



# MARIST COLLEGE

Catholic School for Girls, Years 7 to 13

Term 3 - Number 3  
Friday 9 August 2024

## From the Deputy Principal

Our school value for 2024 is Presence in Mary's Way / Aroaro i te Ara o Mēri. This value invites us all to engage fully in life, in a simple, gentle, compassionate way to build community. Presence in this sense is about being cognisant of God's presence in our lives, about being present for each other, and in an everyday sense it is about turning up, and being physically and intellectually present at school, to engage the in academic, social and spiritual learning Marist College provides.

Attendance at school is critical to achieving personal excellence and benefiting from the holistic education we provide. Studies show that attending school regularly is associated with improved academic as well as positive emotional and social wellbeing outcomes. It is our and the Ministry of Education's expectation that students attend school regularly. This means attending school at least 90% of the time (one day off a fortnight). Any less than this can create barriers to learning for your daughter. The benefits of regular attendance are manifold; consistent learning, academic success (achieving personal best), routine and discipline, social interaction, emotional stability, mental health and resilience.

What can parents do to help?

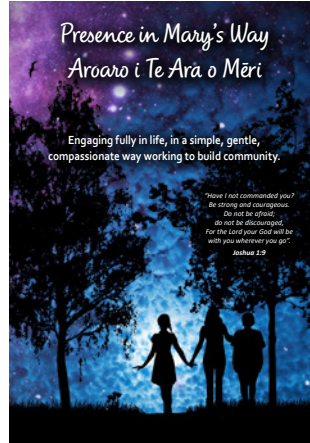
- Track your daughter's attendance on our SchoolBridge app.
- Communicate the importance of school to your child, by linking it to real world experiences and life beyond school.
- Foster a positive attitude to school, by showing an interest in your child's school based activities and learning.
- Identify and address barriers to attendance and work with your daughter's Dean to find solutions.
- Set expectations regarding attendance and punctuality. It is a legal requirement for students under 16 to attend school.

Please reach out to us if you need support. Attendance at school is a shared responsibility and we want to work with you to ensure your daughter attends school regularly.

On the 16th August at 9:30am we will be celebrating the Assumption of Mary and the students receiving their sacraments at our Marist Day Mass. Please feel free to join us for the special Mass.

Ngā manaakitanga

*Emma Coupar-Wanoa*, Deputy Principal Pastoral Care



## Chasing Stars - a Marist College film

Meet one of our directors, Ava Crowe! Ava has been involved with the film from the very beginning and has been an integral part of its creation. Ava also plays one of our main characters, Marama, as well as taking on many other roles surrounding the film. Be on the lookout for more interviews with our 'Chasing Stars' stars.

The only 3 cinema screenings of Chasing Stars will be held on the 16th - 18th September, including the premiere on the 16th where you can meet all the crew and stars of the screen.

[Watch the trailer](#) and get your tickets booked asap.

Tickets are available at <https://www.maristcollege.school.nz/etickets/school-film-production>



## KEY DATES

### Term 3 2024

- Week (4A) Cybersafety Week**
- 12 Mo** Final day for Samosa orders
  - 13 Tu NZAMT Math Competition  
Y10 - 12 Options Open  
**NCEA Option Evening 6:30pm, Gym**
  - 14 We Assembly/Liturgy VTT/  
Cybersafety Week
  - 15 Th Senior Badminton, College  
Sport Championship
  - 16 Fr** **Marist Day the Work It Way**  
Rotation 3 - 2

- Week (5B) Tongan Language Week**
- 19 Mo BOT Meeting 6pm  
PTFA Meeting 7pm
  - 19-20 Y12 PE Camp
  - 20 Tu Stand Up Stand Out Dance  
Competition
  - 21 We Assembly/Liturgy VSI/  
Tongan Language Wk  
Otago Uni Info B2, 134  
Singing Cup  
Y9 & 10 Mathex 7pm  
Barfoot & Thompson Stad.
  - 22 Th 11LT Mass, B2  
St Mary's Church  
Y7&8 Pre Tournament  
Football game  
Y7 & 8 Mathex 7pm  
Barfoot & Thompson Stad.
  - 23 Fr** Assembly/Lockdown tutorial  
**Samosa order collections**  
**12 - 4pm, 134 by Gym foyer**  
Rotation 4 - 3

