



# MARIST COLLEGE

Catholic School for Girls, Years 7 to 13

Term 1 - Number 2  
Friday, 17th February 2023



## From the Principal

At today's Inaugural Mass, we celebrated our faith, the blessing of our new school year, and the recognition of our Year 13 students and the responsibility they have accepted as leaders and role models of Mary.

It was an opportunity to pray for those less fortunate than ourselves, especially those throughout New Zealand affected by the cyclone, the survivors of the Turkey and Syria earthquake, and those affected by war and poverty.

With so much societal trauma, our world needs strong, compassionate, and resilient leaders. Leaders who can put the needs of others before themselves. Leaders who can see the importance of empowering others, who can inspire others to dream, and communities to learn. Leaders who strive to make the world a better place for all humanity.

Our Marist women are all future world leaders. Being Marist means serving others with compassion and love, having faith in God, and having a sense of justice to understand what is right and good for all. At times leadership will be challenging and require sacrifice, yet it will provide purpose, a sense of belonging, and an understanding of what is truly important in life.

I wish all our leaders the best of luck for the year ahead. You are capable of great things with God by your side and Mary in your hearts.

A special thank you to Monsignor Bernard Kiely for celebrating our Mass today and the dedicated staff and students who prepared it.

Te Aroha o te Atua

*Mrs Raechelle Taulu,*

Principal/Tumuaki



## KEY DATES

### Term 1 2023

#### Week 4 (B)

- 20 Mo House & Photo Day  
PTFA Meeting 7pm  
Titanic rehearsals, Drama Room 3:30 - 5:30pm
- 21 Tu Y11 Art Hikoi 10am - 2pm  
Y7 & 8 Central Zone Tennis
- 22 We Ash Wednesday Liturgy
- 23 Th Hui 6pm, staffroom  
Y13 PE Trip (The Arena) 1:30pm - 3pm
- 24 Fr Assembly - Academic  
Y9 Whakawhānauatanga  
Y11 Economics Trip 11:30am - 1:30pm  
Rotation 4 - 1
- 25 Sa Kapa Haka practice onsite 9am - 12pm
- 26 Su Titanic Rehearsals 11am-5pm

#### Week 5 (A)

- Feb 27 Mo Athletics Day, Trusts Arena  
BOT Meeting 6pm  
Titanic rehearsals, Drama Room 3:30 - 5:30pm
- 28 Tu Y12 Health Trip 12 - 3pm  
Y7 & 8 Central Zone Softball
- Mar 1 We Extended Whānau  
Kilikiti Tournament 8am-3pm  
Fono 6pm, staffroom  
Y13 Lawn Bowls 12:45-1:45pm  
Open Day Tours 9am & 11:30am
- 3 Fr Y7 Zoo Trip  
Assembly - Senior Academic, Junior Level Meetings  
Rotation 5 - 2
- 4 - 20 Sinagawa Girls Junior High School visit  
Kapa Haka practice onsite 9am - 12pm
- 5 Su Titanic Rehearsals 11am-5pm

## Upcoming 2023 Events:

- Mar 6 Mo Netsafe 6pm, Gym
- 8 - 11 Polyfest - Diversity Stage and Kapa Haka
- 15 We Family Festival
- 16 Th PPTA Teachers Strike
- 30 - 31 Y11 PE Camp
- Apr 6 Th Last Day Term 1

For a full school calendar go to  
<https://www.maristcollege.school.nz/calendar>



## *"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me"*

*Philippians 4:13*

Our Inaugural Mass today was a wonderful opportunity to welcome our new students, staff and acknowledge our Year 13 students including our leaders.

Our value of Empowerment in Mary's Way – Whakamana i Te Ara o Mēri was a theme throughout our Mass and as a school we reflected on our calling to follow the mission of Christ. We remember that God empowers us right where we are with exactly what we have at this moment.

