

MISSION HEART and SOUL

To live as part of a Catholic community and respond to our call to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself" Luke 10:27

EDUCATION HEAD and VOICE

Become confident, connected, actively involved lifelong learners and followers of Christ who are learning through the direction set by the NZ Catholic and NZ Curriculums.

"For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding." Proverbs 2:6-7

SERVICE HANDS and FEET

To live out the Gospel values and make a difference in the world, guided by the Holy Spirit and Catholic social teachings.

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." Col. 3:15-17

ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Te Kura O Hato Karama

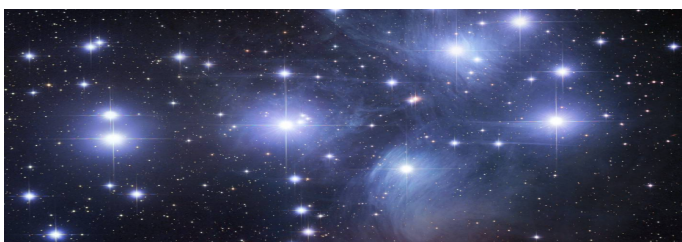
Week 7, Term 2 At St Columba's Catholic School



Matariki Celebrating the Māori New Year at St Columba's Catholic School 22 June 7pm - 9pm

Kia ora koutou e te whānau o Te Kura o Hāto Karama

Aotearoa is set to celebrate the first Matariki public holiday on Friday, June 24. Matariki refers to the star cluster also known as Pleiades, which disappears from view at the beginning of the cold months. When the stars reappear in the pre-dawn sky in the middle of winter, it signals the Māori New Year. The holiday is a time for gathering with friends and whānau to reflect on the year that has been, making the most of the present, and looking forward to the year ahead.



You are all welcome to our school whānau night in Te Manawa, Wednesday 22 June to celebrate Matariki as a school. Please bring food to share and come ready to be informed about Matariki from Team 3 children and entertained by our Kapa Haka and

Pasifika Group as we take time to be together as a school community.

The plan:

- Welcome
- Share food
- Facts about Matariki from Team 3
- Entertainment from - SCCS Performing Kapa Haka and Pasifika Groups
- Fellowship and time together as a community

Matariki Celebrations at Hamilton Lake
see [LINK](#) to Public Event

The Matariki Ki Waikato Festival will take place from June 17 to July 17, with a packed programme of events across the region including market days in Raglan, Hamilton and Ngāruawāhia, a Kite Day at Hamilton Gardens on June 26 and a self-guided Star Walk Trail. L.A.B will be performing at Globox Arena on July 2, or head along to Whiti 2022, an open mic event where you can discover the region's up and coming stars. The festival culminates in a Matariki in the City celebration at Hamilton Central Library on July 16, with kai, entertainment, and a hauora hub where you can enjoy a relaxing mirimiri (traditional Māori healing technique).

More: matarikiwaikato.nz

KEY DATES

- Team 1 Hamilton Zoo Trip - Tuesday 21st June
- CIS Winter sports - Tuesday 21st June
- Whanau night - Wednesday 22nd June
- Matariki holiday - Friday 24th June
- NWPS Winter sports (Team 3) - Friday 1st July
- St Maria Goretti feast day - Friday 8th July
- End of Term 2, Friday 8th July

TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS

This year, in September, SCCS will be holding their triennial elections for our school Board of Trustees. We hope to attract a diverse group of parents that have skills in a range of areas that support our school to be the best it can be as we make decisions that shape our children's future. If you have an interest in the Board, please put your name forward for nomination. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

BELOW IS A NOTE FROM OUR RETURNING OFFICER;

School Board Parent Election 2022

Nomination round

Our school will be undertaking a parent election for 5 School Board vacancies. This process will start with the issuing of nomination papers to our caregiver community by Friday 15th July 2022.

We have employed CES to undertake the election process on our behalf. This year with legislative change, our nomination form and full instructions on how to place your nomination into our own School's Election website will be emailed to you if we have your email address in our database or you will receive it by post if we don't have your email in our database.

Nomination papers will also be available at the school office. The school will send those on to CES for processing upon receipt from candidates.

Nominations close on Wednesday 3rd August at 12 noon. Election day is Wednesday 7th September.

We look forward to your participation in this process.

Wayne Jamieson
Returning Officer
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**Don't forget to check the lost property box
outside the school office. There are lots of
winter woolies in there!**

RIPPA RUGBY

A great day was had by the Team 3 and 4 students who braved the wild weather and participated at the Waikato Rugby Union's Rippa Rugby Tournament held at Swarbrick Park.



CATHOLIC CHARACTER



Saint Columba's Feast Day Celebrations



On Thursday, 9th June we celebrated our Patron Saint's feast day.

Our Year 8 house leaders led an amazing time of fun, faith and friendship for all students. Team 3 began our time together with a reflective liturgy. Then all students gathered together in different classes with their House group.

Finally we gathered in Te Manawa for a House chant and Best Dressed competition. Thanks to Deacon Tony who was our special guest judge.

**St Teresa - Yellow House -
emerged victorious.
Congratulations!**

Thanks to our judges
Deacon Tony & Whaea Gill.
Seen here with Ms Woulfe,
the winner of the Best
Dressed staff member!



SPORTS

Some photos of our school teams competing in their codes so far this season!





3rd - 9th September 2022

The Zespri AIMS Games gives 11, 12 & 13 year olds an opportunity to compete as an individual or a team against their age in NZ & invited countries in 23 codes.

This year we have 32 athletes competing in Hockey, Netball, Ripper Rugby, Cross Country, Gymnastics & Swimming. It is a spectacular event that has not been held (due to covid) since 2019. We are very excited to be preparing to compete to our very best ability and be involved in the biggest sporting event for school students in NZ.

WE NEED YOUR HELP & SUPPORT....

Over the next few months we will be running a number of fundraising events to support our athletes financially to compete at the Games.

- **Wednesday 29th June - School Mufti Day** - come dressed to support our Maori All Blacks who play Ireland in Hamilton on this night
- **Wednesday 29th June - PIZZA DAY** - enjoy some yummy pizza for lunch - \$2/slice (order forms will be sent home)
- **"Save the Date" - Saturday 30th July - QUIZ NIGHT**
more information to come soon

If you own a business and would like to support our teams in the form of a \$500 (+ gst) sponsorship payment please contact Andrea in the school office.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

KiwiRail Traction Substation

In preparation for the replacement of life expired electrical equipment at the nearby Substation, KiwiRail will need to undertake some civil and engineering work.

This upgrade will happen in two phases across a three month period:

Monday 28th June – Friday 8th July AND Monday 15th August – Friday 9th September

Please note: That a public footpath that your students may use will be affected by vehicles crossing. We are asking that pedestrians proceed along this walkway with precaution.

Please be aware during this period of work your community will be impacted by increased traffic movement. There will be a small number of construction vehicles using Mary street, to access the gate near the Hamilton Racing Pigeon Club building.

If you have any questions or queries please not hesitate to contact us.

contactus@kiwirail.co.nz OR 0800 801 070 ext 43042

Kind Regards,

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The end is nigh for Term 2, but it's never too late to sign up for music lessons with:

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