



MARIST COLLEGE

Catholic School for Girls, Years 7 to 13

Term 1 - Number 1
Friday, 2 February 2024

From the Principal

Welcome, Welcome, Welcome

This week we officially began the school year. It has been wonderful welcoming our new and returning students and staff. The school is feeling alive with students and staff feeling energised after the summer break.

This year's college value is 'Presence in Mary's Way, Aroaro I Te Ara o Mēri'. The simple definition of 'presence in Mary's way' within the Marian tradition is "engaging fully in life in a simple, gentle, compassionate way to build community".

At our welcoming liturgy we shared ways in which our young women can live out this value practically in their everyday lives at school and at home, while remembering that being Marist is not just what we do, but how we do it.

Presence in Mary's Way is:

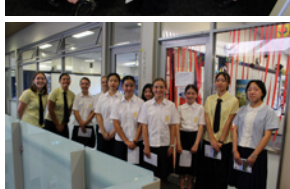
- Engaging in the spiritual life of the college, including participating in prayer, assembly liturgy, whanau celebrations and attending Mass.
- Being of service to those in need.
- Actively participating in class and extra-curricular activities.
- Listening to others without the need to respond or interrupt.
- Turning up.
- Staying true to the Gospel Values while achieving goals and supporting others to reach their full potential.
- Taking the time each day to reflect and give thanks to God for all that we are privileged to receive.

I am looking forward to a positive year filled with opportunities where our students can thrive and achieve their own personal excellence.

- Thank you to Miss Judge and Miss Going who travelled with our Year 13 Badged leaders to Feilding in the holidays for leadership camp. It was great seeing the growth in these young women as leaders.
- Thank you to Mrs Catley for organising Barista training for our Year 12 students this week.
- Thank you to Mrs McGillivray for organising and facilitating our Year 13 retreat.

With such a busy term ahead, I strongly recommend that you stay informed by reading our school newsletters, Marist updates, checking our school calendars and downloading our school app for notification <https://marist.bridge.school.nz/app>.

Te Aroha o Te Atua, *Raechelle Taulu*, Principal/Tumuaki



KEY DATES

Term 1 2024

Week (2B)

- Feb 5 Mo **Staff Only Day**
6 Tu **Waitangi Day holiday**
7 We Assembly/Waitangi Day Liturgy
Y7 Homeroom Day
Y8 Camp zoom info session 6:30pm
8 Th Pasifika food stall meeting for Family Festival, 6pm
Y9 Whakawhanaungatanga P3 - 5
9 Fr Singing practice
Swimming Sports, competitors only assemble on turf
Rotation 2 - 1

Week 3A)

- 12 Mo 22 x Marist Film Crew to Mt Albert Baptist Church
13 Tu Staff Dedication Mass Christ The King Church, pm
14 We Ash Wednesday
Valentines Day
16 Fr Inaugural Mass, 9:30am St Patrick's Cathedral
16 - 18 School Production auditions, Rm 219/220
Rotation 3 - 2

Upcoming Events:

- Feb 21 We Y7 Retreat, 7M & 7S
22 Th Y7 Retreat, 7R & 7T
23 Fr Y7 Zoo Trip
26 Mo Photo & House day
28 We Athletics Day, Trusts Arena
29 Th Fono, 6:30 - 8pm
Mar 5 Tu Open Day, am
Tours 9am & 11:30am
8 Th Y9 Whakawhanaungatanga P3 - 5
9 Fr PTFA Golf day
14 Th Family Festival
20 - 23 Polyfest
22 Fr ACCA Conference
School Closed for students

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



Gateway Barista course success!