As a faith community, we commissioned our Year 13 leaders including the blessing of their badges. They in return as a whole group, have made a pledge to the school that they: *"will keep the Marist spirit alive by encouraging others, to stand up for what is right and to use our gifts wisely in the service of Marist College"*.

Thank you to all our parents and guests who joined us and especially our celebrant, Mons Bernard Kiely.

Ad Jesum per Mariam

*Mrs Katherine McGillivray*, Assistant Principal/DRS



## International Students Update

A big thanks and aroha to our students who are looking after our new international students so well.


Thanks to the Ambassadors that are buddies to our students and make sure they're enjoying school and making the most of their time here.



For easy access to the Marist College International Instagram account, there is a handy QR code that can be used. Please join us and follow our international students and their buddies this year.



# Catholic Special Character Contribution

SUPPORTING CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN OUR SCHOOLS








The Catholic Special Character contribution is used to fund the staff and services provided by the Catholic Education Services Board who are responsible, on behalf of the Proprietor, for safeguarding and strengthening the Catholic Special Character of our schools.

The contribution is \$12.50 per term per student or \$50 per student per year.

The contribution is tax deductible and a 33% refund can be claimed from the IRD.

**For more information:**  
[www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-education-services/](https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-education-services/)  
**Phone:** (09) 3503091 **Email:** ces@cda.org.nz

# Providing for Catholic Schools in the Auckland Diocese




## ATTENDANCE DUES

Attendance Dues are used to pay for building related costs at Catholic Schools in the Auckland Diocese. Paying Attendance Dues is a condition of enrolment for all students attending New Zealand Catholic Schools. Attendance Dues are compulsory – there is a legal requirement for parents and caregivers to pay Attendance Dues under the Education and Training Act 2020.

**ATTENDANCE DUES ARE:**

	PRIMARY STUDENTS	SECONDARY STUDENTS
2023 per year (incl. GST)	\$488	\$956
per term (incl. GST)	\$122	\$239

**For more information:**  
<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-schools-2/>  
**Phone:** (09) 360 3040 **Email:** acfi@cda.org.nz






## Students BYOD Devices

By now most new students should have been set up for BYOD at Marist College by our IT department. Please ask your student if they can print at school. If they can print, then this is a sign that they are BYOD ready.

If they are having any problems the IT department will be available to help everyday next week in the Library at Break 1. Please remind your student. Any student having IT problems is welcome.

## Marist College PTFA

The PTFA have a busy schedule of events planned for 2023. Events include:

Family Festival, Year 13 Mums & Daughters Breakfast, Quiz Night, Year 7 & 8 Social, Year 9 Dads & Daughters Bowls, Golf Day...

We'd love to have you join our friendly crew – come along to our first meeting for the year on **Monday 20 February, 7pm** in the staff room (above admin)

Refreshments served – all welcome!

## House & Photo Day is on Monday 20 February

All students must be in perfect full school uniform with hair tied back for their ID and Whanau photos.

Please bring your laptop and normal class gear for Monday timetable in case it rains.

If it is sunny, please bring a cap or hat to wear for outside activities and wear sunblock.

The timetable for the photos is on the year level Google Classroom pages.

## REMINDER:

Books that students have borrowed for the school holidays are now due to be returned to school. Please be prompt so other students can enjoy them.



## Congratulations

to **Soeun Park** who has passed her Grade 5 Violin with Merit

## Congratulations

to **Eseta Rasmussen, Paula Elizabeth Veukiso and Serena Matara** who have been awarded the Toloa Secondary scholarship for 2023.

The Ministry for Pacific Peoples would like to honour and acknowledge Marist for the support provided for these young Pacific Peoples as they prepare to embrace their futures to excel in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) subjects and STEAM related pathways. Toloa's Vision is to make a transformational impact in the communities we live in. Toloa Scholarships support Pacific students in Years 9 through 13 to pursue studies in STEAM. The scholarship seeks to inspire and support Pacific student's early stages of STEAM academic engagement.



