



Newsletter 2, Term 1

Date: 12 February 2020

Focus for the Week

Gospel Reflection: Matthew 5: 15-16

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We often refer to Jesus as 'The Light of the World'. We know that he came to show us the way in the darkness of our lives and to lead us to heaven.

In this week's Gospel reading, Jesus tells us that we are to be like lamps, with the brightness of God's love and goodness shining out from us.

We are to share the light that we were gifted at our baptisms with all people, bringing light into the world around us and helping to lead people to a closer relationship with God.

At Marian School we ask, "How are we being the hands, the face and the voice of Jesus to those we meet?".

Charism Focus

CHARISM FOCUS

Our Charism for Marian Catholic School is *LIVE CHRIST by being the Hands, Face and Voice of Jesus*.

Our school is 31 years old and it was originally 2 schools: St Mary's School which was begun by the Mission Sisters and the other school was Marist School which was begun by the Marist Brothers.

We have developed our Charism based on the Mission Sisters and the Marist Brothers as they are a very important part of our school's history. In our Charism Garden you will see the 2 large rocks that represent the two founding orders of our school - they are our Foundation stones.

Our Charism focus for term One is LIVE LOVE. This week we are focusing on how we can *Live Love* by

praying and talking with God. To get to know people we talk with them.

In our prayer times, while we are playing and working, God is there with us. In the quiet times is when we can listen to God talk to us -we need to watch and listen and be ready.

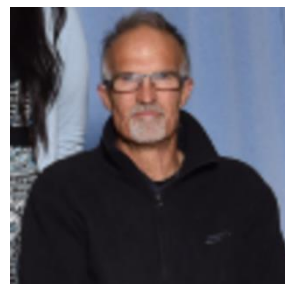
By this, everyone will know that you are my disciples: if you love one another" John 13:35

PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION

Kua hinga he totara i te wao nui a Tane (A totara has fallen in the forest of Tane)

This whakatauki is used to indicate when someone of importance has died. Like the mighty totara which takes hundreds of years to grow. For a totara to fall is a great tragedy.

Today Greg was farewelled by his family and friends. I would like to thank our wonderful school community for your support collecting your children early to enable staff to attend Greg's funeral.



Greg was a much loved member of our Marian Catholic



School family and we have much to thank Greg for during his fifteen years as School Caretaker. Greg was passionate about Health and Safety, the Gully replanting programme and he implemented many recycling projects within our school. Our grounds were kept immaculately, as Greg looked after them as though they were his own.

May God hold Greg in the palm of His hand. May God bless Greg and his family at this sad time.

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen

LC 5 Camp

Last week LC5 attended Ngaruawahia Christian Camp. The students were involved in an action packed three days of challenging exciting activities which built their self confidence and developed their skills. LC 5 are well set for an excellent year ahead. A HUGE thank you to the parents who attended the camp providing excellent instruction and supervision where needed. Thank you to our LC5 teachers who did a superb job with organisation and made the camp the success it was. A great team effort - Marian staff and parents - congratulations to you all.

Meet the teacher Information sessions

We will be running information sessions for LC2 - LC 5 over the next two weeks. These sessions will start with a 20 minute presentation outlining the expectations and routines of the Learning Community. There will be opportunity to ask general questions. Then the classrooms will be open for parents to wander through.

LC2 & LC3 - Thursday, 20th Feb starting with LC2 - Hall at 5.30pm and LC3 - GSEC at 6pm

LC4 & LC5- Wednesday, 26th Feb starting with LC4 - 5.30pm in Hall and LC5 - 6pm in Atrium Parents are welcome to move between LC meetings. Children are welcome and can play outside. These sessions will not be for specific discussion around individual students. If you would like to discuss your child please make a time to meet with the teacher. Learning Discussions will be held early Term 2.

Ngā mihi nui
Debra White
PRINCIPAL

D.R.S. Corner

Mr Jordan

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Jordan family at the loss of their dear husband, father and grandfather.

Marian school has lost a very treasured staff member and friend.



Charism Garden

The final touches are being made to our Charism Garden and the Charism rocks are being positioned. It is very exciting to see this special garden being completed.



Coming Event

Ash Wednesday Mass: Wednesday 26th February 9.15am

This day signifies the beginning of Lent which is the season of 6 weeks preparing for Easter. A time of Fasting, Prayer and Almsgiving.

Welcome

We warmly welcome into our school community the following students and their families;
Kim-Manosar Ream (Rm 3), Mia Nicholas (7a),
Demiyan Samaranayake Rajapaksha Mudalige (Rm4)
Siobhan Giedt (Rm5), and Milla Booth-Keen (Rm5)



Marian Catholic School Jacket – Orders taken

We now have on offer an Optional School Unisex Jacket.

These jackets are supplied through our sportswear supplier Kukri and are of a very good quality. They are a soft shell, waterproof material with a polar fleece lining. Please note that they are not to replace the school jumpers and they are not allowed to be worn during class time. We have some sample sizes in the school office if you would like to come and have a look and try out the sizes before purchasing.