### Upcoming Events:

- Aug **27 Tu** **Lockdown Practice P2**  
Auckland Uni Info, B2 134
- 28 We Y10 - 12 Options Close
- 29 Th Y13 Mass, B2, St Mary's  
Y7&8 Cross Country Champs,  
Waiatarua Reserve
- Sep 1 Su Father's Day
- 1 - 6 Tournament Week
- 2 Mo** **Mid Term Break,**  
**school closed**
- 8 - 13 AIMS Games
- 11 We** **Visual Arts Showcase**  
16 - 22 Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori
- 16 Mo** Sports Photos from 8:30am  
**Screenplay Premiere**  
**St Luke's Cinema, 6pm**  
PTFA Meeting 7pm
- 17 - 18 Screenplay shows  
St Luke's Cinema, 6pm
- 19 Y10 Numeracy CAA exams  
Māori Mass 6pm  
Christ the King  
Canterbury Uni Info, B2 134
- 20 Y10 Literacy CAA exams
- 23 - 27** **Senior Exam Week**
- 24 Tu Y10 Market Day, B1

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

*'I tell you, whenever you did this for one of the least important of these followers of mine, you did it for me!'*

(Matthew 25:40)

This week, our school continued to celebrate our commitment to serve the most vulnerable members of our wider community.

Last term, as a school, we ran our annual Can Drive as our collaborative effort to respond to our Christian call to serve Christ in others, especially the “needy” in our community. This week, on Monday, we donated our collection of over a thousand cans and non-perishable food items, to the Society of St Vincent de Paul.

On Tuesday afternoon, a small group of senior students gave up a few hours of their time after school, to cook 122 meals for Vinnies. Reflecting on this, these students acknowledged their deep appreciation for the opportunity to participate in such an experience. They went on to explain that this experience forced them to realise that so many people in their own city live with little to no access to basics like a proper meal, among other basic human needs. They also expressed their gratitude for the many blessings they have, and a deeper desire to keep supporting the wider community in whatever way they can.

At the Caring Mass on Wednesday, six of our senior students received a “Caring Award” from Bishop Steve, accompanied by Sr Seini and Mrs Taulu. As we continue to respond to Jesus’ invitation to encounter Him in the “least of his brothers and sisters”, let us remember that our generosity and effort to make a difference in our world, is the essence of our Christian vocation.

Ad Jesum per Mariam

*Sr Seini Fatai sm*, Director of Religious Education



## Marcellin College Mihi Whakataua

On Monday, 5th of August, a small group of 20 girls from our Marist Kapa Haka travelled over to Marcellin College for a special event.



This event was a Mihi Whakataua for one of our past teachers, Whaea Sarah Cunningham, as she is starting her new role and journey there as Tumuaki Tuarua, Deputy Principal of Pastoral Care. We were privileged to be welcomed by Marcellin College to support her and hand her over to her new school. We did this by performing a waiata-aranga (an action song) called Uia mai. The prefects from Marcellin College and the students were all welcoming and helped us feel comfortable. Although we will miss her, we are very happy for Whaea Sarah Cunningham and for this opportunity she has been given.

Ngā mihi,

*Brooke Sorenson*,

Kaiawhina, Leader of the Kapa Haka



## NCEA Options Evening

**Tuesday 13th August,  
6:30pm in the Gym**

All current Year 10, 11 and 12 students and whānau are invited to hear about the option choices available for students in 2025. You will have the opportunity to talk with Curriculum Leaders about subject pathways.



## International Students Update

On Wednesday, we had a full classroom keen to learn about Tanabata, also known as the Star Festival (星祭り). Lila started by showing us where she is from in Japan and to our delight, every day when she is at school, she can see Mt Fuji! The students were then given the paper to write their wish onto and place it onto the bamboo stalks. ありがとうライラ thanks so much for teaching us about this beautiful tradition which happens in July every year.

## 2025 Homestay Families Needed

If you're keen to be a homestay family for one or two (different nationalities) international students, please [complete the form here](#). Homestay families receive between \$375-380pw and provide a student with their own bedroom with storage and desk to work on; three meals a day and snacks; a fun, safe and loving home environment as their NZ family. Please apply directly or contact Vivienne on [international@maristcollege.school.nz](mailto:international@maristcollege.school.nz) if you'd like more information. Thank you.

## Pacific Health Wayfinders Year 11 "Hand on Heart" Event

Pacific Health Wayfinders is a group sponsored by University of Auckland and Te Whatu Ora with the aim of increasing the representation of Pasifika people in Aotearoa/NZ's health workforce. The equivalent organisation for Māori students, Whakapiki Ake, has been established for many years but Pacific Health Wayfinders only got underway in 2023. This year's "taster day" event for Year 11



students was focused on learning about the heart and how to have good heart health, as well as a general introduction to what university study at University of Auckland's Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences involves. Students experienced a range of workshops, a short lecture, and a visit to the sacred space of the anatomy samples museum. *Jenni Catley*, Careers Advisor.

