

MARIST COLLEGE

Catholic School for Girls, Years 7 to 13

Term 1 - Number 11 Friday 11th April 2025

From the Principal

As we look towards the school holidays, we reflect on how busy Term One has been. Thank you for a wonderful and full start to the year. Our staff, students and community are looking forward to the Easter break. I recommend that our students take time to refresh and reflect on what they have achieved so far this year.

This Sunday marks the beginning of our most sacred time in our liturgical calendar. Starting with Palm Sunday and finishing on Easter Sunday, Holy Week is full of many rich traditions that as Catholics we observe to strengthen our personal relationship with the Lord.



Heavenly Father, in this sacred time of Holy Week, we implore Your divine guidance and wisdom. We meditate on the profound mysteries of our faith, especially the paschal mystery of Christ's passion, death, and resurrection. Grant us clarity to articulate the beauty of these truths to those seeking answers. Strengthen our resolve to defend our beliefs with charity and conviction. May the grace of this season transform hearts and minds, leading souls closer to your truth and salvation. We humbly ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you forever and ever.

Amen.

I strongly recommend that our students actively participate in the Catholic Holy Days of Obligation by attending services at their local parish.

Te Aroha o Te Atua Raechelle Taulu, Principal/Tumuaki

Many thanks to our Kapa Haka Rōpū for a stunning performance at assembly this morning. Thanks also to Marist Primary Kapa Haka for attending and showing such enthusiastic support for them.







KEY DATES

School Holiday Events

12 & 13 Sister Act 11am - 5pm, 220 14 & 15 First Aid 8:30am-3:30pm, 134

14 Mo Y7 Netball Skills 9am - 1:30pm

15 Tu Y8 Netball Skills 9am - 1:30pm Health & Safety Course

8:30am-3:30pm 134 Y9 Netball Skills 9am - 1:30pm

17 Th Holy Thursday Y10 Netball Skills 9am - 1:30pm

18 - 21 **Easter Break**

22 - 26 Sister Act, 1 - 6pm, 220

23 We Y11-13 Netball Skills 9am-1:30pm

ANZAC Day

Term 2 2025

Week (1B)

Apr 28 Mo St Peter Chanel Feast Day

Sister Act 3:45-5:15pm, 218 **BOT Meeting 6pm**

29 Tu Sister Act 3:30-9pm Theatre International Students trip to Weta Workshop

30 We Assembly/Chanel Leaders/ **Performing Arts** Y11-13 Drama - Guest Performance P1-2 Sister Act 3:30-9pm Theatre

Apr 30 - 2 May Y8 Camp, Motutapu

Pompallier Shield (pm), May 1 Th Sacred Heart Staff Mass, 8:20am St Mary's Church Victoria Uni info B2 & P5 Self Defence Club 4-5:30pm

> Assembly/Sign Language Week/Head Girls Sister Act, all day, Theatre Rotation 1 - 5

May 3 - 5 MYL, Marist College Hosts

3 & 4 Sister Act 9:30am-6pm

Week (2A) Sign Language Week

Mo Assembly/MYL 8:30am Sister Act 3:45-5:15pm

Y13 PILOT trip (MCJC) Sister Act 3:30-9:30pm

We Level Assemblies Uni of Auckland info B2 & P5 Otago Uni Juinor Maths P5 Sister Act 3:30-9:30pm

Sister Act Opening Night 7:30pm Playhouse Theatre

10R Mass, B2, St Mary's Church Self Defence Club 4-5:30pm International Student trip 5:30pm, Rosmini College Pasifika Wayfinders 11 x Y11

Y12 Loves Me Not, all day Rotation 2 - 1

11 Su Mother's Day

Upcoming Events:

Apr 28 - May 7 Lumino Dental onsite

12 Mo Learn from home day

Hui 6:30 - 8pm, staffroom

15 Th Y13 M&D Breakfast 7:15am 15 & 16 Y11 Retreat & Future Focus

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

Significance of **Holy Week**

Every year Christians all over the world prepare themselves spiritually to the most important event in Holy Week which is the Resurrection of the Lord.

