are not to attend school. Please ensure you abide by these recommendations for the health and safety of our whole community.

Enrolments at Marist Catholic School:

Thank you to all those families who have filled out enrolment forms for siblings of current students. This is also a gentle reminder to do so, if you haven't already done this.

We also appreciate the support of our school families in recommending Marist Catholic School to their friends and whānau.

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

Taha Abdolkhani Brooke Smith
Destiny Hunuki-Hurt Honey Zhu
Poppy Turnbull Margot Tuohey
Ophelia Van Arts Lizzy Rozells
Phoebe Perrett Olivia Pardoe



Bernard

We were extremely pleased to have raised \$306.40 for the Shine Foundation

Light It Up Orange Day:

Last week our school raised money through an Orange Mufti Day for the Shine Foundation. This foundation raises awareness for domestic violence in NZ.

At Marist our service and outreach is both towards our own community and NZ. By raising this money we were about to extend our outreach to the whole of NZ.



Chavoin



Cleary



Austin

I am wearing orange at school today. I share my money because I care for the children that don't have happy faces.

By Victoria Esparza (Year 1)

Learning is fun in Austin:











In Austin our Year 1
students have learnt
so much in their first 7
weeks at school.
Their room is so
vibrant and fun with all
their wonderful
learning on display.

Special Character:

As part of our Charism teaching the students are learning about the amazing people our buildings are named after. In this newsletter edition we would like to share about our Year 5/6 class which was named after the founder of the Marist sisters.

Jeanne-Marie Chavoin - upstairs of two-story building:

'Above all, try to live in great faith, which will lead you to see God in everything' Jeanne-Marie Chavion



Jeanne-Marie Chavoin born on 29 August, 1786 in the village of Coutouvre, France. Chavoin was considered sinful because she was conceived by her 19 and 20 year old parents 6 months before their marriage. She had two sisters Marie (sadly died at the age of 1) and Claudine-marie.

Jeanne-Marie had very little education and was often known for having bad spelling. She was known for having a very good judgement and a kind nature. After being inspired by a sermon by an influential preacher Chavoin started praying in her teenage years and joined a prayer group called the Association of Divine love. God spoke to Chavoin saying "God does not want you to join an existing congregation, but one which has yet to come into existence."

Jeanne-Marie and Jean-Claude Colin together founded the Marist Sisters, a Catholic religious institute of women. The Marist Organisation was purely based on women and their relationship to God. The Marist legacy has successfully opened many schools across the globe.

Jeanne-Marie died on 30 June, 1858 in an unknown location in the south of France.

Exploring the meaning of Lent:

Home is "where the heart is". Lenten experiences can take place anywhere and the home is an important place of evangelisation. These simple activities provide the opportunity to create Lent space in the home.

Below are some ideas of how to celebrate Lent as a family at home.

- Read the Bible every day as a family find a children's version or an on-line edition.
- On Holy Thursday hold a family foot-washing prayer.
- Find parishes that offer Stations of the Cross and attend the mass as a family.
- Make cards of encouragement to those in your parish's RCIA program. After a lot of study and prayer, most of them will be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil.
- Choose a Lenten action to do as a family. Is there something your family can give up that might help another family in need? Consider donating what you might spend on a meal out to a food bank instead. Or perhaps you could commit as a family to some social action, e.g. visit a rest home, do gardening for older members of the community.

Some other simple ideas could be......

- Go to Mass as a family
- Sing your heart out
- Give up or do more
- Be Artistic
- Connect with the Earth
- Bake
- Give to those less fortunate
- Say thanks



Attendance Dues Financial Assistance:

Financial assistance is available to assist families who may need financial support with the payment of attendance dues for preference students attending Catholic schools in Auckland Diocese, both primary and secondary.

Families facing financial difficulties can contact the school office, Parish Priest or the Revenue Manager at the Catholic Diocese of Auckland for further information.

Application forms for the Hardship Scheme are available from school and parish offices, or can be down-loaded from the Catholic Diocese of Auckland

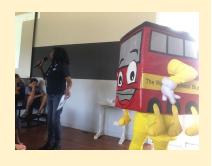
www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-schools/ otherwise organise a meeting with Miss Gleeson to complete the forms.

Thank you to all the families who have paid in full for the year or term or set up automatic payments. You will receive a statement again at the beginning of Term 2.

Chavoin's Assembly:

Chavoin's assembly started with two prayers and a song 'Super Wonderful God'. They shared their learning which included team building and the learning pit, Growth Mindset (when you have a good attitude to learning new things) and Neuroplasticity (when our brain makes new pathways and connections). They also shared some beautiful examples of stories they are writing this term, focusing on using metaphors, similes and personification. Chavoin completed their sharing talking about their PE, Maths, Inquiry, Reading and RE.

It was cool to have the walking school bus visit and tell us about why it is important to walk because it reduces our carbon footprint. They told us 'it's cool to walk to school'.



Finally, we did birthdays, MVPs and teacher notices. Congratulations to the winning house Jorden.

Izzy Gardner (Student Journalist)



Easter cookie fundraiser

A bundle of limited edition, hand made cookies with \$7 per bundle donated towards building a covered outdoor area at Marist Herne Bay school. Share with family and friends



<u>Click here to buy now</u> ≥ pick up from school reception on Monday 6th April, or have delivered to your home.

Order by Friday 3rd April. Join our Rewardhub page here to earn free donations whenever you shop online.



Business For Sale – Home Staging

Home staging is a great business if you have interior design flair and love to be creative!

This is a fun industry in which to express those ideas you have about how to make a home look its very best to attract attention online and get lots of people to the open homes during the marketing campaign.

The business bonuses are:

- Runs during school hours
- Has eight sets of furniture, warehoused locally.
- Has developed strong relationships with real estate agents who use the services regularly.
- Developed website
- Handover period where to set up to run the business successfully;using the many templates and operating procedures

If you would like more information call Alison on 022 040 2844 for a confidential discussion about this great opportunity.

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