This trip gave me a great opportunity to gain a clearer understanding of my life aspirations and how to achieve them. My absolute favourite part of the trip was visiting the Anatomy Museum. It was fascinating to walk around and see all the different organs and body parts that came from so many different people. *Aclan Poching*

I had the privilege to experience Auckland University life by exploring the Human Anatomy Museum, partaking in activities, and meeting new people. This experience was an opportunity to encourage future young Pacific Islanders to pursue a career in the medical field. I learnt that only 3% of the health workforce is Pasifika and increasing those numbers is vital. A key message I learnt is that we Pacific Islanders should seize the opportunities that come our way and pursue a career we want based on our talents and aspirations, not just what our parents want us to pursue. Whether in the medical field, law, political science or other career pathways, the choice is YOURS to make! *Svetlana Pritchard*

The Pacific Health Wayfinders day was really fun, I enjoyed seeing the university and looking at all the new things, and I liked learning about health and medical topics. *Rosa Fuli*

Going to the university for the Pacific Health Wayfinders' Year 11 Hand on Heart day was a fun experience that has inspired me to go on and find a career in the medical field. *Zarah Barwig-Uini*

## Careers Hub

SAE Creative Media  
Institute – open day  
Saturday 17th August  
2024, 10am - 3pm



<https://www.sae.ac.nz/event/sae-open-day-2024/>

Check out SAE at their open day – they offer Diploma and Bachelor degree programmes in:

- Screen Production
- Music Production
- Audio Production
- Songwriting

SPPEEX Careers EXPO – Saturday 17th August 2024  
8:30am - 12:30pm, Freemans Bay Community Centre

SPPEEX Careers Expo is for Pasifika and Maori students who are interested in Engineering. If you are keen to go please register as soon as possible using this link: [Register Here](#).

We are thrilled to announce an exceptional lineup of keynote speakers who will be sharing their insights and experiences:

- Sifa Pole from Watercare  
- Why I chose Engineering?
- Reta Uili, Blair Corbett, and Maruia Willie from Beca  
- Why I chose Engineering?
- Manamea Koteka from Tonkin and Taylor  
- High School to University
- Tane Tinirau-Philps from Fletcher Construction  
- High School to University

This is an incredible opportunity to hear directly from industry leaders and gain valuable perspectives on your career path. Don't miss out on this chance to connect with these inspiring professionals. Register today and secure your spot at the expo!

Please contact *Jenni Catley*, Careers Advisor with any queries.



# Pacific Island Leaders of Tomorrow – Year 12 event

Last week some of our Pasifika Year 12 students attended the “PILOT” (Pacific Island Leaders of Tomorrow) event held at Manukau Institute of Technology. Selected Year 12 Pasifika students from schools all over Auckland met for a day hosted by volunteer representatives from various tertiary institutes to learn about leadership, standing tall as Pasifika people, and getting some ideas about future pathways. *Jenni Catley*, Careers Advisor

PILOT was an incredible opportunity that I was fortunate to attend last Thursday. The event was filled with fun, laughter, wisdom and, most importantly, our young Pacific students. A key message that stood out to me came from our beautiful guest speaker, Indigo. She encouraged us to pursue our passions wholeheartedly and with unwavering dedication. Indigo emphasised that if we have a passion for something, we should commit fully, trust in ourselves, and never give up. Such transformative opportunities like PILOT help guide us, as young Pacific students, to become change-makers in our homes, schools, communities and beyond. *Delilah Sika*

Last Thursday I was blessed enough to have the opportunity to attend PILOT. One important point that stood out to me came from the AUT workshop which spoke about the importance of communication and leadership as Pacific students. I gained valuable insights that play in fostering effective teamwork and driving personal growth. The workshop highlighted the significance of being open-minded, an essential trait for leaders. Understanding that open-mindedness involves genuinely considering diverse perspectives and being willing to adapt one’s views in the face of new information was eye-opening. Overall, this experience shows how mastering a simple skill such as this can lead us Pacific students to being more effective leaders for the future generations. *Kaitlyn Abo*

