

# Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

Dear Families

We are trying to limit parents coming into the school as one of our safety measures. If you do need to come into the school, we have introduced a contact tracing part to our school app, which saves you from signing our contact tracing book in the foyer. You will need to upgrade the app if you already have it on your phone to 2.4.0. Use the QR code below and it will take you straight to the download. This is highly recommended to everyone.



Teachers have noticed some differences since we have been back at school:

1. Students are very settled coming into class by themselves, and are often seated and working before the bell. It would be great if we can keep doing this after moving out of Level 2 as it is making a real difference to our students independence and learning.
2. Students are becoming more independent and are managing themselves. This is one of the key competencies of the curriculum.
3. There is a general calmness around the school.

We will not be having a written report this term due to teachers not being able to do enough assessment and observations. This is normally about a 6 week process that the lockdown has impacted. We will have parent teacher conferences in the first week of term three. Details on how to book online are in this newsletter.

## Coming Events

|      |    |                                      |
|------|----|--------------------------------------|
| June | 01 | School closed for Queens Birthday.   |
|      | 12 | PTFA Mufti Day – gold coin donation. |

## Congratulations to the following students who were awarded certificates

### St Joseph

Kevana Giddy, Sophie Skinner,  
Miller Lodewyks, Tiana Lafaialii  
Flynn McDougall, Callum Hope

### St Augustine

Mason Harkness, Shiloh Juntilla,  
Quyen Ngyen, James Thorpe

### St Dominic

Kiera Donnelly, Josh Herlambang,  
Illaria Spalletta, Nina Van Kampen-Marsich,  
Sinead Stewart, Wade Hessel, Darcy  
Kellerher

### St Patrick

Tegan Jones, Annie Eastham,  
James Orjalo, Maika Moce

## Team News

**Matikao Team:** This week has been a little more challenging weatherwise, but we did need the rain! The children are going with the pick-up flow smoothly for the most part. Thank you for your continued patience at this time. As we develop our new normal we will begin to send readers home and encourage increasing amounts of Mathletics at home.

**Mokeyhu Team:** We are back into the swing of our programmes, finding ways to do things slightly differently with Level 2 restrictions. The students have been amazing and we are very proud of their independence and self management both before and after school, as well as during the day. We are going to start looking at maths and reading level assessments over the next few weeks. We have been working on our art skills and classes have been looking at structures in the natural world and those that are man-made.

**Huruhuru Team:** Most of the children in the team have continued with their excellent start back at school. We are particularly noticing the improved self-management skills and the standard of their work, everyone is enjoying being back at school with their peers. We are continuing to use Google Classrooms within our classes as this helps to develop their independence. Remember you are welcome to email us if you have any questions.

God Bless  
Alan Watts





The Promise of the Holy Spirit was fulfilled on the Birthday of the Church, Pentecost. The Disciples were all in the Upper room praying. It is fitting that as we loosen rules around lockdown that we are able to celebrate this Feast day with our community, in prayer, hopefully back in our churches. Many will be returning to their churches this weekend. Many will receive communion for the first time in months. Maybe this could be for us a re-strengthening of our commitment to follow prompts from the Holy Spirit. May we continue to be Disciples filled with the Holy Spirit and speak of our faith, and show it, speak of our love and show it and speak of the joy we have in Jesus and show it.

Acts 2:39 "For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself."

*We light a candle, and enjoy the flickering light,  
the fragrance and warmth it creates.*

*But without the spark that ignites, there will be no flame.*

*Without the wax, the source of power, the wick will not burn.*

*Without the flame, there will be no fragrance, no warmth, no light.*

*And so with us, Lord. You are the catalyst that ignites us, and the fuel that sustains us. You fill us with your fragrance as you enter our lives.*

*You empower us to carry your flame in our hearts,  
to be the fragrance, warmth, and light of your love, in this world.*

Karl Hobman  
DRS

## SCHOOL NEWS

Wed 22nd July commencing at 1.15pm  
Thursday 23rd July commencing at 3.15 pm  
(School will finish on Wednesday at 12.20 pm)

### Parent Interview

Bookings are to be made online by visiting

[www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)

(Bookings will be open from the 29 May)

Our School Access Number is **cn4tg**

Please ensure you have booked your child  
in for this important process

### Hibiscus Coast Parish Mass Timetable

Mass will resume from Saturday 30th May.  
Numbers will be limited to 100.

