



Striving for Excellence
In the Marist Tradition

St Mary's Catholic School
Putaruru

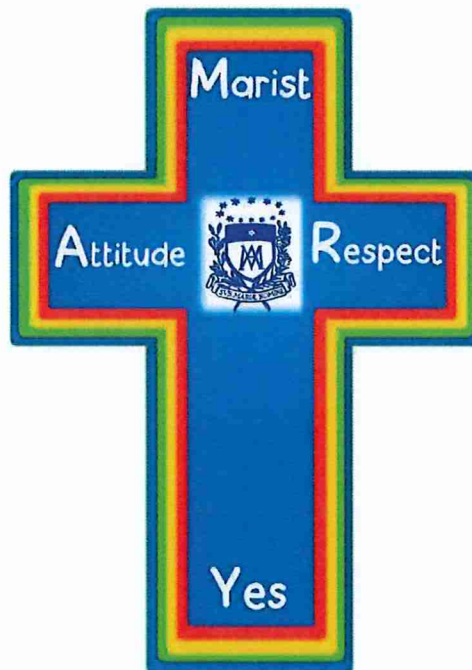
Principal - Mrs Jenny MacKenzie

NEWSLETTER
27th July 2023

MARIST

Excellence in learning and behaviour
We work hard
Kia mahi tahi tatou

ATTITUDE
Positive can-do attitude
We don't give up
Ngakau rekato



RESPECT
Consideration for ourselves, others
And the environment
We are caring and helpful
Manaakitangatou

YES

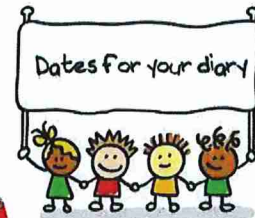
Yes to following in the footsteps of Jesus
We say Yes to doing the right thing
Kia mahi pono tahi tatou kit e mahi tikatou

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FRUIT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - SELF CONTROL - TERM 3

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

27 th July	-	Parent Meeting @ 3pm (reading programmes)
7th August	-	SCHOOL PHOTOS
15 th August	-	Assumption Mass
16 th August	-	Winter Sports
4-8 th Sept	-	AIMS Week
11-15 th Sept	-	Life Education Week
19 th Sept	-	SHREK Matinee
20-21 st Sept	-	SHREK Evening Performances



KAPA HAKA

Our Kapa Haka group had a fantastic day in Tauranga yesterday – we have all seen the video of their performance and are very proud of each and every one of the students who took part. We would like to say a big thank you to all the parents who helped out with transport and supervision – these events could not happen if it wasn't for you and your kind help.



WEARABLE ARTS

This year our Wearable Arts will be held on **Thursday 26th October at The Plaza**. This year the theme is "The 4 Elements". **WATER - FIRE - EARTH - AIR**



SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos are on Monday 7th August – Photolife will be at school by 9am to commence the mammoth job of photographing our wonderful students.



SCHOOL PRODUCTION – SHREK

We are very excited about our school production, SHREK, which is happening in September. All characters have been cast and the students have started their practicing. **We will be having a practice EVERY MONDAY this term from 3pm to 4pm in the school hall.**



BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club has started – this is on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7:40 to 8:10 in the breakfast club room.



PARENT MEETING

There is a parent meeting this afternoon at 3:15 in the staffroom to discuss our new reading programmes.



SPORTS UNIFORM

Please ensure that ALL sports uniforms are returned to school as soon as possible – we would appreciate it if you could wash them prior to returning. Thank you



THANK YOU

We recently had a very nice surprise, we received a beautiful planter box – this was from the Nestle stand at Fieldays and someone nominated our school to receive this – so we'd like to say a big **THANK YOU** to that person and we are super excited to have it constructed and filled with plants. We will put a photo in our newsletter as soon as it is put together and planted.



LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH GROUP

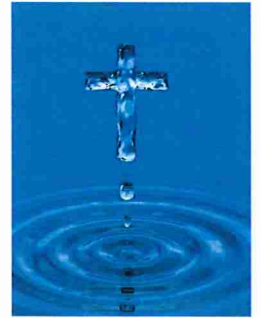
This resumes on Friday (28th July) at 6:30-8:00pm in the Parish Centre. All 8-13 year olds are welcome. Please phone Angelina on 07 882 1331 for further information if required.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

The dates for the next Baptism Preparation Course will be on Mondays 7th and 14th August at 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Centre.

These course – 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 please contact Bernie Farrell on 021 297 3595.



Karakia Timatanga

*Whakaāio ngā hau o te uru
Kia maru ai tātou
Ki raro i te whakaruruhau
Arā, te tupuna maunga
Ko "Maungatautari" *
He kāwatawata te kōangiāngi
Kia poipoia ai
Ngā tangata o te kura nei
Haumi e, hui e, taiki e!*

*Be calm the winds of the west
So we are protected
Beneath the shelter
That is the ancestor mountain
"Maungatautari" *
A gentle breeze blows
So we are cared for
The people of this school
Bound, linked and affirmed!*

**Change Maungatautari to your maunga •*

BASKETBALL - YEAR 7 & 8

Year 7 & 8 basketball has started - we are still looking for more players, so if you have a student who is keen to play - please let us know as soon as possible.



PUTARURU INTER-SCHOOLS COMPETITION 2023

YEAR 7/8 BASKETBALL

All games are played at Putāruru Sports Stadium

Round 1 - Tuesday 18th July

- 3:30pm Putāruru College Celtics vs Putāruru College Warriors
- 4:00pm Te Waotu vs Te kaokaoroa o pātetere (Kikorangi)
- 4:30pm Te kaokaoroa o pātetere (Mā) vs Pukeatua
- 5:00pm St Mary's (Kikorangi) vs St Mary's (Mā)

Round 2 - Tuesday 25th July

- 3:30pm Te kaokaoroa o pātetere (Kikorangi) vs Pukeatua
- 4:00pm St Mary's (Mā) vs Putāruru College Celtics
- 4:30pm Putāruru College Warriors vs Te kaokaoroa o pātetere (Mā)
- 5:00pm Te Waotu vs St Mary's (Kikorangi)

Round 3 - Tuesday 1st August

- 3:30pm Putāruru College Celtics vs Te Waotu
- 4:00pm St Mary's (Kikorangi) vs Pukeatua
- 4:30pm Putāruru College Warriors vs St Mary's (Mā)
- 5:00pm Te kaokaoroa o pātetere (Mā) vs Te kaokaoroa o pātetere (Kikorangi)

Round 4 - Tuesday 8th August

- 3:30pm St Mary's (Mā) vs Te kaokaoroa o pātetere (Mā)
- 4:00pm Te Waotu vs Putāruru College Warriors
- 4:30pm Pukeatua vs Putāruru College Celtics
- 5:00pm Te kaokaoroa o pātetere (Kikorangi) vs St Mary's (Kikorangi)



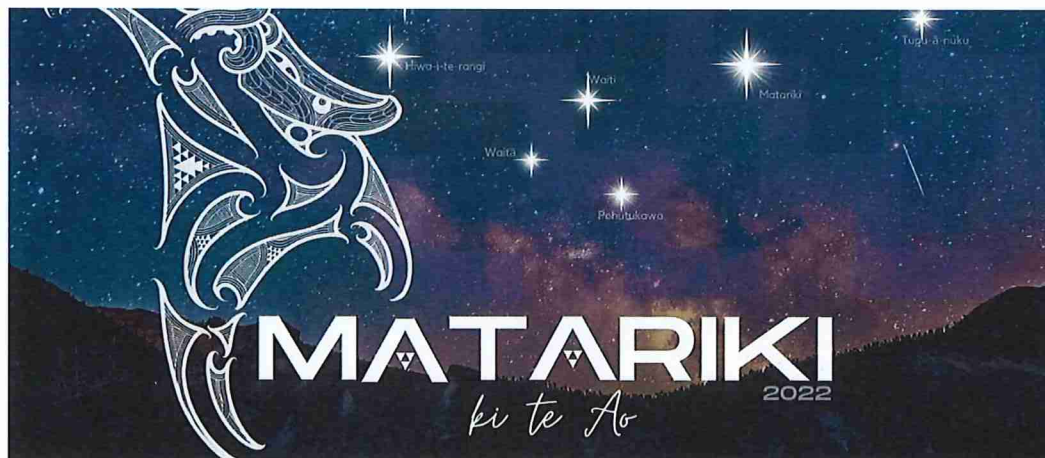
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Week 2 - Term 3



