



Marist Catholic School Herne Bay SCHOOL CHARTER

Our Charism

As Marists, we think, judge, feel and act in the way of Mary

Our Mission

Quality learning opportunities and the development of the whole person within our Marist Catholic Faith community

Our Vision

With Jesus Christ as our guide we will be confident, life long learners who aspire to excellence in all we do

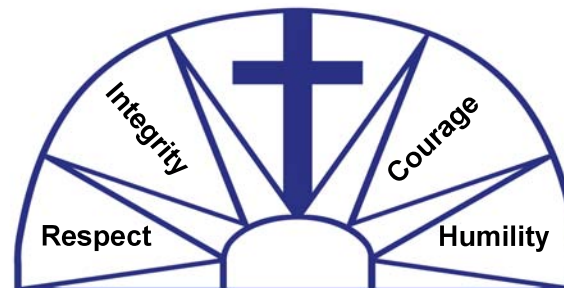
Catholic Character is implicit and explicit in all we do

Our Teaching Beliefs:

- Supportive learning environment
- Reflective Practice
- Relevant learning
- Rich learning experiences
- ICT opens learning

Marist Catholic School

RICH Values



These values are underpinned, enhanced and enriched by

Whanaungatanga Arohatanga Manaakitanga

Our Values are reflected in our learning and in our relationship with each other

Education Goals

- To provide a quality education consistent with New Zealand Curriculum (2007) and the NZ Religious Education Programme (1999).
- To implement our School Based Curriculum giving priority to literacy, numeracy and achievement outcomes with a particular focus on Maori students.
- To ensure our children are educated in a safe, nurturing, learning environment that embraces our Catholic Faith and Marist Charism.
- To develop capabilities for living and learning now and in the future.
- To strengthen learning through inquiry, reflection, creativity and the development of leadership and resilience skills.
- To promote partnerships for learning that are inclusive for all members of the community.

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- We will develop policies and practices that reflect New Zealand's cultural diversity and the unique position of Maori as tangata whenua.
- We will meet this aim by involving parents/ whanau of Maori students in identifying important learning strengths and needs of their children and by encouraging their interest and support for their children's educational progress and achievement.
- We recognise Te Reo as an official language.
- We will take all reasonable steps to provide instruction in tikanga and te reo Maori for full time students whose parents ask for it, after careful consideration of financial, personnel and property issues.

This charter establishes *the Mission, Vision, Goals, the Strategic Direction and Curriculum Targets* in the annually updated section