**Saturday** 9:30am – St John's, Orewa  
5:30pm – St John's, Orewa

**Sunday** 8:30am – St Francis, Manly  
10:15am – St John's, Orewa  
12:00pm – St John's, Orewa

**Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday**  
9:30am – St John's, Orewa

**Friday** 9:30am – St Francis, Manly

Numbers will be limited to 100.

Not everyone will be able to attend a weekend Mass, so please consider choosing to attend a weekday Mass if you are able.

### Secondhand Uniform Sale On Kindo

[https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user\\_home.shtml?session=false&shop=Stella%20Maris%20Primary%20School](https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user_home.shtml?session=false&shop=Stella%20Maris%20Primary%20School)

Please remember these are secondhand, they may be wash faded, have paint or stains and look loved. We will be doing our best to send the best quality we have available, but please also remember we are mums volunteering our time. If there are any questions on sizing text Helen Searanacke 027 339 3839. Uniform Donations: We would like to thank families that have donated outgrown uniforms. If you would like to donate please send uniforms with your child to be left in the box near the main foyers front door. All proceeds go towards the PTFA fundraising goals

### Bricks 4 Kids Lego Robotics Afterschool Class At Stella Maris

**Junior Robotics Class** (Years 0 - 4) Monday 3 - 4.30pm.  
**Motorized Lego model building Class** (Years 0 - 6) Tuesday 3 - 4.00pm. For more information and to enrol [nz@bricks4kidz.com](mailto:nz@bricks4kidz.com).

**TEACHER ONLY DAY FRIDAY 29th MAY  
CANCELLED**

**QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY MONDAY 1st JUNE  
SCHOOL CLOSED**



**1 May 2020**

**Statement for Catholic School Families in Response to the Challenges Encountered by Covid-19**

Kia ora koutou nga Whanau Katorika

The New Zealand Catholic Bishops have been mindful of the challenges many people in our community are facing during the Covid-19 crisis. We understand the anxiety for parents and caregivers created by a loss of employment or other challenges of caring for children at home during this lockdown.

Our schools offer strong pastoral care, which is the foundation of our Catholic faith and is particularly important in times of upheaval, such as when many educators and students are having to adjust to distance learning. We want to ensure all those currently enrolled in Catholic schools are able to remain at their school of choice.

The New Zealand Catholic Education Office and our Diocesan leadership teams have given Catholic school Proprietors an appraisal of the challenges parents are likely to face as a result of the impacts of Covid-19. They are looking at ways we can support the cost of attendance dues for parents who have a loss of income or other hardship. Work is being done to ensure that our community is supported during this period, and that students are not further challenged by a need to look for a new school as a result of financial hardship.

Families are encouraged to contact their diocese's schools/education office.

We remember Catholic school families, staff and communities in our prayers, and commend you all for your creative and faith-filled response during this time. We are inspired by how schools have worked to ensure the continued learning and spiritual formation of students. We look forward to continuing to support our community to remain part of the Catholic Education family.

God Bless,

✠ **Patrick Dunn, Bishop of Auckland and NZCBC President**  
✠ **John Dew, Cardinal Archbishop of Wellington, NZCBC Vice President**  
✠ **Stephen Lowe, Bishop of Hamilton and NZCBC Secretary**  
✠ **Paul Martin SM, Bishop of Christchurch**  
✠ **Michael Dooley, Bishop of Dunedin**  
✠ **Michael Gielen, Auxiliary Bishop of Auckland**  
**Paul Ferris, Chief Executive, New Zealand Catholic Education Office**

## Mark Your Diaries

**School calendar dates as shown below are pre covid planned dates, these may be subject to change dependant on restrictions due to covid19. We will update if any changes come to hand**

