



MARIST COLLEGE

Catholic School for Girls, Years 7 to 13

Term 3 - Number 8
Friday 13 September 2024

From the Principal

AIMs Games, sports camp, an art showcase, and our Year 13 Pacific Graduation - this week has been jam-packed with opportunities for our students to showcase their talents, celebrate their successes, and grow their independence.

At the start of this week, I had the privilege of attending AIMs games in Tauranga. Our students were excited to represent their school and participate in a tournament with more athletes competing than at this year's Olympic Games. For the first time, Marist College participated in the Hip Hop competition. Our performance was energetic and creative, with the moonwalk being a highlight of the show. Another highlight was Isabella Sneddon in Year 7, placing tenth out of 145 students from across New Zealand in the cross country.

Congratulations to the students who participated in the tournament. Your hard work and dedication have made us all proud. A special thank you to the staff, students, and the large number of parents who contributed to the success of these events. Your support and involvement are deeply appreciated and have made these opportunities possible.

In a first for Marist College, our Year 7 and 8 students had the unique opportunity to attend a sports camp at Camp Adair. This camp, organised by the YMCA, allowed 20 of our students to join De La Salle College for five days of multisport competition. The activities, including orienteering, tennis, mountain biking, and rock climbing, provided a platform for personal growth and development. Throughout the week, we received photos, videos, and positive feedback on the success of this opportunity and the significant personal growth taking place. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the parents and staff who attended the camp, and a special thank you to De La Salle College for inviting us to be part of this experience.

On Wednesday evening we hosted our Visual Arts Showcase. The breadth of artistic talent on show was quite phenomenal. From heartwarming moments captured in paint, to swooping planes captured mid-flight to symbols woven together to share personal journeys, this was an evening all about seeing the world through artistic vision. For those of us lucky enough to purchase an item, the joy of owning an original piece of art lives on every day on our wall. For those parents lucky enough to have an artistic daughter, the joy of seeing their creativity recognised was palpable. Also on show were the talents of the string orchestra, jazz and other bands and the Bollywood dance group. Thank you to the Visual and Performing Arts staff, support staff and PTFA for organising such a successful evening.

We finished the week with our Pacific graduation ceremony. This year 18 Pacific students will graduate from Marist College. All have achieved personal excellence and are ready for their next steps in life. Congratulations to our graduates. I look forward to seeing you return as successful alumni. Thank you to the staff who organised this special celebration.

Te Aroha o Te Atua

Raechelle Taulu, Principal/Tumuaki

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AIMS Hip Hop team



Sports camp with De La Salle College



Raechelle Taulu and Sister Seini at AIMS with our netball girls and students from St Anne's, Fiji.

KEY DATES

Term 3 2024

Week (9B)	Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori
16 Mo	Chasing Stars Film Premiere St Luke's Cinema, 6:30pm
17 Tu	Sports Photos from 8:30am
17 - 18	Chasing Stars School Film St Luke's Cinema, 6:30pm
18 We	Assembly/Māori Committee /Te Ara o Mēri Awards Y11 PILOT - 5 students
19	8M Mass (SI) B2 St Mary's Y10 Numeracy CAA exams Canterbury Uni Info, B2 134 BOT Student Rep Voting Pasifika Mentoring Prog 3:20 - 5pm, 134 Kahui Ako Māori Mass 6pm Christ the King
20	No assembly Y10 Literacy CAA exams Ex students Pasta & Wine Evening 6pm, staffroom <i>Rotation 3 - 2</i>

Week (10A) Senior Exam Week

23 Mo	Y10 PAT, P2 PTFA Meeting 7pm
24 Tu	Y9 PAT, P2 Y10 Market Day, B1 Music Dance Showcase Rehearsal 3:30 - 5pm
25 We	No assembly Music Dance Showcase 6:30pm, 219/220
26 Th	8S Mass (AM) B2 St Mary's
27 Fr	Last day Term 3 No assembly <i>Rotation 4 - 3</i>

Upcoming Events:

Oct 14 Mo	First day Term 4
16 We	Sports Awards evening
18 Fri	Y7&8 Social, Gym
20 - 22	Y13 PE Camp
21 Mo	PTFA Meeting 7pm
22 Tu	Librarians Lunch B2
23 We	Ākonga Māori Graduation
24 Th	Performing Arts Awards
26 - 27	St Mary's Parish Centennial Celebration
28 Mo	Labour Day holiday
29 Tu	Seniors last day/Assembly/ Farewells/Finish 1:20pm
30 We	BOT Meeting 6pm New Y7 2025 orientation 9:30am - 12pm
31 - 1	Y10 Exams
Nov 1 Fr	Y12 Leadership Day Mt Albert Baptist Church

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

The “Holy Name of Mary” - the name we bear!

