

18 October

Focus for the Week: Love Seeks to Serve

Love cannot remain by itself – it has no meaning. Love has to be put into action and action into service.

How do we put the love of God into action? By being faithful to our family to the duties that God has entrusted to us. Whatever form we are able or disabled, rich or poor, it is not how much we do but how much love we put in the doing – a life long sharing of love for others.

Mother Teresa

Principal's Platform:

Dear Parents and Caregivers; **An URGENT and IMPORTANT** notice to all families;

- Classes will cease at 12.30 p.m. on **Friday 3 November** to allow staff to attend a paid stop work meeting in Cambridge. This is part of the teachers' employment agreement. The Marian staff has chosen to attend a Friday afternoon meeting out of town rather than disrupt families midweek. While there will be some staff available to supervise children until 3 p.m., where possible it would be helpful if children could be collected between 12.30 and 1 p.m. After School Care will operate from 3 p.m.
- A reminder that there will be a **Teacher Only Day on Monday 6 November** and the school will be closed for instruction.
- The Mission Day Mass on Friday 20 November is at 10.45 a.m., please note the change of time from that previously advised.
- If you are planning your 2007 holiday breaks now, then I am sure that the 2007 school dates will be helpful.

2007 - PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS			
Term 1	Wednesday 7 February	To	Thursday 5 April
Term 2	Monday 23 April	To	Friday 29 June
Term 3	Monday 16 July	To	Friday 21 September
Term 4	Monday 8 October	To	Thursday 20 December

Bereavement: We offer our deepest sympathies to:

- Cheryl Fletcher and her family on the death of her much loved father.
- Leticia Feausi and her family on the death of her much loved Grandfather.

May they rest in peace.

Welcome: We warmly welcome into our school community the following children and their families: Ella Graham (Rm4), Bailee Bristowe (Rm5), Joshua Frires-Carroll (Rm4), Chase Hennessey (Rm5) and Sorcha Miles (Rm4).

Mufti Day: This Friday (Mission Day) will be a **Mufti Day** for the fee of a **gold coin** donation. All proceeds will go to the Missions.

PROPOSED MISSION DAY ORGANISATION

- 8:15am A practice for the Readers and children saying prayers in the Cathedral.
- 10:15 Playtime
- 10:45 **Full School Mass**
- 11:50 Seniors set up stalls.
- 12:10pm Team 1
- 12:20pm Team 2
- 12:30pm Teams 3 & 4.
- 1:45pm Cleanup – Team 3 & 4
- 2:30pm Raffle announcements under the willow tree.

MISSION DAY REMINDER:

This Friday, you have a wonderful opportunity to get behind your children and give to the missions. Any baking and sweets will be gratefully received and can be dropped off in the atrium in the senior school on Friday morning. There will be a special full school Mass at 10:45am and you are all very welcome to join us. Children are asked to bring along a can of food to be taken up at the offertory procession, to be distributed later to needy families by the St Vincent de Paul Society. Children will need money to buy from the stalls, a gold coin for mufti and the day will end with a coin trail. The stalls will open at 12:10pm. Raffle tickets can be bought between now and Friday, and will be drawn and prizes given out Friday on afternoon. Please help us to make this a successful day, so that we in turn can help missionaries to spread the Good News, by reaching out to others with the hands of Christ.

Coins: Please use Mission Day as an opportunity for you to get rid of all your old coins. After the 31 October they will no longer be accepted by the banks! (We do not accept foreign coins).

Guardian Angel Required: For the next 5 weeks so that one our mums can attend the Tool Box Parenting Programme on Tuesdays from 7-9pm. Venue- either your home or theirs. Please contact Martha urgently.

PTFA Quiz Night: Saturday 28 October at 7pm. Please see separate flyer.

PTFA Meeting: This will be held on 24 October at 7:30pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

Tuesday Morning Community Awareness Meetings:

For the rest of this term, invited speakers will talk to parents about the Community we live in. This week's guest speaker is Jane Landman from the Hamilton East Community Centre. Please come and support these speakers over a cuppa.

Venue: Te Whare Taonga

Date: Every Tuesday (starting 24 October)

Time: 9:30 – 10:30

Thank you - Martha

Whanau Meeting: Tēnā koutou katoa

Warm greetings to you all

The countdown is on. You have one week to prepare. We have our next Whanau meeting scheduled for next

Wednesday evening. Martha will be speaking on adjusting to a new culture and we will be asking parents how we can

assist you to help your children with their homework?

Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served!

What: Whanau parent meeting

Where: Te Whare Taonga

When: 7pm Wednesday 25th October

Mā te Atua e koe e manaaki. (God Bless You).

Nā Whaea Doak

Nā Antonia Fong-Molenaar

Lost: A school Jersey named Isabelle Johnson. Please return to Rm 13.

For Sale: 2 x 2 seater lounge suites and chair. Please phone Brenda 846 7694 or 021 263 8656

To Rent: 80 Clyde St, available 4 November. 3 bedrooms, single garage with internal access. \$240.00 per week. Phone Jan 856 7870

Mary Poppins: (Presented by the Valerie Lisette School of Dance).

Fri 27 Oct at 7pm

Sat 28 Oct 11am & 2pm

Founders Theatre – book at TicketDirect

Miniatures and Dollshouse Exhibition and Sale:

Labour Weekend 21st, 22nd & 23rd October from 10am – 4pm daily. Adults \$5.00 – Children \$2.00

Kingsgate Hotel, 100 Garnett Ave, Hamilton

Waikato Biodiversity Forum: BioBlitz 2006 – Finding nature in Hamilton City

Free event at the Museum and the riverbank behind the Museum, Grantham St. Bring the children.

Join the fun with top scientists as they search and find hundreds of New Zealand's unique plants and animals over a 24 hour period.

Begins 12 midday on Friday 10 November until closing ceremony 2pm on Saturday 11 November when the final tally of species

found will be released. See www.waikatobiodiversity.org.nz or phone 846 5066.

Maths and English: The Hamilton Kumon study centre in Hillcrest and Chartwell offer after school Maths and English programmes to:

- develop good study habits
- motivate and instill confidence
- enhance academic abilities (remedial or extension.)
- promote independent learning

For enquiries or a free assessment, call Ruth Fong on 855 0375 or 021 269 7402.

Notice for Sebastians Lowe's Violin Pupils: In preparation for the Music Appreciation Evening on 2 November, Sebastian will be combining his classes so the children can practice their performance pieces all together. Lessons will be from 8am to 9am for all children on Thurs 26 Oct Fri 27 Oct and Thurs 2 Nov.

Want a great family day that is great value for money??

Sure Slim Wellness Clinic - Two Parks Family Fun run & Walk Event Sunday 29th October, Jansen Park –Hillcrest from 12noon

- Free activity trail for kids - try soccer, rugby, karate, netball, & meet some local past & present heroes, e.g. Craig Barrett, Steve Gordon, Matthew Cooper, Waikato Netball Team members
- Hillcrest Healthcare Rowing Competition & Gumboot Throw - fantastic prizes for male /female open/ U16yrs categories.
- The run /walk is doable for **all** ages & stages, 1.5Km or 3.5Km
- Roving acrobat
- Celebrity team challenge.

Win your share of \$25,000 worth of products, services and prizes. A family Weekend away, V8 Hotlap at Pukekohe, Balloon ride for 2, Dive Course, Karate Lessons, Golf Membership, pamper products.

Entry forms available from Sure Slim Wellness Clinic Grey St, Hamilton Libraries, The Shoe Clinic, or download from our website.

Entries before October 25th 5yrs-adults \$5 2-5yrs \$2 under 2yrs **free**. **Late/walk up** 5yrs-adults \$8 2-5yrs \$3 under 2yrs **free**. More info at www.twoparks.co.nz **ph 07 856 3977**

LEARN HOW TO RUN FASTER!!!

At Hinemoa Athletics Club, Thursdays at Steele Park, Hamilton East. Starts 5.45pm

Enquiries Ph Barrie Jennings 8252685, or Gail Wood 8252230

Dance Classes by Planet Dance: from Beginners to Advanced, you can usually start any time. You don't have to bring a partner. It's fun, useful socially and value for money with professional teaching. Choose from Salsa, Latin Rock, Argentine Tango, Ballroom. Phone 855 4243 for more information.

Sausage Sizzle: This Friday \$1.00 per sausage

Newsletter – hopefully the sponsored newsprint will arrive within the next week or two.

God Bless You

John Coulam
Principal

Flyers:

- PTFA
- Mary Poppins