



Newsletter 7 May 2025

Kia Ora, Welcome, Hello, Ni hāo, Talofa Lava, Hallo, Salut, Namaste, Bonjour, Bula Vinaka, Guten Tag, Shalom, Ciao, おはよう (Ohayou), 안녕 Ahn Nyeong, Olá, Privet!, Xin Chào, Kia Orana, Malo e Lelei, Fakaalofa Lahi Atu, Sat Shari Akal, Melo Ni, Halo Ola Keta, Mauri, Fakaalofa Atu, Salam, Welkom.

Key dates

Tuesday 20 May	BOT meeting	7pm in staffroom
Wednesday 21 May	Social Media Parent Information evening	6.30-7.30pm in Parish Centre
Wednesday 28 May	Catholic School's Day - Yr 5 and 6 to SMC	Details TBC
Friday 30 May	Curriculum Development day - school is closed	
Monday 2 June	King's Birthday - school is closed	
Tuesday 3 June	Kahui Ako Staff Only Professional Development day - school is closed	
Tuesday 3 June	HPPA HOCKEY FIELD DAY (savings day 4 June) 2 teams will meet Mrs Powell and Mrs McKenzie at Lloyd Elsmore	
Friday 6 June	PENTECOST MASS at 9am - Dress in cultural clothing or wear something red	
Wednesday 11 June	Rooms 1 and 12 field trip: Waitākere Refuse and Recycling Transfer Station	
Friday 13 June	Rooms 10 and 11 field trip: Waitākere Refuse and Recycling Transfer Station	
Tuesday 17 June	HPPA Soccer Field day - details TBC	
Tuesday 17 June	Rooms 2,4 and 7 field trip: Mangere Mountain	
Wednesday 18 June	Rooms 3, 5 and 6 field trip: Mangere Mountain	
Friday 20 June	MATARIKI PUBLIC HOLIDAY - school is closed	
Friday 27 June	Last day of Term 2 PJ day Mid-year progress reports emailed home	

Staff Only Days

You will notice from the key dates above that we have 2 staff only days tagged onto King's Birthday weekend. Please arrange alternative arrangements for Friday 30th May and Tuesday 3rd June. SKIDS is yet to confirm their availability on these dates.

Opportunity to meet your child's Maths teacher

Due to the composite-class structure of our school, some children have Maths with a different teacher. If this applies to your child, you will receive an invitation to arrange a meeting with your child's maths teacher this term. Please look out for communications about this.

Buddy Class Masses

Buddy class Masses are scheduled for Tuesdays this term from 9am in the Church. Our Catholic faith is nurtured when we join our Parish family in prayer:

Tuesday 13 May - Rooms 4, 5, 10 and 12

Tuesday 10 June - Rooms 4, 5, 10 and 12

Tuesday 20 May - Rooms 1, 3 and 7

Tuesday 17 June - Rooms 1, 3 and 7

Tuesday 27 May - Rooms 2, 6 and 11

Field trips

We use the KINDO platform for events and trips (permission, volunteer EOIs, payment etc). Please ensure you can access KINDO. If you have any questions about KINDO, please contact Shireen Monteiro, our accounts administrator:

accounts@stmarks.school.nz

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

SOCIAL MEDIA - How to be digital savvy in a world of digital savagery

The PTFA is excited to invite you to an informative evening with Brendan Malone on this important topic.

This event will take place on Wednesday 21 May in the Parish Center from 6.30-7.30pm

To assist the planning of this event, please complete this RSVP by **Friday 16 May**:

<https://forms.gle/NAMfveMFC34mbvMf9>

Childcare provision is available for school-aged children between the ages of 5 and 12.

Children are to be signed in at the library from 6.15pm.

A warm St Mark's welcome to our newest learners:

Room 4: Keyshia, Kehlani, Leilani, Vianni, Diego and Ethan

Room 7: Senash

Room 2: Student teacher, Miss Georgia Spence

WINTER UNIFORM

We would appreciate all children being in the correct winter uniform from **Monday 12 May**. Please ensure all uniform items, especially jackets and jumpers are clearly labelled.

ENROLMENTS

For all enrolment enquiries, please contact Kerrie Hunt, admin@stmarks.school.nz

NEW ENTRANTS: If you, or anyone you know, has a child and/or children turning 5 this year or in 2026, please connect directly with Kerrie Hunt in our school office to lodge an expression of interest and to collect an enrolment pack.

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE: We are accepting enquiries and enrolments from families who may be seeking schooling for their child/children across different year levels. Limited spaces are available so register your interest quickly to avoid disappointment.

Following in the footsteps of Jesus
At St Mark's Catholic School

Learners at St Mark's are reminded to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. To encourage learners to do this, we reference our school's ABCs and 3Rs:

ABCs: A - AROHA; B - BELIEF; C - COURAGE

3Rs: RESPECT; RESPONSIBILITY; RESILIENCE

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