



Principal's Message



Congratulations to Mackenzie, Otis, Emi, Alexis and future student Kianna on their recent Baptisms. It was such a special occasion as they were welcomed into the faith community.

I had a few days in Wellington last week for the National Catholic Convention. We had two amazing international speakers as well as lots of local ones who inspired and motivated Principals and Directors of Religious studies.

Today we have Lewis and Felix competing in the South Wairarapa Speech competition so it will be lovely to see them step up to this level of competition. Well done to all our students who pushed through their nerves to speak in front of their classmates, this really helps develop confidence and public speaking skills.

Last week the slab was poured for our new classroom on the end of the field so it's exciting times here for us. They hope to have the new room ready for the start of 2025 which means we will be able to enrol more students and grow our school roll up to 150.

Karen Goodall - Principal

Happy Birthday

Isabel 25th June

Felix 5th July

Frankie 12th July

Stan 15th July

Tommy 26th June

Shan 5th July

Pearce 12th July

Quinn 18th July

Ruby S 28th June

Sami 11th July

Emi 15th July



Catholic Character



Young Catholics Care
Your Choice in Clothing
Youth Creating Change



Y.C.C Day is a special event where Caritas joins forces with Catholic schools across New Zealand. Together, we stand in solidarity to support a good cause, raising funds and awareness for a selected focus school.

This year we are supporting Holy Trinity School in Papua New Guinea, which is in desperate need of vital classroom equipment such as desks and chairs as well as resources like books and writing materials.

On Friday 5th July, students at St Mary's are going to have a non-uniform day and we will collect a gold coin to donate to this worthy cause, to do our part as young caring Catholics.

A message from the Archdiocese

We would like to thank you for your patience regarding the Attendance Dues invoicing and collection this year. Due to issues with the new software system and illness in the team, we have not met our standards of service delivery for which we apologise.

The Cathconnect system parent portal should soon be up and running for you to check your outstanding invoices and balances.

If you have any queries or concerns please contact the Attendance Dues team, preferably through emailing dues@wn.catholic.org.nz providing child's full name, account number and brief details.

As we are expecting a large influx of queries, response times may vary and we will get back to you as soon as we are able to.

What's happening at school in Term 2

Monday 24th	South Wairarapa speeches
Tuesday 25th	Celebration movie afternoon - HEART award
Thursday 27th	Mass: 9.30am Tikanga and Reconciliation
Thursday 27th	Assembly 2pm Aroha
Friday 28th	Matariki Holiday
Tuesday 2nd	Regional Cross Country
Wednesday 3rd	House Speech competition
Thursday 4th	Principals Day Out

Lunch Orders

EVERYDAY

Pies	Mince & Cheese	\$3.00
	Mince	\$3.00
	Steak & Cheese	\$3.00
	Butter Chicken	\$3.50
	Mini Mince Pie	\$1.00
Cookie		\$1.00
Flavoured Milk (Banana/Chocolate/Strawberry)		\$2.00
Hot Chocolate		\$1.00



FRIDAY

Hot Chips	\$3.00
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Email the school with your students order and pay online into the school bank account

admin@saintmarys.school.nz

Our school bank account details are 12 3478 0011124 00

PITA PIT (Wednesday only)

It's simple; all you need to do is register at www.lunchonline.co.nz and follow 4 easy steps to get started



Sports

BASKETBALL

We had a 26 - 11 win over Greymouth 1.

Byron was outstanding with great support from Emmett and Tom. Cailee was effective in her defence while Tavita and James are improving with every game. Saint Marys have only lost one out of seven games and are playing off for 3rd and 4th. They just missed out on the final due to points for and against.

They play Featherston at 3:30pm on Wednesday.

HOCKEY

Bumblebees lost a tight game 1 - 2 with Marleigh player of the game.
This week Hadlow Rangers 5:30pm ST2



Cicadas 2 - 1 win over the Coasties and a 1 - 1 draw with Dalefield the week before.
This week Solway Comets 4pm ST3

Strikers 4 - South End 1 - Strikers played well against a well coached South End.
Jimmy made the difference with his speed and agility. A very good team effort this week.

This week Gladdy Gladiators 4:50pm ST2

Firecrackers 3 - 13 against DPS, the undefeated Firecrackers met a very good DPS team and were well beaten. Vinnie was player of the day.
No game this week due to Matariki holiday.

Bluesticks 8 - 2 win over Kia Kaha to keep their perfect record for the season.
Aniyah was player of the day.
No game this week.

Deflectors 5 - 0 Win against Chanel. Good team effort playing the graveyard shift 7:20pm start.
Big thanks to the Brady's for supervising the team.
This week, no game due to the Matariki holiday.

Wairarapa Cross Country Champs Solway Showgrounds Tuesday 18th June

Saint Mary's performed outstandingly, with 11 of the 19 runners qualifying for the Wellington Regionals on the Kapiti Coast.



The top 20 qualify and Ruby is in the team, as a runner in the top 20 had to pull out.

Felicity (Yr5) and Jimmy (Yr8) both repeated their victories from last year and both had big margins.

Chaska started the qualifying for the regionals with 18th place in the Year 4 girls.

Tommy then ran a great race to get 2nd in the year 4 boys.

Petessa was 7th and Maddie 19th in the Year 5 girls.

John finished 18th and his brother Alex 29th in the Year 6 boys.

We had the most runners in the Year 6 girls Ruby (21st), Eden (26th), Evelyn (30th), Alannah (57th) and Aurora (68th) there were over 90 runners in the field.

Levi ran a gutsy race to finish 18th, unfortunately Nesta had to pull out after being inside the top 20 in the first lap.

Imogen ran solidly to finish 57th in the Year 8 girls.

Emmett ran a gutsy race to hold on to 7th in the Year 8 boys.

We will have a team of 11 runners at the Regional which is a record for our school.

Good luck to these runners.

How We Create Entitlement in Our Children:

(without realizing it)

Not enforcing boundaries:

“It’s fine, you can watch one more show.”



Rules don’t apply to me.

Overpraising for ordinary things:

“You finished your homework! You’re the smartest!!!”



I should be praised for every little thing I do.

Give in to demands:

“Fine, you can have ice cream, just stop whining.”



If I whine, I’ll get whatever I want.

Solving all their problems:

“I’ll talk to your teacher and take care of this.”



Someone else will solve my problems.

Comparing to others:

“You’re so much smarter than all these kids.”



I’m better than others, and I should always be treated that way.

Ways to avoid entitlement:

Praise when they worked hard:

“I’m proud of how hard you worked on this project.”

Avoid comparing them to others:

“Everyone has their strengths and challenges, and that’s okay.”

Teach accountability:

“Let your teacher know that you forgot to finish your homework.”

Set and enforce clear boundaries:

“Bedtime is at 8 PM. Sticking to rules is important.”

Limit material rewards:

“Let’s celebrate without buying anything.”

