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The Vine



Principal's Report

*All-knowing, all-loving and all-forgiving God,
be with those who feel alone,
who see no light at the end of their tunnel;
who feel that life is too much to bear
and too awful and complicated to share.
May they turn towards your light;
your understanding and loving embrace.
When everything's too much,
let them know nothing is too hard for you.*

*Protect, strengthen and lead them to someone wise and caring they can talk to.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Learning Journey Afternoon

Thank you to all those parents and family members who came along to our Learning Journey afternoon. It was wonderful to see so much engagement between the children and their parents, explaining the learning that has been taking place over the term. We feel it is a great opportunity for parents to see their child's work and for the children to really begin to take responsibility for their learning. I appreciate the work the teachers put into their rooms to ensure the children's work was displayed so creatively.



School Cross Country

Tomorrow, our Year 3 to 6 students will be participating in our Faction Cross Country Carnival. The children have been practising for this and we look forward to seeing them in action. The event kicks off at 12:45pm with our Year 3 Girls event and should conclude by about 2:30pm. We invite parents and friends to come along and cheer the students on in this carnival. The top 5 students from each event will then go on to represent our school at the Interschool Carnival on Friday 20th September.

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Year 2 and 3 1:1 iPad Parent Meeting

A Parent Information Meeting has been scheduled for any parents of our current Year 2 and 3 students in regards to the 1:1 iPad program for 2020 to find out more about this program. The meeting will be held in the Library on Tuesday 24 September commencing at 6:00pm.

Uniforms

Due to an increase in costs from our manufacturers for our school uniforms, we have had to re-adjust our prices. Please see the updated price list for our uniforms on our website. The Uniform Shop is open on Tuesdays from 1:30pm to 3:00pm.

Kindy Enrolments

A reminder to families that we are currently taking Kindy enrolments for next year. If you, or someone you know would like an enrolment package, please visit our website or pop into the office.

Peace and best wishes,

RUSSELL WYLIE
PRINCIPAL

Assistant Principal News

R U OK?

R U OK? is a national suicide prevention charity whose vision is a world where we are all connected and protected from suicide. Something we're never too young to learn is asking, "Are you OK?" It can make a difference for others and builds student's confidence to look out for one another.

Have a conversation that could change a life with these simple steps:

- Ask R U OK?
- Listen
- Encourage Action
- Check in

World Teacher Assistant Appreciation Day

On Monday 16 September, we celebrate World Teacher Assistant Appreciation Day. We value and appreciate everything that our Teaching Assistants do for the support of our teachers and the education of our students. Thank you Rachel Hassall, Lee Russell, Kaye Stanley and Dianne Quintrell for all you do!

Best wishes,

NICOLLE ACHMAD
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Friday 13th September

8.45am Merit Assembly
12.45pm School Cross Country Carnival

Important Dates

Tuesday 17th September

11.15am Year 4 Reconciliation
6.30pm P&F Meeting

Thursday 19th September

School Choir performing at Carnevale 2019 in Bunbury

Friday 20th September

8.45am Year 3 Assembly
10.00am Interschool Cross Country

St Thomas More Cross Country

Our Cross Country event will be held tomorrow! All students from Years 3 - 6 will be running to help gain points for the faction and possibly qualify for our interschool team! Students will have an early lunch and **need to wear faction shirts**. A guide to times events is as follows (THIS IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE).

12.45pm	Year 3 Girls
12.55pm	Year 3 Boys
1.05pm	Year 4 Girls
1.15pm	Year 4 Boys
1.25pm	Year 5 Girls
1.40pm	Year 5 Boys
1.55pm	Year 6 Girls
2.10pm	Year 6 Boys
2.30pm	Presentations/Pack Up



We are looking forward to a great day. There will be an emphasis on all students participating and doing their best to gain points for their faction. Every runner counts!

If any parents are able to help on the day, please contact myself on Cameron.mcrae@cewa.edu.au.

Looking forward to a great day!

Cam McRae

Thought of the Week



Absentees

A reminder to parents that there is a simple way to let us know your child is sick, while providing a note at the same time. Jump on our app or website!

There is an easy online form that can be completed and it is directly emailed to the school. Too easy! Either download our school app – **Connected** (password is **Wisdom19**) or visit our website <https://stmcps.wa.edu.au/> and go to the Communication tab to select Online Absentee.



The School Canteen
is open on Fridays
at Lunchtimes selling Icy Poles.

All items are \$1.00

Parish News

Masses

St Thomas More Catholic Church

Margaret River

- Saturday - 6.00pm
- Sunday - 10.00am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church

Augusta

- Sunday - 8.00am



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



Greenbatch Recycling Project

St Thomas More has joined with other local community businesses and organisations to recycle plastics which are turned into filament for 3D printers.

