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Focus for the Week

The Fruits of the Holy Spirit Seventh Sunday of Easter - Pentecost

In Sunday's gospel Jesus speaks of the Holy Spirit who will take his place. The Holy Spirit comes from God the Father, but is sent by Jesus and manifests himself on the day of Pentecost. From the first reading, we learn the Holy Spirit transforms a frightened group into brave and powerful preachers who tell everyone about the marvels that God has accomplished.

The Spirit does not teach the disciples new things, but leads them into a deeper understanding of the mystery of Jesus. The Spirit helps them understand the many lessons Jesus taught them while he was with them. In this way the Holy Spirit leads the disciples closer to Jesus and, through Jesus, to the Father. We too are made into new creations, united with other Christians in proclaiming, "Jesus is Lord." This same Holy Spirit that unites us, provides us with the fruits of Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Gentleness, Generosity, Kindness, Faithfulness and Self Control. Fired with hope, purpose and new identity, the Holy Spirit sends us on our mission to use these fruits in our everyday lives.

Charism Focus

Our Charism focus for this term is LIVE FAITH. On Sunday we celebrated the birthday of the church- the coming of the Holy Spirit into our lives. **We** are the church - our presence here and **how** we live our lives with others brings the Kingdom of God alive. This week, we are focusing on allowing the Holy Spirit to come and **wake us** and **make us shine**! Shine in our lives and the lives of those around us.

So what does this mean to us at Marian School? How do we recognise the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our lives? The gifts of peace, love, joy, patience, gentleness, kindness, goodness, and self-control. Everytime we **show** these gift to those around us we are allowing the Holy Spirit to work through us.

So let your lights shine. The light of Love, the light of patience, the light of joy, the Light of kindness, the light of peace.... If we allow the spirit to work through us we are truly **Living Faith.** Being the hands, face and voice of Jesus, so as our school motto says: we can Bring Christ into the World.

Maori Phrase for Week

Ka ora ake koe āpōpō You will feel better tomorrow

PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION

"Let the most gentle charity reign among you and take great care of the health of each other" Euphrasie Barbier 1868

Linking back to the mindfulness piece I put in the newsletter last week this quote by Euphraise Barbier made me think of how we can support the well being of others. Taking time to acknowledge someone, offer assistance, pay a compliment or give a smile, can make a big difference to a person's day. Go and spread our charism to all you meet.

At a recent Principal Meeting I attended, these tips for parents were shared. I thought they may be a timely reminder to parents to talk to children about their internet use and cyber safety.

TEN TIPS FOR PARENTS WITH CYBERKIDS

Ban bedrooms: Prevent your children from going to their rooms with a device. Make them use them in the lounge or kitchen and keep the charger in a central area such as the kitchen. You can also use this charging time to check texts, social media posts and emails.

Set time limits: For smaller kids, this may be for up to 30 minutes a day or only on the weekends. Also decide each night to turn off devices and a time when they are allowed on again.

Create passwords: Make sure you know the passwords for all of their devices and various social media accounts. Also, follow your children's accounts so you can see what they are posting but maybe promise not to post anything on their accounts so you don't embarrass them.

Regular checks: Let them know that you'll occasionally check their texts, emails, posts, photos and settings. Explain that it's not spying, you're just teaching them to be responsible.

Get it in writing: Consider drawing up a contract between yourself and your child outlining the dos and don'ts. Include consequences for rule violations.

Teach consequences: Talk to your children regularly about the dangers of constantly accessing the internet and posting on their social pages. Tell them never to post anything they wouldn't want their parents or teachers to see.

Teach yourself: The best way to know what your kids are capable of is to know how to use these devices and websites yourself.

Cyberbullying: Keep a very close eye on any evidence of cyberbullying. If you suspect something, talk to your child first. Also, take screenshots as evidence for police and school.

Limit apps: If you have an iTunes or Google Play account, keep the password private so you limit what they buy. Get them to ask permission for each app download.

Have manners: Make sure they understand the consequences if they are unpleasant to anyone online.

Ngā mihi nui Debra White PRINCIPAL

D.R.S. Corner

<u>School Mass</u>

This Thursday 13th June, we celebrate our School Mass at 9.10am. You are all very welcome to attend. Learning Community 1 (LC1) have planned the Mass and will be taking a lead role in the Liturgy.