Sizes available are: 3-4 yrs, 5-6 yrs, 7-8 yrs, 9-10 yrs, 11-12 yrs, 13-14 yrs.

The **cost is \$70.00** each.

Payment must be made before we order one. Please pay directly by internet banking into the school bank account or at the School Office.

The next order needs to be placed and paid for before **Friday 28th February**. Delivery will be for early Term 2.

To place an order please contact Jardine McIntyre: jmcintyre@marian.school.nz or come into the school office.



Huitanguru, ki Te Whare Tāonga o te kura nei. Rua hāora te roa. Mauria mai ngā tamariki ki te hui.

To the parents and caregivers of tamariki Māori you are invited to attend a hui, to be held 5:30pm 17th February in the Whare Tāonga at school. The meeting will last no longer than two hours. Please bring your children so we can meet them too. Activities will be provided for your tamariki.

If you have any enquiries, please email Karen & Peter at kp_educul@yahoo.com

Marist Soccer – Terms 2 and 3

Registrations are now open on the website. Go to the Marist Soccer Club website and follow the link under player registration.

Registrations close Thursday 9 April at 9pm



Out of School Music



Registration forms need to be returned by THIS Friday at 3pm.

If you have misplaced your copy, there are spares available at the school office.

❖ Violin classes are now full

Celebrating Success

- Antonia Cuthers and Tamzyn McNamara-Charlton both played for Waikato Under 12 girls Black Touch Team. They won gold beating Counties Manukau in the final Interprovincial series.
- Aiden Saxon played for Waikato Under 12 boys Black Touch Team and his team won Gold as well.

Te Korowai



Te Korowai – Pānui mō te hui

Tēnā Tātou!

Ngā mihi nui o te tau hou ki a tātou katoa o Mariana Kura Katorika. He mihi mahana ki ngā tamariki hou, ngā whānau hou me ngā kaiako hou hoki. *New Year's greetings to everyone of Marian Catholic School. Warm greetings also to the new students, whānau and staff.*

E ngā mātua me ngā kaitiaki o ngā tamariki Māori, huihui mai tātou hei te 5:30pm i te ahipō, 17th o

Dates to Remember

13 Feb	Staff Commissioning Mass
14 Feb	Out of School Music replies due
14 Feb	Scholastic Book orders close
20 Feb	Teacher Information LC2 & LC3
26 Feb	Teacher Information LC4 & LC5
28 Feb	Final day for Jacket orders
3-5 March	Catholic Review team at school
9 April	Marist Soccer Registrations close
27 August	Grandparents Day



Ordination Invitation

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Sausage Sizzle this week

This Friday - \$2.00 per sausage.

This Week's Health Nugget



Sport Notices

Marian Catholic School Sports Notice Wednesday 12 February 2020

CRICKET

Games start this Friday 14 February. Coaches or Managers will be in touch as soon as the draw is available.

FUTSAL

Games start this Friday 14 February. Coaches or Managers will be in touch as soon as the draw is available.

WATERPOLO

First game is this Sunday 16 February. Your M will be in touch as soon as the draw is available



TOUCH

First game is next Monday 17 February. Managers will be in touch as soon as the draw is available.

SCHOOL SPORT PAYMENT DUE NOW

Please ensure you have paid your sports fees to the office before the season starts!
If you wish to pay via internet, details are as follows.
Marian School 12 3152 0132786 00
Quote pupils 'name' and sport they are playing eg 'Touch' and 'Term1'

Cricket:

Friday night = \$20 per player

Saturday Hardball = \$40 per player

Futsal = \$65 per player

Waterpolo = \$45 per player

Touch = \$25 per player

WINTER HOCKEY, NETBALL & BASKETBALL

Registrations for winter hockey, netball and basketball will be out around week 5 or 6. All children need to register if they wish to play any of the sports available.

BASKETBALL - TERM 2

Basketball is played during terms 2 and 3.

Y1&2

Thursday afternoons/evenings

Dates: 7 May – 25 June 2020

Y3&4

Wednesday afternoons/evenings

Dates: 6 May – 24 June 2020

Y5&6

Friday afternoons/evenings

Dates: 1 May – 19 June 2020

Venue - tbc - YMCA, The Peak, Fraser High School

NETBALL - TERMS 2 & 3

Y1&2



Thursdays at 4pm
Dates: 7 May - 2 July 2020

Y3&4
Tuesdays - 4pm or 5.15pm
Dates: 5 May - 18 August 2020 (no play during holidays)

Y5&6
Wednesdays - 4pm, 5pm, 6pm
Dates: 6 May - 19 August 2020 (no play during holidays)

HOCKEY

Season starts Saturday 2 May.
All age groups (Y1&2, Y3&4, Y5&6) play on Saturday mornings at Waikato Gallagher Hockey Centre.

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.

Melissa Nelson
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