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Newsletter 6, Term 1

Date: 11 March 2020

Focus for the Week

Gospel Reflection - Matthew 17:1-9

We know from the gospel stories that Jesus often went to the mountain top to pray on his own. While Jesus and his friends are on the mountain, something very strange and unusual happens. Jesus is changed in a very dramatic way; he is transformed beyond all recognition.

His face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light.

The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. They get a glimpse of God's glory shining on his face and penetrating even his clothing.

The gospel invites us to work with the Holy Spirit to transform our lives during Lent, and to radiate the grace of the transfigured Lord around us

Charism Focus

Our Charism Focus for this term is the value of LIVE LOVE. We are lucky to have our school in a beautiful setting, with gardens and a wonderful Gully - thanks to Mr Jordan, who spent many hours caring for our grounds and developing and planting our gully.

As a part of our **Live Love** focus this term we are looking at how we can care for our world that God gave us. Our environment - our Common Home.

Live Love includes caring for our environment. How do we show love for the creation that God created?

Pope Francis said,

"All of us can co-operate as instruments of God, for the care of creation".

Creation is a gift from God.

PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION

CONGRATULATIONS - Celebrating our Past

Students The Graduating Class of 2015 has proven a successful leadership cohort. Several students in this cohort have been recognised in their respective high schools for their exemplary leadership abilities. Congratulations to these past students and their families:

Saint John's College - Head Boy: Finn Lally

Sacred Heart Girls College - Deputy Head Girl: Lucy Muldowney

Hamilton Boys High School - Head Prefect: Hunter Moon

Waikato Diocesan School for Girls - Leader of Events: Jenna Foote

We feel very proud of each of these students. May each of you continue to be living examples of our charism and 'Bring Christ into the World, by being the hands, face and voice of Jesus.'

CONGRATULATIONS to LC 4

Yesterday LC 4 held their annual swimming sports at Waterworld Te Rapa. The day was a fantastic success with swimming opportunities for all students. Thank you to our parents for their tremendous support running this event. Thank you to Maria Maarhuis and her team for a well run and organised day. Congratulations to all the swimmers.

LC 2 BALLET

On Friday LC2 attended the Royal New Zealand Ballet Performance: Ballet in a box at



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Clarence Theatre. Thank you to the parents who accompanied the children to assist with supervision.

LC 5 MUSEUM TRIP

Over the next couple of days the LC 5 students will be visiting the Waikato Museum to explore the exhibition called 'Shaping Hamilton Huringa Kirikiriroa' as a continuation of their learning around Identity and connection to the land as Kaitiaki of the future of Hamilton and New Zealand. This will challenge the students and place them in positions of influence in order to help them develop an understanding of the various perspectives and influences people have on the land. Again a huge thank you to the parents who are able to attend with the classes to assist with supervision of our precious students.

CATHOLIC CHARACTER REVIEW

Last week we hosted a team of five reviewers who spent three days in our school reviewing our Catholic Character for compliance and best practice. I would like to acknowledge our Director of Religious Studies (DRS) Mrs Nicki Whyte for all her work leading in this area. She works closely with all staff to support each one as they live out our special character and deliver quality Religious Education across the school. Mrs Whyte is supported by our RE Team, Mrs Feana Tu'akoi, Miss Suzanne D'Cruz and Mrs Vania McKeown. Together the team plan and implement various initiatives and work closely with all staff. A particular highlight is the work Nicki and her team have done to develop our Charism.

A HUGE thank you to the parents who completed the questionnaires and the parents who attended the parent meeting with the reviewers. We have much to be proud of here at Marian and each one of us plays an important role in enhancing and nurturing our special catholic character. I look forward to sharing the report with you once we have received it.

I will be away for the rest of this week attending an executive meeting of the New Zealand Catholic Primary Principals Association in Auckland. I leave the school in the excellent hands of Mrs Toni Walters-Freke in my absence.

Ma te Atua koutou e manaaki
May God bless you all

Debra White
PRINCIPAL

D.R.S. Corner

Solidarity Day

One way we can make Christ's love present in the world is by carrying out works of charity. So in keeping with our school tradition, we will be gathering together for **Solidarity Day** on Thursday the **26th of March**. This is celebrated during the season of Lent when we think of those people less fortunate than us. People who live in poverty and not as fortunate as we are.

