

# **MARIST COLLEGE**

Catholic School for Girls. Years 7 to 13

Term 4 - Number 8 Friday, 1 December 2023

# From the Principal

Prizegiving is an opportunity to celebrate the hard work and success of our students. This year's prizegiving was a wonderful celebration of academic success, service, and talent. While this year's event was longer than planned, it was fantastic to see so many of our students cross the stage. This is the first time in the history of our prizegiving at the Town Hall that we have had standing room only. Thank you to all whānau who attended.

Organising prizegiving is a huge undertaking. It takes many hours and multiple people coordinating such a big event. Thank you to all the staff who dedicated their time making the evening so special.

Thank you to all the students who showcased their musical talents.

A special congratulations to the winners of our four most valued awards of the evening:

- Dux: Rose Bennett
- Proxime Accessit: Abbey Martinez
- Courtesy Cup: Laci Sampson
- Chavoin Cup: Mililani Ilalio

At Prizegiving we also announced next year's student leadership team. Congratulations to

- Head Girl: Kate Dallow
- Deputy Head Girl Special Character: Angel Jose
- Deputy Head Girl Academic: Ashlyn Chandra Selvan

Congratulations to Mrs Beel and the group of students who completed the AWA run with the Society of Mary this week in Whanganui. Feedback was that our Marist College girls set the pace for

the run.

Thank you to our PTFA for the Year 9 Dads and Daughters' bowls evening. As always it was a wonderful evening with great competition.

Te Aroha o Te Atua

Raechelle Taulu,

Principal/Tumuaki













#### **KEY DATES**

#### Term 4 2023

#### Week (7A)

Dec 4 Mo BOT Meeting 6pm

5 Tu Advent Liturgy &
Monte Cecilia Gift Giving
End Term 4, 12pm finish

#### School Holiday Break

Jan 16 - 22 Marist Youth Leader

24 We Second Hand Uniform Day

24 - 26 Y11 - 13 Course Confirmation days

30 Tu Y13 Retreat

31 We Y12 & 13 Course confirmation

#### Term 1 2024

#### Week (1A)

Feb 1 Th New students & Y13 start Mihi Whakatau 8:30am

> 2 Fr All students start Assembly 8:30am Y7 Homeroom day Rotation 1 - 5

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Feb 9 Fr Swimming Sports, competitors only

14 We Ash Wednesday

14 - 15 Y9 Retreat, tbc

16 Fr Inaugural Mass

16 - 18 School Production auditions, Rm 219/220

23 Fr Y9 Whakawhanaungatanga P3 - 5

26 Mo Photo & House day

28 We Athletics Day, Trusts Arena

29 Th Fono, 6:30 - 8pm

Mar 5 Tu Open Day, am

9 Fr PTFA Golf day

Y9 Whakawhanaungatanga P3 - 5

14 Th Family Festival

20 - 23 Polyfest

22 Fr ACCKA Conference

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

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### Dads\* & Daughters Bowls & BBQ

A great evening had by all at Mt Albert Bowling Club on Wednesday.

\* or significant other dude













"Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. . . Watch, therefore; you do not know when the lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning." Mark 13:33, 35

Hopefully, you have not been caught up waiting in the long queues at the various shopping malls around Auckland lately. As Christmas advertising has well and truly begun, so too has the sense of craziness that goes with it. I recently read that perhaps 'only a saint could maintain the patience needed to confront Christmas shopping, Christmas stress, and Christmas credit card bills.' Not sure how many of us can claim to be a saint, so good luck! This Sunday we begin the season of Advent – a time of preparation as we welcome the coming of Jesus.

It is a beautiful time that has many traditions in the Church. These traditions often get overlooked and forgotten, so we are encouraging our

students to think about what these traditions look like, and which ones might be included at home, such as an Advent wreath. This is a beautiful prayerful opportunity that takes little time and is simple to create at home. Another one is the Jesse Tree. The Jesse Tree charts from creation through to Christ using (mostly Old Testament) Bible readings and ornaments featuring associated traditional symbols, one for each day of the whole Advent season. Many families have their own traditions too, all wonderful ways to get into the spirit of the season.

