

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



Assistant Principal's Report

**National Prayer Campaign
for the gift of rain, for people affected by drought, for support services**

Eternal God,

In wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our drought-stricken land, on our starving animals, on our failing crops.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them.

In your loving providence, send abundant rain and restore our parched earth.

*Father of all compassion, hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son,
in whom the promise of new life has dawned,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life:
Renew your faithful people; Renew the face of the earth.*

Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Mary, help of Christians – Pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop – Pray for us.

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Remembrance Day

Our Year Four students led us in a reverent service for Remembrance Day on Monday 11 November with their class teacher Mrs Chapman. Every year on Remembrance Day we remember all the men and women who have served our country, Australia, in the army, the navy and the air force.

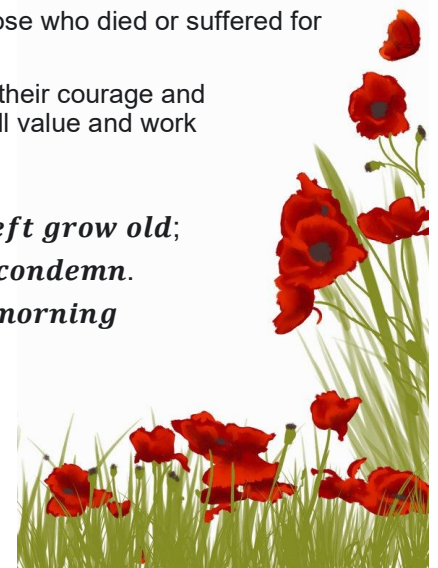
At 11.00am on 11 November 1918 the guns on the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous warfare.

We remember, all who served, and in particular those who died or suffered for Australia's cause in all wars and armed conflicts.

We give thanks for all these men and women. It is their courage and service that is an example for us, so that we too will value and work

*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.*

Lest we forget.



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Year Six Camp

Our Year Six students, along with their class teacher Mr McDonald, our Principal Mr Wylie and four amazing parent volunteers, Mrs Helen Lee, Mrs Sharyn Bucat, Mrs Nathalie Maron and Mr Cliff Royle are having a wonderful time on their week-long camp at Rottneest. The sun has been shining and the students are having a marvellous experience bike riding, swimming, exploring the island and learning about the history of Rottneest Island.



We look forward to welcoming them back tomorrow!

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School Fees

As we near the end of the school year, I would like to remind parents that school fees need to be paid by the end of November. May I ask that if you are not on a Direct Debit plan, that school fees are paid promptly. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Kindy Enrolments

Please remember to spread the word that we are currently taking Kindy enrolments for 2020. At this stage, fees will for Kindy work out to be less than \$25 a week. Pretty cheap for 3 days of education per week!

Annual Community Meeting

As parents are aware, we will be having our Annual Community Meeting on **Wednesday 27 November** commencing at **5:30pm** with a Sundowner in the Undercover Area, followed by the meeting in the Library at 6.00pm. The meeting will comprise of a Board report, a P&F report and acceptance of nominations for positions on both the Board and P&F. The new P&F Constitution will also be presented to be passed. Finally, I will present a Principal's report about our achievements over the year and vision for the future. We would love to see lots of parents come along, have some nibbles and drinks and hear about all the wonderful things about our school. We will offer a creche service for those families who may need this. Nomination forms for the P&F and Board are attached to the newsletter. Please return these to the Office as soon as possible.

Gourmet Escape

Thank you to all parents who have volunteered their time this weekend to man the gate at Gourmet Escape. If you haven't put your name down yet and are interested in helping, please contact Wendy Russell on 0418 531 170.

Have a wonderful week ahead.

NICOLLE ACHMAD
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Thought of the Week

7 WAYS TO START MAKING KINDNESS THE NORM IN YOUR DAILY LIFE:

make kindness the norm.