Greenbatch accepts milk bottles, shampoo bottles, lids (although our local Precious Plastics takes lids), plastic items marked 1 or 2 and obviously the usual water bottles.

Greenbatch has recently negotiated the back-loading of plastic with Woolworths and plastics are able to be dropped off at Woolworths on any Wednesday for shipment out to Perth the following Thursday. This is a trial project at present. We encourage all our families to support this recycling opportunity.



PLUS!



Margaret River Little Athletics

The 2019-20 Little Athletics season is almost here and we are looking forward to another fun filled competitive season.

Children aged from 6 to 17 years (born 2014 - 2003) can register and compete.

You can register ONLINE at www.resultshq.com.au with payment via Paypal or Credit Card, from September 8.

The costs for this season will be \$140.00 for the first child and \$100.00 for each additional child.

We accept Kidsport vouchers.

Please note, we must receive payment prior to the season commencing.

The first day of our Little Athletics season is set for Saturday October 26 - 8.15am (set-up) for an 8.30am start.

For more information please email president , Janet Smith at janet@moceanfitness.com.au

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.



Kids October School Holiday **Basketball Clinics**
2nd & 11th October

@Margaret River Recreation Centre

5-8 year olds – 9am – 10.30am

9-12 year olds – 10.45am – 12.15pm

All equipment provided



“You grab coffee, we ‘ll take care of the kids!”

Saturday Morning Term 4 Program

5-11 year olds Beginner Ballers – Starts 26th Oct

Session #1: 9am - 9.45am

Session #2: 9.45am - 10.30am

- Perfect for first timers or those looking to improve their basketball skills
- Kids will develop their basketball and fundamental movement skills through fun and engaging activities, games and drills
- 2 coaches, group split into age/ability levels

8 weeks → \$90 for the term → 24 spots only per session
Add a MR Basketball Academy T-shirt for only \$20 extra

Bookings open online NOW!

via <https://bit.ly/2kpg2b8>

WANT MORE INFORMATION OR NEED HELP BOOKING?

Email: info@margsbasketballacademy.com.au

Website: www.margsbasketballacademy.com.au

Message us on Facebook @margaretriverbasketballacademy



KS KIDSPORT
Vouchers Accepted



REGISTRATIONS

2019 – 2020 Season

NOW OPEN!

Age Divisions

Under 11 (2010 & 2011)

Under 13 (2008 & 2009)

Under 15 (2006 & 2007)

Under 17 (2004 & 2005)

Under 20 (2001 – 2003)



<http://bit.ly/MRBArego>



Busselton Softball Association Presents...



Summer of Slam Junior Softball

Try outs &
Registration Day

10:00 am

Lou Weston Oval

Sunday 29th September 2019

This exciting format of Softball allows your child to develop the skills and knowledge of the game in a fun friendly environment of 6 a side softball. We provide the pitcher and catcher to even the competition.

All skill levels & abilities welcome

\$30 player fees for the season.

register your team or interest before 21st September 2019

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FB: Busselton Softball Association
e-mail: busseltonsoftball@gmail.com



LIL' MISS ORCA MTB Program

MRORCA (Margaret River Off Road Cycling Association) are running coaching and mentoring programs for kids aged 7 - 16 years. We have a female-only option, and a Kids/Youth option aimed at boys, but open to all youth. Places are limited to 16 per option.

MRORCA is a not-for-profit mountain biking club and all our coaches are volunteers.

Check out our Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/lilmissorca/>
and Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/lilmissorca/>



BROOKFIELD SPRING GARDEN MARKET
SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 10.00AM – 2.00PM

DOUSTS CORNER – ADJACENT TO YAHAVA
ANDREWS RETREAT (FORMALLY ROSA BROOK RD)

CASH SALES
ONLY



CASH SALES
ONLY

Indoor/Outdoor Plants
Artwork
Guest Speakers

Fresh Flowers
Sausage Sizzle
Bee Hotels

Kokedamas
Yahava Koffee
Bird Houses

BondBrackets
Raffles

KIDS COMPETITION - Make a Dinosaur or Fairy Garden in an upcycled or recycled container of your choice and bring it along on the day. Open to all Pre & Primary School aged children only.

Email us at brookfieldconnect@gmail.com,
Dell at dbo29815@bigpond.net.au or 0414 579 126
or Bev on 0439 993 420 for more information.

This is a plastic free event so save your boxes & bring your bags!

PROGRAMME FOR SPEAKERS

11.00 am

Christine Wilder

“Garden/Bird Tag – Along - Walk” around the park. Christine is a world renowned bird expert. She is going to tell you how to attract birds into your garden then take you on a walk to identify some of the birds in our area.

12.00 noon

Pam Townshend will show you some easy practical composting ideas for your garden.

1.00 pm

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