

24 March

Focus for the Week: Focus for the Week: Be grateful - Fifth Sunday of Lent

What an amazing sermon Father Adrie preached on Solidarity Day. He showed us three pictures of children who lived in poverty in different parts of the world. One child was eating food scraps off the ground, another was washing their hair in the urine of a donkey, while the third child was pulling their way along the road towards food with a vulture sitting behind them looking at its prey. Father's message was, we all have food, water, a home to live in, and are we are able to feel safe. Some of us complain about getting out of bed in the morning – at least we have a bed. Some of us complain about our jobs – at least we have work and we are able to eat. Let us be thankful for what we have and not be wasteful because there are so many who go without.

Value Focus: Respect – Week 8

At Marian, our vision for our students is that they will be *“empowered to learn, inspired for life”*. This means that once they have completed their learning journey here, students will be empowered to continue learning for life. What does this mean for respect? If we are to reach our full potential, we must make the most of our learning opportunities, show resilience when barriers prevent us from immediately reaching our goals and try our hardest with our learning. We owe it to ourselves.

This in turn will allow us to make real our dreams and be inspired to make use of our continued learning in personally meaningful contexts throughout our lives.

“Get over the idea that only children should spend their time in study. Be a student so long as you still have something to learn, and this will mean all your life.” ~Henry L. Doherty

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

Principal's Platform:

Leavers: I have a number of Catholic children that have shifted into zone who are desperate for enrolment at Marian School this year. If there are any families that know that they will be leaving Marian between now and 30 June please let me know. If I know families are leaving then I am able to confidently commit myself to accepting unexpected enrolments.

Staff Changes: Teacher, Mrs Maria Maarhuis has commenced her maternity leave with her baby due for delivery on 29 March. Mrs Jane Barbour, the teacher of Room 20 leaves us at the end of term and is to be replaced next term by two very capable and experienced teachers. I am pleased to announce that Mrs Katerina Dale and Mrs Paula McLeod will be team teaching together in Room 20. Mrs Dale, who is currently on maternity leave from her Deputy Principal's position at Te Kowhai and Mrs McLeod have strengths in the teaching of Literacy and Numeracy. Both teachers have skills and interests that compliment each other. Mrs Dale will work Mondays and Tuesdays and Mrs McLeod will teach Wednesday to Friday.

If you have ever wondered what happens to the attendance dues you pay the Diocese you only have to look at the wonderful new library and the lovely facilities we have at Marian School. Tenders close next week for the refurbishment of the old library. Once the work has been completed the children of Room One will transfer across to this large room.

Work will commence in the holidays installing Heat pumps into classrooms 1-14.

Next week Mr Ray Scott, The Principal of St John's College is leaving to become Principal Aquinas College in Tauranga. On behalf of this community I have extended

every blessing and success to Ray and wish him well for the future.

Marist Soccer Registrations: These have now closed. Teams will be announced to coaches this week. The first game will be Saturday 24 April.

Board of Trustees – Nomination Forms These were sent out to parents 10 days ago. If you did not receive one, please phone the school office urgently. Please consider standing for the Board. The Board has six positions to fill. If you or someone puts your name forward, remember to submit a brief (up to 400 words) statement. (3 nominations so far!)
Many thanks – Marian Panettiere (Returning Officer)

Reminder: Parent Information evening regarding National Standards in Schools, this Thursday at 6:30pm in the staffroom.

No Mass this week but Team 4 have reconciliation at 9:15am on Thursday.

Easter Mass Times:

- Palm Sunday – This Sunday 10:30am
- Mass of Christ – Tues 30 March, at 7:00pm
- Mass of the Last Supper – Thurs 1 April 7:00pm
- Stations of the Cross – Fri 2 April 9am (Suitable for children)
- The Passion of Our Lord – Fri 2 April, 3:00pm
- Easter Vigil – Sat 3 April, 7:00pm
- Easter Sun – Sun 4 April, 7:30am, 10:30am (Children's Mass), and 6:00pm
Flowers wanted for the Children's Mass please

Out of School Music: Catch up classes

- For next week only, the **Friday Flute class** will be held on **Wednesday**
- There will be a **catch-up lesson for Continuer Guitar next MONDAY.**

ART AUCTION PROJECT MAY 20TH Thank you for all the goods that are being donated to your classroom teachers or the box in the office. We still need picture frames to come in and we also need any parent who could donate some time to do some sewing for a classroom art project. Please contact Alice Cornforth 8550622 or Dael Cullingworth Rm 6. Thank you. Art Auction Committee

All artists wanted. - If you or someone you know would like to submit art work to sell, into the upcoming Art Auction, please arrange to collect a registration form from the school office, alternatively contact kerrie@artswaikato.org.nz Any questions can also be directed Kerrie's way.

