

Marist Catholic School Herne Bay News

Term 2, 2023

Our Charism

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

Our Mission

Quality learning opportunities, with Jesus Christ as our guide



SPECIAL CHARACTER:

May, the month of Mary:

During May, the Special Character Team has been honouring Mary, our role model by facilitating some lunchtime activities - stained glass windows and immaculate heart craft.

The stained glass window creations can be found on one of the Father Mullen's reflection room windows.

*Holy Mary, mother fair, Filled with love for God,
Pray for us in all our needs. Pray for us today. Amen*



The Special Character Team taught groups of students about the Immaculate Heart of Mary whilst making a craft related to it:

The phrase **Immaculate Heart** is also used to talk about how Mary felt inside - her joys and sorrows. There are images of Mary with her immaculate heart and its four symbols:

The **heart** represents Mary's love for God.

The **fire** stands for Mary's burning love for her son, Jesus, and her love for us, which fills her heart.

The **sword** stands for Mary's sorrow – how sad she must have felt when Jesus died on the cross.

The **flowers** symbolise Mary's beauty – how, through her loving ways, she shows us what it means to be a truly beautiful person.



Auckland Central Catholic Kahui Ako Pasifika People's Mass:

A beautiful mass was celebrated last Thursday evening with the ACCKA Pasifika People's Mass. Marist was well represented with a number of staff and whānau in attendance.

Thank you to Seron Stanley (school candle bearer), Leon Williams-Fotu (Prayer of the Faithful in Tongan), Kingston Sauaga-Uale (Alter Server), Camille Manu and Carmel Turnbull (representing our staff and board during Offertory).

This was a wonderful opportunity for all our schools to come together to celebrate our Pasifika communities.



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AROUND THE SCHOOL:



Term 2 Curriculum

Welcome to Term 2 2023. Our theme for learning this term is “We are Called to be the Change” which encompasses all areas of the curriculum, detail of this term’s learning



Key Competencies	Confidently communicate in a variety of settings. Accept and value differing viewpoints. Develop wondering through inquiry learning.
Inquiry	Aotearoa Histories & Sciences Focus: This term we are focusing on our concept, Change. This term’s focus embeds the Aotearoa NZ histories and Science curriculum. Students will understand that our tangata whenua has shaped our lands and waters for centuries. This includes everything from growing, harvesting, food storage, cooking and applying scientific knowledge
RE	Marist Charism, Easter, Holy Spirit Strand and Church Strand.
Literacy	Oral Language – Class & Group discussions. Listening to texts, Preparing speeches. Oral Language - experiences related to Inquiry Learning. Writing Focus- Procedural And persuasive and writing linked with learning from other curriculum areas. Reading - Independent reading, reading to/with and by, Shared reading, Guided reading, weekly library sessions, texts linked with Inquiry. Reading Comprehension practice.
Maths	Numeracy - Number knowledge / Addition and subtraction strategies Strand - Measurement & Geometry
Health & PE	Physical Education: Cross Country and Team Building with Adventure Based Learning. Health: Kia Kaha is a comprehensive range of anti-bullying resources to help children learn and apply a range of safe practices that they can use to build and maintain successful relationships throughout their lives.
Te reo Maori	Vocabulary, learning to read and pronounce kai in Te Reo Māori.
The Arts	Visual Arts: Sharing ideas about how and why their own and others’ works are made and their purpose, value, and context. Investigate the purpose of objects and images from past and present cultures and identify the contexts in which they were or are made, viewed, and valued.



National Kid’s Literacy Quiz:

Our two teams of Year 5/6 quizzers competed at St Cuthberts today at the National Kids Lit Quiz (Auckland Heat 1).

They competed against 44 other teams from around Auckland, both primary and intermediate. Even though the competition was tough they were able to hold their own.

Both teams did extremely well for their first time competing. We look forward to competing again next year.



Thank you to Mrs Menezes, Carissa Fonseca, Maria Trogolo and Maylynn Rozells for supporting our teams through training and transport.

Wings of Marist

Bede, Hanna, Cassidy & Clara

Marist Masterminds

*Placed 2nd in Year 5/6
Placed 10th overall*

Sebastian, Lizzy, Nadi & Toalei



National Youth Conference:



Last Thursday our Year 6s went to the Dew Drop Conference Centre to participate in the National Young Leaders Day (NYLD).

