

Newsletter 10, Term 2

Date 1 July, 2020

Focus for the Week

Gospel Reflection: Make Jesus Welcome

Matthew 10: 40-42

What does it mean to welcome someone? It means to greet someone with pleasure and friendliness and to make them feel as though you are pleased to see them. Every one of us has the spirit of God inside of us and so we should treat each other as we would treat Christ Himself.

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus tells us that when we do something for another out of kindness and love, we are actually doing this for Him. He says," When you do any of these things for others, you do it for me."

Charism Focus for the Week

Our Charism focus for this term is LIVE FAITH. This term we have been looking at the different ways we are able to live our faith - both at school and at home. Showing that we are part of a community of faith - sharing the love of God in our words and our actions.

This term we have been learning about God's creation - the beautiful world that we have been asked to look after and care for. When we show respect for the environment in how we care for our world, we are living our faith - preserving what God created for us to enjoy.

We have the models of our founders Euphrasie Barbier and Marcellin Champagnat who showed us how to live faith in our everyday lives. Our belief and faith in GOD is shown in our actions.

Living our Faith this term, is an opportunity for us to show that we are thankful - respond with kindness and thanks for things that we have been given and don't take them for granted.

Our Charism of LIVE CHRIST teaches us to be the Hands, Face and Voice of Jesus to all those we meet.



PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION

Kia ora koutou katoa

OUR OUTSTANDING STAFF

I would like to thank and acknowledge all staff members here at Marian Catholic School for their work over Term Two. These were unprecedented times and everyone rose to accept the challenges that COVID produced with rapidly changing work practices and environments. Outstanding!

We have had an amazing term of cleanliness, learning and showing kindness to each other. Keeping our children's learning at the core, helping children feel happy returning to school, extra cleaning duties: washing hands/ cleaning surfaces/ sanitizing, taking on extra gate duties, supporting our children make their way to their classrooms, learning support programmes, all with a smile! Thank you for continuing to put our children at the centre and your outstanding contribution to our school learning and culture.

PARENT COMMUNITY

Congratulations to our parents for their support of the learning programmes during Lockdown and Level Three. The children quickly settled into school routines and learning once we hit Level Two and haven't looked





back. Thank you to our parent community for your ongoing support of us as we do our best for your children. Thank you for your trust in us to keep your children safe, thank you for your support with their learning and thank you for your communication to help us with any well being issues. Working positively together helps us all to grow.

A HUGE THANK YOU

Last Wednesday Feast of St John the Baptist we held a mufti day to raise money for the St John Ambulance Youth Programmes. We raised \$856.00.

"The amount raised by Marian Catholic School at this time of national hardship is simply amazing and especially fitting with the mufti day held on the Feast day of St John." Baden Hilton former BOT Chair and member of St John Ambulance Association.

GOLD CARD AWARDS

On Monday we awarded our Gold Card recipients at our Gospel Liturgy. Congratulations to: Felicity Lewis, Lucy O'Connor, Reuben Feist, Maeve Pauley, Shalom Laban, Mariangela Njaliyath, Mariah Ioane, Luke Bormans, Benedict Doohan and Linsa Nisanth We look forward to our 'usual' Gold Card assembly next

term.



END OF TERM TWO MASS

Tomorrow we are looking forward to our end of Term Two mass. Being able to gather as a school community is precious and we can not take this opportunity for granted, as experienced in response to COVID. Students are asked to bring a grocery item for the Combined Christian Foodbank. Our mass will be a lovely celebration of Term Two.

FEEDBACK ON NEWSLETTER

Thank you to the parents who have emailed their feedback on the more mobile friendly version of our newsletter. We



welcome your feedback so please email.

I will conclude thanking you for your on going support of our staff and school this term. I wish all our students and their families a safe and restful holiday break and I look forward to welcoming you back and working with you all next term.

Loving God,

We ask that families may be filled with love, respect and guidance. May we always have as an example the relationship that Jesus, Mary and Joseph had as a family unit based on love. Inspired by the Marist characteristic of Family Spirit, help us to live in community with those around us.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

Ngā mihi nui Debra White PRINCIPAL

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School Mass

Tomorrow, Thursday, is our End of Term Mass. It begins at 9.15am and we welcome family, friends and members of the community to join us for the first Mass of the term.

Sacramental Programmes

If your child is aged 8 years or over and 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 Sunday 2 August at 7.15pm. The date of the ceremony will be 22 November at 10.30 am, in the Cathedral.

Prayer Cloths

Many thanks to Sandy Davey, mother of Paula and Andrew Harvey, who has very kindly sewn prayer cloths for the classrooms to use at prayer times. Your help is much appreciated.

God Bless, Nicki Whyte DRS



Enviroschools Celebration



To celebrate Matariki, LC3 students enjoyed a shared lunch with vegetable soup that they grew, harvested, prepared and cooked themselves. Hands on, real life learning experiences for all students, that culminated

with happy smiles and full tummies. Special thanks to Pip, our wonderful parent volunteer and her dedicated team of Enviro student helpers for overseeing the care

of our gardens that



have now been replanted for the winter season.







Celebrating LC2 Learning

LC2 had a fantastic day celebrating all things 'Dino' to celebrate their dinosaur learning this term.







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First Communion/Confirmation Programme

Children aged 8 and over (Year 4) who are already Baptised are eligible to join the First Communion / Confirmation Programme.

The date for the ceremony is 22 November at the 10.30am Mass.

The first parent input meeting will be Sunday 2 August, 7.15pm in the Cathedral. Email Andrea for enrolment – andrea@cathedral.cdh.nz

Collecting Breadtags



Please save your bread tags and bring them to school for collection.

This group has been working in South Africa since 2006 and is now in New Zealand. Bread tags are recycled to fund wheelchairs in South Africa. Currently 500kgs collected each month is enough to fund 2-3 wheelchairs.

Let's see how much Marian Catholic School can contribute?

Check out their website www.breadtagsforwheelchairs.co.nz

Marian School Holiday Programme

We are running a holiday programme the first week of July holidays.

Hours are 8 - 5 pm.

Cost is \$32 per day.

We supply morning and afternoon tea. Just bring a packed lunch and drink.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Please register with Mrs Coman at the Hall after 3pm or email... mcoman@marian.school.nz

Gym Academy



Dates to Remember

2 July	Full School Mass
3 July	Last day Term 2
20 July	First day of Term 3
2 August	Parent Input Meeting





Kids Speak Out!



No Confidence – School speeches – Bullies - a NIGHTMARE?

After School Classes: Kids gain real life skills & have fun! LEADERSHIP: Sch Holidays 1-4 days with Certificate - Age

 $\textbf{CHALLENGES:} \ \textbf{Sch Holidays Coping with life challenges - Age}$

10+

HIGH SCHOOL Aargh – 1 day, Rules, Study skills, Interviews

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Sport Notices

Marian Catholic School Sports Notice Wednesday 1 July 2020

HOCKEY

Friday 3 July

Saints United 1st vs FIS Hydrogen @ 4pm @ GHC 2HC

Saints United 2nd vs CMS Dev 1 C @ 5pm @ GHC 1HC

Saints United Red vs TA Int Terrors @ 6.30pm @ GHC 1HC

Saturday 4 July

Marian Strikers vs Aberdeen Bagpipes @ 9.30am @ GHC 1QC

WINTER SPORTS FEES DUE

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 'netball' and 'Term3'

Netball Fees \$35 per player <u>Hockey Fees</u> Y1&2 = \$30 per player Y3-6 = \$\$45 per player

Basketball Fees \$55 per player



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