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Newsletter 8 Term 2 *Date 20 June 2018*

Focus for the Week

The Kingdom of God Mark 4: 26-34

Sunday's gospel reading is the parable of the tiny mustard seed which grows to be a large sturdy tree. Jesus used this example to explain how God's kingdom can grow. The kingdom of God is the new way of life that Jesus showed us. To be part of this kingdom, we need to live as Jesus has taught us, putting the love of God and our neighbours before everything else.

Throughout our lives our faith grows. It is strengthened and transformed by the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Through listening regularly to the Word of God we grow in kindness, love, understanding and forgiveness and with the help and support of the Holy Spirit we are able to share these gifts with others, and so God's kingdom grows too.

Values Focus

RESILIENCE – Week 8

Resilience is seen by those who just give things a go, even if they appear hard. Knocking the "t" off "can't" in terms of our attitude, enables us to see possibilities and solutions, not problems.

By just getting started, we focus our energies then on the next step to success, rather than what is stopping us. In doing so we set ourselves on the path to be a better person at the end than when we started, even if we fail. A journey of a thousand miles starts with a single step.

"The only time you don't fail is the last time you try anything -- and it works."

— William Strong

Māori Language Phrase

Māku koe e āwhina.

I will help you.

Principal's Reflection

Kua haehae ngā hihī o Matariki

Always be grateful for the blessings you receive

Matariki is a time of giving and receiving no matter how big or small, be grateful

(Rangi Matamua, Kura Reo ki Te Waipounamu, 2014)

CELEBRATING MATARIKI

Art by Room 7



Matariki is a celebration of people, culture, language, spirituality and history. Matariki is the Maori name for a group of seven stars known as the Pleiades star cluster. Matariki appears in the eastern sky sometime around the shortest day of

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the year, and is thought to determine how successful the harvest crop will be in the coming season. The brighter the stars, the more productive the crop will be. Traditionally Matariki was celebrated by gathering with whanau (family) and reflecting on the past. The festival's connection to the stars provided an opportunity for families to remember their whakapapa (genealogy) and those ancestors who had passed away to the heavens. Nowadays, Matariki is seen as an important time to celebrate the earth, and show respect for the land on which we live. Matariki is important for our students to learn about.

CATHOLIC CONVENTION

Last week I attended the New Zealand Catholic Convention in Wellington. This Convention is held every three years and provides Board of Trustees and staff members of Catholic schools across the country an opportunity to come together and share best practice. We had outstanding international speakers and workshops showcasing best practice within our Catholic schools. A key theme through the convention was 'joy' and the importance of celebrating our roles in Catholic Education. We can feel very proud of our Catholic School Network and be confident in the excellence our Catholic schools deliver across New Zealand.



RESIGNATION

A fantastic opportunity has been offered to Mr Josh McCabe. He has been offered an amazing job at an international school in Guangzhou, China, teaching mathematics and social studies to students from year 5 - 8. It is an exciting opportunity and too good an offer to pass up. Mr McCabe has resigned, and will be leaving us on the 10th of August.

He is in a perfect stage in his life and career to be in a position to take up this exciting role. While we will

really miss him, we wish him all the best for his new adventure.

Ngā mihi nui

Debra White
PRINCIPAL

Welcome

We warmly welcome into our school community, Marize Torres (Rm4) and her family.

Gold Card Assembly

This will be held on Thursday 28 June in the Cathedral at 1:30.
All welcome.

Reminder

Mufti Day is on the last Friday of the Term. The theme is **GREEN** for the cost of a gold coin donation to the Welfare Fund. This will be the school's way of saying farewell to Martha who has been with us for 14 years. The fund was set up by Martha as a way of helping families in need.



PTFA Notices

The Popular 'Mama's Donuts' Fundraiser: Order forms are being sent home today. These orders are due Tuesday 4 July and delivery is Friday 6 July. Cost of donuts is \$2.50 with a \$1.00 of each donut going towards the air conditioning unit in the Event Centre.