PILOT was a great opportunity I was able attend. Sitting in the lecture room with many other young Pasifika students and hearing about different walks of life and their upbringing as a Pasifika person was inspirational. We shared laughter, knowledge and different aspects and opinions. Something that stood out for me was Indigo's story. She encouraged us young Pacific students to pursue the futures we want, and to not let stereotypical comments box us into something we are not. It was a lesson learnt for me to thrive in something I'm passionate about and want to pursue for my career as a young Pacific girl because at the end of the day no one's putting in the hard work and effort for you but yourself. PILOT encourages us to become better in everything that we do. It gives us opportunities as young Pacific to lead, communicate, learn and most importantly reminds us of who we are. *Mai'ata Toutaiolopo*

Overall, PILOT made me gain a better understanding of how to approach my culture and identity for the future. It made me feel more grateful for my Pasifika people, my parents and my grandparents, as well as teach me to have an open mind and show humility in everything I do. *Eva Ah Chong Vakalahi*



From PILOT I learnt that you should always remember where you come from and don't forget your roots. It's one of the key things to success. I also learnt that being leaders is to be open minded and what that means is we should always take everyone's view and perspective into account and shouldn't judge it. *Elena Wulf*

I was fortunate to attend the Pacific Island Leaders of Tomorrow (PILOT) Leadership programme, aimed to Year 12s to provide mentoring and support to bring out our leadership qualities as well as explore the different types of leadership. My biggest takeaway was the lesson to be an "open-minded" leader, aiming to include and voice the thoughts and inputs of all people, concluding in a unanimous system. I thought the program perpetuated our Pasifika Values while honing in on the qualities already instilled within us as the Leaders of Tomorrow. *Eseta Rasmussen*

This year's 2024 PILOT was an incredible opportunity to attend. I felt honoured to represent Marist College and strengthen my knowledge of leadership. They made me feel welcome, compassionate, and surrounded by other young Pacific students who shared the same enthusiasm in serving individuals and beyond the community, as well as preparation for the future. Indigo, a spokeswoman at the event, stuck out to me. I felt her tips and advice really associated with some unsureness I had about the future. She assured us young Pacific Islanders that stereotypes towards us can never align with the hopes and dreams we have and what we strive to be in society. *Gabriella Simoni*





# VISUAL ARTS SHOWCASE

Image credit: Riley McMahon

## Marist College VISUAL ARTS SHOWCASE

FEATURING PAINTED AND DIGITAL WORKS • PERFORMANCES BY THE MARIST PERFORMING ARTS STUDENTS

WEDNESDAY 11 SEPTEMBER FROM 4PM

# 2024

## Sports Draws

MARIST COLLEGE  
SATURDAY NETBALL GAMES  
10 August 2024  
Auckland Netball Centre, St Johns

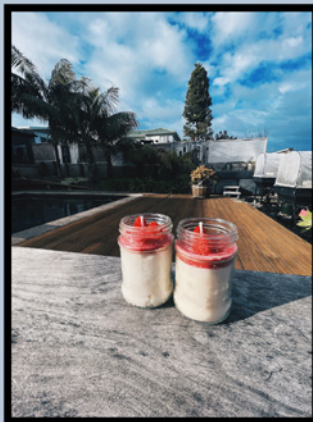
8:00AM	Y10 WHERO V OTAHUHU	Y10 B	20
8:00AM	Y10 KAKARIKI V MACCLEANS	Y10 D	14
9:50AM	Y10 KAHURANGI V ST CUTHS GREEN		23
8:55AM	Y10 KOWHAI V TAMAKI GOLD		27
9:50AM	Y9 WHERO V OTAHUHU	Y9 B	18
9:50AM	Y9 KAHURANGI V DIO RED		18
10:45AM	Y9 KOWHAI V AGGS	Y9 B BLUE	7
11:30AM	PREMIER V AGGS	PREMIER	C
11:40AM	SNR WHERO V DIO	S TAIMANA	7
11:40AM	SNR KOWHAI V EPSOM	DIAMONDS	23
12:35PM	SENIOR A V SANCTA MARIA		4
12:35PM	SNR KAHURANGI V ST CUTHS	BLACK	12

MARIST COLLEGE  
MONDAY NETBALL GAMES  
12TH August 2024  
Auckland Netball Centre, Windmill Park

4:00pm	Y8 KOWHAI	vs	BALMORAL TOTARA	2
4:00pm	Y8 KAHURANGI	vs	BALMORAL RATA	3
5:00pm	Y7 KAKARIKI	vs	ST JOSEPH'S SAINTS	B
5:00pm	Y7 WHERO	vs	ANI PIWAKAWAKA	7
6:00pm	Y7 KAHURANGI	vs	PASADENA 7/1	4
6:00pm	Y7 KOWHAI	vs	BALMORAL KAURI	3

Y8 WHERO - BYE  
Y8 KAKARIKI - BYE

# SWEET



FLICKER AND FLAVOUR, MOMENTS TO SAVOUR

## SCENTISATION

selling assorted food and drink scented candles

MEDIUM: \$20  
LARGE: \$25

@SWEET\_SCENTISATIONS

## School Charges Reminder

### Extra-curricular Activities

All extra-curricular activities (sports, production, kapa haka etc) should now have been paid in full. Payment via the parent portal would be appreciated.