Holy Week in the Catholic Church spans from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday. Throughout this week the faithful are encouraged by the Church to spend time in reflection and meditation on Jesus' final days which culminate in his death and resurrection. Hence in the Catholic Liturgical Calendar Holy Week is called the holiest week in the Church.

Some suggestions for an active participation in Holy Week:

- · Palm Sunday Attend with your family or with friends the Palm Sunday Mass or service at your own local parish community.
- · Holy Thursday Mass or the Mass of the Last Supper – Attend the Mass and encounter God through Scripture and Holy Eucharist.
- Good Friday Reflect on Jesus' passion and suffering which leads to his crucifixion and death on the cross. Participate in Jesus' Stations of the Cross and in the Veneration of his Cross.
- · Holy Saturday & Easter Vigil -Celebrate God's victory over death in the event of the Resurrection.
- · Easter Sunday Celebrate with the local community the day of Jesus' Resurrection.

May you all have a blessed Easter.

Ad Jesum per Mariam

Sr Seini Fatai sm, **Director of Religious Studies**



\$28,123.98

raised of Marist College 2025's \$10,000.00 goal

Relay For Life

Marist College has just completed what may be its most successful fundraising campaign for the Cancer Society to date—raising an outstanding \$28,000 in 2025! We couldn't have achieved this incredible result without the support of our parents and extended whanau—thank you.

Relay for Life is a cause close to our hearts, and we're proud to be part of such a meaningful event. Our dedicated students walked (and ran!) for 12 continuous hours to show their solidarity with those affected by cancer. With 112 students on the Marist College team, we were thrilled to be recognised with the Bronze Fundraising Award for Auckland—a testament to the passion and effort of everyone involved.

We look forward to welcoming our Year 10 students to the team next year and want to extend our heartfelt thanks to our Year 13s for their commitment and leadership over the past few years. You've left an inspiring legacy.

Wrs Wandens, Teacher In Charge

























































Year 12 and 13 drama students performing 'Heavenly Daughters' on Wednesday evening. Thank you to all who came along to watch and show their support for our talented students.

International Students explore Auckland

It's great to be able to show our international students parts of Auckland. This week we visited Ambury Park and the Wintergarden, dodging the rain but the wind found us! It was a fun day and for some of our students who are heading home soon, we wanted to fit this in before they go. We walked around the park to the estuary, the gardens, stopped for lunch and ice-cream and patted the friendly goats. Thanks to the school for giving us the time to do a quick tiki-tour to some cool places.

Vivienne Kingsbury, International Student Director

Congratulations to Harper Lawson, Year 13,

who has been accepted into the GirlBoss Edge: Sustainability programme. This fully funded 10-day programme includes 1:1 mentoring from industry leaders, online modules to develop

leadership skills and confidence, and the opportunity to network with like-minded youth who have a passion for sustainability. We look forward to hearing all about the experience and seeing where it takes you Harper!





Sports Update

Year 9 & 10 Water Polo

On Saturday 5 April the Year 9 & 10 Water Polo team played in a College Sport One Day Tournament. The team had three games in four and a half hours, which is physically demanding. The girls played extremely well with a two-win, one loss record. They started the day with a 15-5 win over the Lynfield mixed team. This was followed by a 9-1 loss to the Onehunga mixed team. We rounded out the day with an 8-4 win over the Diocesan Red.

The whole team played awesome defence in all games, not being intimidated at all by the boys in the mixed teams. The top goal scorers for the day were Maia Doran and Lucia Katongo who scored a total of seven goals each across the three games. Several other players also contributed with one or two goals each.

All in all, it was a great way for the team to get some real game experience moving forward as they prepare for their Auckland College Sport competition in Term 4. Thank you, Jack George, for once again giving up his time on the weekend to coach the girls and all the families who supported the team from the grandstand.

Skills Sessions (During school holidays)

There will be netball skills sessions during the school holidays for Year 7 - Senior teams. These sessions will be run by Mrs Senio and various netball coaches to help prepare your daughter for the season ahead.

Year 7 - 9 skills sessions will be held on the Turf so drop off/pick up is from the back gate. Year 10 - Seniors will be held in the Gym.