There were 5 speakers, first was called Brad Smeele, who is a C4 paraplegic meaning he can't move any of his body from the shoulders down. My favourite quote from him was "Never forget yesterday, but always live

for today, because you never know what tomorrow can bring, or take away". He was a professional wakeboarder, until one day a move went terribly wrong. Next was Julia Grace who is a mental health instructor. Her helpful quote was "don't ignore things because they will only come back as more of a pain". Third was Graci Kim who is an author. She is the creator of the ice cream project, which means, try a little of everything, even if you know you will be bad at it. She also thinks the power of the mind is so strong but all you have to do to get rid of something annoying is create a switch and flick it and you're no longer annoyed by something. Fourth was D.J Forret, a former All Black. He told us that a bad attitude is like a virus, expose someone to a bad mood and they will be infected with a bad mood. Finally was Georgia Lines, a New Zealand singer and songwriter who told us all about her experience in the music industry.

Overall it was an absolutely amazing and incredibly inspiring day. Thank you NYLD!!!!!!!

By Cassidy (Student Journalist)

Our 'Fresh As' Trip:

Group by Group, students filed out of school and climbed onto the comfy bus. Thursday 25th May. We were off on an adventure filled with laughter, happiness and learning. We were about to have an incredible journey that taught us about the freeze drying process. As a whole school, we travelled to the warehouse of Fresh As.

We were welcomed with a warm greeting by Flo, Enzo, Hayley and Jo, who were about to take us on a great tour and tasting experience. Each group was split into two teams. One group went straight to tasting the freeze dried products and reviewing the taste. We learnt about the freeze dried process and the journey of Fresh As.

The other group went to check out the warehouse and see the actual freeze dry process. The machines were huge and had individual names. Their names were Zena, Valerie, Willow, Susan, Nikita and last but not least... ENZO! Then we switched places.

One of the tour highlights was tasting the freeze dried ice cream, aka Astronaut Ice Cream. The classes are still arguing over which one was the best, the vanilla or chocolate ice cream! We were so lucky at the end of the session, every student at Marist got packets of Fresh As to eat and take home to their whānau.

This was such an amazing experience and we are so grateful to our wonderful Roff family that made this trip happen. It was fun, engaging and supported our learning with our inquiry.

Elinor, Miyoko, Lyla and Enzo (Yr 4 Journalists)



Grandparents Day:

As the students lined up to sing the grandparents' song the music began and we sang. The song by Trinity Kids is played by Mrs Bartlett and the music fills the church. When we are done singing the grandparents were treated to a morning tea in the hall put together by our amazing PTA. A big thank you to OZone Cafe for donating all the coffee for this event. The Irish dancers sprint up to class to get ready to go on stage as part of the performance for the grandparents on the turf. A little while later when everyone was seated on the turf to watch the performances the Irish dancers danced gracefully, and the school sang with lots of heart as well as our two soloists Toalei and Emily who lead the school singing 'Any Dream will Do'. The raffle was drawn before the classes were open for grandparents to enjoy some fun in the classes with their grandchildren.

Grandparent day is so fun for the grandchildren and Grandparents. Getting to come in and have a little taster of how the classes work and how things have changed was interesting for them and overall very enjoyable. We can't wait till the next celebration!



Book Week:

Marist started Book Week great, as we did buddy reading with kids in other classes on Monday, and even the teachers swapped rooms to read to other children and everyone enjoyed it.

As always, the author visit was a highlight, with NZ 'Dragon Defenders' author James Russell coming to join in the fun on Tuesday! It was exciting to hear that James has a new book out - 'Children of the Rush', which should be a great holiday read.

There was a "literacy hunt" on Wednesday, with questions posted all around the school for us to answer.

On Thursday, the NZ Playhouse team performed Treasure Island in the hall and everyone really enjoyed it as the performance was so engrossing.

Then on Friday, the book parade was amazing fun, as Bernard, Cleary and Chavoin all shared their very creative book-character costumes and we celebrated on the turf.

A big thank you to Mrs Menezes and her team for all the organisation. Also to our PTA for their help with the book fair, which raised around \$4k for the school library.

All in all it was a truly magical week, everyone had lots of fun and Marist can't wait for the next one.

