



Striving for Excellence
In the Marist Tradition

St Mary's Catholic School

Putāruru

Tumuaki – Mrs Jenny MacKenzie

NEWSLETTER

Ko te matauranga tetahi mea e kore e taea e tetahi te tango atu I a koe

Education is one thing no one can take away from you

*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

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|----------------------------|---|---|
| 17 th Mar | - | St Patrick's Day |
| 19 th Mar | - | Paid Union Meeting |
| 20-21 Mar | - | Year 7 & 8 Marae Trip |
| 23 rd Mar | - | Palm Sunday – School Mass |
| 29th Mar | - | Good Friday – NO SCHOOL |
| 1 & 2 Apr | - | Easter Monday & Easter Tuesday – NO SCHOOL |
| 12 Apr | - | End of Term 1 |
| 29 Apr | - | Term 2 |

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

PALM SUNDAY – SCHOOL MASS

Please note that our Palm Sunday School Mass is being held on Saturday 23rd March and will start at 5:30pm. The students who are reading are:

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Ruby Conway</i> | <i>Koby Ormsby</i> | <i>Sofia McNicholl</i> |
| <i>Dean Doyayag</i> | <i>Layla Van Heuven</i> | <i>Bailey Paton</i> |
| <i>Cooper Ormsby</i> | <i>Sienna Farrell</i> | <i>Lucas Heaysman</i> |

Our Year 7 & 8 students are acting out the gospel and the senior music group are also playing. ALL students must be in their full school uniform and with correct shoes please.



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. If you do not have Skool Loop, or are unable to set up an appointment, please call Sandra in the office. **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.



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.



LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH GROUP

Lighthouse Youth group is on this Friday 15th March but will be at the earlier time of 6pm - 7pm due to our parish Reconciliation evening starting at 7pm all welcome to stay for that. Any questions phone Angelina 07 882 1331.

ROAD SAFETY

If your child walks/cycles/scooters to school, can you please have a talk with them about crossing the road safely and using a pedestrian crossing – no child should be running across the road, or crossing between parked cars. All children need to be aware that pedestrian crossings need to be used and again, not crossing busy roads.



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.



CORRECT SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please ensure that your child/ren are wearing the correct school uniform. (Please also name ALL uniform clearly). 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).**



SCHOOL WEBSITE

We have a new school website – this has a multitude of information including all important dates, newsletters, notices etc etc. Please take a look <https://www.stmarysput.school.nz/>



PAID UNION MEETING

Our teachers are attending a Paid Union Meeting on **Tuesday 19th March – if possible, can you please collect your children at 12:30pm** ... children who cannot be collected will be supervised at school by Mrs MacKenzie and Mrs McChlery.



2024 Swimming Sports & Interschool Swimming Sports



A BIG THANK YOU to all our family members who helped out at our recent swimming sports and interschool swimming sports. Both events ran really well with all the students having a great time and doing their very best – which makes us extremely proud - we could not run these events without your help and we thank you with all our hearts



Our First Assembly of 2024

On Friday we held our first assembly of 2024 – below are our "Principal Award" and "Fruit of the Holy Spirit Award" winners – congratulations to you all – keep up the excellent work 😊



Sophie Sok, Esther Porter, Allura Cherry, Mackenzie Knap, Aiden Rose-Spragg, Noah Barry, Rory Nicholas, Gia Legaspi, Lincoln Ogle, Harper Van der Heyden, Keanu Theunissen, Mikaere Petley, Zoe Dalimag, Gavin Perera, Cillian Croke, Bailey Paton, Summer Hepehi, Violet Clarke, Jaxon Siely-Conway



Maia White, Tobias Christensen, Charlie Lop, Mila Brolly, Niamh Croke, Kheana Montero, Cooper Ormsby

Well
DONE!



1pm - 7pm
Wed 20th March
Overdale Estate,
Putāruru
(Access from Reservoir St)



OPEN DAY

You're invited!

The first steps in the home ownership journey can be the hardest but ultimately richly rewarding.

