



# MARIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## PROCEDURE: **Community Consultation**

The Board of Trustees will build an effective partnership between the school and the community through consultation in the spirit of our Charter. Marist Catholic School is committed to consultation with the school community as a realistic and sustainable process. Consultation keeps us in touch with our community

### **Objectives**

- To encourage community input into the school by seeking and considering community views /aspirations
- To foster a close partnership between home and school that is responsive, supportive and effective.
- To maintain a partnership with our community and be responsive to its cultural needs and wishes
- To keep the school community informed of issues and developments relating to the school
- To confirm our effectiveness and further improve performance
- To develop school goals and achievement targets

### **Guidelines**

1. Review: Within realistic and practical boundaries, the school will endeavour to consult extensively and appropriately during school reviews including
  - Annual Charter Review ( planning and Reporting requirements) ( Education Standard Act)
  - The Board of Trustees triennial programme of self-review (policies/procedures and guidelines)
  - Identified needs-driven reviews – e.g. a BYOD decision
2. Consultation: The school will consult with its community in the following ways
  - Student voice: students will be encouraged to express concerns /improvements through the school council
  - Parents will be encouraged to express concerns or make suggestions by formal consultation (surveys by monkey survey, purpose meetings, hui or directly contacting the school )
  - The principal and board will make opportunities for consultation and feedback through newsletters, parent meetings other events as appropriate
  - The Board will provide prior knowledge of the venue date/time of BOT meetings on Google calendar ( front page of school website)
  - In even years the Board of Trustees will consult with our Maori community, in odd years we will consult with our Pasifika community.
  - An Annual written report will be issued. This will include specific information on how the Board has achieved its Charter goals and objectives, including Curriculum goals.
  - From time to time the school might hold meetings on health issues or community issues with an educational focus. The school will select meaningful issues to consult on
  - The school will foster a warm welcoming atmosphere, acknowledging the value of parental support