



## Newsletter 6, Term 1

Date 13 March 2019

### Focus for the Week

#### **Focus for the Week: Temptation in the Desert**

Luke 4: 1-13 First Sunday in Lent

Lent is the time we stop and think about our lives and turn back to God if we have wandered away from his love. During the six weeks of Lent we try to do something for God to show how much we love him. It is a chance to say sorry for the mistakes we have made and to make a fresh start.

While Jesus was in the desert he was tempted several times to take the easy way out, but he chose not to. During Lent we will also feel tempted to give up, but we must try not to.

Jesus shows us the importance of looking at the good and bad things in our lives and with God's help and praying regularly, we will be able to choose to do the right thing and to turn away from temptation.

### Charism Focus

Our Charism focus of **LIVE LOVE** this week is focusing on loving one another. We use the word 'love' a lot, but do we really know what it means? 1 John chapter 3 outlines love expertly:

*This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us*

If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? Let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

Lent gives us the chance to put into action the two commandments, Love God and Love one another. Let

us spend time with God and remember Christ's LIVING OUR LIVES WITH LOVE sacrifice of love on the cross.

### Maori Phrase for Week

*Kei te whiti te rā*

The sun is shining

### PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION

*'Ehara taku toa i te toa  
takitahi engari he toa takimano'*

My strength is not that of an individual but that of the collective

This week's newsletter covers a couple of important issues for our school community. I include information on the:

- Upcoming NZEI Paid Union Meetings and indicate possible further industrial action
- Information on the Board of Trustees elections - we will have a couple of current Trustees finishing at the end of their current term so I encourage any interested parents to consider contributing to our school community in this governance role. Please contact either me or our BOT Chair Wayne Bates 021 4555 34 or email [wayne@leisureline.co.nz](mailto:wayne@leisureline.co.nz) if you have any queries or questions.
- Tomorrow's School Report - The Board of Trustees are currently working on a submission and I encourage any parents who feel strongly to make a submission.



<https://conversation.education.govt.nz/conversations/tomorrows-schools-review/have-your-say-today/>

- Hamilton Municipal Pools - how do you feel about the demolition of the Hamilton Municipal Pools? You're invited to write a submission to the Hamilton City Council (HCC) objecting to their application for Resource Consent to demolish the Hamilton Municipal Pools.



### School newsletter update 12-15 March 2019 – It's Time/Kua Tae Te Wā

In the week of 18 March, primary teachers and principals around the country who are NZEI Te Riu Roa members are heading to meetings to vote on whether to accept or reject the latest collective agreement offers from the government. They will also be voting on whether to take strike action should the offers be rejected.

In order to minimise disruption to teaching and learning we have decided our teachers will attend meetings at different times, ie. either the morning meeting or the afternoon meeting. The classes will be covered by remaining teachers and support staff.

These meetings are a crucial part of the 'Kua Tae Te Wā - It's Time' campaign. They're an opportunity for teachers and principals to come together to discuss the offer and decide next steps. We want to ensure teaching is an attractive profession for people to join and stay in, and we have asked that the government provide for better staffing to reduce class sizes and give us more time to teach and time to lead.

The offers received are only minimally different from what was offered (and rejected) last year. This is because the government has refused to increase the amount of money available.

Already, many schools are having to make sacrifices because of the difficulty in recruiting teachers and

relievers, and we must take bold steps to turn this around.

We really appreciate your continued support. If these offers are rejected, it is the voices of parents and the wider public that will be key to forcing the government to listen as we continue our campaign to ensure every child gets the best possible education.

For more information, please go to <http://campaigns.nzei.org.nz/time/> or talk with your child's teacher.

### Tomorrow's School Report

Recently the Ministry of Education has released the findings from the Tomorrow Schools Report. The Independent Taskforce's report makes a number of significant recommendations for changes to the current education system. Stakeholder feedback on the report and its recommendations will be critical to inform Government decision making in 2019. The report covers eight key issues: Governance; Schooling Provision; Competition and Choice; Disability and Learning Support; Teaching; Leadership; Resourcing; and Central Government Agencies.

There are potential challenges for state integrated schools if the changes proposed in the Schooling Futures Report are implemented. If you are interested use this link to read the report:

<https://conversation.education.govt.nz/conversations/tomorrows-schools-review/>

### Hamilton Municipal Pools Demolition

I believe strongly in supporting our children to learn to swim and the importance of our City Council to invest in providing quality accessible swimming pools for our children and their families. As I considered the considerable cost to transport our students to Waterworld for our Swimming Sports I felt strongly we need to have a voice to possibly save this potentially invaluable Hamilton City asset. To make a submission you use the form provided on the HCC website: <https://www.hamilton.govt.nz/our-services/planningguidanceandresourceconsents/publicly-notified-applications/Pages/Hamilton-City-Council---Municipal-Pools.aspx>

Ngā mihi nui  
Debra White  
PRINCIPAL



## D.R.S. Corner

### **PARISH SCHOOL MASS**

This *Sunday, 17th March at 10.30am* we will be participating in our first Parish /School Mass for the year at the Cathedral.

