



Striving for Excellence
In the Marist Tradition

St Mary's Catholic School Putāruru

Tumuaki – Mrs Jenny MacKenzie

NEWSLETTER - 4th April 2024

Ko te matauranga te nekehanga mai i te pouri kit e marama

Education is the movement from darkness to light

Theme: 'The Me I Want to Be'
'Ko āku hiahia he tutuki pai i āku wawata'

MARIST

Excellence in learning and behaviour

We work hard

Kia mahi tahi tatou



ATTITUDE

Positive can-do attitude

We don't give up

Ngakau rekatou

RESPECT

Consideration for ourselves,
others

And the environment

We are caring and helpful

Manaakitangatou

YES

Yes to following in the footsteps of Jesus

We say Yes to doing the right thing

Kia mahi pono tahi tatou kit e mahi

tikatou

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

11 Apr	-	Year 8 Retreat
12 Apr	-	End of Term 1
29 Apr	-	Term 2

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

ATTENDANCE

If your child is absent from school, can you please let Sandra in the office know as early as possible. You can email her (office@stmarysput.school.nz), phone the office (07 885 1006), or you can record the absence using Skool Loop. It is very important that the school is informed of absences as we have to record them correctly for the Ministry of Education. With Ministry checking attendance, we need children to attend every day unless they are sick – and the school needs to be informed.



YEAR 7 & 8 CAMP

This year our Year 7 & 8's are going to Blue Mountain Adventure Centre from the 11th to the 15th November. Camp fundraising meeting will be week 2 of term 2.



LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH GROUP

Lighthouse Youth Group will be on this Friday, 5th April, from 6:30-8pm in the Parish Centre. All 8-13 year olds are welcome. For further information please call Angelina on 07 882 1331.



Anzac Day
LEST WE FORGET

TOKOROA
DAWN PARADE: 6AM
TOKOROA CLUB CARPARK
CIVIC CEREMONY: 9AM OUTSIDE SWDC
OFFICE, TORPHIN CRESCENT

PUTĀRURU
DAWN PARADE: 6AM
GARDEN OF MEMORIES
CIVIC CEREMONY: 10AM THE PLAZA

TĪRAU
CIVIC CEREMONY: 10AM
TIRAU WAR MEMORIAL HALL

Assembly Photos

Below are our "Principal Award" and "Fruit of the Holy Spirit Award" winners for Week 8 of Term 1—congratulations to you all – keep up the excellent work ☺

Fruit of the Holy Spirit



Aurora Sutherland, Cienna Nicholls, Hannah Colman, Harper Bucknell, Prisha Buckley, Ivan Santiago, Lucas Heaysman, Ashlee Trumper

Principal Award



Ava Begbie, Bianca Llubit, Caleb Colman, Lylah Anderson, Emily Loughnan, Tobias Christensen, Aelyon Aneesh Paul, Ollie Horsnell, Violet Clarke, Zander Buenaagua, Indy-Lee Scott, Emilia White, Maz Hyslop, Lola Andrews, Kian Sutherland, Jaxon Siely-Conway

NETBALL

Netball will be starting on Friday 3rd May.



NETBALL

JUPITER	
ANDREWS	Lola
BIRKS	Ella
BUCKNELL	Harper
MANSELL-BENNETT	Caden
McNICHOLL	Sofia
PAKI	Hendrix
VAN DER HEYDEN	Ryder

SATURN	
ANDREWS	Aria
BUCKNELL	Nico
CROKE	Lance
GURUNG	Cedar
JOHNSTON	Rusch
PERERA	Charlote
SCOTT	Lincoln
SHARMA	Violet
SIMEON	
VAN DER HEYDEN	

MARS	
ANDERSON	Lylah
BUCKNELL	Ava
CROKE	Cillian
GURUNG	Alvin
JOHNSTON	Aurora
PERERA	Gavin
SCOTT	Indy-Lee
SHARMA	Hayoan
SIMEON	Katia
VAN DER HEYDEN	Harper

MERCURY	
BUCKNELL	Indie
TRUMPER	Isla
LEAVAI	Molly
PAKI	Ada-Down
LOP	Charlie
CONWAY	William
COLMAN	Ruby
	Caleb

EARTH	
BEAZLEY	Jaco
CROKE	Fionn
DEPARINE	Joy
LLUBIT	Bianco
LOUGHNAN	Emily
PORTER	Nyla
PORTER	Esther
PRIESTLEY	TJ
WHITE	Maia

VENUS	
CONWAY	Stella
HEPEHI	Summer
HERBERT	Evie
LOCKLEY	Karlee
MOTION	Isla
RATA	Denton
STEVENS	Lucy
WHITE	Emilia
WOODS	Mikah

STAR	
BEGBIE	Ava
COLMAN	Hannah
FARRELL	Auguste
FARRELL	Octavia
KNAP	Mackenzie
NICHOLLS	Cienna
OGLE	Honour
PRIESTLEY	Isabella
PRYOR	Aysha

FUN FERNS	
ANDERSON	Kaiya
BROLLY	Milla
BUCKLEY	Prisha
CROKE	Niamh
PERERA	Ginansa
PIKIA	Harper
SIMEON	Florence
WELLINGTON-PRIESTLEY	Jordan-Florence

NETUNE	
BARRY	Noah
CAMPBELL	Greer
CHRISTENSEN	Toby
KRAAKMAN	???
McCHLERY	Oria
SOK	Sophie
WALSH	Charlotte
WERAHIKO	Jahdyn



PLEASE HELP

Umpire Courtney

SOCCER

Students who have expressed an interest in playing soccer are listed below – if your child/ren would like to be put in a team – please let Sandra know asap. Also – if you are able to coach a team, please let Sandra know ☺

