

23 August

Focus for the Week: The Canaanite Woman. Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time Matthew 15:21-28 .

In this week's gospel we hear of the Canaanite woman asking Jesus for His help. At first it seemed Jesus wasn't going to help her because she was a Canaanite not one of His believers. But the trust and strength of her belief, the way she kept asking for His help meant that Jesus helped her.

Jesus shows us that His message is for everyone not just the Jewish people. He is always ready to help anyone who asks because He loves all of us. If our belief is strong like the Canaanite woman, our prayers will be answered

Values Focus: Environment – Week 5

The common saying "Out of sight, out of mind" from an environmental perspective was never more clearly illustrated than an news story a few years ago. A ship transporting garbage had spent 3 years travelling the globe under the charge of various crews, while nobody took responsibility for its cargo and safe disposal. Did the original company who sent the ship off from its original port, envisage this? Probably not.

When we use things, do we pay attention to the choices we will then make with its eventual disposal? Does this in turn lead us to think about alternative products that lend themselves to lasting longer, reducing waste, reuse and recycling or have minimum environmental impact in their manufacture?

When we dispose of things, are we making the best choice we can to ensure we are minimising the effect on the environment? In a throwaway, instant society, out of sight, out of mind is no longer an acceptable solution.

"Waste is a tax on the whole people". ~Albert W. Atwood

Maori Language Phrase: Kei te hiakai koe? Are you hungry?

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

Principal's Reflection:

We are exploring taking our weekly school newsletter online. This term we are focussing on our value: Caring for our Environment . So it is timely we look at utilising technology to create a more sustainable option for our school newsletters. Our current paper newsletters rely on sponsorship which are included on the back of our newsletter. We would like to thank all our sponsors for their wonderful support of our school. We will continue to have sponsorship for our online newsletter with a page dedicated to our sponsors. The advertisements will be able to be in full colour. Mrs Panettiere is working through our parent database to ensure we have current emails for all our families. Please make sure the office has your correct email address. You can email Mrs Panettiere any corrections or additions to secretary@marian.school.nz

Celebrating our Year 7-8 area.

What a busy week our Year 7 and 8 students and teachers had last week. These following successes are the result of months of hard work!

Maths/Problem Solving Success: Congratulations to our WAIMATHS teams. We had two teams - one Year 7 and one Year 8 team represent our school at the annual Waikato Mathematics Association Problem Solving competition. Both teams finished 5th out of over 20 teams from Intermediate and Full Primary schools across the Waikato. A huge thank you to Mrs Nicole Higby and Mr Josh McCabe for working with these students to develop such accomplished skills in this area.

Science Fair Success

Congratulations to Olivia McDonald and Louisa Tan who were placed 3rd in the Year 8 section of the NIWA Science Fair this week. Their research project was based on Gully Predators.

ROCKSHOP BANDQUEST - BATTLE OF THE BANDS

Last Friday night the two Marian School Rock Bands took to the stage at Clarence St Theatre. They competed in the regional Rock Band School Competition- Band Quest. Both bands did the school proud and had the crowd tapping their toes, to their original song and cover song. Leejay Trenwith and Charlie Moon won the horn section on the night and the boys' band, Broken Beats, tutored by Sam Trenwith, won best band on the night, out of the 16 competing bands. They will now go on and represent Marian School at the National Competition. Well done to all involved and special thanks to Sam and Lou Pereira for your energy and dedication to our musicians.

Open Morning Year 7-8 area

On Tuesday morning we held an Open Morning for interested parents in our Year 7-8 area. I would like to acknowledge the wonderful Year 8 students who spoke so articulately and confidently about the benefits of attending our school. If any of our current Year 6 parents have any questions about our Year 7-8 area please contact Mrs Kerrie Martin who will be only too willing to answer any queries. kmartin@marian.school.nz

Welcome: We warmly welcome into our school community the following children and their families; Isabel Kidman (Rm5), Jack Sonntag (Rm5), William Fraser-Jones (Rm5), Oriska Nanai-Leota (Rm13), Linga Nanai-Leota (Rm15), and Veronica Nanai-Leota (Rm4).

MARIAN SCHOOL ENROLMENTS 2018 : Priority is given to eligible students who have pre-enrolled by 15 September. If you have a new entrant to start next year, or know of anyone wishing to attend Marian School, please ensure enrolment forms are in by the end of this term.

PTFA BIG FUNDRAISER FOR THE YEAR!

🎉 ONE NIGHT ONLY 🎉

Come and support your school!

Don't miss out!

\$25 tickets only available

Friday 1st September @ 7pm

Awesome Band (The Skinnys), platters, bar, Auctioneer (John Coulam), MC (Bart Karalus)

Tickets on sale @ the school office!

DAFFODIL DAY - this Friday 25th August.

The Student Council will be selling fresh daffodils for a gold coin donation on both courts on Friday before school. Children can keep their flowers in class for the day and bring them home after school.

All profits to Cancer Society.

ROCKSHOP-BANQUEST (BATTLE OF THE BANDS)

Congratulations to both bands for a fantastic effort and entertaining night at this year's BANDQUEST at Clarence Street Theatre. We were so proud to see so many of you representing our school with such pride and confidence. A huge congratulations to our band - BROKEN BEATS who won FIRST PLACE at the Regional Final. Now one of the thirteen bands from around the country will submit LIVE footage of their two songs and be in the running for the National Winner - announced on September 20th. Fingers crossed boys and Good Luck! BROKEN BEATS band have won a Rockshop Credit of \$400 for our school department.

Also, both Charlie Moon and Leejay Trenwith won Musicianship Awards, awesome success all round. Well done everyone!

Thanks to Sam Trenwith, parents, caregivers and fans for all their support and commitment to both bands BROKEN BEATS and AMP'D UP.

- Louella Pereira 🎵🎶

PANCAKE DAY NEXT FRIDAY 1st SEPTEMBER

\$3 for 2 pancakes. Toppings: Cream, chocolate mousse and jam.

Pre orders for Teams 1 and 2 starting next Wednesday.

Walk up sales for Teams 3 and 4.

20 Marian students are heading to AIMS Games in September to compete at a high level in futsal, hockey, badminton and squash.

Help them raise funds to get there.

Important Dates for your Calendar

Fri 1 st Sept	PTFA Spring Social
Wed 6 th Sept	Speech Finals
Thurs 7 Sept	Vision & Hearing Technician
Thurs 14 Sept	Grandparents Day
Thurs 14 Sept	Scholastic Book Fair
Tues 19 Sept	Tackling Technology Seminar

Homestay Families Needed

Waikato Diocesan School are looking for more wonderful homestay families to host our International students on a short or long term basis. Payment is \$240 per week or \$40 per night on a weekend stay. For more information contact Kym Plaisted on 021 811871 or kplaisted@wdschool.nz

MARK YOUR DIARIES: Friday 8 September 6.00pm for the Most Rev Denis Browne Bishop Emeritus of Hamilton as he reaches the combined milestones of his 80th birthday, 55 years ordained a priest and 40 years as a Bishop.

This Week's Health Nugget:



Lost:

- A School Jumper with the name Oisin - please return to Finn Ryan in Room 22

Found:

- A girl's watch left at TechArts. Please claim at the Marian School Office.

Tui Motu: We are an independent, monthly Catholic magazine publishing 11 issues per annum. I'm sure we would be of interest to the wider school community!

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Sausage Sizzle: This Friday - \$2.00 ea

God Bless You
Debra A White
Principal