Make the commitment to your future self and join us for our Open Day in Putāruru, where you will have the opportunity to tour our KiwiBuild homes that are currently under construction.



www.ultimatebuilders.co.nz

Year 1 & 2 Teams

| Meercats | |
|----------------|--------|
| ANDERSON | Kaiya |
| BROLLY | Mila |
| CROKE | Niamh |
| THEUNISSEN | Keanu |
| VAN DER HEYDEN | Harper |
| WHITE | Emilia |

Coach - Kirby

| Eagles | |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| HEPEHI | Summer |
| HYSLOP | Rubie |
| ORMSBY | Lachlan |
| RATA | Denton |
| SIELY-CONWAY | Jaxon |
| WELLINGTON-PRIESTLEY | Jordan-Florence |

Coach - Blaze Rata

Year 3 & 4 Teams

| Phoenix | |
|----------|---------|
| BANFIELD | Heath |
| CROKE | Cillian |
| FARRELL | Sienna |
| HICKS | Cleo |
| JOHNSTON | Aurora |
| McCHLERY | Tadhg |
| ORMSBY | Cooper |
| PATON | Bailey |
| PETLEY | Mikaere |
| PERERA | Gavin |

Coach - Jason Barbarich

| Tigers | |
|----------|----------|
| ANDREWS | Arlo |
| CLARKE | Brody |
| COLMAN | Caleb |
| GURUNG | Alvin |
| HUGHSON | Kenzie |
| MATCHITT | Julian |
| PAKI | Ada-Dawn |
| SCOTT | Indy-Lee |
| SHARMA | Hayaan |
| WOODS | Harry |

Coach - Tere-Anne Petley-Rata

Year 5 & 6 Teams

| Jaguars | |
|----------------|---------|
| ANDREWS | Lola |
| DOYAYAG | Dean |
| FARRELL | Nico |
| HYSLOP | Lance |
| HYSLOP | Max |
| LEGASPI | Gia |
| ORMSBY | Koby |
| PAKI | Hendrix |
| SIELY-CONWAY | Cade |
| VAN DER HEYDEN | Ryder |
| LOP | Charlie |
| LOP | William |

Coach - Jessie

We still need coaches - please let Sandra know if you can help

Year 7 & 8 Teams

| Titans | |
|-------------|----------|
| BEGBIE | Ava |
| CROKE | Fionn |
| NICHOLAS | Rory |
| PRIESTLEY | Isabella |
| PRYOR | Aysha |
| ROSE-SPRAGG | Aiden |
| WHITE | Maia |
| BEAZLEY | Jaco |

Coach -

| Hawks | |
|-------------|-------------|
| BARRY | Noah |
| CAMPBELL | Greer |
| CHRISTENSEN | Tobias |
| CLARK | Caleb |
| CLEMENTS | Ahlyah-Rose |
| PRIESTLEY | TJ |
| WALSH | Charlotte |
| WEAHIKO | Jahdyn |

Coach -

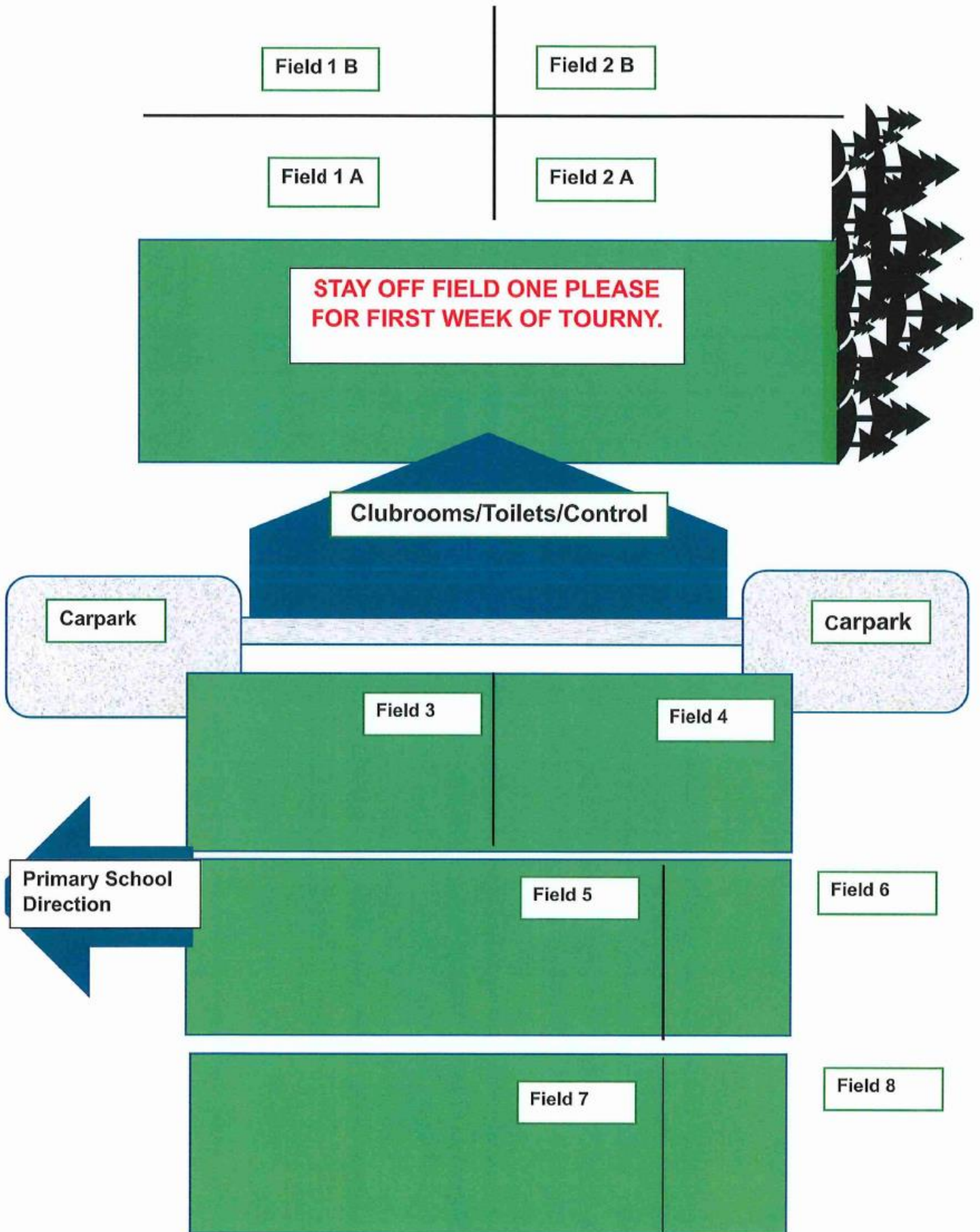
Putaruru Ripper Rugby Draw Thursday 14th March 2024