Register here

Year level	Date	Time	Location
Year 7	Monday 14th April	9:00 am - 1:30 pm	Turf
Year 8	Tuesday 15th April	9:00 am - 1:30 pm	Turf
Year 9	Wednesday 16th April	9:00 am - 1:30 pm	Turf
Year 10	Thursday 17th April	9:00 am - 1:30 pm	Gym
Seniors	Wednesday 23rd April	9:00 am - 1:30 pm	Gym

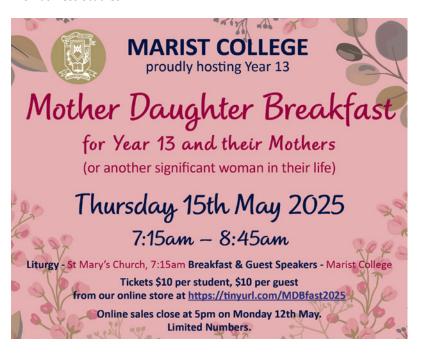
Miss Foster, TIC Water Polo

A Visit to the Zoo — Financial Decisions in Action

As part of their internal assessment, our students recently visited the zoo to investigate the financial decisions behind enclosure development and maintenance. They explored a range of animal enclosures, comparing factors such as upkeep costs, public perception, visitor experience, and educational value. The trip offered a unique opportunity to see how real-world financial considerations influence design choices in a public setting, turning theory into thoughtful observation. A valuable and eye-opening experience for all involved!

Maryka De Swardt

TIC Business Studies



Orders: www.myfundraiser.co.nz/support/marist

Marist Ex-Students' Association Fundraiser



We are excited to partner with MYFUNDRAISER to bring you a box of household essentials ...

What are we fundraising for?

- Annual Ex-Students' Grant for a current student
- Marist College's 100 Jubilee celebration (2028)



What's in the box?
48 rolls of quality 2 ply 400 sheets per roll toilet paper
Equivalent to 96 standard rolls





How My Fundraiser works



10% goes to our grou



ww.myfundraiser.co.nz/support/marist

How much is shipping?

Tiered shipping rate: Free or \$5 flat fee Rural delivery \$5 extra per box Delivered to your door within 3–5 days

You're doing a good thing for the environment!

- Sustainably sourced & plastic packaging free
- No unnecessary packaging, individual rolls are unwrapped
 The box itself is 100% recyclable

Marist Ex-Students' Association receives \$5.50 per box Double your donation to go in the draw to receive a free box!





We are thrilled to announce that the Good Vibes Company will be partnering with Marist College to bring an exciting new tuckshop experience to students from Term 2. Our team has been working diligently to ensure a seamless and delightful



transition, and we can't wait to get started.

One of the highlights of our new tuckshop service is the introduction of our convenient online ordering portal. This user-friendly platform is designed to make ordering meals for students easier and more efficient. Parents can simply follow the link to our website, select the "Online Orders" button in the top right corner, and choose Marist College to browse the menu and place orders.

We have put together a diverse and delicious menu that caters to the tastes and preferences of our students, including some new additions like hot chips and cup noodles. The online portal will allow parents to view the full menu, place orders in advance, and even customize meal options to ensure their children enjoy a satisfying and nutritious lunch.

We are also excited to introduce our dedicated team members who will be working at the tuckshop. They are committed to providing excellent service and ensuring that every student has a positive and enjoyable experience. We believe that our partnership with Marist College will bring great benefits to the school community, and we are looking forward to successful school year.

Online ordering will be available here:

https://thegoodvibes.co.nz/marist-school-ordering/

Please note for our Good Vibes team to prepare your food with care, we require your order processed 9pm the day prior. Orders will be available for pick up from 11am until 12:30pm

School Charges

Term 1 is now due for payment

Please ensure you have a payment plan in place.

Extra-Curricular Activities

If your daughter joins up for any extra-curricular activity, a statement will be issued and a due date for payment given. You are welcome to set up a separate payment plan for these activities.