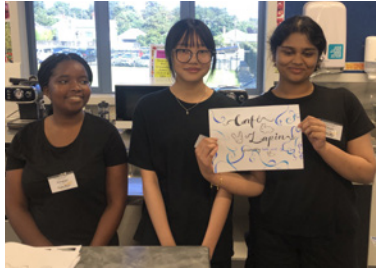
A record number of 20 Year 12 students have been very busy learning some extra new skills this week, before the academic year begins. With qualified tutors from external provider Gold Star Training,



the students learned how to make a range of different espresso coffee styles, using both domestic and commercial coffee machines. While most were nervous initially, it was great to see their confidence grow over the three days of intensive training. Teamwork, communication, and customer service skills were also covered, and by the time staff were lining up to sample their efforts, the coffees produced were getting close to café standard (if not at café speed of service!)

The next step for these students is to follow up the training with some work experience at local cafes – look out for them in your neighbourhood. The Barista-Café course is one of the options available for a Gateway programme experience, which is funded for a limited number of students by the Tertiary Education Commission.

Jenni Catley,
Gateway Coordinator



Swimming Sports

On Friday, 9th February, our annual school swimming sports event will be held at Mt Albert Aquatic Centre from 9am-3pm. This event is optional, otherwise it is a normal timetabled day. Students need to be confident swimming 25m and participate in at least one event to come along. Swimmers need a cap in house colours. These can be purchased on the school cart for \$2 at <https://www.maristcollege.school.nz/2024-swimming-sports-caps>

For more information and to sign up to participate: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/maristcollegeswimsports>

Athletics Day

The school athletics day will be held at The Trusts Arena, Henderson, on 28th February. This is a whole school event and there will be no classes on this day. Your daughter will need to wear her PE gear and/or house colours and bring her lunch, a sun hat and sunscreen.

For more information and to register for competitive events: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/maristcollegeathletics>



International Update

We're happy to welcome our returning students and welcome our new international students to Marist in Term 1 from Japan and China.

They've had a busy week arriving in Auckland, moving in with their homestay families, taking part in International Orientation and the school orientation and now straight into school life!

Girls we hope you have a wonderful time here at Marist College and enjoy all the exciting things happening this term.

Thanks once again to the buddies who are helping you settle in as well and we hope you do and experience as much as you can while you're here.

All the best, *Vivienne Kingsbury*



Student Study Tour in Japan

Over the summer holidays, I went with over 40 other students aged 14 to 18 from schools all around Aotearoa to stay in Japan for three weeks with a host family, as a part of the NZ Study Tours Labo in-Japan Homestay Program.

My host family- the Yoshihara family- welcomed me into their home with open arms, and took me to so many cool places during those three weeks!

My two favourite places were Takeshita Street in Harajuku, where all the cool and fashionable young people go shopping- and Animate in Ikebukuro - a nine-storey tall store filled with Anime (Japanese cartoons) and Manga (Japanese comics) merchandise.

I also learned of the existence of (and then tried) foods I never knew existed, like Melon flavoured Fanta! Which tasted better than regular Fanta in my opinion. As well as more traditional foods, like Dango (Chewy balls made with rice flour), Dorayaki (Pancakes filled with butter and red bean paste), and Soba noodles.

Lastly, I got the opportunity to go to school for a week with my host sister, Yua, and it was amazing!... Until I had to go to school on Christmas day, because it's not a holiday in Japan. It was the last day of school before the winter holidays, though! Going to school in Japan gave me a greater appreciation of our own international students here at Marist. It's already difficult to live away from home in a country that speaks another language. Adding classes and schoolwork in that other language on top of that makes it even more so.

Kia Kaha girls! You'll have a wonderful time here at our school!

Zoe Celeste Judd



SPORTS REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/maristcol/sports/sports-1>

For up to date information on sports, coaching and registrations go to our sports website
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/maristcol/sports/sports-1>



AUDITIONS: PRISCILLA QUEEN OF THE DESERT: SCHOOL EDITION OUR 2024 SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Marist College and St Peters College are delighted to accept the invitation from Origin Theatrical to produce the New Zealand Premiere of the new School Edition of this fantastic and fun musical, Priscilla, Queen of the Desert.