Every year on the 12th of September, the Catholic Church commemorates the Holy Name of Mary. This important feast day goes back to 1683, when Pope Innocent XI extended the feast day to the universal Church.

The Holy Name of Mary is the patronal feast day of the Society of Mary, so it is a special day for the Marist Sisters and our Marist College community. For the clerical Marists, Marist Sisters and Marist Brothers, this day reminds them that they have been “called by a gracious choice...to bear the name of Mary”.

In the world, many people including staff members, parents/guardians, and students in Catholic Schools with a Marist tradition also take on Mary’s name, calling themselves “Marist”. From the beginning of the Society of Mary, Fr Colin who is the founder, envisaged the Society of Mary as a tree of many branches: Priests, Brothers, Sisters, and Lay people. All Marists therefore who choose to bear Mary’s name must enter a special relationship with her.

Here at Marist College, we are reminded not only in this annual feast day of the Holy Name of Mary but also daily that each one of us is called to bear Mary’s name with pride and to follow Jesus as she did. We must also desire to breathe Mary’s spirit, to think as Mary, judge as Mary, feel and act as Mary in all things.

Prayer: We give thanks for our Marist charism and the privilege to bear the name of Mary. We pray that God continues to fill us with the spirit of His Mother so that we will be Mary’s Presence in our world today.

Ad Jesum per Mariam

Sr Seini Fatai sm

Director of Religious Education



Photography success!

A huge congratulations to La-Rania Pasina in Year 13 who has had her photograph “Reality vs Perception” selected to be exhibited in Te Papa as part of the NZQA Ringa Toi exhibition, celebrating excellence in Maori and Pasifika art.

She travelled down to Whanganui-a-tara for the opening on the 12th of September. What an incredible acknowledgement of her abilities. A huge congratulations La-Rania!

Mrs Schön and Mrs Jacobsen



AIMS Hip Hop

AIMS was a very memorable experience, our team put a lot of time and practice into our dance. We put our best foot forward and did a great job! We are so proud of each other and loved working together. We are so sad that the great time we had together came to an end, but feel privileged to be the first Hip Hop Team from Marist to enter AIMS - making history! We thank our student leaders Jaimee and Katie for always being supportive of us, and their commitment to the team. We look forward to seeing what Marist comes up with next year: “You ain’t seen nothing yet!”.

AIMS Hip Hop Team



International Update

Marist College, Rosmini College and Lynfield College all took part in an Inaugural Student Recruitment event in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. We were supported by an agent in New Zealand and the team in Phnom Penh.



Each school presented their info and had a formal Q&A before the informal chat with refreshments. Both parents and students attended the session and were keen to learn how the NZ curriculum works and how it compares to IB, as most of the students were coming from an international school.

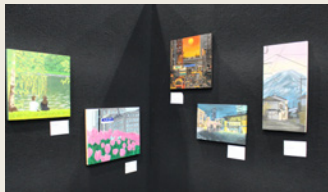
It was a great first event and shows promise.

Vivienne Kingsbury, International Student Director

Visual Arts Showcase

Our annual Visual Arts Showcase on Wednesday was such a breathtaking demonstration of the creativity and talent within our Marist community. As the MC, it was such an honour to witness and celebrate the incredible works of our artists, where each piece reflected a unique vision and passion. Thank you to everyone who performed, contributed, and attended; your support makes emphasis on the Visual Arts at Marist possible and incredibly meaningful. I'm forever grateful for this opportunity and wish our Art Department and leader for 2025 all the best as they continue an amazing legacy.

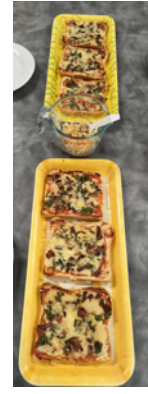
Sharon Fernando,
Visual Arts Leader



7R's Breakfast Pizzas

We had a lot of fun creating our breakfast pizzas using technology and developing creative solutions to everyday problems using technology. We love learning innovative ways of using technology for different purposes.

7R Food Technology



8M's Rice Bowls

We created our customised rice bowls that allowed for personal choice and nutritional balance. There were so many skills involved such as seasoning, chopping, slicing, grating, crumbing, marinating, frying, designing, and garnishing. Our rice bowls were so delicious and tasty.

