Kia ora St Mark's Whānau,

Term 4 Week 10 17 December 2024

Prize Giving

Our evening prize giving was a lovely event last night. It was a time to honour the wonderful contribution and service of our Year 8 class and to formally announce the leadership roles of our 2025 Year 8 students. Bishop Peter helped us award the major prizes for 2024. Macky S, our dux from last year was also on hand to award the dux prize to Zach O.

Special Principal's Awards:

Lucas C B

Principal award of excellence for commitment to your studies.

Indie L

Principal award for outstanding service to our St. Mark's School Family

Abby S

Principal award for outstanding service to Mohiki

Harry S

Principal award for Excellence in Mathematics.

Miles Kaukau Award for Hiranga for Kapa Haka

Patrick Sullivan Divinity Cup Anderson Trophy Most Helpful Girl St Mark's Cup Most Helpful Boy Sue Whalan Memorial Cup Endurance

Beaton Cup For Character

Angel S

Joseph M Jahdiel N Jake H

Lola F

Finn J

Dux Runner Up Dux for 2024 Tiffany C Zachary O

End of Year Service

Our end of year service is scheduled for 1:45pm today in the school hall. Everyone is welcome to attend as we bid farewell to a very special group of Year 8 students who have been amazing leaders throughout 2024.

Mrs Upton

I am sad to say to the community that Mrs Nikohl Upton is finishing up as our new entrant teacher this week. Nikohl has been so dedicated and hard working for our youngest students since term 3 this year. I have appreciated her professionalism and unwavering effort in her work in Mōkihi this year. We wish her the very best for whatever is next for her.

Advent Service

What a wonderful event at the transitional cathedral last Thursday! I was so proud of every student who performed in the choirs, did a reading or shared a prayer - Kiara and Alex were amazing! The thing that filled my heart was the way our whole school community came together in worship. Whānau all singing beautiful hymns together was inspiring. My thanks to Dean Ben, Reverend Simon, Chaplain Teresa, Mrs Sherwood and the staff at the cathedral for helping to make this Advent Service one to remember.

Farewell to Mrs Sherwood and Mr Ellis

On Friday we had a beautiful church service to honour the contribution of these two lovely people as they move to a new phase in life. Mr Ellis has contributed so much to students and the community as he guided both the junior and performance choirs over the last eight years. The Sherwood family has had a long and happy association with St Mark's that is officially ending with Mrs Sherwood stepping aside as our "special helper". She has served the school with unwavering dedication in supporting our church services for many years. My heartfelt thanks to both of these lovely people. They go with our gratitude, thanks and love.



School Reports

Academic reports will be sent home with students today. Look for them in bags. Teachers have committed significant time and effort in formulating these summaries of student learning.

Student Teachers

Our thanks go to Farheen Mulla, Sonia Murray, Matt Connon, Lily Waites and Liv Fanselow who have worked hard, shown amazing flexibility and contributed so much to our students as interns from the New Zealand Graduate School of Education. I have valued the personality and energy each of them has brought to St Mark's.



Congratulations to Lola and Cleo F who found Success at their recent karate grading.

It is my pleasure to announce the 2025 Year 8 Leadership Team.

2025 Year 8 Leadership Positions Student Leaders / Church Leaders			
House Captains	MODS Leader Aurelia Cassels -	Ōmoho Leaders Kaya R	Sport Leaders Max B
Cholmondeley	Tremewan	Judah C	Alex H
Darcy Q	Olivia Holden	Olivia H	Amoni M
Aroha S			Landon H
House Captains	TECH Leaders Arran MacDonald	Art Leaders Lilybelle T	Drama Leaders Louisa T
Williams	Adam Rosanowski	Sonya T	Caeli M
Lola F	Aaish Prasanth	Pippa F-D	
Ariana W-S	James Dodd	Aroha S	
House Captains	Junior Leaders Matai Dykstra	Enviro Leaders Millie H	Kapa Haka Leader
Julius	Sofia Stanilov	Matai D	D A
Sofia S	Jona Jamor	Jackson O'D	
Aaish P			James D
		Music Leaders	
		Louisa T	
		Kaya R	

Have a safe, relaxing and enjoyable time with family over Christmas and the summer holiday.

Blessings to all, Adrian

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