



# St. MARY MACKILLOP CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Mission: "Together we grow Christ centered children who are ready for the next step."

**Expression of Faith through stories of Charism.**

Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Kiorana, Bula Vinaka, Namaste, Kamusta.

Welcome back to St Mary MacKillop Catholic School for 2024. I would like to welcome back the staff, pupils and new members of our STMMK community. It has been so awesome to see so many children back in school for the start of the year.

Everyone has fitted in and started on our new journey. We look forward to exciting learning this year and sharing in the growth and faith of our school community.



**Term 1 dates: Feb 14 ASH WEDNESDAY- Whole school Mass at Church 9:00 am**

St. Mary MacKillop Catholic School will join the community at St Therese Parish for Ash Wednesday Mass this year and it was a privilege to have been part of this mass.

We will need to get to school early so we can , travel to mass and be ready to celebrate the

Lent Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lenten Season for us this year. The season of Lent reminds us of Jesus' journey into the desert, in preparation for his death on the Cross. Jesus endured all sorts of temptation for our sake. His journey reminds us today to make good choices, do what is right and return back to God. Father Roy put this message beautifully during the Ash Wednesday Mass. "Advent is the season where we await the coming of Jesus at Christmas time so Lent is the season where God is waiting for us to return to Him." Let us remember this message as we journey through Lent this year.

**Stationery 2024:** Has arrived !!! Thank You to our families who have paid already !

- All stationery packs will cost \$40
- Payments can be made by cash, Eftpos or internet banking.
- Please note that the account number for stationery payments is different to the Attendance Dues account.
- 12-3076-0599850-04 please use your child's name/stationery as reference.
- Please contact me if you have any questions on [katrinag@marymackillop.school.nz](mailto:katrinag@marymackillop.school.nz)

**Start time:**

8.15 - Gates open: Sitting and waiting outside class - No early children

8.30 - Bell children in class - Teachers in class to greet and check in with parents

8.50 - Bell Start of day

**Uniform: Term 1 and 4**

Summer uniforms must be worn. School hats are part of the summer uniform.

We have a 'NO hat NO play' rule. Please remind your children to bring their hat to school.

These can be purchased at: NZ UNIFORMS Unit 5, 20 Lambie Drive, Manukau, Auckland 2104 Phone 09 950 6747 Email [manukau@nzuniforms.com](mailto:manukau@nzuniforms.com) Open Hours Monday · Friday 9:00am 5:00pm . Saturday 9:00am 4:00pm , Sunday Closed

**School lunches are all go !!!!**  
**Everyday unless we let you know!!**  
**Healthy! Free ! Filling your children !!**





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