Wishing you all less stress during Advent.



Ms Edwards' class have put a lovely Jesse Tree up in their room.

Ad Jesum per Mariam

Mrs Katherine McGillivray, Assistant Principal/DRS

# Prizegiving 2023 musical performances

If you couldn't make it to our Prizegiving, but still want to experience our exceptional student performances, please enjoy these videos plus Soeun Park's magnificent piano piece on the front page. A beautiful showcase of talents.











## **Year 7 Water Safety**

Year 7 have been learning water safety skills at Mt Albert pools this week.













#### **Awa Run**

Six Year 10 students, Renee Rodgers from Year 12, and Mrs Beel, ran to support less fortunate students by fundraising for them to be able to attend a Marist school. They ran 50 - 60kms over three days.







#### **Year 9 Science**

We are wrapping up our Year 9 science topic about light energy. This week we have built solar ovens and cooked up some delicious smores.







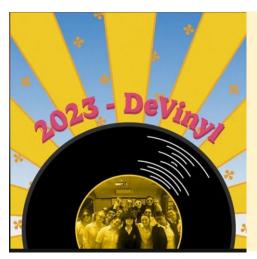












# 2023 DeVinyl the MarMus student album is out now

This is an awesome project that sets Marist students up for success by giving them a broad range of musical, creative, technical, and practical skills for a life filled with music.

Links here for listening and/or purchasing:

https://share.amuse.io/album/marmus-2023-devinyl

Students featured: Sophie Sorensen, Tessa Thorne, Maddy Low, Kacee Conway, Anna Mathew, Tupuna Brown, Nicole Ta'amale Faiaga, Siena Hannay, Ava Crowe, Lily Schoone, Rose Bennett, Beryl Larson, Hailey Igoy, and Lani Mors (A = Anna Mathew, GRAVEYARD = Beryl Larson, PUNAH = Tupuna Brown, and Artemis = Lani Mors).

#### **SPORTS UPDATE**

#### **Sports Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who received our Top Sports Awards at school prizegiving on Monday.

- The Voordouw/Young Family Award being Active in all Sports in All Aspects Junior

   Elise Senio
- The Ann Dale Award for Outstanding Contribution to Services to Sports – Mackenzie Mabey (Water polo)
- The Linda McQuade Trophy Excellence in Sport Kara McGillivray (Football)
- Sports Woman of the Year Milla Senio

#### Claudia Finau

Congratulations to Claudia Finau our finalist in the College Sport Young Sports person of the year Awards 2023 (YSPOTY) held at Eden Park on Thursday 23rd November.



Claudia was nominated

for Rugby League, for which she has been selected in multiple representative teams outside of the College's sporting season. We are very proud of your efforts Claudia and are wishing you all the very best with your future in Rugby League!

She joins only three other Marist students to have previously won College Sport Awards: Rachel Doody - Football, Maria Ngan-Woo - Kilikiti (1998) and Ruta Tai - Netball (1996).

#### **Kate Danaher**

Special mention to Kate
Danaher who was recently
voted Rookie of the Year at
the Disability Sport Auckland
Awards. Kate made her
competitive debut in Athletics
as a T37 Sprinter this year.
Kate's achievements from 2023:

- Gold in the Auckland Para Junior Women 100m
- Gold in the NZ Secondary School Junior Para Women 100m



- $\bullet\,$  Gold in the NZ Secondary School Junior Para Women 200m
- Gold in the NZ National Junior Para Women 100m
- Silver in the NZ National Junior Para Women 200m

Kate will be competing in the NZSSAA 50th Jubilee Track and Field competition in Christchurch from December 8-10. She will be competing in the Para-athlete 100m and 200m sprint races. Wishing you the all the best Kate! Go well and we look forward to hearing about how you get on.

