



Striving for Excellence
In the Marist Tradition

St Mary's Catholic School

Putāruru

Tumuaki – Mrs Jenny MacKenzie

NEWSLETTER

Ko to ahurei te mea e whiti ai koe

Your uniqueness is what makes you shine

*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

7 th Mar	-	Swimming Sports @ Glenshea Park
12 th Mar	-	Interschool swimming sports @ Glenshea Park
17 th Mar	-	St Patrick's Day
23 rd Mar	-	Palm Sunday – School Mass

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

MOBILE DENTAL UNIT

Hello from the Mobile Dental Team,

The dental team are planning to be at St Mary's. The mobile unit will be moved onsite 8th March and opening on 11th March.

We will not be pre booking appointment times for the children to attend from class unless you would like to attend with your child, in this case please call us on 021 684 334 and we will make an appointment.

Otherwise if your child is well and at school, we will go ahead and get them from class for their check-ups according to your consent we hold on our system. They will then be issued with consent forms and information. Please check for any forms that need to signed and returned.

Please contact us for an appointment if you have any preschool age children for their dental exam.

We are looking forward to seeing you,

Alieen Homan	Jess Warner
Kris Belfield	Sarah Bedford
Dental Therapists	Dental Assistants

Te Whatu Ora
Health New Zealand



SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Sausage sizzle will be every Friday – sausages are \$2.00 each. Orders to be placed in the classroom on Friday morning.

STARSHIP RAFFLE

The Social Justice Group are running a raffle – the money raised will go to Starship Hospital in Auckland. Tickets are \$2.00 each. Please support our students who are trying to raise funds for places close to their hearts.



SWIMMING SPORTS

Our postponement date for swimming sports is Thursday 7th March.

Senior students will be leaving school at 9am and walking to Glenshea Park – their swimming races will start at 9:30am. Senior racing is expected to finish around 2:30 – students can be collected from Glenshea or they will be walking back to school – students are NOT allowed to walk home unless we receive notification from parents.

Junior students will be leaving school at 10:30am and walking to Glenshea Park- their swimming races will start at 11:00am. Junior racing is expected to finish around 12:30 – students can be collected from Glenshea or they will be walking back to school.

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

These are being held on Wednesday 27th March from 1:30-6:00pm. These can be booked using the SKOOL LOOP app – appointments are set up now so feel free to book your slot. **We would appreciate it, if you can, that students are collected at lunchtime,** but if you are unable to do this (and for our bus students) – students will be supervised at school.

Parent Teacher
Interviews

SKOOL LOOP

We use Skool Loop as one of our methods of communication to our school community, so please download the app on your mobile phone.



MARAE TRIP

The year 7 & 8s are planning an overnight stay at Pikitū Marae (Wiltsdown Road, Waotu) on the 20-21st March. Detailed information will be sent out next week.

ABSENCES

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.



CORRECT SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please ensure that your child/ren are wearing the correct school uniform – especially shoes. Shoes should be black or brown Roman sandals or plain black enclosed shoes (grey socks with two blue bands for boys or white socks for girls). **Crocs are not part of our sports uniform (or any part of our uniform)**



SHOW QUEST

Notices have been sent home – please return them to the office as soon as possible so that we have an idea of how many students would like to be part of this amazing opportunity.

HOT CROSS BUNS

We are receiving payments into the school bank account for hot cross buns but we are not getting the order forms back – can you please ensure that order forms are returned to the office asap. Thank you.

The final date for order forms to be returned is the 14th March.



LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH GROUP

Lighthouse Youth Group resumes this Friday, 1st March 6:30-8:00 in the Parish Centre. All 8-13 year olds welcome. Contact Angelina 07 882 1331 for further information.

SPECIAL EDUCATION – TRANSITION ROADSHOW – PUTĀRURU COLLEGE 8th MARCH

The poster features an illustration of a person in a wheelchair with arms raised, set against a circular background with a dotted border. Below the illustration, the title 'Transition from School Roadshow - Putāruru' is displayed in large, bold, black text. Underneath the title are five orange rounded rectangular buttons containing the following text: 'Funding Options', 'Local Agencies', 'Community Groups', 'Transition Support Providers', and 'Tertiary Education Support'. At the bottom of the poster, there is a logo for 'Te Mahau' (a red geometric pattern), a calendar icon, and a location pin icon. The text next to the calendar icon reads 'Wed 8 May 2024 9am - 2.30pm - see link below for session times'. The text next to the location pin icon reads 'Putāruru College'. At the very bottom, there are three columns of contact information: 'enquiries carli.las@putarurucollege.school.nz', 'registration & more info http://tinyurl.com/dtfnksax', and 'or email to register: businessservices.hamilton@education.govt.nz'.