Year 1 & 2

Grae Santiago
Temprince Wharehinga
Dionne Doyayag
Gihansa Perera
Emilia White
Willow Boyd



Year 3 & 4

Zander Buenaagua
Euan Navales
Ivan Santiago
Ava Bucknell
Alvin Gurung
Molly Leavai
Gavin Perera
Lucas Scott
Hayaan Sharma
Jack Curphey
Caleb Colman
Julian Matchitt



Year 5 & 6

Quinn Alick
Ryder Crompton
Indie Hughson
Rusch Kampshof
William Lop
Charlie Lop
Indie Hughson
Harper Bucknell
Dean Doyayag
Cedar Kampshof
Lance Hyslop
Lincoln Ogle



Year 7 & 8

Juliette Curphey
Emily Loughnan
Honour Ogle
Ahlyah-Rose Clements
Orla McChlery
Sophie Sok
Charlotte Walsh



INDOOR BASKETBALL

We are asking if there are any Year 5 & 6 students who would be interested in playing indoor basketball. This will start on the 7th May from 3:30-5:00 at Putaruru Stadium. A notice will be sent home this afternoon. Thank you



Keep in our prayers the Burt family

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

May he rest in peace



First Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion

St Mary's Catholic School supports our students receiving the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. This will also be a whole school Mass on Sunday 5th May at 9:30am.

Session 6 (Eucharist)	Sunday 7 th April	10:45am-12 Noon	School Staffroom
Session 8 (Eucharist and review/finish up)	Tuesday 9 th April	3:15-4:30pm	Parish Centre
Confirmation / First Holy Communion Final Practice	Monday 29 th April	3:15-4:30pm	St Patrick's Church
Confirmation / First Holy Communion Mass	Sunday 5 th May	9:30am Start	St Patrick's Church

Please note that the **parent meetings** highlighted in yellow are an opportunity for you to be informed about the programme and learn how to support and prepare your child to receive the Sacraments. **At least 1 parent is expected to be at these sessions.**

If you have any concerns or queries, please feel free to email jonathan@stmarysput.school.nz, angelinaz@hotmail.com or jandbfarrell@gmail.com.

Reconciliation – Wednesday 10th April @ 6:30pm.



St Mary's Religious Education Newsletter

Week 9 - Term 1

2024

Important Date!

On Sunday, 5th May, the following students will be making their First Holy Communion...



Adaline - Lylah - Cillian - Molly - Gavin - Ava

Please pray for these students as they make their First Reconciliation, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion

Gospel Prayer:

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, and for the gift of faith that allows us to believe in Him. Like Thomas, sometimes our faith wavers, and we doubt. Help us to encounter Jesus in our lives in a way that strengthens our faith and brings us peace. May we always recognize Him as our Lord and our God, and may this belief inspire us to share His love and forgiveness with others. Amen.

Marist Students

Our Marist Students this week are...



Johanna Shibu



Aenon Paul

Well done to these fantastic students! They have been chosen as this week's Marist students because of their constant devotion to their school work, and always getting it right in the classroom.



2nd Sunday of Easter

1st Reading

In Acts 4:32-35, the early Christian community is depicted as being remarkably united and generous. They were of one heart and mind, and no one claimed ownership of their possessions; instead, they shared everything they had. This spirit of communal sharing was so effective that there were no needy individuals among them. Those who owned land or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds to the apostles, and the money would then be distributed to anyone in need. This collective generosity led to a sense of great grace and blessing upon the entire community, illustrating the power and impact of their unity and selflessness.

2nd Reading

In 1 John 5:1-6, the connection between faith and love is central, emphasizing that those who believe Jesus is the Son of God are born of God and thus naturally love both God and fellow believers.

This love is expressed through obedience to God's commandments, which are not burdensome for those who are born of God. Faith in Jesus empowers believers to overcome the challenges of the world, as Jesus Himself triumphed through His baptism and sacrificial death, symbolized by water and blood. This passage underscores the inseparable link between faith in Christ, love for God and others, and the victory believers have through Him.

Gospel

In John 20:19-31, the narrative unfolds with the disciples gathered in fear after Jesus' crucifixion, only to have Jesus appear among them, offering peace and proving His identity through His wounds. He then empowers them with the Holy Spirit and the authority to forgive sins. Thomas, initially skeptical, encounters Jesus a week later, affirming his faith upon seeing and touching Jesus' wounds. Jesus praises those who believe without physical proof, emphasizing the significance of faith based on spiritual understanding and witness testimony. This passage encapsulates the transformative power of encountering the resurrected Christ and the depth of faith that transcends mere physical evidence.



Easter Season

The Easter season in the Catholic Church is a special time that celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It begins with Easter Sunday, which is the most important day in the Christian calendar, marking the day Jesus rose from the dead. After Easter Sunday, the Easter season lasts for 50 days, ending with Pentecost. During this time, Catholics rejoice in the victory of life over death and reflect on the profound love and sacrifice of Jesus. The season is filled with joyful celebrations, including Masses, prayers, hymns, and traditions like Easter egg hunts and special meals with family and friends. It's a time of renewal, hope, and faith, reminding us of the central message of Christianity: that through Jesus, we have the promise of new life and eternal salvation.



Putaruru Community Food Bank Roster:

Mrs. Mackenzie would like to thank everyone who has donated so generously to the Putaruru food bank through the school!

These small works of charity are greatly appreciated by many over this Lent/Easter period. Again, thank you very much!

Please continue in your generosity.



In Term 2, the food bank will continue to coincide with the classroom room number
E.g. Room 3 - Week 3