St. Mary's School Carterton

School Newsletter

To Act Justly, Love Tenderly, and to walk humbly with God

Term 3 Week 7 - Monday 5th September 2022

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It's the time of year when seniors are looking to enrol at their college for next year and this makes us start to look at our numbers for the future. This year we have a large number of year 8 students - 14 which is the biggest we have had in a while. A few years ago there were only 4 in this year group! This means we will have some spaces in most classes across the school next year so please let any of your friends or family know to get in touch with us if they are interested in enrolling their child here. We hope we have all siblings of current students enrolled to start in Aroha next year but please check with Julie if you have not completed the paperwork for this.

We have recently employed **Mrs Carrie Watson** to teach full time in a classroom next year. Carrie has been working with our classes on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays this year so will be known by all the students. She has 16 years of teaching experience and strengths in Religious Education, music and Kapa Haka and we are very happy to have her join our team at St Mary's on a full time and permanent basis. We will confirm later in the year which teachers will be in each classroom for 2023.

Thank you so much to our school community for your generous support of **Onesie Day**. We raised $400 for Wellington Free Ambulance which is a fabulous effort.





ATTENDANCE MANAGEMENT:
Please, please, please notify the school by 9am if your child is going to be **absent** - this means each day of their absence. You can do this by phone, text, email, SeeSaw, Skool Loop app. If we are not notified by an adult caregiver, we have a moral and legal obligation to follow up and this can be time consuming at our end.

Karen Goodall
Principal



Rory for doing so well with his spelling.





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Changeover to summer uniform

Term 4 sees us return to our summer uniform.
We have some second hand stock available at the school office as well as brand new items.
A reminder that all students will need a sunhat for term 4**.**

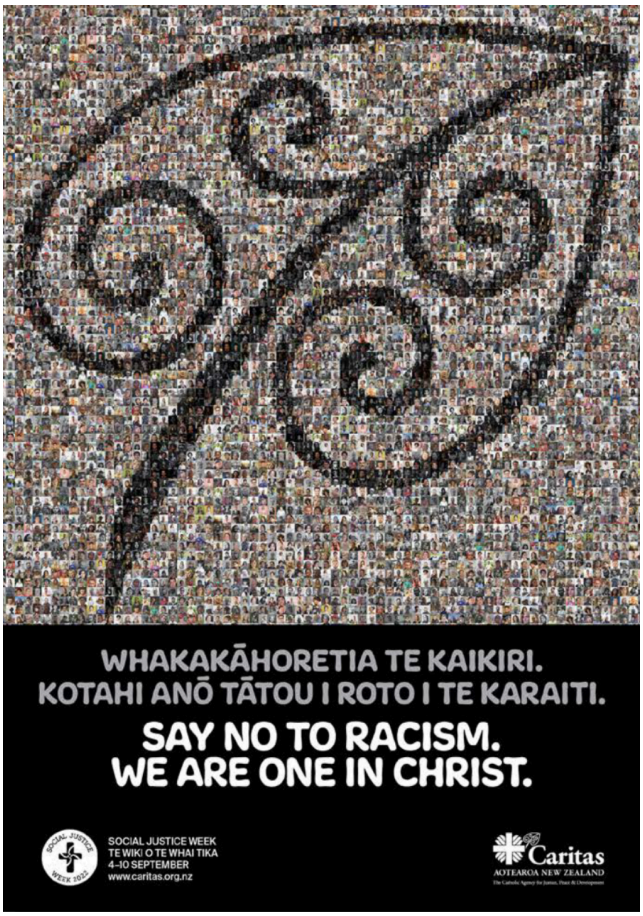






What's happening at school?

Week 7 5-9 September	Social Justice Week - say no to racism	Tikanga trip to Aratoi and movie		Mass - Kairangi Wairua trip to Aratoi And pool	Kuranui visit for Theatre sports with Tikanga 11am
Week 8 12-16 Sept	Board meeting 5.30 Te wiki o te reo Maori	Hockey tourney	Karen away at conference	Karen away at conference	Assembly - Wairua Karen away at conference
Week 9 19-23 Sept			School Production 6pm	Mass - Wairua	
Week 10 26- 30 Sept			Year 7 & 8 electives	Kapa Haka at Chanel for Y3-8 Principal's Day Out	Assembly - Rangimarie



RE

This week is Social Justice Week. Racism is the topic for Social Justice Week in 2022. This issue is both challenging and vitally important for all of us. RE programmes will be exploring this topic over the week. The title of the Caritas resources is **SAY NO TO RACISM. WE ARE ONE IN CHRIST**. As we journey through this Social Justice Week, the key question for us to reflect on is how are we becoming one in Christ?

It is important to note that there has been a deliberate choice to focus on human dignity and solidarity. Of course, the negative impacts of racial discrimination are explored through the various elements, but the most important step for all of us, is to respond with love and acceptance, following Catholic social teaching (CST) principles, as Jesus modelled.

Let us take this opportunity to delve deeper into our Church's social teaching and consider how we promote our rich tradition of love, peace and justice for all.

LUNCH OPTIONS:

Any day

Pies (Mince & Cheese OR Steak & Cheese OR Butter Chicken)	$3.00
Mini Mince pies	$1.00
Cookie Time cookie	$1.00
Flavoured Milk	$1.50

Friday lunches

Hot Chips	$2.50

Feel free to order school lunches via email and pay online into the school bank account as this will save you from coming into the office. admin@saintmarys.school.nz
Our school bank account details are 12 3478 0011124 00








SPORTS

MINIBALL

Saint Marys 26 - Carterton 40 A lively game of miniball where we continue to improve. Some lovely baskets from Chloe and strong defence from Byron and Cailee.
This week 5pm South End Lightening

HOCKEY- The last week of Winter hockey for the Year.
Remember hockey prizegiving straight after school Friday 16 September. Shared plate please.

SM Firecrackers 1 - 0 win over Paddy's.
The Firecrackers are on a great winning streak with everyone contributing strongly.

SM Trappers 6 - 3 win over Dalefield.
A game where the team stood up missing their rockstars of hockey, Jimmy and Josh. Very impressive games from Chloe, Sophie, Tom, Emily and Lily. Huge thanks to Felix, Cory, Hikitia and Awatea for helping out on the night.

SM Bluesticks 0 - 6 loss to Hadlow.
Wasn't as one sided as it looks, some nice play just couldn't put the ball in the goal. Myla was outstanding in defence.

SM Strikers 7 - 1 win against Opaki keeping their excellent record going.
All the team contributed strongly.

SAVE THE DATE

21st September 6 pm

Carterton Event Centre

Our school production.....

Dance through the Years



THINGS TO TELL YOUR CHILD WHEN THEY ARE HAVING A BAD DAY

TODAY IS NOT FOREVER.	We develop **resilience** knowing that difficult feelings pass with time.
I'M HERE.	**The non-judgemental presence** helps us feel secure in sharing and processing our feelings.
FOCUS ON RIGHT NOW.	Staying grounded in the now can help us calm our nervous system.
IT'S OKAY TO NOT FEEL OKAY.	**Normalizing emotions removes feelings of guilt and self-shame.**
I HAD THIS HAPPEN TO ME...	Knowing that others struggled with similar things helps us be more self-compassionate.
LOOK FOR THE LESSON.	**Each challenge can make us stronger when we find the lessons.**

You do not need to say anything at all.
Sometimes all we need is someone to sit next to us, **in silence.**



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