Learning Community 4 (LC4) students will have specific roles within the Mass but all students are invited to attend this celebration.

*Students are asked to wear their **full school uniform to Mass on Sunday.***

We look forward to seeing a great number of Marian School students at Mass.

### **Solidarity Day**

Next Thursday 21st March, our *Solidarity Day* is being held. We have six Catholic schools from the local area attending Mass and the rice meal.

Many thanks to the families who have offered the use of their chilly bins for the occasion. If these could be delivered to school next Tuesday it would be much appreciated.

On Solidarity Day, students are asked to bring a named bowl or empty lunchbox to eat their rice from. They may want to also bring a named spoon or fork to eat with.

As this is a Lenten fundraiser, students are encouraged to bring a donation towards CARITAS, which is a NZ Catholic organisation that provides support and relief to those in need around the world. All the money collected from the students will be sent directly to CARITAS.

Each family is asked to bring an item of grocery which will be collected at the Mass and Junior Liturgy and will be given to our local Food bank.

*Donations of grocery for the Food bank and money for Caritas will be collected in the classrooms from Monday 18th March.*

Many thanks for your support.  
Nicki Whyte  
DRS

## Welcome

We warmly welcome into our school community the following students and their families;  
Chris Manjaly (Rm4), Lacey Hill (Rm2 and Myshka Campos (Rm2)

## Learning Discussions

Please book your Learning Discussions (school interviews) on-line. Go to the website: -

[www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)

Code **4uqgr**

Dates and Times are

Tues 26<sup>th</sup>: 2:00pm to 5:15pm

Wed 27<sup>th</sup>: 3:15pm to 6:30

Thurs 28<sup>th</sup>: 3:15pm to 4:45pm

There will be no early pick up on any of these days.

## Marist Soccer – Registrations now open

If your child wishes to play for Marist Soccer, please go to the Hamilton Marist Soccer website and follow the player registration page.

Registrations **close Wed 27 March**

For any further questions email ...

[hamilton.marist.soccer@gmail.com](mailto:hamilton.marist.soccer@gmail.com)

## Aims Games 2019

AIMS GAMES 8th - 13th September

AIMS games gives children who are at a high level of sport the chance to compete against peers in their chosen sport.

There are individual and team based competitions in a total of 23 different sports. This year Marian School will be entering some children to attend.

Evidence of your child's ability in their sport is required to register. Team sports are required to hold trials to make up their teams.

Also, all costs involved must be paid by the individuals attending.

If you would like more information on AIMS please contact Jardine on [jmcintyre@marian.school.nz](mailto:jmcintyre@marian.school.nz) asap



## Year 4-6 Choir for 2019

It's HERE!

### Starting Week 7

(Tuesday 19th March)

**Every Tuesday** in the

Hall 12:40 pm

Bring your lunch with you.

(Do you have a Year 3 child who LOOOOOOVes to sing?

They might be able to join us too.

Email me: [jclark@marian.school.nz](mailto:jclark@marian.school.nz)

Looking forward to another wonderful year of singing!

Judi Clark

Choir 2019



## Sausage Sizzle this week

This Friday - \$2.00 per sausage.

These sizzles are fundraisers and the proceeds are shared amongst the classrooms.

## Fundraiser for Jubilee ECC

### Jubilee Catholic Early Childhood Fundraiser

Cake stall and sausage sizzle at this Sunday after 10.30am Mass

Yummy treats to enjoy St Patricks Day, bring your loose change!

## Sport Notices

### Marian Catholic School Sports Notice Wednesday 13 March 2019

#### CRICKET

#### Friday 15 March

Marian Heat vs Hamilton East Knights @ 5.30pm @ Marian Catholic School  
Marian Blasters vs Te Rapa Strikers @ 5.30pm @ Ashurst Park



#### Saturday 16 March

Marian Wizards vs St Joseph Leopards @ 9am @ Grosvenor - 1  
Marian Knights vs Waitomo Wetans @ 9am @ Te Kuiti Domain - 1  
Marian Titans vs St Peters Prep Blue @ 9am @ Innes Common - 1  
Saints United Development vs Berkley Titans @ 9am @ Woodlands Oval  
Saints United Prens vs Ham Old Boys Premiers @ 10am @ Waikato Uni - 3

<https://www.hamiltoncricket.co.nz/primary-intermediate/>

#### TOUCH

#### Monday 18 March

No draw available at time of publication



<https://www.sporty.co.nz/steeleparkjunrtouch/Draw-1/40319>

## Dates to Remember

14 March	LC4 Swimming Sports
17 March (SUN)	LC4 Mass @ 10:30am (Yr5 & Yr6)
18 March	IC5 Swimming Sports
21 March (Thurs)	Solidarity Day
25 March	C.I.S. Swimming Competition
26 March	Learning Discussions 2:00 – 5:15
27 March	Learning Discussions 3:15 – 6:30
28 March	Learning Discussions 3:15 – 4:45 Yr4 – 6 Interschool Swim Sports
29 March	WFPSA Swimming Competition
1 April	LC4 Camp
3 April	Executive Functions

## Lost

- A Black and silver bracelet, possibly lost in the School Hall. Please phone Harley 021 189 8939 or return to the school office.