## Join our Kapa Haka!

**We are now taking expressions of interest to join our Marist Kapa Haka rōpū.**

Students of all year levels are welcome, no experience necessary.

Being part of the Kapa Haka is a wonderful opportunity to learn Māori performance, show leadership and develop cultural understanding. Last but not least, you will also meet some new friends! We will perform at Polyfest, Family Festival, during Matariki, Māori Language Week and Prizegiving to name a few.

If you are interested in joining, please email Whaea Viki Jonas at [v.jonas@maristcollege.school.nz](mailto:v.jonas@maristcollege.school.nz) or Matua Terry Tauroa at [t.tauroa@maristcollege.school.nz](mailto:t.tauroa@maristcollege.school.nz)

## Volunteer coaches & managers

Our Term 1 sports are underway and so we're looking for some more coaches and managers to join the team! If you're interested in coming on board as a coach or manager, please contact [sports@maristcollege.school.nz](mailto:sports@maristcollege.school.nz) or head along to our [Sports website](#) to complete an expression of interest form. We have a wide variety of sports available this year and we would love for you to be a part of it!



## Student coaches & umpires for netball

An exciting one for our students. We're looking for some Year 10 to 13 students who would be interested in coaching and/or umpiring our Year 7, 8, and 9 netball this year. Students interested in umpiring will have the opportunity to do an umpiring course before the season begins. To register your interest, please head along to our [Sports website](#) and complete the '[student coach/umpire registration](#)' form, under the 'coaches and managers' tab. Otherwise, please see Anna or Elyse in the Sports Office.



FREE event  
for parents

## Supporting Young People To Be Safer Online

Join us for a free presentation & discussion for Parents & Whānau

 Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 6pm

 Marist College Gymnasium, 31 Alberton Ave, Mt Albert

A Netsafe Education Advisor will talk about the risks, challenges and opportunities of digital technology, and the practical ways we can all help young people to be safe online. The session will look at how parents/ whānau can support and enable children and young people to navigate online opportunities, challenges and complexities.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

## Second Hand Uniform Shop

The Second Hand Uniform shop is open on Monday & Thursday 1.30-2pm and, other times, by appointment only. Most items available and prices start at \$15.

You can also donate your old uniforms or we can sell them on your behalf.

For more information or to book an appointment contact

[e.brown@maristcollege.school.nz](mailto:e.brown@maristcollege.school.nz)

## The Physio Clinic is OPEN!

Book your appointments here:

<https://miriamsphysio.setmore.com>

The clinic is also open before school and at break 1, every day, no appointment necessary.

Any questions? Contact

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## COMPUTER/MOBILE CODING



### A BRIGHT FUTURE

Our lessons will expand your child's horizons. Your child will learn to not only passively consume technology, but to create technology so that they can be an active part of the digital era. Learning to code is great for student's brains as it develops regions of the brain associated with both math and language. Children have an amazing capacity for learning and introducing them to coding while they're young will help set them up for success in our increasingly digital world.

### APPLY NOW (Free Trial Lessons Available)

To give your child the opportunity to learn how to program technology apply now at [codingnz.com/signup](http://codingnz.com/signup)

### WHO

Students aged 9 to 18

### WHAT

Beginner and advanced coding lessons where students learn to create technology

### WHEN & WHERE

Online at home  
One hour per week  
4pm, 5pm, or 6pm weekdays



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# **MARIST COLLEGE**

# **Family Festival 2023**

## **Wednesday 15th March 4 - 7:30pm**

Our fabulous Family Festival happens in March each year. Our school and local community gather together for food, fun and entertainment! Save the date and invite your extended family and friends to join you for a delicious evening out, while cheering on the school's various performance groups as they entertain us throughout the event.

**Want to get involved?**

Get in touch with Gerard Thompson.

Email: [gerardt@barker.co.nz](mailto:gerardt@barker.co.nz) Text 029 474-6660