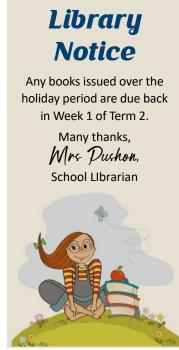
Tax Donation Certificate 31/03/2025

Tax Donation certificates for the year ending 31/03/2025 have been emailed out. Parents/caregivers need to use this certificate to claim from the Inland Revenue. You can claim back up to 33.3% from the Inland Revenue, as far as 2021.

If you have queries or require assistance with accounts, payment plans or previous year's Tax Donations Certificates, please email our Accounts Administrator on w.yates@maristcollege.school.nz.

his 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.





MARIST SPORTS INFO

For up to date information on sports, coaching and 2025 registrations go to our sports website https://www.sporty.co.nz/maristcol/



Careers Hub



Engineering and Design Info Evenings

University of Auckland's Faculty of Engineering and Design welcome Year 12, Year 13 and their whanau to info evenings. These evenings provide and introduction to the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours), Bachelor of Design (BDes), Bachelor of Urban Planning (Honours) and Bachelor of Architectural Studies (BAS) degrees. They cover entry requirements, study support, scholarships and other key information to help future students plan their studies. Faculty of Engineering and Design, 20 Symonds St, Auckland Central, 13 May & 29 May 2025 (both sessions are the same). The events are free, but registrations are essential as numbers are limited. Register here

Sacramental Programme - A Journey of Faith

Our Sacramental Programme prepares students to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, Confirmation, First Eucharist. These sacraments will be conferred by Bishop Steve in our Marist Day Mass on Thursday 14th of August.

Registration for 2025 is now open.
Students can collect the programme form from 304, the RE Office.



Welcome to the new families of our kāhui ako. We are a 'Community of Learning' consisting of 16 Catholic schools, five colleges and eleven primary schools. A special welcome to our newest member, Marcellin College. Kāhui Ako, or Communities of Learning, bring together education and training providers with the aim of helping students to achieve their full potential.

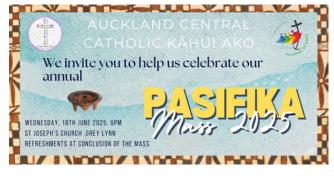
We have shared common goals, or achievement challenges, based on the needs of our tamariki and tauira. We also work with students, their parents, whānau, iwi and communities to achieve those goals across the learner pathway.

This term the kāhui Across School Leaders have -

- hosted Professional Learning Development workshops for staff SENCO, Fono Talanoa #1, Within School Primary Leaders, PE scholarship, Primary schools needs and wants.
- organised service work for secondary students at two different Primary schools.
- helped grow student leadership through Praise 'n Pizza.

Next term we have some exciting projects coming up -

- Language Weeks art and speech competitions (Sign Language, Rotuman and Samoan)
- Fono Talanoa for Pasifika staff (Tuesday, 10th June, 4-5.30pm)
- Pasifika Mass (Wednesday, 18th June, 6pm, St Joseph's Primary School,
- Samoan Service Trip (Saturday, 28th June Monday, 7th July)



SAMOA SERVICE TRIP ABROAD – 28 June-7 July 2025

We have a group of 27 disciples voyaging across the Pacific Ocean to give time and resources to an organisation, SVSG - Samoa Victim Support Group. We seek your continued support to help us take resources not just for them but to rural village schools. Let us be the change you want it to be. See the flyer for more details. The donations time frame has been extended til the 6th June. Fa'afetai.

We look forward to seeing many of you either participate or attend some of our kāhui ako events.

> 'Waiho i te toipoto, kaua i te toirua' — Let's stay close together, not far apart.

Makerita Tagomoa-Dapali'i, Across School Leader



PACK A PENCIL CASE:

Donate a pencil case of stationery equipment for a learner ready to learn.

YOUNG WOMEN'S SANITARY ITEMS:

Donate a pack of sanitary items for a resident at the SVSG Campus of Hope.



Items will be taken to Samoa Victim Support Group and specific village schools as part of the Auckland Central Catholic Schools Kāhui Ako and Marist College trip in July 2025. Drop off donations to a trip participant or at the Marist College front office during term time. (Before end of Term 1, 2025)

> Samoa Victim Support Group provides residential care for abused women and children in Samoo Learn more at: https://svsq.org.ws/