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| 01 Jun | Queen's Birthday - School Closed                             |
| 12 Jun | PTFA Mufti Day - Gold coin donation                          |
| 03 Jul | <b>TERM TWO ENDS</b>   |
| 20 Jul | <b>TERM THREE STARTS</b>                                     |
| 20 Jul | Community Singing 11.20am                                    |
| 22 Jul | Parent Interviews - School finishes at 12.20                 |
| 22 Jul | Parent Interviews - 1.00pm - 7.00pm                          |
| 23 Jul | Parent Interviews - 3pm - 6.30pm                             |
| 30 Jul | Liturgy 9am  |
| 03 Aug | Mohehu Assembly 11.20am                                      |
| 03 Aug | Parish Care and Share Week                                   |
| 07 Aug | School Cross Country   |
| 10 Aug | Huruhuru Assembly 11.20am                                    |
| 13 Aug | Liturgy 9am  |
| 10 Aug | Year 5 / 6 Hockey Tournament                                 |
| 10 Aug | Whole school Assembly 9am                                    |
| 15 Aug | School Feast Day "The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary" |
| 15 Aug | School Mass 5.30pm St John's Orewa                           |
| 19 Aug | Class, Individual and Sibling Photos - Photolife             |
| 20 Aug | Team and Group Photos - Photolife                            |
| 24 Aug | Community Singing 11.20am                                    |
| 27 Aug | Interschool Cross Country                                    |
| 31 Aug | Book Fair Week   |
| 04 Sep | Dad's Day 12.20-2.45pm                                       |
| 04 Sep | PTFA Fun Lunch   |
| 07 Sep | Mohehu Assembly 11.20am                                      |
| 10 Sep | Liturgy 9am  |
| 14 Sep | Huruhuru Assembly 11.20am                                    |
| 17 Sep | Year 5/6 Interschool Netball                                 |
| 21 Sep | Full School Assembly 9am                                     |
| 22 Sep | Full School Mass at St Patricks Cathedral                    |
| 24 Sep | Liturgy 9am  |
| 25 Sep | <b>TERM THREE ENDS</b>                                       |
| 12 Oct | <b>TERM FOUR BEGINS</b>                                      |

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## 2020 School Term Dates

|                       |                        |               |
|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| <b>TERM 2 Tuesday</b> | <b>28 Apr - Friday</b> | <b>03 Jul</b> |
| <b>TERM 3 Monday</b>  | <b>20 Jul - Friday</b> | <b>25 Sep</b> |
| <b>TERM 4 Monday</b>  | <b>12 Oct - Friday</b> | <b>18 Dec</b> |

## Family Whanau Book Resource Link

<http://www.faithalive.org.nz/assets/Resources/Family-whanau-book.pdf>

## Telephone

### Netball

- Cancellation Number -  
09 424 2318

### Parish Office

- Parish Secretary -  
Theresa Fouché

[theresa@hbcparish.org.nz](mailto:theresa@hbcparish.org.nz)

- Pastoral Associates -  
Deacon Murray Morgan  
[murraymorg@gmail.com](mailto:murraymorg@gmail.com)

09 426 5599

Deacon Greg Murphy

[greg09122015@gmail.com](mailto:greg09122015@gmail.com)

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### SKIDS

- After School Care -  
027 846 1725

### School Dental Clinic

09 426 8470

### Bayes Buses

09 426 5504

### Ritchies Buses

09 420 6091

### Public Health Nurse

09 427 0300 ext 4339

### Influenza A (H1N1)

- Advise Healthline -  
0800 611 116

### Coronavirus Healthline

0800 358 5453

### Stella Maris School

- Website -

[www.stellamaris.school.nz](http://www.stellamaris.school.nz)

### School Bank Details

Attendance Dues &  
Donations

12 3046 0362238 01

All other Payments

12 3046 0362238 00

### PTFA Bank Details

12 3046 0376269 00

### Waitemata Health

[www.webhealth.co.nz](http://www.webhealth.co.nz)

Auckland Youth

[www.akyouth.org.nz](http://www.akyouth.org.nz)

**"Ki te ingoa o te Matua, O te Tamaiti O te Wairua Tapu, Amene"**  
**In the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Amen**



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