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St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



Principal's Report

Loving God, you place deep in our hearts the love of Mary, Help of Christians. Through her prayers grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens. Under her protection may Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace.

We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

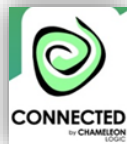


Year 3 Egg Drop Competition

Dear Parents and Carers,

Website and App

As you would be aware, we have a new website now. If not, I strongly encourage you to jump on and have a look – www.stmcps.wa.edu.au. We hope parents and family members are easily able to navigate this site and find information. As part of our new website, we are also excited to announce that we have a mobile app available too. Simply search 'Connected' in the app store and download! Type in St Thomas More into the search directory within the app and our school will come up. The password for this app is Wisdom6285.



On this app, parents will be able to access the newsletter, calendar, canteen menu and an online absentee form. Parents can also be notified of class news, by selecting your class in the settings section.

Parking

It has been raised with the school that parents are parking on the privately-owned block of land next to the school. As this is private property, may I ask parents not to park on this block of land. There is parking available at the Church carpark, or across the road at the Recreation Centre. Alternatively, parents are encouraged to make use of the Drive-Through. We appreciate your assistance in this matter.



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The Vine



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After School Playing

A reminder to parents that students are not permitted to remain at school to play on the equipment after school, either supervised or unsupervised, due to the possibilities of an injury occurring. A teacher is on duty before school from 8:20am to supervise students on the play equipment near the oval. Students shouldn't be playing on the equipment before school outside the Pre-Primary and Kindy classrooms or before 8:20am. Students are supervised after school by staff until 3:20pm each day outside the Year 2 classroom at the Drive-Through. Any students who are waiting to be picked up by parents after school should wait in this area to be collected.

Wine and Cheese Night

The P&F are excited to invite parents to the Wine and Cheese night tomorrow night. Showcasing wines from Dawson Wines and Si Vintners and cheese from Yallingup Cheese, it is a great opportunity for parents to catch up and celebrate a new term. BYO drinks. Child minding will be provided by our 2 Prac Students – Miss Slegers and Miss Elder Thies. This is at a cost of \$5.00 for one child or \$10.00 for 2 or more – payment needs to be made at the door. A movie and pizza will be provided for the children.



I wish everyone a wonderful week ahead.

Peace and best wishes,

RUSSELL WYLIE
PRINCIPAL

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Family Reflection – The Rosary



The month of May is a time to focus on Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary. I invite you as a family to pray one Decade of the Rosary together, maybe as you begin your day or before you go to bed at night. A Decade is to pray one Our Father and Ten Hail Mary's and one Glory Be to the Father.

On **Sunday 26 May** at 10.00am mass at St Thomas More Catholic Church, children are invited to bring flowers to place in front of the Blessed Mary statue.

Mary Help of Christians

Year 3 to Year 6 students will be joining together in the Church tomorrow to say the Rosary at 9.30am for Mary Help of Christians Feast Day. All parents, families and friends are welcome to join us.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Eight students from Year 6 will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Sunday 9 June** at 10.00am at St Thomas More Catholic Church (Sawyer Bailey, Myles Bucat, Remy Hick, Hannah John, Matao MacKenzie, Xavier Moran, Madison Russell, Paige Wibberley). Please keep these students in your prayers as they prepare to receive this Sacrament.

Pyjamas for Catholic Care – Gold Coin Day

On **Friday 21 June** our school will be supporting the Bishop's Appeal supporting Catholic Care, which is the charitable arm of the Diocese of Bunbury and provides funding for people in need across the general community throughout the Diocese. Its motto is "People helping People. Students can wear their pyjamas for a gold coin donation on this day.

Altar Servers

There will be a note going home to students in Years 4, 5 and 6, who have received Jesus in the Eucharist, to give service at the Altar. Training will be provided.

May God bless each of you and keep you safe.

NICOLLE ACHMAD
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Thought of the Week



"Trust all things to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and to Mary Help of Christians, and you will see what miracles are."

Saint John Bosco

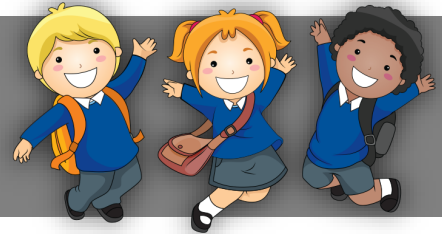
Hot Chocolates and Choc Chip Cookies

Hot Chocolates will be available each Tuesday Recess starting this coming Tuesday 28 May. \$3.00 including a Choc Chip Cookie.



