



## Newsletter 3, Term 1

Date: 19 February 2020

### Focus for the Week

**Focus for the Week:** Matthew 5: 17-37

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Sunday's gospel Jesus calls us to be holy through choosing to keep the commandments. He encourages us to be pro-active at making peace with those who have hurt us, and to remove the causes of temptations in our lives.

At our Baptism, we became disciples of Jesus and now, as Lent draws closer, He is asking us to commit ourselves to change and growth and to do what God requires of us. We are asked to strive to be holy.

Through making prayerful change in our lives, we are given the key to enter His Heavenly Kingdom.

### Charism Focus

Our Charism Focus for this week is using kind words and actions. Our school Charism is LIVE CHRIST by being the hands, face and voice of Jesus. How we act and react to things shows people what we value.

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

This bible quote supports our Charism of LIVE LOVE for this term. It explains that our actions of loving each other tell everyone that we are disciples of Jesus.

Being kind in the words that we use and in the way we act towards others, shows that we love each other. We allow God's love to shine through us.

Being aware of people around us and doing what we can to show love for them, helps us to  
*Bring Christ into our World.*

### PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION

Tena koutou katoa, ma te Atua koutou e manaaki,

*'By this, everyone will know that you are my disciples: if you love one another.'*

John 13:35

Thank you for your support last Friday as we used St Valentine's Day to celebrate our charism focus for Term One: LIVE love. It was lovely seeing all the red, pink and white on happy children in the playground - just what we needed to finish our week. Thank you for all the love and support we felt from our parent community last week.

### LC 3 Beach Education trip to Raglan

Last Friday, our LC 3 students, staff and parent helpers attended a Beach Education day at Raglan Beach. The day was a great success and I would like to acknowledge the teachers for their preparation and organisation. Thank you to the outstanding team of parents who were able to provide supervision and support with the day's activities. An excellent opportunity for our children to learn from the experts from Life Saving New Zealand.

### Sexuality Education - Having Life to the Full

This year, all teaching staff are involved in a Religious Education professional development in Sexuality Education, *Having Life to the Full*. The purpose of doing the course is to upskill our knowledge, as teachers in a Catholic School, on what the church promotes in this area. It is a four day course. Developing our Religious Education / Health programme in Sexuality Education throughout our school will be an exciting step for us in 2020. We currently offer Sexuality programmes in Years 6-8 and we are developing a school wide programme which will



combine our Religious Education Catholic Character and New Zealand Health Curriculum. We look forward to holding Parent Information sessions in Term Two to share the programme with parents before the programme is implemented. Many schools in the Diocese have undertaken this development as a staff. It has been strongly suggested by the Bishop and Catholic Education office that all teachers in Catholic schools complete this course.

### **Resignation**

Regretfully, Mr Dave White has resigned from his teaching position in Room 22 due to ill health. I would like to thank Dave for the start he gave the students in Room 22. Ms Natasha Martin will be teaching in Room 22 for the rest of the term.

### **Catholic Character Review (CCR)**

Each Catholic School is reviewed triennially. We are scheduled for our Catholic Character Review on 3-5th March 2020. During this time we will have a team of reviewers in our school, visiting each classroom, reviewing all our documentation, meeting with staff, Board of Trustees, students and parents. We are looking forward to hosting the team and sharing our Catholic Character which is an integral part of everything we do here at Marian. We are particularly proud of the work we have been doing over the past two years on our charism.

### **Congratulations - Mrs Feana Tu'akoi and Mrs Paula White**

Last Thursday evening the Catholic Diocese of Hamilton, held a School's Commissioning Mass for our Catholic schools and their communities. During this Mass, Bishop Steve awarded Mrs Feana Tu'akoi and Mrs Paula White, their New Zealand Certificate in Christian Studies - Religious Education. This certificate represents hours and hours and hours of study on top of their full-time teaching over the past years. It is fantastic having your wonderful knowledge to draw on and our school is richer for your knowledge. Congratulations to Feana and Paula and may you feel very proud of this achievement. May God continue to bless you both.

Ngā mihi nui  
Debra White  
PRINCIPAL

## **D.R.S. Corner**

### **Ash Wednesday Mass**

Next Wednesday 26th February is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Our school will join in the Parish Mass at 9.15am to celebrate this Mass. You are all very welcome to join us.

