

# **MARIST COLLEGE**

Catholic School for Girls, Years 7 to 13

Term 1 - Number 6 Friday, 17 March 2023

# From the Principal

## Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Family Festival was a huge success. The school was alive with people and the atmosphere was positively joyous.

Thank you to our amazing PTFA and volunteers for their countless hours of hard work organising such a massive event. Your contribution makes a significant difference in the lives of our students and our school. Marist College is truly blessed to have such a wonderful community. Thank you to the staff who worked alongside our PTFA and our students to ensure the evening was a success. Ngā mihi nui.

Congratulations to the students who showcased their talents and culture. With close to 300 students in cultural groups, it was fantastic to see our school spirit in action. Thank you to the student leaders who coordinated, choreographed and organised the 12 groups that performed.

Finally, to our Marist community, thank you for your continued support. Events like the Family Festival provide the social connections we need as human beings. They provide a sense of purpose and sense of belonging. Without your presence, none of this would be possible. Your generosity ensures that we are able to continue to provide all of the extras that makes Marist College such a special place.

Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Te Aroha o te Atua Mrs- Daechelle Taulu, Principal/Tumuaki



























#### **KEY DATES**

#### Term 1 2023

#### Week 8 (B) Lumino Dental onsite

19 - 20 Y12 PE Camp

20 Mo PTFA Meeting 7pm Titanic rehearsals, Drama Room 3:30 - 5:30pm

22 We Assembly - Liturgical NRD/ Annunciation Y10 Camp Info Zoom 6:30pm

23 Th Photo ID Catchup Day 8:30am - 9:45am Y10 Market Day, Break 1

24 Fr Assembly/House Leaders/ EC/Deans

> Y9 Whakawhanaungatanga Periods 3 - 5

Rotation 1 - 5

25 Sa Kapa Haka practice onsite 9am - 12pm

26 Su Titanic Rehearsals 11am-5pm

#### Week 9 (A) Lumino Dental onsite

27 Mo Titanic rehearsals, Drama Room 3:30 - 5:30pm

28 Tu Y7 & 8 HPV/Boostrix vaccinations

29 We Assembly/NNB/Liturgical

30 - 31 Y11 PE Camp

30 Th Y7 Homeroom Interview Day Y13 Uni Info P4, 314

31 Fr Casual Clothing Day
Assembly/Te Ara o Meri
awards/Farewell to
International Students

Apr 1 Sa Relay for Life (all day)

2 Sa Kapa Haka practice onsite 9am - 12pm

3 Su Titanic Rehearsals 11am-5pm

#### **Upcoming 2023 Events:**

Apr 3 Mo Polyfest - Kapa Haka 9:30am

Y13 PILOT Trip

5 We Y12/13 Class Play, Room 219 & 220

6 Th Holy Thursday Liturgy
Open Mic, Break 2
Last Day Term 1

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

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#### Polyfest 2023

# Year 11 Tongan Speech Competition Winner

Malo e lelei and a massive congratulations to **Virginia Mo'ui He Ofa Manukia** for coming 1st Place in the Year 11 Tongan Speech competition. She also took out the Year 9 competition back in 2021 and we look forward to her continued success in her much loved culture. Malo 'aupito!





### Filipino Group Judges Choice

Last Friday, the Filipino Group performed for the very first time at The ASB Polyfest Cultural Festival on the Diversity Stage. We performed a combination of two dances Singkil and Tinikling.

Singkil is a pre-Christian dance of a princess and her maiden coming from Mindanao. Tinikling is one of the most popular folk dances in the Philippines that imitates the movement of the Tikling birds as they avoid bamboo traps set by rice farmers.

It was a wonderful day, and we were awarded the Judges Choice Award for our performance. Special thanks to our awesome leaders Isabella, Arielle, Abbey and Chelbie. Also, to Mrs Barwig-Uini, Tita Carmen and all the parents who helped to make this possible. We look forward to performing on the Diversity Stage again.

Hilda Barwig-Uini





## Lantern Festival

24 Marist girls entered the Sky Lantern competition to celebrate the Lantern Festival during NZ Taiwan Day on 11 March. Elliana North's (Year 8) lantern is decorated with bright colours and tells a story of her hopes and dreams for the future. Her lantern was given the bronze award, top three overall. Out of over 1000 lantern entries, nine of our

students also received the top 100 merit awards. Congratulations girls!



Elliana North

#### Merit award:

Senna Addis, Randinie Cadelis, Sunny Xia, Melenaite Falekaono, Aleah Galagnara, Sara Gijo, Faith Jericevich, Zoey Tugaga, and Johanna Jojo.













#### International Students

School life is busy for our international students and recently, we also had the chance to visit Auckland Zoo and then travelled to Dominion Road for some excellent sushi! We also enjoyed the amazing cultural displays of dance, music, food and artefacts at Polyfest.

For the Shinagawa group of students, they are now in their last week at Marist College. Their time has been short but busy with ESOL classes in the morning and then accompanying their buddies to their classes for the remainder of the day.

It's been a quick introduction to Auckland, getting to and from school and exploring some sights while they've been here. Thanks so much to their buddies who have looked after them while they've been here.

Vivienne Kingsbury International Student Director







#### PE Student Snapshots









13PE - Theresa demonstrating great lawn bowls action for her practical standard.

8PE - Our Year 8 students enjoying AFL - Aussie rules!



As part of our Year 8 Health programme, students will have 3 one hour sessions of Life Education (with a focus on substances). This will include the following: Decision making, different drugs and their effects, physical safety, self-efficacy and assertiveness. The Life Education truck will be parked at Marist Primary for a week between May 1 - 5th in Term 2.

# Student / Caregiver Details

Please ensure contact details are kept up to date. If you have changed your phone, address or email details please update these as soon as possible via the Parent Portal on our Schoolbridge App or inform the school office.

# **School Charges 2023**

By now a payment arrangement should be in place for the school charges. If you would like to set up an automatic payment please contact <u>v.yates@maristcollege</u>. school.nz to arrange this. If you wish to pay per Term, please make payment for Term 1.

#### Volunteering Internship **Experiences Abroad for Teenagers**



Projects Abroad has been organising volunteering projects for young people for over 30 years, either for a gap year, or for high school students still at school to undertake in school holidays.

Refer to their website for details:

https://www.projects-abroad.co.nz/ Projects are short (usually 1-3 weeks) and are fully planned and supervised. Students can choose projects on the basis of destination, timing, or purpose.

Projects available include conservation, teaching/ children's work, construction, medical, business, human rights, sports coaching and more.

Webinar online 8.30pm, Tuesday 28 March for more info - Register for Projects Abroad webinar



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