Important dates!

<p>St Mary of the Cross Liturgy Week 4 - Date TBC St Patrick's Church</p>	<p>Assumption of Mary Mass Liturgy Week 5 - Tuesday 15th August St Patrick's Church</p>	<p>Father's Day Liturgy Week 7 - Date TBC St Patrick's Church</p>
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On Thursday 20th of July, St Mary's commemorated Matariki with a mass. This was a Meha Maori mass to celebrate New Zealand's cultural diversity, and how fortunate we are to live in this beautiful country.

Putaruru Community Food Bank Roster:

ITEMS IN NEED...

Condiments, spreads, pasta sauces

Thank you so much for your support!

Week 1 - Staff
Week 2 - Room 2
Week 3 - Room 3
Week 4 - Room 4
Week 5 - Room 5
Week 6 - Room 6
Week 7 - Room 7
Week 8 - Room 8
Week 9 - Room 1
Week 10 - Staff



17th Sunday of Ordinary time - 30th July

Reading Summaries

- First Reading:

In **1 Kings 3:5, 7-12**, After becoming king, Solomon went to Gibeon to offer sacrifices to God. One night, God appeared to him in a dream, offering to grant any request he had. Solomon humbly acknowledged his inexperience as a ruler and expressed his desire for wisdom and discernment to govern the people of Israel justly and wisely.

God was pleased with Solomon's selfless request for wisdom instead of seeking personal gain or power. Impressed by Solomon's humility and noble intentions, God granted his plea and promised to give him a wise and understanding heart that surpassed all other rulers before him.

In addition to wisdom, God assured Solomon of abundant blessings, such as riches and honor, if he remained faithful and obedient to His ways. This divine wisdom made Solomon one of the wisest and most renowned kings in biblical history, enabling him to rule with justice and wisdom during his prosperous reign.

- Second Reading:

In Romans 8:28-30, the apostle Paul provides comfort and assurance to believers. He affirms that God's providential hand is at work in their lives, using all circumstances for their ultimate good, according to His divine purpose. Paul explains that even before time began, God knew and predestined those who would believe in Him. He called them to faith, justified them through Christ, and assured their future glorification. This unbroken chain of God's redemptive plan offers believers hope and confidence, knowing that their journey leads to eternal glory in Him.

- Gospel Reading

In Matthew 13:44-52, Jesus shares parables highlighting the priceless value of the Kingdom of Heaven. He emphasizes wholehearted commitment, discernment, and readiness for the final judgment. Understanding and living out God's Word are crucial to grasping the Kingdom's principles. The parables illustrate the need to sacrifice and prioritize the Kingdom above all else and the inclusive call for people from all walks of life.



17th Sunday of Ordinary time

PRAYER

Heavenly Father,



We thank you for the powerful teachings in the Gospel today. Help us to treasure Your Kingdom above all else, and give us the wisdom to understand and live by Your timeless principles. May our lives reflect sacrificial love, compassion, and inclusivity. Guide us through challenges, and let Your Kingdom come in every corner of the world. In Jesus' name, we pray.

Amen.

Marist Students

Well done to these two students who have shown the Marist values to the best of their abilities in everything they do!



*Alvin Gurung
Room 4*



*Lexie Joy Tebrio
Room 3*