### **Catholic Character Review**

A review of the Catholic Character of Marian Catholic School, Hamilton East, is scheduled to take place on 3-5th March. As part of the review the Diocesan Office requires a Community Survey. A paper copy will be sent home with your child today. Please return the form to Marian Catholic School Office by Wednesday **26th February**.

### **Father Darren**

We ask for your prayers for Father Darren who is unwell and currently on sick leave.

### **Rangiaowhia Memorial**

This Friday, students and teachers from Learning Community 5 (LC5) are travelling to Rangiaowhia to take part in the special memorial ceremony with many other Catholic schools. Rangiaowhia is an important pilgrimage site for our diocese. It was the centre of the Church's mission in the Waikato from 1844 until 21 February 1864 when over 1000 troops rode in and destroyed the village, burned people alive and took prisoners. Every year the diocese, along with Ngāti Apakura, commemorate what happened. Rangiaowhia was a peaceful, economically thriving village, exporting produce around the motu and overseas.

## **Welcome**

We warmly welcome into our school community the following students and their families;

Adison Manosca (Rm14), Eve Jordan (Rm4), Leonardo de Vega (Rm4), Terube Baiteke (Rm22) and Taonatebou Bureaua (Rm7a)

## **Out of School Music**

Notices for class timetables for OOS Music come home with your child today. Classes begin next week.

Vacancies still exist for students in Year 5 – 8 in saxophone and clarinet ... please email your interest to [lbillman@marian.school.nz](mailto:lbillman@marian.school.nz) urgently or notify the school office.



## 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



## Saints United Netball Trials

7A, 7B, 8A, 8B and Social Teams



Venue: **Minogue Park**

**Moore Street, Hamilton**

Date: **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

Time: **Y7: 8am** (Year 7's trial in 6 aside)

**Y8: 10am** (Year 8's trial in 7 aside)

Registration forms are in the Atrium and School Office to collect.

Please fill in the Player Registration forms and return to the School office before 2pm Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020

## PTFA Meeting - TONIGHT

A reminder that the PTFA are holding their first meeting of the year in the Marian School Staffroom. 7:00pm. All welcome.

## Celebrating Success

- On Saturday **Sienna Casson** had a successful time at the Eastern Regional Surf Life Saving Championship in Ohope. She competed in many different events. She won 2 Gold and 4 Silver. Congratulations, we are proud of you.



- In January, **Paula Harvey** had the opportunity to attend the Royal Academy of Dance's Summer School in Wellington which was held at NZ School of Dance.

During her week there, she took part in ballet, creative dance, hip hop, circus skills and repertoire classes. She also had the opportunity to go behind the scenes at RBNZ and the Opera house.

Paula enjoyed the week, learnt lots and is looking forward to the next summer school.



## Dates to Remember

19 Feb	PTFA Meeting – 7pm
20 Feb	Teacher Information LC2 & LC3
26 Feb	Teacher Information LC4 & LC5
<b>26 Feb</b>	<b>Catholic Review Questionnaire due</b>
26 Feb	Saints United Netball Registrations due
28 Feb	Final day for Jacket orders
3-5 March	Catholic Review team at school
9 April	Marist Soccer Registrations <b>close</b>
27 August	Grandparents Day

## This Week's Health Nugget





## Ordination Invitation



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## Year 7 & 8 leadership workshop for girls

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Early bird registrations close 7 March.

## Sausage Sizzle this week

This Friday - \$2.00 per sausage.

## Sport Notices

### Marian Catholic School Sports Notice Wednesday 19 February 2020

#### CRICKET

Unfortunately the draw was not available at time of publishing. You can find the draw at:

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

#### FUTSAL

Unfortunately the draw was not available at time of publishing. You can find the draw at:

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

#### WATERPOLO

##### Sunday 23 February

Marian Sharks vs Te Rapa Turbos @ Te Rapa @ 2.50pm

Marian Sharks vs CMS Stingrays @ Te Rapa @ 4.05pm

<http://waikatowaterpolo.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/2020-Intermediates-Semester-1-Draw-18-Feb.pdf>

#### TOUCH

Unfortunately the draw was not available at time of publishing. You can find the draw at:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/steeleparkjunrtouch/Draws-Results/Draws-Results?ts=0.20508126524195625>

#### SCHOOL SPORT PAYMENT DUE NOW

Please ensure you have paid your sports fees to the office or 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 – TERMS 2 & 3**

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

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



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