

14 June

Focus for the Week: Feast of the Trinity John 3: 16-18

Trinity means something made up of three, and in this week's gospel we give thanks for the three persons of God.

God the Father created the world and everything in it. He sent His son Jesus to save us from our sins.

God the Son is Jesus and He was made human. We know the many stories which tell us of His kindness and goodness and His love for all people. He sacrificed Himself on the cross for us because His love was so great.

God the Holy Spirit is invisible but all powerful. The Holy Spirit fills us with God's life and warms our hearts with the fire of God's love and courage.

There are three persons but only one God. The Trinity is a mystery which we cannot really understand, but because we know that God can do anything, we believe in this mystery. It is part of our faith.

Values Focus for the Week: Respect – Week 7

Our increasing global community brought about by reduced travel time and escalating communication options allows us growing interaction with other cultures. With this phenomenon we come into contact with people who hold different world views and opinions from our own. What does this mean for relationships? To nurture connections across cultures never has respect been more important. Seeking to understand why various societies hold certain viewpoints and beliefs allows us to determine common ground, and to appreciate that there is no one way to approach anything even if ultimately we select our way. The experiences gained through maintaining respectful relationships with people who have largely different perspectives from our own, allows us to develop a deeper acceptance of other cultures and viewpoints. Such understanding sets the platform for ultimately a more tolerant, inclusive and understanding world.

"People of different religions and cultures live side by side in almost every part of the world, and most of us have overlapping identities which unite us with very different groups. We can love what we are, without hating what – and who – we are not. We can thrive in our own tradition, even as we learn from others, and come to respect their teachings." –Kofi Annan

"I believe that strong and vibrant cultures themselves nurture tolerance and justice. All cultures worth the name protect support and encourage diversity" - Nafis Sadik

This Week's Maori Language Phrase: *Kei te aha koe i tēnei rā?* What are you up to today?

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

Principal's Reflection:**New Zealand's National Agricultural Fieldays event**

A HUGE THANK YOU to the parents and parishioners who have volunteered to work at the Field days to raise funds for our school. This is an annual opportunity and the funds are much needed and appreciated by Marian Catholic School.

New Zealand's National Agricultural Fieldays event which takes place at the 113-hectare Mystery Creek Events Centre every June is the largest event of its kind in the southern hemisphere. This annual event attracts more than 120,000 visitors and more than 1,400 exhibitors. The four-day event, which started in 1969, showcases all things agricultural - new products and services, technologies and innovations, as well as celebrating the achievements of the rural community.

Fieldays Facts

- Fieldays was first conceptualised in 1968 by a group of local Waikato men
- Fieldays was first held at Te Rapa Racecourse in 1969 with a budget of \$10,500
- The first Fieldays event attracted an estimated 15,000 people
- The event was moved to the land known as Mystery Creek in 1971
- The Mystery Creek Pavilion and Mystery Creek Events Centre were created in 1995
- Today Fieldays attracts visitors from an average of 38 countries
- The 40th Fieldays in 2008 attracted a record 131,000 people over 4 days

It is interesting to note that Innovation is a founding pillar of Fieldays and the Fieldays Innovations Centre is at the heart of the event. We can all feel proud of this international Waikato event.

**Congratulations
Gwynne Shield
Representatives**

PHOTO

Hugo Barbour, Jack
O'Brien, Brodie Thomas,
Caleb Wright and Kahn
Sweetman.



Welcome: We warmly welcome into our school community Anjalika Sailaja (Rm5).

St John's College and Sacred Heart Girls' College to Visit Yr8 students.

Representatives from the Secondary schools will be coming to Marian School to speak to all Year 8s on **Tuesday, 27th June 2017 at 1.30pm.**

The boys will meet in the Green Room of the Gerry Sullivan Events Centre and the girls will meet in the atrium at this time. If you do not wish your child to attend, please email the classroom teacher in advance. Parents you are welcome to attend.

Winter Sports: This Friday 78 Team 3 Students will be representing Marian at the South East Cluster Winter Sports Tournament held at the University of Waikato and St John's College.

They will be participating in a variety of sporting codes (Rugby, Soccer, Hockey, Netball and Basketball). Draws can be located on the Marian School Website under Team 3 Sport.

There will be food available for purchase at the University grounds. We wish the athletes the best of luck, any queries please contact Becki Botherway on bbotherway@marian.school.nz

Marian After School Care Holiday Programme:

Dates for these holidays will be 10-14 July, \$32.00 per day per child. Please register with Mrs Coman at After School Care in the Hall or email mcoman@marian.school.nz

MM SPORTS - JULY SPORTS DAYS

For: Years 4-8

When: Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th July 2017

Who: Mr Mac senior (Primary School Principal) and Mr Mac junior (Secondary School A.P. / P.E. Teacher)

Where: Marian School (Gerry Sullivan Event Centre)

Time: 9.00am-3.00pm

Cost: \$30 per day

There will be a large variety of sports and challenges on the day: Soccer comps, Dodgeball, Rippa Rugby, Basketball, Netball, Benchball, Coney Island etc
Registration forms will be sent out in due course.

Celebrating Success:

The following students have been chosen to represent Waikato for the upcoming representative soccer season

- Under 9
- Kristian Bates
 - Jackson Hay

- Under 10
- Byron Casson

- Under 11
- Isaac Bates
 - Luka Dale

Entertainment Books: Just a reminder to collect your new Entertainment Books now from the school office. They are valid up to 1 June 2018. Cost is \$65.00 each.

Protein Bars: There are still some Chocolate Protein Bars left. \$20.00 per box of 10. Very healthy snacking and low in sugar!

This Week's Health Nugget:



Confirmation and First Holy Communion:

date is set for Sunday 26 November at 10:30am Mass. The programme begins in Term 3. Enrolment forms are available at the Parish Office.
Email andrea@cathedral.cdh.nz

Want to learn to play the GUITAR or UKULELE? Here at Marian you can, with the help of MusiqHub. Just contact Carl for more info...
toezee@gmail.com 027 388 9558

Sausage Sizzle: This Friday - \$2.00 each

God Bless You

Debra A White
Principal

Flyers

- Sport