Please read the draw carefully. Some teams have 2 games. Year 3 and 4s move onto the mini mod fields (2A and 2B) on the 5pm round. If your team does not have two games this week, you will have two next week. Parents/Coaches to please ref your fields. Have fun and play fair!



| Round 1 – 4.00pm | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Field 1A mini mods (Year 1 and 2s) | Lichfield Cubs | St Marys Eagles |
| Field 1B | | |
| Field 2A | | |
| Field 2B | | |
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| Field 8 (Year 7& 8) | St Marys Hawks | Kaokaoroa Mawhero |
| Round 2 – 4.30pm | | |
| Field 1A mini mods (Year 1 and 2s) | Lichfield Cubs | Pukeatua Kea |
| Field 1B mini mods (Year 1 and 2s) | Kaokaoroa Teina 1 | PPS Dynamite |
| Field 2A mini mods (Year 1 and 2s) | Kaokaoroa Teina 2 | PPS Bolts |
| Field 2B mini mods (Year 1 and 2s) | Pukeatua Piwakawaka | Lichfield Pumas |
| Field 3 (Year 3 &4) | Lichfield Cheetahs | Kaokaoroa Teina 4 |
| Field 4 (Year 3 &4) | PPS Supersonic | Lichfield Tigers |
| Field 5 (Year 5&6) | Tirau Titans | Kaokaoroa Ma |
| Field 6 (Year 5&6) | PPS Turbos | St Marys Jaguars |
| Field 7 (Year 7& 8) | Kaokaoroa Kikorangi | Pukeatua Tui |
| Field 8 (Year 7& 8) | PC Titans | St Marys Titans |
| Round 3 – 5.00pm | | |
| Field 1A mini mods (Year 1 and 2s) | Pukeatua Kea | St Marys Eagles |
| Field 1B mini mods (Year 1 and 2s) | Pukeatua Piwakawaka | St Marys Meerkats |
| Field 2A (Year 3 &4) (Smaller Fields) | Te Waotu Ripper | PPS Speedsters |
| Field 2B (Year 3 &4) (Smaller Fields) | St Mary's Tigers | Kaokaoroa Teina 3 |
| Field 3 (Year 3 &4) | Lichfield Cheetahs | Pukeatua Kiwi |
| Field 4 (Year 3 &4) | Kaokaoroa Teina 4 | PPS Supersonic |
| Field 5 (Year 5&6) | Kaokaoroa Kowhai | PPS Turbos |
| Field 6 (Year 5&6) | St Marys Jaguars | Lichfield Panthers |
| Field 7 (Year 7& 8) | PC Stallions | St Marys Hawks |
| Field 8 (Year 7& 8) | Pukeatua Tui | Kaokaoroa Mawhero |

Field Layout 2024



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)