

9 September

Focus for the Week: When Jesus healed the deaf mute man He showed compassion and a desire to help, no matter how big or small the problem may be. For anyone suffering, whether from illness, broken bones, sadness or simply the aches and pains of age, these problems certainly don't seem small. When we think about the other wondrous miracles that Jesus performed, the healing of one man may not seem noteworthy. After all, Jesus's first miracle was changing water into wine at a crowded wedding feast. He raised Lazarus and Jairus's daughter from the dead and walked on water! But Jesus makes clear to us that all of our troubles matter to Him. He cares about our happiness and wants us to bring our troubles to lay at His feet.

Value Focus: Excellence – Week 8 Through setting goals to improve, we are able to understand what our best is and where our limits at the time lie. While we can always strive to improve, the personal attitudes that sometimes accompany our best efforts are those of dissatisfaction. If we remain positive about our best efforts, knowing we gave the best we could at the time, with what we have, we are the better for it. One result of this is that we are less inclined to be focused on excelling in just one area of our lives, but a greater range. We are also less likely to judge ourselves by others standards. Being honest and true to ourselves and being happy along with it allows us to be more open to improvements in the future. *"I've got a theory that if you give 100 percent all of the time, somehow things will work out in the end."* ~Larry Bird
"They who would learn to fly one day must first learn to stand and walk and run and climb and dance; one cannot fly into flying." ~Friedrich Nietzsche

Maori Focus: "Wash your hands." "**Horoia ō ringaringa**"

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

PRINCIPAL'S PLATFORM:

E ngā mātua, Tena Koutou, Talofa

Tomorrow, Thursday 10 September, we welcome grandparents and senior friends into the school. The day for our visitors starts with Mass at 9.45 a.m. followed by a tree planting ceremony to commemorate 150 years of the Mission Sisters in New Zealand. This will then be followed by a morning tea before the team activities start. Any donations of baking for the morning tea would be greatly appreciated and can be left before school at the office.

Last week I attended a workshop on cyber safety which focussed on the responsibilities a parent has in teaching children cyber safety when they use cell phones or computers. Key messages were;

- Parents should only allow children to have phones, ipads, and computers on the condition parents can check the device from time to time to ensure that the language used and sites visited are in keeping with family values.
- Teach children never to engage in conversation or accept invitations from people that they don't know
- Never take photographs of people without their permission

- Only send photos to people who are family friends.
- Do not allow children under the age of 14 to have social network accounts. If children for some reason have a social network page you should be a friend of theirs.

Enrolments for next year are healthy and there no doubt will be some disappointed families who will not be able to get their child into Marian. If you know that your child will not be returning to Marian School next year please let the office know as this is extremely useful information that will help us with our planning

WELCOME: *We welcome Ryan Hennesey, Eve Allen, Levi Christensen, Abby Demdam and their families into our school community.*

ART AUCTION:

Artwork to be auctioned on the evening of September 11th can be viewed in the Atrium (senior school), up until the afternoon of the Art Auction. Should you wish to bid for an artwork to be auctioned, but are unavailable on the night, please email KMartin@marian.school.nz with the title of the work, the artist's name and your bid, no later than Friday 12 o'clock. To view the catalogue of artworks on offer at the auction you can go to the school website www.marian.school.nz and look under Arts at Marian in the menu bar.

MARIAN SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME:

Will be operating for the **first week** of the school holidays **September 28th to October 2nd**, from 8am to 5 pm - \$32 per day per child. Please see Mrs Coman to register or email her at mcoman@marian.school.

We also have flyers for other community based holiday programmes available at the office.