The 'May Makeover' Cene clothing shopping night fundraiser 2010

Calling for any **interested sponsors** – put your business forward to be involved! Please contact us urgently so we can designate you a slot – either in form of spot prizes, wine/food sponsorship or raffle contribution.

Alice Cornforth – 0272726648 or Julie Chatwin - 021779373

Celebrating Success:

The Hillcrest Swimming Club Champs were held in the weekend, Well done to the following girls:

- Melissa Petrin IM Medley 1st taking 8 seconds off time, 100 Breaststroke 1st, 100 Freestyle 2nd, 50 Butterfly 2nd Melissa is ranked between 5th and 6th fastest in her age group
- Kellie Petrin IM Medley 1st, 50 Freestyle 1st, 50 Breaststroke 2nd, 25 Butterfly 3rd 100 Freestyle 4th Kellie is ranked between 2nd and 3rd fastest in her age group
- Lucy van der Hulst 100 Backstroke 3rd, 50 Breaststroke 3rd, 50 Freestyle 3rd, 100 Freestyle 3rd Lucy is ranked between 3rd and 4th fastest for her age group

WFPSA – Swimming Sports

- Congratulations to Claudia Ashby who was placed first overall in the Year 7 Competition.

This Week's Health Nugget:

Pineapple Pops

Summer Recipe 3

Try these **Pineapple Pops** to keep you cool over summer! (serves 6)

Ingredients:

- 2 cups plain yoghurt
- 1/2 cup canned crushed pineapple (in juice)
- 300mls of pineapple or orange-pineapple juice

Method:

1. Drain the can of crushed pineapple so all the juice runs out. Put all the ingredients in a bowl and mix together.
2. Spoon the mixture into the paper cups. Fill almost to the top.
3. Stretch a small piece of plastic wrap across the top of each cup.
4. Using the popsicle stick, poke a hole in the plastic wrap. Stand the stick straight up in the centre of the cup.
5. Put the cups in the freezer until the mix is frozen.
6. Remove the plastic wrap and peel away the paper cup.



Lost:

- navy blue bike shorts, pink goggles, 'Food, Wine and Jazz Festival' bag. All named except for the bag. Please return to Madeleine Bean Rm7.
- A pair of black Roman Sandals named Joshua Burgess – please return to Rm 19.

Asian Parent Meeting: Thank you for the wonderful turnout of parents at our reporting meeting on achievement of Asian Students

Regards – Delia Wilson

Marian After School Care Holiday

Programme: 12 – 16 April (Week 2 of the school holidays) From 8am – 5pm daily. If you are interested, please see Maree at ASC or Marian at the school office.

Transport Desparately Needed

Transport needed for a 10 year old girl from Room 12, and a 5 year old boy Room 5, to and from Marian School. Pickup and drop off at Vardon Road or Beerescourt Road (at the end of Vardon) or nearby. Petrol costs covered.

Any help would be gratefully appreciated, even if you can only do one way. Please contact: Kersti Mead-Johnstone 021 910 978 or 027 218 1538

Nit Product: Nit-Enz is now available at Mill Street Pak n Save, Hillcrest New World, Rototuna New World and Te Rapa New World. For more information, visit www.nit-enz.com

Public Notices:

- **The Magical Garden Holiday Programme:** Spaces available. Visit www.magicalgarden.co.nz or phone 856 6146
- **Kelly Sport:** Two holiday programmes, Rugby and netball clinics. Phone 0800 898 444 or contact waikato@kellysports.co.nz
- **Youthfit Rugby Holiday Programme:** covering core skills in week 2 of the school holidays. Cost \$97.00 Phone 027 263 4578 or email info@nzyfs.com
- **YouthFit backyard Sports:** Held at YouthFit training centre. \$11. per week or @25 per day. Contact 853 7663 or email info@nzyfs.com
- **Bubbledome:** Learn how to make 3D Animation and Games Design. Phone 0800 438 282 or email info@bubbledome.co.nz

For Sale:

- A 200 x 200cm spa pool in good condition. \$600.00 o.n.o. Phone 824 3007
- Adidas Soccer boots size UK 4.5. EUR 37.5 good condition Phone 027 676 2381
- Lotto Soccer boots size UK 5, EUR 38, worn twice only – phone 027 676 2381

Sausage Sizzle: This Friday \$1.00 each

God Bless You
John Coualm
Principal

Flyer:

- Sport Notices and Team 3 Swim Results
- Kelly Sport