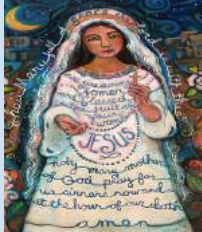


Marist School Newsflash

"In the spirit of Mary we educate, nurture and live Catholic values, and guide each child to reach their potential"



26th October 2018



The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The children are using their Joseph Rosary chain to pray the Rosary.

"The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christ-centered prayer." Pope John Paul II

Dear Families,

It is wonderful to be back with the Marist Family after a restful and refreshing sabbatical last term. My thanks to Christine, Janet and the staff for their hard work and support.

WOW Term 4 already. It is shaping up to be joy-filled with end of the year celebrations.

ART of JOY Exhibition

Next Thursday 1st November we invite you all to the 'ART of JOY'.

It will be open house at school between 5 and 7pm.

Come along at anytime to wander and wonder joyfully at our masterpieces.



RECONCILIATION

The St Mary's parish and BOT extend an invitation to attend reconciliation as a family this coming Saturday 27th October at 11.30am.

There will be refreshments afterwards and photos celebrating the 2018 Confirmation and Eucharist will be available to collect.

BUILDING UPDATE

Planning continues for our classroom property development. As you will appreciate there will be some logistics for us to manage. We are awaiting information confirming key dates and will keep you informed as and when these become available.

Nga mihi nui

Catherine and The Marist Team

**Thank you
Mrs White
for letting us gunge you.**

We love you!!!



CATHOLIC CHARACTER

Opportunity for Reconciliation Parents and Children

TOMORROW - Saturday 27th October 2018

The Board of Trustees invites parent and children who have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation to this special event.

This is an opportunity for children who have made their Reconciliation this year or in the previous years to attend with their parents and share in this sacrament again alongside others in the school and Parish community.

When: Saturday 27th October 2018 11.30am

Rite of Reconciliation followed by morning tea.

FEAST DAYS: All Saints day and All Souls day

Next week sees the Church celebrate the feast of All Saints day and All Souls day. As Catholics we can look at these days in an extra special way.

All Saints: The feast day of All Saints is celebrated on 1st November to honour all the saints known and unknown.

All Souls: The feast of All Souls is celebrated on 2nd November for all deceased Christians that 'they may rest in peace'. Catholics are encouraged to pray on this feast day for their departed relatives and others.



Some ideas about how you could celebrate as Catholics around this special time of the Church's year:

- Make a family list of relations and friends who have died and keep it in a place which reminds you to pray for them, include photographs as well if you have them.
- Tell your children stories of their relatives who have died and the good things they did while they were on earth.
- Read and share stories of the Saints and people who are inspiring and discuss how they grew in holiness – tapu and mana - by living the values of Jesus Christ

Work together on doing some things that will help you and your family to become more saintly

- Call up or visit someone who is lonely and invite them to do something with you all.
- Say something encouraging to each other every day.
- Do an 'act of service' for someone – bake, weeding, cleaning.....

Food bank donations needed:

The St Mary's Parish food bank is a service that operates throughout the year to assist people in times of need. If you wish to bring in any food item at any time the Parish would appreciate any donation.

TERM 4		
Week 3	Room 4	Pasta Sauce/Tins
Week 4	Room 5	Flour/Sugar
Week 5	Room 6	Cereals/Long Life Milk
Week 6	Room 5	Spreads

Their supplies continue to run low, so our donations make a MASSIVE difference.

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 4 – Summer Uniform

Girls - School dress, school jersey, school sunhat, black sandals.

Boys - Short sleeved blue cotton shirt, navy all-seasons shorts, school jersey, school sunhat, black sandals.