By Sebastian (Student Journalist)



SPORTS:

BASKETBALL TERM 2

Mighty Marist (Year 5)

Win (20/0) vs Pt Chev Ninjas
Win (18/15) vs Newton Rogues
Win (15/12) vs Westmere Taniwhas
Win (14/6) vs Pt Chev Pythons
Win (11/4) vs St Joseph Saints
Win (11/0) vs Richmond Bucks

Marist Megalodons (Year 6)

Win (27/20) vs Newton Tuakana
Win (11/3) vs Richmond Lakers
Win (32/10) vs SPS Shooting Stars
Win (26/14) vs Pt Chev Blue Panthers
Loss (13/22) vs Newton Riots
Win (22/19) vs Westmere Hustle

Netball Results for Term 2

Marist Year 4

Win (10/0) vs Northcote
Loss (6/8) vs Oteha Valley
Loss (3/6) vs St Mary's, Northcote
Win (17/0) vs Marlborough
Win (5/0) vs Takapuna
Win (5/1) vs St Joseph's Takapuna
Draw (0/0) vs Kristin

Marist Marvels (Year 5)

Loss (3/12) vs Browns Bay
Win (5/4) vs Torbay
Loss (4/10) vs Milford
Loss (3/6) vs Kauri Park
Loss (2/16) vs Northcote School
Win (19/1) vs Grey Lynn
Win (13/4) vs Verran

Marist Year 6/1

Loss (1/11) vs Birkenhead
Loss (2/7) vs Takapuna 6/1
Loss (11/18) vs Kristin
Loss (1/15) vs Westmere
Win (11/6) vs Vauxhall School
Loss (0/34) vs St John's, Mairangi Bay
Loss (2/13) vs Vauxhall

Marist Year 6/2

Win (8/3) vs Campbell's Bay
Win (17/3) vs Takapuna 6/2
Loss (6/11) vs Hauraki
Loss (3/8) vs Grey Lynn
Win (7/1) vs Campbell's Bay
Draw (6/6) vs St John's, Mairangi Bay
Win (12/3) vs Birkenhead



ICS Cross Country:



On Thursday, 18 May we took a team of students to Grey Lynn Park for the annual ICS Cross Country event.

There were around 300 students from across the different inner-city schools racing on the day in

their age groups.

Our students showed great resilience and determination, and we were very proud of them. Well done to Seron Stanley who came in the top 10 of his race and Mercy He, Henry Hall and Sabrielle Elim who all came in the top 20 of their races.

ICS Swimming Competition:



Our team had a fantastic time and competed in all events with great enthusiasm and spirit. The team performed so well and made us all proud. They tried their best and gave their all, displaying great sportsmanship and determination throughout the event.

A special congratulations to Mercy He for coming 2nd in 25m Freestyle, 25m Backstroke, 50m Freestyle and 1st in 25m Breaststroke and the Open Medley. Also to Ruby Harris who got 3rd in 25m Freestyle and 25m Backstroke.

We also want to thank Mrs Sowman, Debbie Nelson, Jonathan Hardy, Jerry He and Simon Neal for the transport and support for this event

Marist Cross Country:

The Marist Herne Bay cross country had all school students participating, years 0-6. It was a sunny start to the exciting day. Supportive cheering, high spirits and never giving up is a great way to describe the students who tried their hardest. Everyone was amazing.

Everyone ran and ran, but sooner or later, the horrendous rain came along. Sadly some people had to run in the rain, but they just kept going on and the rain DID NOT STOP THEM! Their resilience was awesome.

Everyone did a phenomenal job, even though it was so swampy, muddy and slippery. Cross Country was incredible.

A special thank you to the parents who volunteered their time to support this event by doing marshalling. We really appreciate your support.

By Honey (Student Journalist)

	1st	2nd	3rd
5 year old	Luca	Jude	Ayaan
	Alexa	Sophie	Aubrey
6 year old	Harry	Ethan	Max
	Misa	Leah	Bridie
7 year old	Freddie	James	Daniel
	Florence	Elinor	Ysobel
8 year old	Leo	Sean	Grayson
	Lyla	Scarlett	Alice
9 year old	Leon	Henry	Alonso
	Mercy	Florence	Rachel
10/11 year olds	Seron	Luca	Oliver
	Sabrielle	Nandi	Maggie

Well done to all our students for showing amazing resilience and determination.