Parish /School Mass

This Term LC5 (Years 7 and 8) are leading the Sunday Parish /School Mass on **June 23rd at 10.30am Mass**. The senior students will be involved in welcoming, readings, offertory, prayers of the faithful, and singing at the Mass. It will be lovely to see our students involved in the Parish Mass.

Faith Insights

10th June : Mary, Mother of the Church



Why is Mary called the Mother of the Church?

Pope Paul VI proclaimed Mary "Mother of the Church" in 1964. Church has the characteristics of a mother, insofar as she gives birth to new Christians, this characteristic is derivative from the motherhood of Mary. Mary has not always been called the Mother of the Church, but this title helps Catholics build a stronger relationship to both the Church and Mary.

Sacramental Programmes

If your child is aged 8 years or over and who is baptised, they are eligible to join the programme for Confirmation, First Communion and Reconciliation that runs through the Parish. Andrea from the Parish office is the person to contact for this. She has the enrolment forms for you to complete

(andrea@cathedral.cdh.nz). 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 **24 November at 10.30 am**, in the Cathedral. Enrolments must be in by 10 July. Enquiries please phone Andrea 8566486.

If your child has not had the opportunity of receiving baptism and they wish to do so please contact me, and we can discuss the options for you.

God Bless Nicki Whyte



Bereavement

We offer our deepest sympathy to Stu and Jardine McIntyre and family on the death of Stu's mother who passed away last week. May she rest in peace.

Pasifika Shared Lunch

Kia orana. Fakaalofa lahi atu. Mālō e lelei. Tālofa lava. Talofa ni. Kam na mauri.

Greetings to all our Marian Catholic School Pasifika families. We wish to invite you all to a shared lunch with a focus on listening and recording family ideas on how to better support and encourage our Pasifika students. How can we refine our school space and personnel to ensure students feel confident to maximise their success and security as Pasifika learners? We would also love to hear from older siblings on what needs to be prioritised and how to improve transitions to high school.

Pasifika Shared Lunch Te Whare Taonga Sunday 23rd June 12.00pm (following Mass) Bring a plate please

Whanau Hui

Whānau Hui Te Whare Taonga 18th June 5.30pm Whakatau mai!

PTFA News

<u>PTFA Fundraising Goal</u> We are currently fundraising for shade sails in the middle school playground. Help keep our kids sun safe by supporting the PTFA.

Thank You A huge thank you to all those that volunteered to help with the fieldays this year. We hope you enjoy your time and get plenty of sunshine. Thanks to Matt Iremonger and Ang Smyth for all their time and efforts in coordinating this too.



<u>Oxford Pies:</u> Please return completed orders and money to the office by **Friday 21st June**.

Love Pizza? Enjoy a delicious \$3 slice of Sal's Pizza for lunch on Thursday 20 June. Order forms coming home soon. All funds raised will go towards the new middle school shade sail.



Save the date Sunday 30 June The

PTFA will be holding a sausage sizzle at Te Rapa Mitre 10, please come and support this. All proceeds will be going towards our new shade sails for the middle playground.

Friday 23rd August. Quiz night and auction. Thanks to those that have started to donate auction items and spot prizes - we appreciate the support. TICKETS ON SALE SOON.

If you are able to provide any spot prizes or auction items e.g. weekend at a bach, fishing trip, sports coaching/lesson, vouchers, mechanical repairs, cooking lessons etc please contact marianptfa@gmail.com

Opportunity available Do you or someone you know affiliated with a Chartered Accountancy firm with a Xero partnership? The PTFA are looking for a new accountant to take on our annual accounts and Xero subscription. If you could recommend anyone within our community please email marianptfa@gmail.com

Health Notice

If your child is complaining of sore throat, please take him or her to the doctor for a check up as Strep throat is doing the rounds again.

<u>Important note</u>: There's a scheme where Maori and Pasifika, between the ages of 4 and 19, can walk in and have a throat swab taken at any pathlab for free, without having to see a doctor first, so if any parents are in doubt, they can have all the kids tested any time.