Children are reminded to provide their own Keep Cup with their name and year written on it.

The **Uniform Shop** is open on **Tuesday** afternoons only between **1.30pm** and **3.00pm**.



Congratulations!

School Merit Award Winners
Term 2
Week 3



Pre-Primary:	Mara Laught
Year 1:	Mateo Laranjeiro
Year 2:	Isabel Cranfield
Year 3:	Archer Roberts
Year 4:	Jed Bucat
Year 5:	Kobi Walton

Friday 24th May

8.45am Merit Assembly
5.00 - 7.00pm P&F Wine and Cheese Night

Monday 27th May

7.00pm Board Meeting

Thursday 30th May

6.00pm Parent/Child Confirmation Information Night

Sunday 2nd June

10.00am Commitment Mass for the Sacrament of Confirmation

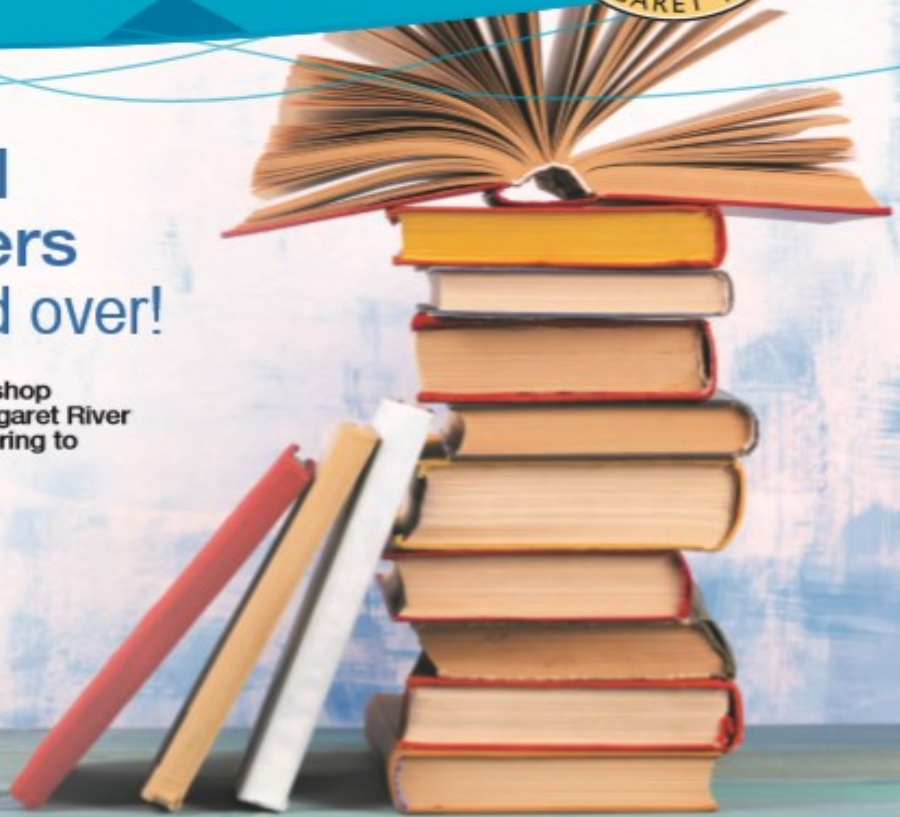
Important Dates

Book Chat Club



Calling all
book lovers
ages 10 and over!

The Margaret River Bookshop
and Shire of Augusta Margaret River
Library Service are partnering to
start a Book Chat Club.



What is a Book Chat?

A group for people aged 10–14 who are enthusiastic about books. Each month we will chat about what we have read and give reviews and recommendations for other members of the club.

There will be prizes for best review of the month and even free snacks provided for the session.

The session will be facilitated by either a bookshop staff member or Librarian to assist in great book discussions.

Dates, time and location

4.30pm–5.30pm
Margaret River Library
Last Monday of the month

Free
Event!

25 February 2019	24 June
25 March	29 July
29 April	26 August
27 May	28 October
	25 November

Contact the library on 9780 5600 for more information or visit amrlibraries.com

The school has a dedicated line for absence notification.

This number is 9758 8042.

The line will not be answered, please leave a message of the child's name and class.