#### Mackenzie Mabey

This year Mackenzie Mabey competed with her club team Atlantis City Water polo and won Gold in



the Divison 2 U18 Nationals. They placed 4th overall in the Divison 2 Auckland Water polo League and she will be competing in the new year in the Australian Youth Water polo Championships held in Brisbane. We wish her the very best for the tournament.

#### Savannah Campen

Savannah competed in the AAIMS Interzone Athletics Championships for Year 7 & 8 at Mt Smart.

Savannah qualified for the Year 7 Girls 100m, 200m and 400m. She placed first in 400m and 12th overall in 200m. Another big day of athletics for

this talented young woman.







#### **2024 Sports Registrations**

Just a reminder that 2024 Sports registrations are now open online, so check out the sports website for updated information.

A huge thank you to all our students who have participated in sport this year. Whether you competed in a one-day tournament, a sports season or lunch time sport both competitively or just for fun. We want to acknowledge you all and say we are proud of the way you have conducted yourselves out on the sports field, courts or pool. Well done to you all for having the courage to give sports a go and we look forward to supporting you again next year.

A special thank you to our volunteers who have given up their time to help coach, manage and drive our sports teams. We can't run our teams without your continued support so we thank you and wish you a safe and happy holiday break.

The Sports Department

Anna Senio and Jacqueline Slade



# **School Charges**

Payment of the 2023 School Charges is now due (31/10/2023). Payments can be made via the parent portal or internet banking. We also accept cash and EFTPOS at the school office.

Please arrange for payment, or of you need to discuss your daughter's account, please do no hesitate to contact Veronica Yates on <a href="www.vyates@maristcollege.school.nz">w.yates@maristcollege.school.nz</a>

# Calling all lovers of arts

Our 2024 production needs your support. We are looking for sponsors to help with the large costs of staging full scale productions. As we see the costs of things like the venue and sound equipment rise, we would love to increase our pool of sponsors. Whether thats a \$250 advert right through to larger scale full marketing packages, it all helps.

For more information please email schoolproductionteam@gmail.com

# **Holiday Library Books**

Students are welcome to borrow books over the school holiday break. Please take care of them and return promptly in Term 1 so other students can enjoy them. Thank you

# **Homestay Families Needed**

Kia ora! In 2024, we start off with students arriving in mid to late January and we are enrolling both short-term and long-term students from Term 1 2024. For some students, we need some temporary accommodation for 2-3 nights before they move into their permanent accommodation. We pay each family for the students stay and are here to support you as well.

If you're interested and would like some information about hosting an international student, please call me on 027 2370063 or email <a href="mailto:international@maristcollege.school.nz">international@maristcollege.school.nz</a>.

Vivienne Kingsbury, International Student Director

### **Second Hand Uniform Shop**

The Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open from 10am - 2pm on Wednesday 24th January, in preparation for Term 1 2024. Most items are available and prices start at \$15. Payments can be made in cash or eftpos. You can also donate your old, good quality uniforms to the school or we can sell them on your behalf. Any questions email useduniforms@maristcollege.school.nz

# Monte Cecelia Gift Giving

'Tis the season to give. Presents can include toys, books, arts and craft supplies, good quality second hand toys. Collections are in Room 239 until Monday.

# Marist School & Marist College Golf Day Maungakiekie Golf Club Friday 8th March 2024 12pm for a 12:30pm Shotgun Start Format: 4-Person Ambrose Tickets are available online at https://www.maristcollege.school.nz/2023-golf-day Individual Player: \$105 Team of Four: \$380 Team of Four & Hole Sponsorship: \$480 Price includes course fees, on-course sausage sizzle and snacks, non-alcoholic drinks, and dinner afterwards. Cash bar throughout the day. Raffles and auctions in the clubhouse from 5pm. Golf carts \$75 each - limited numbers so first in, first served

# **Storm Recovery Support**

Were you or your whānau affected by the extreme weather events in early 2023?

There are free services available to help provide you with financial, emotional, mental health and other support.











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