On this day we come together for Mass (Years 3-8) and Liturgy (Years 1 and 2) and following the Mass and Liturgy we will share in a simple rice meal. We have also extended an invitation to other Catholic schools in Hamilton to send representatives from their schools to join us.

We are very fortunate in having the generous donation once again from Mike Pritchard and his team at Montana Catering at the University who are supplying and cooking the rice for this meal.

However, we do need the use of more chilly bins to serve the rice. If you are able to loan your chilly bin we would be very grateful.

Serving rice to a large number of students will take time, so if you are able to help serve the rice from 11.30am your offer of help would be appreciated. These lined chilly bins will be needed by Tues 24th March.

Our love is not just to be words or mere talk, but something real and active. 1 John 3:18

There will be more information in next week's newsletter.

God Bless
Nicki Whyte DRS

Welcome

We warmly welcome into our school community, the following children and their families; Simeona Karalus (Rm5) Lincoln Phillips (Rm4) and Sekuini Ale (Rm4)

School Photos

A reminder that these will be taken Thursday 19 March. If you wish to have siblings taken together then collect a form from the school office.



Te Korowai Hui



Te Korowai – Pānui mō te hui

Tēnā Tātou!

Ngā mihi nui ki a tātou katoa.

To the parents and caregivers of tamariki Māori you are invited to attend a hui, to be held 5:30 pm 17th March in the Whare Tāonga at school. Please bring your children so we can meet them too. Activities will be provided for them.

Nau mai, haere mai ki te hui mō ā tātou tamariki

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

PTFA Notice

\$1 iceblocks for sale every Friday this term at 3.00pm by the junior playground and under the tree by the senior playground.

Marist Soccer – CHANGE OF DATE

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



Please note: Registrations now close on Friday 28th March at 7:00pm

Dates to Remember

17 Mar	Te Korowai Hui
19 Mar	Whole School Class Photos
26 Mar	Solidarity day
28 Mar	Marist Soccer Registrations close
3 Apr	Mama donuts order forms due
9 April	Last day Term 1
10 April	Good Friday
3 Apr (Tues)	Term 2 begins
27 August	Grandparents Day

This Week's Health Nugget



Saints United - HOCKEY

Saints United Hockey Trials 2020

Date: 16th March 2020

Time: 4.00 – 5.30pm

Venue: St John's Hockey Turf, Hillcrest Road, Please collect a Player Registration form from the School office and return before: 2pm Thursday 5th March 2020.

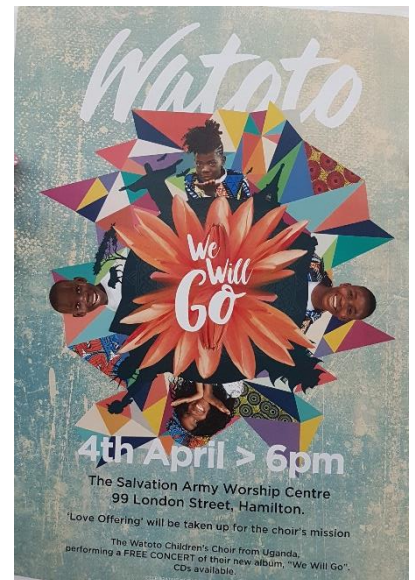
Any questions email: jmcintyre@marian.school.nz

Sausage Sizzle this week

This Friday - \$2.00 per sausage.

Watoto Children's Choir

Come see this amazing children's choir from Uganda.
4th April at 6pm in Salvation Army Centre, London St.





APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Tuesday 14th April - Friday 17th April
Monday 20th April - Friday 24th April

9am - 12pm.
5 - 13 years old.

Tuesday 14th April - Acrylic Painting Skills & Clay Modelling fun.
Wednesday 15th April - Collage Artworks & Watercolour, Salt & Pen.
Thursday 16th April - Chalk Pastel Sunsets & Creative Hanging Mobiles.
Friday 17th April - Drawing Vanishing Point Art & Oil Pastel & Dye Fun.

Monday 20th April - Abstract painting fun & Creative Clay Creations.
Tuesday 21st April - Flying paper craft & Cardboard Creations.
Wednesday 22nd April - Colourful Tissue Art & Cartoon Characters.
Thursday 23rd April - Dot & Pattern Painting & Craft Creativity.
Friday 24th April - Woolly Art & Watercolour & Dye.