Oxford Pies Fundraiser order forms were sent home last week. Orders & payment must be returned to the PTFA box located in the office by Thursday 5th July. Pies will be delivered Thursday 26th July.

Thankyou.

Entertainment Books 2018/2019: These are on sale at the office. \$65.00 each. See the sample book on the counter.

Protein Bars: Different flavours also available at the school office. Pick up your box today. \$25.00 per box.



After School Care Holiday Programme

The Marian School, After School Care Holiday Programme will be held in the first week of the school holidays (Mon 9 July to Friday 13 July) 8am to 5pm.

Cost is \$32.00 per day per child.

Please bring own lunch

Email mcoman@marian.school.nz or see Maree Coman in the School Hall at 3pm to register.

Cathedral Notices

Cathedral Confirmation, First Communion and Reconciliation Programme 2018:

Enrolment forms are now available from the parish office or can be requested by email (andrea@cathedral.cdh.nz).

Children who are aged 8 years or over and who are baptised are eligible to join the programme. Meetings will begin in Term 3. A full list of dates will be given at the First Parent Input session on **4 August at 7.15pm**. The date of the ceremony will be **25 November at 10.30am**, in the Cathedral. Enrolments must be in by 1 July. Enquiries to Andrea 856 6486.

Public Notices

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KEAS – 5 to 8 years

Meeting Wednesday's 5pm – 6pm

CUBS – 8 to 10 years

Meeting Mondays 6pm – 7.45pm

SCOUTS – 10 to 15 years

Meeting Tuesday's 7pm – 9pm

For any more information contact:

Doug Faulkner

Email: doug.faulkner@spark.co.nz

Or

David Cannell

07 856 2743

This Week's Health Nugget



Sausage Sizzle

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Flyers

- Hearts Burning – Module 5
- PTFA Donut order sheet

See sports notice below





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Marian Catholic School Sports Notice Wednesday 20th June 2018

HOCKEY

Friday 22nd June

Saints United 1 st XI	vs Berkley NMS 2 nd XI	@ 7.30pm	@ Fraser
Saints United 2 nd XI	vs CMS C	@ 5.30pm	@ Dio
Saints United 3 rd XI	vs Southwell Yellow	@ 4.30pm	@ Dio

Saturday 23rd June

Marian Strikers	vs Te Rapa Tornadoes	@ 10.45am	@ GHC1 HC
Marian All Stars	vs St Columbas Angels	@ 10.45am	@ GHC1 HA
Marian Rebels	vs BYE		
Marian Thunder	vs Hukanui Tacklers	@ 8.30am	@ GHC1 QD



Draws are available at www.waikatohockey.org.nz

NETBALL

Wednesday 20th June

Marian Magic	vs tbc	@ 4.00pm	@ Crt tbc
Marian Ferns	vs tbc	@ 4.00pm	@ Crt tbc

Thursday 21st June

Marian Pulse	vs SPC Comets	@ 4.00pm	@ Crt 14
Marian Mystics	vs Vardon Mystics	@ 5.30pm	@ Crt 3

Saturday 23rd June

Saints United 8A	vs Fairfield 8A	@ 9.15am	@ Crt 2
Saints United 8B	vs RHS 8A	@ 10.00am	@ Crt 12
Saints United Maroon	vs St Peters 7A	@ 10.00am	@ Crt 8
Saints United 7A	vs Karioi Orcas	@ 9.15am	@ Crt 14
Saints United Red	vs Berkley 7 Flyers	@ 9.15am	@ Crt 6

Draws are available at www.netballhamilton.org.nz



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BASKETBALL



Wednesday 20th June

Marian Eagles vs Whakawatea Manu @ 4.30pm @ YMCA Ct2

Friday 22nd June

Unfortunately, the draw for Marian Ospreys was not available

Draws, when available, are at www.waikatobasketball.co.nz

Sports Photos will be held on Friday 27th July
Timetable to come



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