8M Food Technology

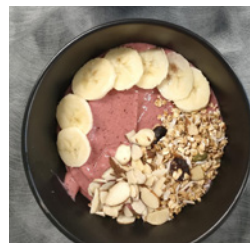


Year 10(82C) Healthy Eating Campaign

As part of our campaign, some groups chose to run a practical workshop experience to showcase their easy to make healthy meals.

We're proud of our efforts and excited to see how our campaigns will inspire others to make healthier food choices.

10(82C) Food Technology



Uni students' lunchtime talk

Last week four former Marist students now studying at University of Auckland came in to school at lunchtime to speak to current students about their studies and university life. Taiarn Tavui, Joelei Punivalu, Grace Thomas and Chloe Gavin were in the Class of 2021, with their last two years of school severely disrupted by Covid lockdowns.



However, they gained University Entrance and have gone on to study at UoA.

Now nearing the end of their bachelor degrees, they spoke to students about what university life is like, and explained the subjects they are pursuing, including Sociology, Criminology, Pacific Studies, Biochemistry, and Marketing. Key aspects they highlighted were the importance of studying things you're really interested in, and that it is very easy to change your study pathway while at university if you discover you don't enjoy your original course options.

All of them have made changes to their study pathways from what they had thought they would do on first enrolling at university. The session was well-attended by students from a range of year levels who took the opportunity to find out more about what university study is like, and some possible options they could pursue when they finish school.

Jenni Catley, Careers Advisor

Physio Clinic Open

I am delighted to announce that I am back from the Paris Olympics, and Physio appointments are again available. The School Physiotherapy Clinic hours are Term time, Mondays and Wednesdays, 8am to 1pm.

Book online: <https://maristphysio.setmore.com/> or **contact me directly on mobile 0274990539** or email tanya.browne42@gmail.com

Outside school hours family members are welcome to book in, my main clinic is located at 218 Parnell Rd Auckland 1042.

Affordable fees have been introduced:

Students \$15, Staff \$30 (30 min appointments)

Unfortunately, due to a large number of incidents of non attendance without notification, a fee will be charged to cover loss of income. Ideally this wouldn't be charged, because notice is given to cancel or reschedule the appointment. This ensures that everyone who needs access can get a booking too.

Quick drop ins to check on new injuries or get advice about correct selfcare are welcomed - no charge for a quick chat. We can book you in if you need an appointment. ACC claims can be lodged at the clinic without a Doctor's referral. Referrals for Radiology and to other colleagues can be provided as needed.

Tanya Browne

www.sportsphysio.co.nz

Important Payments 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 3: School charges for Term 3 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

Careers Hub



MIT Open Day

Saturday 14 September

[Register for MIT open day](#)

STEM Whānau Day

Saturday 14 September 2024. [Register here.](#)

Laidlaw College info evening

On campus **Wednesday 18**

September 7pm, 3 Smythe

Road Henderson. [Register here](#)

Or **Online 7:30pm Mon 23**

September [Register for online.](#)



Techtorium Open Day

Saturday 21

September, 10am-1pm

[https://techtorium.](https://techtorium.ac.nz/open-day/)

[ac.nz/open-day/](https://techtorium.ac.nz/open-day/)



Ardmore Flying School Open Day

Saturday 19 October,

10am-4pm. Ardmore

Flying School, 2 Harvard Lane, Ardmore.

www.ardmore.co.nz



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



Are you missing a bracelet?

A special bracelet has been found in the Marist College Gym foyer. If you are missing a bracelet, please contact the school with proof of ownership.

Thank you

Chasing Stars

The film is finished! After months of post-production, months of filming at locations all across Auckland, and a year of screenwriting in 2023, the school film production 'Chasing Stars' is finally on its way to the St Luke's Cinema for testing next week, and for the premiere the week after on Sept 16th.



School feature film trailer:
<https://youtu.be/zxHWjDUlqvo>

Chasing Stars will screen in St Luke's Cinema, Auckland on Sept 16 - 18

Tickets can be booked at the link below:

<https://www.maristcollege.school.nz/etickets/school-film-production>

Only \$15
STUDENT DISCOUNT

Wed, 18th September

Link to purchase is on Year Level Google Classrooms, and is also in the Notices

Ava Crowe

Maddy Low

Kacee Conway



Chasing Stars

who are you meant to be?