Transition from School Roadshow - Putāruru

Funding Options Local Agencies Community Groups

Transition Support Providers Tertiary Education Support

Te Mahau

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TOKOROA COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICES
PRESENTS

 **Free**



CHILDREN'S DAY 2024

PUTARURU POOLS
FRIDAY 1 MARCH | 3pm - 7 pm

THE BIGGEST PARTY OF SUMMER

MUSIC | FREE FOOD | PRIZES | FREE ENTRY
MANU COMPETITION | GAMES | SPOT PRIZES
WWW.TCOSS.CO.NZ



Auditions for a Musical Pantomime

"KNIGHT FEVER"

at the Kensington Theatre Putaruru

Audition times;

Sunday 3 March 2 - 4pm

Monday 4 March 6 - 8pm

Tuesday 5 March 7 - 9pm

Adults & Young people aged 10 - 110. Come along
and give it a go.

On stage mid - late May.



HAPPY EASTER



Hop into Easter Weekend with the chance to win:

- ❖ **one of 3 Easter Baskets**
- ❖ **a load of Fire Wood**

**We kindly ask that all families please donate an item
towards these raffle baskets.
(Donations don't need to be Easter related)**

**Please hand into St Mary's Reception by Friday 8th March
Tickets will go home with students and are on sale from
Monday 11th March**

**Funds to go towards Charging Cows for the students
Chromebooks**

The dates for the next Baptism Preparation Course will be Monday's 11th and 25th March at 7pm - 8:30pm in the parish centre.

These courses - a prerequisite for parents seeking to have a child Baptised - consist of two 90 minute sessions. Expectant parents are most welcome to attend.

To register or for more information contact Bernie Farrell 0212973595

Reminder for children and parents participating in the Sacramental Programme the next session is this Sunday after 9:30am Mass.

St Patrick's Parish Sacramental Programme 2024 First Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion

Dear Parents/Caregivers

We are pleased to announce that the Sacramental Programme for 2024 will be starting this term. We are looking forward to witnessing our young people confirm their faith, through the three Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist. This year, the celebration will be held on **Sunday 5th May 2024**. Children who are eligible to receive these Sacraments this year (baptised Year 4 students and above) will need to fill in an enrolment form and return by or bring to the parent information session on Sunday 18th February to stpatricksputaruru@gmail.com or the school office

The programme for this preparation is as follows:

Sessions:	Date:	Time:	Venue:
Parent Information	Sunday 18th February	10.45am - 11.00	School Staff Room
Session 1 (Reconciliation)	Monday 26th February	3.15pm - 4.30pm	Parish Centre
Session 2 (Reconciliation)	Sunday 3rd March	10.45am - 12 noon	School Staff Room
Reconciliation Evening	To be confirmed -	TBC	St Patrick's Church
Session 3 (Confirmation)	Monday 11th March	3.15pm - 4.30pm	Parish Centre
St Patrick's Feast Day Parish Pot Luck Lunch	Sunday 17th March	10.45 - 12 noon	Parish Centre
Session 4 (Confirmation) Kids	Monday 18th March	3.15pm - 4.30pm	Parish Centre
Session 4 (Confirmation) Parents	Monday 18th March	7pm - 8:15pm	Parish Centre
Session 5 (Eucharist)	Monday 25th March	3.15pm - 4.30pm	Parish Centre
Session 6 (Eucharist)	Sunday 7th April	10.45am - 12 noon	School Staff Room
Session 8 (Eucharist and review/finish up)	Monday 8th April	3.15 - 4.30pm	Parish Centre
Confirmation/First Holy Communion Final Practice	Monday 29th April	3.15pm - 4.30pm	St Patrick's Church
Confirmation/First Holy Communion Mass	Sunday 5th 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 , angelinananz@hotmail.com or jandbfarrell@gmail.com

Kind Regards and God Bless,
Jonathan, Angelina and Bernie (on behalf of the parish sacramental team)



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14th February 2024

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Year 7 & 8 Camp Fundraiser - Hot Cross Buns

The Year 7 & 8 students are keen to get underway with fundraising for their end of year camp Blue Mountain Adventure Centre. They would really appreciate any support they can get with this venture.

Hot Cross Buns were a popular and very successful fundraiser last year, so we are giving them another go this year. We have attached an order form to this letter. If you, your whanau, neighbours or friends are interested in ordering Hot Cross Buns, please add their names, flavours and quantities to the order form.

Payment can be made directly to our school bank account online. Please use Hot Cross Buns as a reference. If payment is made in cash, please hand in to the school office and an envelope labelled Hot Cross Buns.

Order forms **MUST** be returned to the school office by **Thursday 14th March** (**absolute last date**). Hot Cross Bun orders can be picked up at the School Hall on Monday 25th March from 2:30pm

School Bank Account : St Mary's School Board of Trustees 03-0418-0114136-00

Any support will be greatly appreciated

Kind regards

Clare H & Nic



HOT CROSS BUNS

CUSTOMER PRE-ORDER SHEET

Name: _____

Team: St Mary's Catholic School

All buns are \$5.00 per 6 pack with the choice of:
 Traditional Hot Cross Buns
 Choc Cross Buns
 Cranberry Cross Buns

\$1.10 from every pack sold will be donated to:
Year 7 & 8 Camp

NAME	PHONE	TRADITIONAL 6PK	CHOC 6PK	Cranberry 6PK	TOTAL OWING	NOTES/COMMENTS
Joe Bloggs	02123456	3	2	3	\$40.00	
Total:					\$	

Please return to: _____ Date: _____

A promise. Made good.