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BRING CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

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#### Focus for the Week: Jesus is the vine, we are the branches John 15: 1-8

Fifth Sunday of

Easter In Sunday's gospel reading, Jesus used the story of the vine and branches to explain that we are in partnership By reading and listening to scripture and with him. celebrating the sacraments, we receive his spiritual nourishment to grow and bear fruit. John's letter reminds us that this fruit is love and we express this love by our thoughts, words and actions in our daily lives.

Jesus is living and working in our lives. By being kind and loving, ready to forgive, honest and generous, the fruits of Jesus' love are there for all to see.

#### Values Focus: <u>RESILIENCE – Week 1</u>

To show resilience, we must start with a positive outlook and attitude. Strong examples are seen in people who aim to achieve their goals and succeed every time, even if they don't.

Starting first with saying "I can", even if things are hard, allows us to see solutions instead of problems.

A man is but the product of his thoughts what he thinks. he becomes."

## Maori Language Phrase:

Me hui tātou, Let's (more than two of us) have a meeting.

## Principal's Reflection:

Let us thank all those who teach in Catholic Schools. Educating is an act of love: it is like giving life. Pope Francis

Welcome back to Term Two. This morning on Breakfast, the president of the NZEI, Linda Stuart, was interviewed about the increasing demands on teachers and schools as they work to do their best with our

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children today. Increased challenging behaviour, learning needs, and social issues are impacting classrooms and schools around the country. As part of the current pay negotiations NZEI want to raise awareness of the difficult job our teachers and support staff have meeting these needs. Reading Pope Francis' quote above reminds us what a treasure our teachers and support staff are as they work within our Catholic Schools educating our young people in the most important of life lessons - how to show God's love to others through their thoughts, actions and words. Our classrooms are places of peace, nurturing and building relationships on which our children can thrive and learn. We are indeed blessed here with our teaching and support staff at Marian Catholic School.

Learning this Term - Great Minds - strong science focus this term

This year our big umbrella theme for learning is *Me titiro* whakamuri kia anga whakamua We must look to the past to strive for the future.

To begin the year, in term one we looked at 'I am me, we are,' starting with celebrating who we are. This learning was celebrated at our Gold Card assembly where the selected classes shared highlights from their inquiry learning.

This term our Inquiry is 'Great minds'. Across the school there will be a strong science focus for learning this term. Some of the contexts for learning are: In Team Three they are looking at 'Great minds are the key to our future'. The hook into the learning was a presentation on 'Our Amazing Brains' by a biology teacher from Sacred Heart.

Team Four are looking at 'Eureka! We are learning to use our great minds to make a difference in our world'. To hook the students into their learning this week they are all involved in science experiments to hook them into the curious minds of scientists. A very exciting term ahead.

#### CONGRATULATIONS Fully Registered

Teachers Mrs Vania McKeown, Mrs Sally Swart and Miss Suzanne D'Cruz have completed all the professional requirements to gain their Full Teachers Registration. This process is additional to their University degree, making five years of training. We are very proud of these exceptional teachers and the work they do with their students. Congratulations to each of these teachers on gaining full registration.

#### WELCOME BACK

We welcome Mrs Hill back from maternity leave. Mrs Hill is working part time this term in Rooms 3 and 7 and doing some Release Days for teachers across the school.

Mass: Full school Mass will be celebrated tomorrow (Thursday) at 9:10am. All welcome. A non-perishable food item for the foodbank would be most appreciated.

Welcome: We warmly welcome into our school community the following children and their families; Mikaere August (Rm4), Gladwin Chakkissery (Rm6), Johan Fransen (Rm5), Zinnia Gray-Smith (Rm4), Jack Jordan (Rm5), Felicity Lewis (Rm5), Flora Luo (Rm4), Penelope Patnugot (Rm4) and Jelin Shibu (Rm4)

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Your username is the email address that you have previously shared with the school. Enter your email and then click **Get New Password** An email will be sent to you containing a link for you to **click on**. The link will take you to a page where you will see your new password. If you choose to personalise this, you can delete the generated password and **enter your own strong, secure password**.

Click '**Menu'** and then the circle with the 'dollar' sign in it - this is where you are able to access your invoices..

Uniform: We do not have a set date for changing from summer to winter uniform. However, whichever uniform the students are wearing they need to wear the complete uniform and not a combination of the two. Information about the uniform is on the school website under Parent Links and enrolment information – Uniform Policy. Please make sure you name all your child's belongings, especially shoes and socks.

## Marian Catholic School Yr 4-6 Choir. Hi

everyone, we've had a lovely start to the year with our **Year 4-6 Choir.** 

I've received many permission slips back from parents giving permission for their children to be involved. Thanks.

If your child would like to join the Choir, it's not too late! Encourage them to come along to practise Wednesday's 12pm (during class time) and collect a

permission slip from me.

In August there's an opportunity for 50 students to be involved in the <u>Kids for Kids</u> Concert at Claudelands Events. This is a fantastic event involving many other schools and also a **celebrity singer**, announced closer to the time.