Anyone outside those age parameters can also have it done for a fee. Or, there's a free doctor at Tui Medical which works in alignment with K'aute Pasifika on Victoria Street who can order the tests as well.

Maori and Pasifika are at a higher risk of developing complications from strep such as rheumatic fever if it is not treated early with antibiotics.



Dates to Remember

12-15 June	Fieldays
13 June	Full School Mass
18 June	Whanau Hui 5:30pm
20 June	Pizza lunch fundraiser
21 June	Pie orders close
23 June (Sun)	LC5 School/Parish Mass
23 June (Sun)	Pasifika shared lunch 11:30am
26 June	Yr 7/8 Open Morning
19 June	Cultural Assembly @ 1:30
27 June	Gold Card Assembly
5 July	Term 2 ends
22 July	Term 3 begins
24 July	School Photos
25 July	Grandparents Day Scholastic Book Fair

This Week's Health Nugget



Lost

- A size 8 pair of Winter shoes black. 'Life K BH' from Rebel Sport. (un-named) Please return to Angel Castro, Rm8
- A brand-new PE top with the new logo one month old. Can parents to check their children's PE top. It is named Ava Wade, rm 15. It is not in the Lost Property boxes.

Piano – Free to a good home

Family are shifting and no longer require a piano. Has a lovely tone.

If you are interested, please phone Clare 856 5292

Huka Prawn Park special

Huka Prawn Park is an attraction park in Lake Taupo, during the 1st weekend of the July School Holidays we are offering a half price deal for Hamilton residents to spend the day at the park, we did this last year for Napier and Tauranga. Being within 2 hours it's an easy day trip for families. A family pass is normally \$75.00 which includes all activities for 2 Adults and up to 5 x Children, for one weekend only Hamilton residents can do this for \$37.50

Here is a link with what families can enjoy here. https://youtu.be/4w723rAKQ70

Warm regards, Stacey Richards

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Mini Movers

A programme of Music and Play for pre-schooler and parents.

Meet at "The Link' corner of River Road and Te Aroha Street.

Mondays 9:30 – 11am Starts Term 3 on 22 July. New families very welcome. Contact Margaret Gault – ph 856 3923

Sausage Sizzle this week

This Friday - \$2.00 per sausage.



Sport Notices

Marian Catholic School Sports Notice Wednesday 12 June 2019

HOCKEY

Friday 14 June

Saints United 1st XI vs CMSA @ Gallaghers at 7:30pm Saints United 2^{nd} XI = BYE Saints United 3^{rd} XI vs Southall white at Dio at 4:30

Intermediate draws are available at <u>http://www.waikatohockey.org.nz/Junior-</u><u>1/Intermediate</u>

Saturday 15 June



Marian All Stars vs HNS Hawkes @ V • V 12.15pm @ GHC2HA Marian Rebels vs St Columbas The Cannons @ 11.15am @ GHC2HA Marian Strikers vs Pirongia Mountain Sticks @ 9.00am @ GHC2QD Marian Thunder vs Whatawhata Tigers @ 8.30am @ GHC1RB10 (Skill Session @ 8.00am)

Junior draws are available at http://www.waikatohockey.org.nz/Junior-1/Mini-Hockey-1

NETBALL

Wednesday 12 June Marian Ferns

Thursday 13 June

Marian Pulse Marian Mystics Marian Stars

Saturday 15 June

Saints United 8A Saints United 8B Saints United Red Saints United 7A Saints United 7B Saints United Gold

Tuesday 18 June Marian Magic Marian Tactix

Empowered to Learn. Inspired for Life.

All netball draws can be found at <u>https://netballhamilton.org.nz/</u>

BASKETBALL

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Wednesday 12 June

Marian Eagles vs Fairfield Bullets @ 6.30pm @ YMCA Ct2 Marian Hawks vs HES



Marian Hawks vs HES Tuataras @ 6.00pm @ YMCA Ct2

Thursday 13 June

Marian Tuis vs Forest Lake Teina @ 5.00pm @ YMCA Ct2

Marian Wekas vs Frankton Lakers @ 4.30pm @ YMCA Ct2

Friday 14 June

Marian Ospreys - Draw not available at time of publishing



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