16.09.24

mctech.nz/chasingstars



MARIST COLLEGE MEDIA PRESENTS "CHASING STARS"
STARRING AVA CROWE, MADDY LOW, KACEE CONWAY, SVETLANA PRITCHARD, ALYSSA D'SOUZA, TAHLIA REHM, MELANAITE FALEKAONO, ESTHER CEATO, EVE TAYLOR, ANNAH YAH-ROSE VAISIMENI-PUPEUMAI, EDITH TOTTON-LEVY, JAIMEE SAM, MARIA MCMURRAY, KIRSTY HAMILTON, MOLLY DEVINE, STEVEN LYONS, LORI DUNGEY

Call for donations - charity Awa Run 2024

Students from schools in the National Network of Marist Schools (NNMS) will be running 102km over three days to help reduce educational inequality in Aotearoa.

Five Year 10s and one Year 12 have been selected to participate in this charity running event down in Whanganui, they are: Ella Bayly, Isabel O'Brien, Daisy Dautermann, Rosie Smith, Emily Trask, and Harper Lawson. As a team they are aiming to raise over \$2000 prior to the event at the end of November.

Donations can be made through the official Give-a-little page:

<https://givealittle.co.nz//marist-schools-awa-run-2024>

Please select Marist College when giving your donation.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Weekly Workshops

CAA Literacy Level 1 Workshops Break 2, Fridays 240 with Ms Hoyle to prepare for the next round of Literacy CAAs. Take your lunch. The exam is on Week 9, 20th September.

CAA Numeracy Workshops Break 2, Mondays & Tuesdays in 301 with Mr Smit to prepare for the next round of Numeracy CAAs. Take your lunch. The exam is in Week 9, 19th September.

MIHA MĀORI

-Māori Mass-

Taite 19 Hepetema
19th September

6.00 pm

Christ the King Church
Owairaka

Nau mai haere mai ki te Kāhui ako Miha Māori.

Join us in celebrating our Māori community within our Auckland Central Catholic Kāhui Ako with a Māori Mass. Students from across our 14 schools will be participating in the mass.

-All are welcome to attend-

Auckland Central Catholic Kāhui Ako



The Blue & Gold Bulletin

WEEK 8 - SECOND EDITION

AIMS HIP HOP DANCE TEAM

This year we had the honour of leading Marist's first hip hop AIMS team. The team was made up of 12 Year 7s and 8s placing 13th out of 30 teams, which is amazing for our first time out. They have been working hard, flipping, flying and leaping.

The girls arrived in Mt Manganui at 10:30am and had a quick stage run before it was time to get into costume and compete. The girls competed in the prelims and did so well. We were lucky enough to get pizza and hot chips for dinner and after a couple quick fun activities and team bonding it was time to get our head back in the game and get ready for finals!

We ran the dance a lot focusing on the judge's feedback from the prelims. After a lot of glitter spray and rehearsals it was time to hit the stage once more. The finals performance was on a whole other level! They upped their performance and were so sharp. We could not be prouder of them and the talent they left up on the AIMS stage.



CHASING STARS UPDATE

In 2022, work began on the school film. After months of planning, filming started in late 2023. A dedicated group of students put in countless hours on every part. After months of having student-made songs stuck in my head, it's finally done! Some personal highlights have been filming a singing scene in a field at sunset or watching our community support us as extras in a pub scene. Something I've learnt as a part of the film is to trust the process. Come and see months of work come together on the 16th, 17th, or 18th of September at the St Luke's Cinema. Get your tickets here:

<https://www.maristcollege.school.nz/etickets/school-film-production>



FUN FACT

A piece of cake more than 4000 years old was found in a tomb in Egypt

STUDY TIPS

Our academic committee gave some amazing study tips at assembly this week. They are:

- Plan your time wisely by creating a study timetable to make sure that you are spacing out your study and covering all subjects.
- Practising past papers can also help you to familiarise yourself with the format and the possible types of questions you could get in your exam.
- Flash cards can also be a great way to revise content and important terms for your subject.
- Attend Co-lab. It is running on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, so if you find that you work better at school or need extra help with any of your subjects make sure you go to Co-lab. There are plenty of teachers and students to help you.
- Make sure you focus on comprehending and understanding the materials you learn before you start writing notes on them. If you don't understand something you won't be able to answer the questions in an exam so memorising it is pointless.

Credits

Aims hip hop team - Jaimee Sam, Katie Dallow | Chasing Stars update - Ava Crowe, Fran Wood | Study Tips - Academic committee | Visual arts showcase writing - Olivia Siju Jose | Visual showcase art from right to left - Angeline Sia, Tallulah Brew, Sienna Addis | Book recommendation - Julia Karumalil, Olivia Mendez | NCEA dance trip - Rosa Whitehead | Design - Angeline Sia, Olivia Siju Jose

VISUAL ARTS SHOWCASE

On Wednesday I had the pleasure of attending our annual Art Showcase. Filled with bright colours, vivid images and fantastic performances, the Showcase is something you can't miss out on! All the artists, from Year 10s to our very own art teachers, have created breathtaking pieces. I can't wait until next year's Showcase!



