



Marist Whanau News

Term 3, 2019



Kia Ora Whanau,

Welcome back to yet another busy but productive learning term.

We have had a great start to what is going to be an action-packed term with a number of exciting opportunities for your child. To keep up to date with all of the latest events and celebrating our successes, please follow us on Facebook 'St Patrick's School - Napier'. At the end of last term, a lot of Marist Whanau successes and activities were posted so please take the time to check them out!

Exciting Events in Term 3

At St Patrick's School there are many opportunities on offer, so keep on reminding your child/children (we do) about making the most of their time here.

Fantastic opportunities available are: eSTEAM, Touch of Class, Hearts, Science Fair, Enlargements, Athletics Competition, Technology Competition, Science Quiz, Gymnastics, Tough Guy/Gal, TACs Cross Country, Netball Tournament, 2nd languages, Radio Kidnappers Debating, ICAS exams and that's just this term!

Term Three Dates

Week 1:

Thursday 25th July: E.I.T Science Fair Projects due

Week 2: Monday 29th July: Tough Guy/Gal Challenge

Tuesday 30th July: Radio Kidnappers Debating Round 1

Wednesday 31st July: Touch of Class - all Year 7&8 girls at Sacred Heart College. School Photos

Wednesday 31st July: Gymnastics for all 4 classes - next 2 weeks

Every Friday until Week 7: eSTEAM - group of Year 8 boys at St John's College

Week 3: Wednesdays for the rest of the term: 2nd Languages start

Week 4: Wednesday 14th August: Open Day / Evening for our Intermediate

Thursday 15th August: Science Quiz & Technology Challenge (after school)

Friday 16th August: E.I.T Science Fair/Technology Projects Final Judging. Enlargements Due

Sunday 18th August: School Mass at St Patrick's Church 10am

Week 6: Thursday 29th August: Radio Kidnappers Debating Round 2

Friday 30th August: School Cross Country

Week 7: Wednesday 4th September: TACs Cross Country @ Puketapu School

Thursday 5th September: Athletics Competition for both Year 7 and 8

Friday 6th September: Digi Awards Due

Week 8: Monday - Friday 9th-13th September: AIMS Games

Monday 9th September: Michael Mangan Visit

Week 9: Thursday 19th & Friday 20th September: Polyfest

Saturday 21st September: School Gala

Week 10: Friday 27th September: Last day of Term 3

Term Focus

This term we are continuing with our overarching theme for the year which is Taonga (special gifts/treasures).

This term we will be specifically linking our learning across the curriculum into developing knowledge and understanding around:

- We understand the gift of global treasures

Literacy / Maths

All of the classes will be doing a book or film study and will continue to develop their literacy skills with workshops. For maths, all students will be continuing with our DMIC learning. Our focus is on algebra.

Religious Education

This term we will be strengthening our understanding of the Saints, past and present. The students will be researching different Saints and linking what they learn about the Saint to their lives today. The Marist whanau will also explore how we have been blessed with gifts from God and that it is up to us to choose how we use these gifts.

Home Learning

Home Learning will continue to be consistent across all 4 classes. Each student will have a Learning Grid (which needs to be signed at the end of each week), a weekly quiz, reading log and Maths buddy tasks. This allows you as the parent to see what is happening for your child each week.

Physical Education

All students are expected to have their P.E gear at school on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We begin the term with Cross Country training and we will be working on speed and interval training rather than a major focus of sustained running. We will focus on specific running skills, using different running and training tools. In Weeks 2, 3 and 4 all students will participate in the Gymnastics Programme at the Omni Gymnastics Centre. If your child is unable to participate in P.E, a note signed and dated from the parent/caregiver is expected.

Languages

In week three we start our language rotations. We offer an introduction and insight into the language and culture of France, Spain, Japan and Germany. A taste test for our students before heading off to high school!

Gala

Our School Gala is end of Week 9, Saturday 21st September. With the Gala in mind, this year our Syndicate has volunteered to continue with the Tombola. We would very much appreciate the donation of a bottle or jar from each family in our syndicate. Donations could include: Jam, pickles, chutney, gherkins, cooking sauces, face, bath and hair products etc. Our intention is to match each ticket sold with a prize. All funds are raised on behalf of the PTA and will go towards projects that will directly benefit your children.

Sports

This term we have teams representing our school in the following sports:

Netball: Played Wednesdays - Onekawa Courts and Hastings HB Sport Park

Basketball: Played Thursdays - Location between various venues

Hockey: Played Fridays - Unison Hockey Ground and Park Island

Netball, hockey and basketball teams follow on from last term. Please remember to attend all practises and let your coaches know in advance if you are unable to play.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher either by calling, email or coming into the school if you have any questions or concerns.

Regards and Blessings

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