Thursday 1st November	5-7pm The ART of JOY Exhibition
Monday 5th November	Kids for Kids Concert – Year 6 – Bruce Mason Theatre
Thursday 8th November	Waenga/Tuakana Athletics – Margaret Griffen Park
**Please note this may have appeared as Thursday 9 th November in an earlier Newsflash.	
The Teina Team will have Athletics fun after the swimming programme finishes.	
Thursday 15th November	Thoughtful Thursday Room 4
Saturday 17th November	Eden/Albert Cultural festival
Thursday 22nd November	Thoughtful Thursday Room 3 and 12 Eden/Albert Athletics – Year 4-6 Team
Thursday 29th November	Thoughtful Thursday Room 5

SWIMMING – More details to follow

Monday 26th November – Thursday 29th November

Monday 3rd December – Thursday 6th December

Friday 30th November	11.30am School Advent Mass – St Mary’s Church
Sunday 2nd December	First Sunday of Advent
Sunday 9th December	Second Sunday of Advent
Thursday 13th December	5pm Whole School end of Year Christmas Celebration
Friday 14th December	Year 6 Big Day Out
Sunday 16th December	Third Sunday of Advent
Monday 17th December	6pm Leavers Liturgy
Tuesday 18th December	12pm Term 4 Ends
Sunday 23rd December	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Monday 4th February	9am Term 1 2019 Begins
Wednesday 6th February	Waitangi Day – SCHOOL CLOSED

TERM DATES 2019

TERM 1	Monday 4 th February – Friday 12 th April
TERM 2	Monday 29 th April – Friday 5 th July
TERM 3	Monday 22 nd July – Friday 27 th September
TERM 4	Monday 14 th October – Tuesday 18 th December (to be confirmed)



SAFETY AT THE SCHOOL GATE

Parents are asked to **NOT** park in the staff car-park for drop-off /pick up (unless there is an injury) or use the staff car-park to turn around in. Thank you

Park safely and keep our kids safe

This term our school is participating in Auckland Transport's 'Safety at the School Gate' programme. Drivers who stop in the wrong place to drop off passengers put the safety of children at risk. Parking officers will be on patrol outside the school this term and will be issuing tickets to drivers who park illegally.

The agreed approach is 'zero tolerance' – There will be no warnings issued, you will receive a ticket if you are double parked, parked on yellow lines, or over someone's driveway – or for any other vehicle safety offence.

Please park legally to keep our children safe and to avoid being ticketed.



PTFA

YUMMY STICKERS

Thanks to all those families that collected yummy stickers in 2018, BUT we are now collecting for **2019** so please keep them sending them in.

Sticker collection forms can be downloaded here:

http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/pdf/Sticker_Collection_Sheet.pdf



KIDS ART WORKS

The PTFA are again co-ordinating the *Kids Art Works* Calendars.

Along with the calendars, you can also order greeting cards, diaries, mouse mats and sketch pads.

This year your child has produced their own artwork during school time. Alternatively, you can use a digital photo and upload that directly.

Last day to order is Monday 29th October.

2 ways to create Kids Art Works Calendars:

1. Use a photo of your own. Just log on to www.kidsartworks.co.nz, submit your photo (min 300kb), tick 'photo' on the attached order form and ensure you include your reference number. The order form with the reference number and payment needs to be returned to the school office by **Monday 29 October 2018**.
2. Use artwork produced by your child at school.
Your child's artwork and order form were sent home with your child last week. You will need to tick 'art' on the order form.
The completed order form, with your child's name and room number noted, along with payment, need to be returned to the school office by **Monday 29 October 2018**.



Any orders received after **29 October** may not meet the delivery dates, so please avoid disappointment and return them as soon as possible. Payment details are on the order form.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Has your child outgrown their uniform?

If you happen to have any second-hand uniforms at home please feel free to bring them in to the school office. Thank you.

MOMMS – Mind Over Matter Mums

Events Tailored to the Health and Well being of Mum's

We have our biggest event for the year coming on the 10th of November at the Mt Albert War Memorial Hall.

The event offers a HIIT workout, nutrition advice, pilates, coping strategies seminar, yoga and meditation.

You can pick and choose from the above or enjoy the whole day, Goodie Bags + an expo are included too!!

Tickets are \$39 from www.mindovermattermums.com

- \$5 from every ticket is donated to Post Natal Depression (PADA).



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