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MARIST YOUTH LEADER PROGRAM

One hundred and thirty-five students and over forty teaching staff gathered last week at Hato Pāora College on the North Island, New Zealand. The meeting was an initiative of the "Marist Youth Leader programme", which celebrated also its twentieth year of presence in Aotearoa New Zealand. Its aim is to give senior students insights into servant-leadership through a series of keynote sessions, and then provides opportunities for them to apply their teaching through outdoor activities, the creation and presentation of liturgy in the Chapel, and a series of challenging interactive dynamics.



DENTAL CLINIC



In the *Balay Pasilungan* centre in the Philippines, a Dental Clinic was blessed and reopened. The *Balay Pasilungan centre*, located in the heart of Benkerohan, Davao City, is a ministry of the Distict of Asia, offering a safe place to young street boys. The newly blessed dental equipment enables Marist Sister Sheila Manalo sm, who is a dentist, to give safe and covid-proof dental care for the children of the centre.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Fr Albert Kabala will join the General Council in Rome over the weekend, and at the end of next week the members of the General Administration will have a retreat in Nemi, before starting the February plenary session.

TWO PUBLICATIONS IN FRANCE

To help the spreading of our Marist charism in schools, two booklets have been created in France recently.

The first one, written by Fr Bernard Thomasset, "Ils s'appeleront maristes", about the Marist spirit and mission, helps the members of our Marist teams to find spiritual nourishment themselves, and

to transmit it to the students.



The second one is a comic, "Au bout du monde... l'aventure mariste". It traces aspects of the Marist history through the life of 3 protagonists who are discovering how the dreams of the Marist pioneers continue inspiring men and women all over the world in all times.