Angeline Sia



Tallulah Brew



Sienna Addis

BOOK RECCOMENDATION

If you're a fan of magical worlds or read books like Keeper of the Lost Cities, the first book in the Medoran Chronicles, *Akarnae* by Lynette Noni is a must-read for you.

The story follows a world where a school full of mysteries, advanced technology, and hidden powers takes in a girl who stumbled upon it by accident. *Akarnae* is perfect for readers who love fast-paced fantasy, strong character development, and a story that keeps you on your toes.

Since the library's closed for the rest of the term, make sure to grab some books during your library period for the holidays. You can also borrow from Auckland libraries with a library card or get e-books through the Libby app or ePlatform. School e-books are available on ePlatform too!



NCEA DANCE TRIP

On Friday the 6th of September the NCEA dance class watched COLAB2. This was the Unitec second year dance students' contemporary dance showcase. The showcase consisted of seven pieces choreographed and performed by the students. The showcase was inspiring and gave our class a deeper insight into the work we could do if we continue to pursue dance after secondary school.

LOOKING TO GET YOUR WORK OUT THERE? LOOK NO FURTHER!
GET YOUR WORK PUBLISHED IN OUR NEWSLETTER!

USE THIS FORM -

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdp0m0lnZK8O2p2NCxa8Uwj6ms9QV-jRXIfHmbCOLGtCzMwGq/viewform?usp=sf_1ink

OR JOIN OUR GOOGLE CLASSROOM!
[qbaczom](https://classroom.google.com/join/qbaczom)

-EXTRA CURRICULAR CALENDAR-



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
Needle craft group Break 2, 318	Malisi Melodies Choir 3.15-4.15pm, 218	String orchestra, 7:30-8:30am, 218	Yr 7 and 8 drama club - Break 2 220	
Board games club Break 2, art room	Marybelle's choir Break 2	Jazz/blues band Break 2, music room	Journalism club break 2, 331	
Bible studies Break 2, 320		Rosary group Break 2 in 320	Environmental group break 2	
		Student council meeting art room Break 2	Kapa Haka, 3:15 - 4:30	



HAKA | Stand as a Nation

Eden Park Auckland on Sunday 29 September 2024 at 4.30pm

- Break the HAKA World Record
- Bring your whānau
- Listen to a brilliant line up
- Limited tickets available!
- Fundraise for The Raukatauri Music Therapy Centre



\$5 when you enter the password to *unlock tickets*

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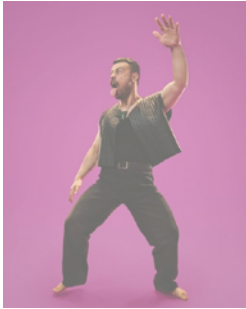


The line up includes...

ANIKI MOA
 CHE FU
 CORRELLA
 HOLLIE SMITH
 KINGS
 MAJIC
 PAIGE
 RIA HALL
 ROB RUHA
 SHEPHERDS REIGN
 TAMI NEILSON
 TOPP TWINS

For more information visit,

www.hakarecord.co.nz or
 see the FAQs here,
<https://apply.aktive.org.nz/media/014hbjwq/haka-faq.pdf>



Ex-Students Association Pasta & Wine Mixer

Friday 20 September, 6pm - 9pm
Marist College Staff Room

Drinks on arrival with food from 6.30pm

Tickets \$15 each, includes a welcome drink & Italian food (GF is being catered for). Additional wine & nonalcoholic beverages will be available to purchase.

All ex-students & staff welcome. Tickets available at:
<https://events.humanitix.com/marist-mixer-sqt566r8>

Second Hand Uniform

Donate or sell your used uniform

We take all uniform items such as long skirts (all sizes), cardigans (all sizes), 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

CoLab

Each week Tues, Wed & Thurs from 3:10 – 4:15pm in the library. All students are welcome! See the [roster](#) for teachers available to support your daughter in her learning. This roster is also available on SchoolBridge.

Holiday Programme at Auckland Netball

FUN, VARIED & ACTIVE PROGRAMMES
BOYS & GIRLS | AGE 5 - 13 YEARS

Auckland Netball Centre, St Johns & Windmill Park, Mt Eden

- MULTIActivity Full-Day Programme
- Netball Skills 3 Half-Day Programme
- Combination Full-Day Programme
- Kokkino Kids Cooking Day (*new for Oct)
- 7v7 Umpire Course

www.aucklandnetball.co.nz