Looking forward to a fun term of singing. Kind regards Judi Clark

Team Singing and Choir 2018

## NZ KIDS' LIT QUIZ

We are entering two teams in the Waikato Kids' Lit Quiz next Tuesday.

Time: Tuesday 8 May

Time: from 6.30pm to 9.30pm

Venue: Southwell School Hall, Peachgrove Rd, Hamilton

It is always a very enjoyable evening and there are questions and prizes for the audience.

Our students have been working hard to prepare for the competition and we would welcome any supporters on the night. Be early to get a seat as this is a very popular event.



## The Scholastic Book

club pamphlets will be coming home with your child this week. If you wish to purchase a book,

please order and pay by LOOP (This will be electronically linked to the rest of our school's order. NO Cash or Cheques purchases please. More information on the pamphlet itself. Closing date for this order is: **Friday, 11th May 2018.** 

## **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Poukupenga Te Nahu of Rm12! During the school holidays, he won the Grand Prize in the Sherlock Gnomes competition on WhatNow. Poukupenga had to identify four scenes where Sherlock Gnomes was – Disneyland in California, Big Ben in London, the Taj Mahal in India and Uluru in Australia, He has won two magnificent prizes – one is a VX8 scooter, and the other is a VIP movie screening for his whole class to see Sherlock Gnomes, where they will get softdrinks, popcorn and a goody bag! Aren't they lucky! Congratulations again, Poukupenga.

#### Sacred Heart Girls College - To the current Year 8

<u>**Girls</u>**: the following key information regarding this year's enrolments.</u>

 Open Day is Wednesday 9th May, 2018. Students are invited to visit the school at 10am-11.30am or 12.30pm-2pm. Registration is optional and can be completed on our website.

For more information visit: www.shgcham.school.nz

- Enrolment Packs are available on the school website, can be collected from school reception or will be available on Open Day.
  For preference students, a current signed Preference Card from their Parish Priest is required with their completed enrolment.
- Year 7 and 8 students will also be invited to experience Sacred Heart for a half day during weeks commencing 21st May and 28th May (more details will follow).
- We request receipt of enrolments by Friday 29th June. Whilst we do accept enrolments throughout the year this is our key close-off date.
- Transition meetings will take place following confirmation of enrolment.

#### SPANISH FUN CLUB: Would like

your children to learn Spanish in a fun way?



Activities will be held on Thursdays from 3.15pm to 4.45 pm.

For more information or to register, this Thursday in the Whare at 3.15 pm or please send an email to Adriana: <u>acubillosdon@gmail.com</u>.

BIENVENIDOS !!!

#### **Ballet Lessons**

Sandy is taking new enrolments for yr1 and yr2 children on Tuesdays 3.30 to 4.15pm. Phone. 02102442259 or <u>davey\_sandy@yahoo.com</u>

#### Modern Dancing

Sandy is keen to start a Moms and Daughters modern dance class. If there are sufficient interest this class would be held on Tuesdays 4.15pm to 5pm. Contact Sandy on 02102442259 or <u>davey\_sandy@yahoo.com</u>.

#### Theatre Cats Speech and Drama.

I have one space available for a child 10 years+ who would like to prepare for a Trinity College of London Speech and Drama grade exam in October. Wednesday afternoons at 3.15 - 3.45pm in the Whare. Please note that this exam can be performed in pairs or individually. Contact Sandra Timlin 8590377 0r lynn18@xtra.co.nz for more details.

## This Week's Health Nugget



Arts for Health will be holding its 6th annual art competition in August this year. There will be 2 categories – Adults and Students (under 18 years of age). Opening night is 5.30pm to 7.30pm Friday 17th August at the David Lloyd Gallery, 78 Lake Crescent Hamilton. The gallery will also be open Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August from 1pm until 4pm.

Competition Rules and Entry forms are available in the office foyer. Get your paints and paintbrushes out, we look forward to receiving your artworks on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August from 8am until 11am. These are to be delivered to 2 Seddon Road, Hamilton (Ward Park Arts & Crafts Centre).

#### Saturday morning music classes

Enrolments are now open for Term Two 2018 at the Waikato Community School of Music (formerly Hamilton Community Centre of Music). The first session is on <u>Saturday 5th May</u>. The centre caters for all ages (3 to retired) and ability levels, offering group-format music tuition in a range of instruments. Fees range from \$39 to \$95 per term, depending on age and instrument. The enrolment fee for an instrument class includes participation in as many of our ensembles as you wish, at no additional charge.

Class times are between 8am and 1:00pm on Saturday mornings during primary school terms. The centre is located on the University of Waikato campus in Hillcrest. Contact us via our website <u>http://www.hccm.ac.nz/</u> or on 07 838 4611

## Sausage Sizzle: This Friday \$2.00 each

God Bless You

Debra White (Principal)

There will be no sports notice this week.





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