### Term 2

School charges for Term 2 are now due, please arrange for payment of these. If you have an automatic payment, please review the amount to ensure it is sufficient to clear the account by the 31st of October 2024.

If you wish to discuss the account, please do not hesitate to contact Veronica Yates [v.yates@maristcollege.school.nz](mailto:v.yates@maristcollege.school.nz)

## Second Hand Uniform

### Donate or sell your daughters used uniform

We are looking for winter uniform items such as long skirts (all sizes), cardigans (all sizes), winter blouses (all sizes), hats and scarves. Please ensure all items are in good condition or they will not be accepted. These can be dropped into reception with your name/daughter's name and a bank account number if you are selling any items.

For queries please email [useduniforms@maristcollege.school.nz](mailto:useduniforms@maristcollege.school.nz)

# Leaving School Magazine

– lots of useful information for senior school students and their whanau about transitioning to tertiary training. Includes lots of profiles of different jobs in every issue. Link to the latest edition here:

[www.oliverlee.co.nz/leavingschool-issue30](http://www.oliverlee.co.nz/leavingschool-issue30)

## LEAVING SCHOOL

A free guide to study and career options for high school students Years 12-13  
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# Māori Mass

19 September  
6pm

Christ the King  
Church, Ōwairaka



Orders: [www.myfundraiser.co.nz/support/marist](http://www.myfundraiser.co.nz/support/marist)

## Support the Marist Ex-students' Association Toilet Paper Fundraiser!!

Marist Ex-students' Association is excited to have partnered with My Fundraiser. Please support us in our Toilet Paper Fundraiser!

### WHAT ARE WE FUNDRAISING FOR?

We are fundraising to support Marist College's 100th Jubilee celebrations in 2028 and for provision of Ex-Students Scholarship each year.

### HOW MUCH DOES MARIST RECEIVE IN DONATIONS?

10% of your full purchase price – that's \$5.50 per box!

\*\* New feature \*\* If you opt to double your donation, you will go in the draw to win a free box!

### How My Fundraiser works

Step 1

Place your order & select Marist as your Good Cause



Step 2

10% goes to our group



Step 3

Your toilet paper is delivered to your door



### WHAT PRODUCT AM I BUYING?

It's something we all use and wouldn't like to be without – Toilet Paper! 48 Rolls of quality 2 ply, 400 sheet loo paper. Most toilet rolls are around 200 sheets, so this is equivalent to 96 standard rolls. Each box sells for \$50.

### PERKS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT:

My Fundraiser toilet paper is FSC certified and plastic packaging free, right down to the paper tape that seals the box. The box itself is 100% recyclable and the rolls are unwrapped to avoid extra waste.

### HOW MUCH IS SHIPPING AND WHEN WILL IT ARRIVE?

We offer tiered shipping rates defined by area (ranges from FREE to \$5 flat fee). Please see MF website for further details. Delivery to rural addresses adds a \$5 rural delivery fee per box. Orders are shipped and delivered to your door within 3-5 working days.



Thanks for supporting Marist Ex-students' Association

This fundraiser is so much easier than anything I've needed to do to support groups in the past. I didn't have to use any extra time or money to help out.

Melanie Heap - Supporter



## Centenary Celebration

St Mary's Parish Mt Albert  
Design a Cover Competition  
Open to all Senior Students

Winning artist will receive a \$250 Westfield gift card plus a free copy of the publication.

2nd Place will receive a \$50 Westfield voucher.

We aim to display all submissions at our centenary events

### Requirements:

- A3 size
- Landscape orientation
- Capturing symbols of our church
- Must feature Mother Mary
- Must be in colour
- Have name and year level on back

Create the front cover to the right of the page. There will be a centre fold in the middle of your art piece, so please design accordingly

Please hand in all entries to your school office by Friday 30th August 2024

1st prize Sponsored by On Site Autos Mt Albert Ltd  
2nd prize by Mary Smitha (Parishioner of St Mary's)

