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Welcome to Term 4!

Term 4 promises to be a whirlwind of activity, as it always is. We've got a packed schedule filled with exciting events and experiences for our students.

One of the highlights of the term will undoubtedly be our annual Year 7 & 8 and Year 5 & 6 camps. This year, our seniors are embarking on an adventure to Vertical Horizons in Inglewood, while our middles will be exploring the beautiful surroundings of Forest Lakes near Otaki.

We're incredibly grateful to the parents who have generously volunteered their time to attend these camps. Your support is instrumental in making these unforgettable experiences possible for our students.

In addition to our camps, we've got a host of other exciting activities planned for the term.

We're excited to share all the wonderful things we have in store for our students and community.

Dates for Term 4:	
Week 2	
23rd October - 25th October	Year 7 & 8 camp to Vertical Horizons
Week 3	
Monday 28th October	Labour Day School closed !
Tuesday 29th October	Staff Only Day School closed !
30th October - 1st November	Year 5 & 6 camp to Forest Lakes
Friday 1st November	Intermediate Athletics at Cullinane
Week 4	
Monday 4th November	Year 8 scholarship exams for Cullinane College
5th November	Middle School Athletics
6th November	Year 8 students Orientation day at Cullinane college
7th November	Super 6 Touch Rugby
8th November	Tough Kids
Week 5	
13th November	Inter School Intermediate Athletics
15th November	Middle School Contributing Athletics
Week 7	
26th November	JLC, Room 3 and 4 Run, Jump, Throw Athletics
29th November	Big Day Out for winning house
1st December	School Mass at St Mary's Church 9.15am
Week 8	
5th December	St Mary's Time to Shine picnic and concert 5.30pm at St Mary's School
Week 9	
11th December	St Mary's Prizegiving 5.30pm at Cullinane College
Week 10	
16th December	Reports come home Year 8 Graduation Dinner 6pm
17th December	End of Year Liturgy at school 11.40am Last Day school closes at 1pm

We are now in summer uniform. We have a grace period of 2 weeks for getting correct uniform sorted. Ivy has a store of second hand uniform if you are stuck or having financial difficulty. We are blessed with many families donating old uniform which enables us to give uniform items for free.

From next week we run our **no hat no play** process. Children without sunhats sit under the big tree in the shade during break times.



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Summer Uniform

Girls Years 1 to 6

Skort (Cullinane Tartan)
 Short sleeve grey polo shirt
 Sun hat



Girls Years 7 and 8

Skirt (Cullinane Tartan)
 White short sleeve blouse
 Sun hat



Boys Years 1 to 6

Short sleeve grey polo shirt
 Grey drill shorts
 Sun hat



Boys Years 7 to 8

Short sleeve navy polo shirt
 Grey drill shorts
 Sun hat



Navy monogrammed polar fleece

Year 1 to 4



P.E monogrammed T-Shirt

P.E. Shorts Navy plain



Black roman or velcro plain sandals



Navy monogrammed Jersey From
 Year 1 to 8





We are already preparing for 2025!

Is your child turning 5 in 2025? If so, it's crucial to ensure their enrollment for the upcoming year, as we are currently at full capacity for 2025.

If you are unsure and want to confirm your child's enrollment or for any questions, please reach out to Ivy at ivys@stmarys.ac.nz or call us at 3431227.

If you know that your child will not be returning to St Mary's next year, please let us know. This will help us notify families on the waiting list about available spots.

If you know someone who is interested in enrolling, please let them know that they can still apply! Our waiting list tends to move quickly due to changing circumstances for whānau.

We are currently developing an enrollment policy that will provide more details on how we manage our waiting list. We will share this with you once it's ready.

As we begin planning for next year's staffing and student placements, we ask for your trust in our decision-making process. Numerous factors influence our placements, including academic and social needs, student-teacher relationships, individual skills and strengths, available space, and year group dynamics. We aim to provide fresh starts that foster new skills and friendships, while also encouraging independence.

Please note that some staff may be teaching at different levels. Rest assured, we have your child's best interests at heart in every decision we make. Thank you for your understanding and support!

Kia pai tō koutou rā

Jacqui Luxton