Filled with great music from the 80s and 90s this show has been adapted for a school audience but still celebrates the crazy Aussie characters on a journey of fun, friendship and acceptance.

Auditions are by year group over the 16th and 17th of Feb at Marist College.

We have produced a full audition pack with all the information on the show, its content and how we manage that, what to prepare for auditions and info on the show commitment.

To receive the pack simply complete this google form: <https://forms.gle/wYhNn1sYba56SkRU8>

Come and be part of a fantastic experience that fosters amazing lifelong friendships, grows new skills and let's get our audiences dancing in the aisles!

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>

Price:

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.



STUDENT LOCKERS

Lockers are advertised in the third week of Term 1. There will be an advertisement in the daily notices, regarding payment and how to order one. This is done by year level. Please advise your daughter to check the notices for more information. Lockers are not available for Year 7 or 8 students.

LIBRARY REMINDER

Please be return all books issued in 2023 to the Library as soon as possible so other students can enjoy them.

Many thanks, *Lorie Pushon*, School Librarian

Unidentified Payment

We have received a payment with no reference details. The only details we have is that this has come from "Salary ADHB". If you think this is your payment we will need to verify this using the amount and the payment date. Please contact Veronica Yates 892 2803 or via email v.yates@maristcollege.school.nz.

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 e.brown@maristcollege.school.nz

CHOIR SIGN UP

Do you want to build connection and community through collective singing? Tuesday is Choir Day with Ms Nicklin-Crone!

Year 7 and 8 students – Marybelles choir B2 Tuesday, no auditions or experience, just commitment required. To see if it's for you - turn up at our first meeting Tuesday 13 Feb B2.

Year 9-13 students – Senior choir 3.30-5pm, audition/sign up link to be posted in the daily notices. Previous members of CPM choir do not need to re-audition, just sign up.

Race Unity Speech Awards

Calling any Year 11-13 students interested in entering the Race Unity Speech Awards. This competition takes place at the end of March and this year's topic highlights the value of social cohesion and community collaboration as "*Te Taura Tangata / The Rope of Unity*". You can discuss how we can foster cohesion in Aotearoa/ New Zealand through inclusivity, empathy, and respect for differing beliefs and diversity based on respectful relationships with each other and tangata whenua.

You can deliver your speech in Te Reo Māori, English or any other language and you have the opportunity to win up to \$1000.

If you would like to find out more about the Speech Awards, see Dr Houliston in her office or email her at

b.houliston@maristcollege.school.nz

<https://raceunity.nz/speech-awards-2024>



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Catholic Girls School, Years 7 to 13

Open Day Tours

Tuesday, 5th March 2024, Tour 1 - 9am, Tour 2 - 11:30am

A centrally located non-zoned Catholic girls secondary school, Years 7 to 13

www.maristcollege.school.nz

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 \$15 per term per student or \$60 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/

Phone: (09) 3603091 Email: ces@cda.org.nz



WOMEN'S FUTSAL

A1

A2

NEW SEASON

REGISTER NOW



New Women's Futsal Leagues starting... Term 1, 2024

Mondays from 6pm, Marist College Gym

Season 1: 12 Feb - 13 May 24 - No games: Public holidays

Individuals & Teams (5 - 7 players)

All levels welcome - Beginner to Competitive.

Categories:

- A1 & A2 Women... suit Year 10-13 Girls

- Majestys O35... suit Marist Mum's keen to play Futsal !!

> Info & Registration here: www.aucklandfutsal.org

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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:

2024	PRIMARY STUDENTS	SECONDARY STUDENTS
per year (incl. GST)	\$516	\$1,016
per term (incl. GST)	\$129	\$254

For more information:

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-schools-2/>

Phone: (09) 360 3040

Email: acfl@cda.org.nz

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– Whangarei



Mō tā tou, ā, mō ngā uri ā muri ake | For us, and our children after us.