FREE EYE EXAM FOR Children Under 16yrs

At Visique Total Vision Optometrist Hamilton East until 30 September 2015

Phone 856-2611 or email totalvision@visique.co.nz

Team 4 Cross Country Results 2015

Year 8 Boys: 1st: Gabriel Jhang, 2nd Mathew Free, 3rd Alen James

Year 8 Girls: 1st: Halle Scurrah, 2nd Sophie Young, 3rd Dhanya King

Year 7 Boys: 1st: Oliver Gordon, 2nd Zak Trenwith, 3rd Taylor Wright

Year 7 Girls: 1st: Annabelle Gordon, 2nd Kitty McInerney, 3rd Kiera Roberts

Intermediate Catholic Interschool Cross Country Results 2015

Year 8 Boys: 2nd: Gabriel Jhang, 5th Mathew Free, 7th Alen James 10th Caleb Parsons – 1st Year 8 boys' team.

Year 8 Girls: 3rd Sophie Young 7th Dhanya King, Maggie Lowe, 2nd - Year 8 girls team

Year 7 Boys: 1st: Oliver Gordon, 6th Taylor Wright, 9th Zak Trenwith, 11th: 1st year 7 boys' team.

Year 7 Girls: 2nd: Annabelle Gordon, 3rd: Kitty McInerney, 7th: Kiera Roberts 1st – Year 7 girls' team.

To view full results up to 10th placings, see the Team 4 webpage.

MARIST SOCCER PRIZEGIVING

Arts Centre, Marian School, Wednesday 16 September 6pm sharp (please have players there by 5.50 pm. Players are to wear their Soccer uniform but no boots or shin pads. Players not competing in the 5-aside please bring another shirt to change into after handing in your Marist shirt.

CATHEDRAL CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The choir currently is seeking new members. If you enjoy singing and would like to be part of this beautiful ministry, you welcome to join us every Wednesday during term-time 3.20-4.30.

No auditions, all are welcome.

For more information please contact Kristin Browne 853-6008 bluebellmusik@gmail.com

FOR SALE: New pinafore (Size 8) and 1 yr old pinafore (Size 7) \$60 phone 0211356566

Grandparents Day

Thursday September 10th

Morning tea in the **Arts Centre** will follow the School Mass which starts at 9.45am. The PTFA have special Grandparents Tea Towels for sale outside the Library on the day for \$10

Format for Grandparents Day

9.45 – Mass in the Cathedral. Grandparents are welcome to sit with their grandchildren

10.45 – Tree Planting celebrating 150 years of the Mission Sisters in NZ

11.00 – Morning tea for Grandparents in the Arts Centre

11.30 – Classes open for Grandparents to visit

12.40 – Grandparents are welcome to join their grandchildren for a picnic lunch (bring your own picnic)

1.00 – 4 Glee performing in St Mary's Hall

1.30 - Team 2 children singing in the Hall

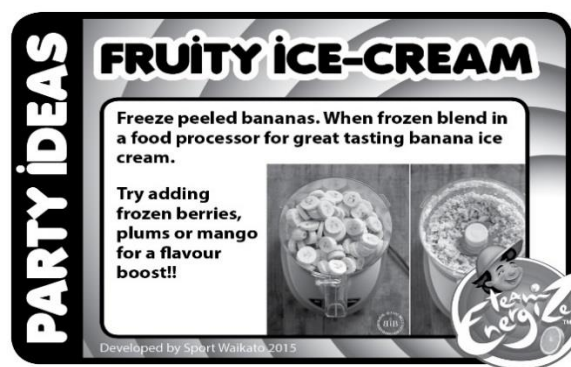
1.45 – Team 1 children folk dancing on the courts

2.00 – Kapa Haka performing in the St Mary's Hall

2.15 – Team 2 children will perform folk dancing on the courts.

Older children may accompany grandparents as they attend the activities of younger siblings after lunch, but grandparents must advise the classroom teacher first. Grandparents are welcome to take their grandchildren with them when they leave, but must tell the class teacher and inform the office. This is to ensure that we can account for children in the event of an emergency.

TRUMPET NOTICE: There will be no Trumpet lesson next week, Wednesday 16 September. Tutor will be away.



Sausage sizzle: This Friday \$2 each

God Bless you

John Coulam
PRINCIPAL