\$35 per day or \$30 per day if attending 5 days or more.

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NETBALL

Years 1&2 played on Thursdays - \$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
Dates: 7 May to 2 July

Years 3&4 played on Tuesdays - \$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
Dates: 5 May to 18 August (No Game Dates: 7 & 14 July)

Years 5&6 played on Wednesdays - \$65 per player

Game Times: 4.00pm, 5.00pm or 6.00pm
Games played on full court. 6v6 format. 4x8min game
Dates: 6 May – 19 August (No Game Dates: 8 & 15 July)

HOCKEY

Mini Sticks – Years 1&2 - \$50 per player

25min Coaching & 25min Game (Basic intro for first time players, limited rules)

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

6 aside, 1/4 field, 25min Games

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

6 aside, 1/2 field, 25min Games

The 2020 season starts Saturday 2 May 2020
All games are played Saturday mornings (Mini Sticks game starts at 8am) or early afternoons at Gallagher Hockey Centre, Queens Ave, or St Peters Collegiate.

BASKETBALL

Term 2 starts Friday 1 May and finishes Thursday 25 June, running for 8 weeks.

Years 1&2 played on Thursday nights - \$55 per player. Games played at the YMCA or The Peak, Rototuna, starting from 4pm

Years 3&4 played on Wednesday nights - \$55 per player. Games played at the YMCA or The Peak, Rototuna, starting from 4pm

Sport Notices

Marian Catholic School Sports Notice Wednesday 11 March 2020

WINTER HOCKEY, NETBALL & BASKETBALL REGISTRATIONS AVAILABLE NOW ONLINE!

Head to our Marian Catholic School Website, under 'School Info' heading you will find 'Sport'. Click on your chosen sport, fill the registration form out, press send and its done!

Registration link:
<https://www.marian.school.nz/2479/folders/241-sport>

If for some reason you cannot do it online, please email me at
sportscoordinator@marian.school.nz

Registrations close Wednesday 25 March 2020



Years 5&6 played on Friday nights - \$55 per player. Games are played at YMCA & The Peak, Rototuna, starting from 4pm

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. We also need to not have too many children in a team. It is no fun for the child, the coach or the parents on the sideline to have kids spending more time off the court/field and on. Depending on final numbers in each age group, some children may miss out or be placed in a team older than their age group.

All netball, hockey and basketball teams require a coach and manager to look after the team. Netball and hockey teams also need to supply an umpire for every game (this cannot be the teams coach). It is very important that people volunteer their time for this and are willing to put their hands up to help. Without it, I am unable to register teams to play, and the kids miss out. Please be aware that sometimes we are fortunate enough to have young students that offer to umpire. If this is the case, you may be asked to provide a small donation to pay the student.

CRICKET

Friday 13 March

Marian Heat vs St Pauls Catholic Church @ 5.30pm @ Jansen Park 2

Marian Blasters vs Rotoruna Rockets @ 5.30pm @ Jansen Park 4

Saturday 14 March

Marian Wizards vs Hamilton Old Boys Falcons @ 9.00am @ Marian Catholic School

Saints United Premiers vs Southwell 1s XI @ 10.00am @ Southwell School C

Saints United Development vs Cambridge Cricket @ 9.00am @ John Kerkhof 2

Saints United Matrix vs Peachgrove Intermediate @ 9.00am @ Waikato Uni 3

You can find the draw at:

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

FUTSAL

Friday 13 March

Marian vs Barcelona @ 7.30pm @ Hillcrest High 1

Marian Colts vs Northern United U11 Kings @ 7.45pm @ Fraser High 2

Marian Brumbies vs Nuggets @ 7.00pm @ Fraser High 2

You can find the draw at:

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

SUMMER HOCKEY

Friday 13 March

Marian vs SPC Warriors @ 5.00pm on GHC1QB

You can find the draw at:

<http://www.waikatohockey.org.nz/summer-draws>

WATERPOLO

Sunday 15 March

Marian Sharks vs Berkley Blue @ 4.55pm @ Waterworld

You can find the draw at:

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

TOUCH

Monday 16 March

No draw available at time on 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

Touch = \$25 per player

Summer Hockey = \$25 per player

Melissa Nelson

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