## This Week's Health Nugget

**DRINKS**

### SMOOTHIES

Smoothies are a great option as a drink or a snack!

Try putting 1 cup of low fat milk, 3 heaped tablespoons of low fat yoghurt, a handful of ice & 1 handful of seasonal fruit into a blender. Mix thoroughly. Enjoy!

Developed by Sport Waikato 2019





## FUTSAL

### Friday 15 March

Marian Colts vs Northern United U11 Breakers @ 7.30pm @ Fraser High  
Marian Y7&8 vs BNMS Hydrogen @ 6.45pm @ HBHS – Crt 2

<http://www.waipopfootball.co.nz/FUTSAL/Leagues/Waikato-Junior-DrawsResults>

## WATERPOLO

### Sunday 17 March

Marian Sharks vs Cambridge Middle School Dev @ 2.50pm @ Waterworld

## WINTER HOCKEY, NETBALL & BASKETBALL

Registration Forms for winter Hockey, Netball and Basketball are available in the office

## NETBALL

### Years 1&2 played on Wednesday's - \$60 per player

Game time is 4.00pm. Played on 1/3 of a court, 4v4 format  
Each week you have 20 minutes of skill development before playing 2 mini games of 8mins  
May: 15, 22, 29, June: 5, 12, 19, 26, July: 3, 24, 31, August: 7  
NO Game Dates: July 10, July 17

### Years 3&4 played on Tuesday's - \$65 per player

Game Times: 4.00pm and 5.15pm. Played on 2/3 of a court. 5v5 format  
Each week you have 15 minutes of skill development before playing 4x8min game  
May: 14, 21, 28, June: 4, 11, 18, 25, July: 2, 23, 30, August: 6, 13, 20, 27  
NO Game Dates: July 09, July 16

### Years 5&6 played on Thursday's - \$65 per player

Game Times: 4.00pm, 4.45pm and 5.30pm. Games played on full court. 6v6 format. 4x8min game  
May: 16, 23, 30, June: 6, 13, 20, 27, July: 4, 25, August: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
NO Game Dates: July 11, July 18

## HOCKEY

### Mini Sticks – Years 1&2 - \$65 per player

6 aside, 1/4 field, 25min Games (Basic intro for first time players, limited rules)



### Kiwi Dev B – Years 3&4 - \$65 per player

6 aside, 1/4 field, 25min Games (Grade for inexperienced players with a few rules)



### Kiwi Dev A - Years 3&4- \$65 per player

6 aside, 1/4 field, 25min Games (Grade for experienced players with a few rules) Suitable for yr5&6 beginner players.

### Kiwi Sticks - Years 5&6 - \$65 per player

6 aside, 1/2 field, 25min Games (For the more experienced player, basic hockey rules).



**The 2019 season starts 11 May, finishes – 31 August 2019.**

All games are played Saturday mornings or early afternoons at Gallagher Hockey Centre, Queens Ave

## BASKETBALL

Term 2 starts Friday 10 May and runs for 8 weeks



### Years 1&2 played on Thursday nights - \$50 per player

Games played at the YMCA, starting from 4pm



### Years 3&4 played on Wednesday nights - \$50 per player

Games played at the YMCA, starting from 4pm

### Years 5&6 played on Friday nights - \$50 per player

Games are played at YMCA & The Peak, Rototuna, starting from 4pm

All teams need to have coaches, managers and sometime umpires. Please consider helping out where you can, from my experience it is not as daunting as you may think and could also be very rewarding. If a team does not have an adult helping out it will not be registered and your children will miss out.

Please be aware that we do not grade teams at Marian Catholic School for years 1-6. I will do my best to keep teams who have played together in the past together, HOWEVER I cannot guarantee it.

Melissa Nelson

[sportscoordinator@marian.school.nz](mailto:sportscoordinator@marian.school.nz)



## **SAINTS UNITED**

### **Saints Netball Trials**

A big thanks to all the girls who attended the netball trials on Saturday. Team announcements have been put onto the notice board on the Atrium today. We have only named the top 4 teams so far. We will notify all the other girls who trialled and didn't of their teams in the coming weeks. Every child who has registered will be placed into a Saints United Netball team.

A note from the selectors:

Last Saturday saw a large number of Y7/8 netball players from Marian, St Peter Chanel, St Josephs, St Pius X, St Columbas, and St Josephs (Morrinville) schools combine to trial for Saints United netball teams. The panel of selectors were particularly impressed with the positive attitudes and behaviours of players and spectators alike, and noted the high standard of skilled, sportsmanlike, competitive play on court. All trialists should be congratulated for representing both their individual schools and our combined Catholic community so highly.

Well done girls –ka pai!

### **Saints United Hockey Trials**

Trials start next week : Wednesday's 20th and 27th March @ 4.00-5.30pm @ St John's turf.

You must register to trial. Any questions please email me on [jmcintyre@marian.school.nz](mailto:jmcintyre@marian.school.nz)



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