#WorldKindnessDay
#MakeKindnessTheNorm
www.randomactsofkindness.org

- 1 Send an uplifting text to a friend or family member.
- 2 Let that guy merge into traffic with a wave and a smile.
- 3 Include intentional moments of kindness, laughter and delight in your daily routine.
- 4 Go *slightly* outside of our comfort zone at least once a day to make someone smile.
- 5 Share a compliment with a co-worker or friend.
- 6 Reach out to a family member you haven't spoken to in awhile.
- 7 Treat someone to a cup of coffee (a friend, stranger, or even yourself).

Parish News

Masses

St Thomas More Catholic Church Margaret River

- Saturday - 6.00pm
- Sunday - 10.00am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church Augusta

- Sunday - 8.00am





Congratulations

School Merit Award Winners Term 4 - Week 4

Year 1	Maxime Lewis
Year 2	Isabel Cranfield
Year 3	Hugo Enright
Year 4	Eloise Ride
Year 5	Ben Broadhurst
Year 6	Taylor Hickman

Friday 15th November
8.45am Merit Assembly
Years 6's return from Rottnest

Saturday 16th November
Gourmet Escape

Sunday 17th November
Gourmet Escape

Tuesday 19th November
6.30pm P&F Meeting

Wednesday 27th November
5.30pm STM CPS Annual General Meeting

Important Dates

Absentees



A reminder to parents that there is a simple way to let us know your child is absent from school, 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 **Uniform Shop** is open on
Tuesday afternoons only
between **1.30pm and 3.00pm.**



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

All items are \$1.00



**LUNAR CIRCUS
SUMMER SCHOOL**

2 weeks of everything Circus! January 6th - 16th
Classes in juggling, acrobatics, aerials, trapeze, unicycles, handstands
pyramids, flying trapeze, magic, dance and more.

Ages 5 to 75 - Camp onsite - Restaurant - Cafe - Woodfired Pizzas
Karridale, Margaret River

www.lunarcircus.com

VacSwim

Enrol now for **VacSwim** summer holiday swimming lessons!

With swimming pools and beaches a big part of the Western Australian lifestyle, it's essential that your children learn how to swim and stay safe in the water.

VacSwim is for all children - from beginners to more advanced swimmers. Your children can start as young as five years old.

There are over 180 VacSwim locations around Western Australia, so wherever your family is spending these summer holidays, there will be lessons near you.

Enrol your children in VacSwim now at education.wa.edu.au/swimming.

Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre

Did you know that the School Dental Service provides FREE dental care to high school students?

After primary school, the School Dental Service continues to provide free general and preventive dental care across WA for all enrolled students in Year 7-11. This service is provided from the many fixed or mobile Dental Therapy Centres located mainly in primary schools.

If you're not already enrolled, it's not too late to enrol now!

Remember even if you are attending an orthodontist you still need regular dental check-ups.

Don't wait till your TEETH PLAY UP



Get a DENTAL CHECK-UP

Where is the location of your nearest Dental Therapy Centre?

The address and phone number of each Dental Therapy Centre can be found on the Dental Health Services website at www.dental.wa.gov.au. Alternatively the phone number is listed under the school name in the Business and Government telephone book.

You can continue to go to the same Dental Therapy Centre you attend in primary school or contact a more suitable centre if required

You are entitled to FREE general dental care with the School Dental Service and are most welcome to ring for an appointment.

Who are the people working in the Dental Therapy Centres?

The friendly staff that you will meet are the dental therapist and dental clinic assistant. A dentist visits the centre about once a week.

What services are provided?

The range of dental services provided to our patients include

- dental examinations
- dental radiographs (x-rays)
- oral hygiene instruction
- scaling and cleaning
- fluoride applications
- fissure sealants
- fillings

How to keep your smile healthy for life?

- Brush twice a day with a fluoride toothpaste and floss daily, especially before bedtime.
- After brushing your teeth, spit, **Don't rinse.**
- Sweet and acidic foods and drinks should be avoided between meals.
- Drink fluoridated water.
- Attend for a dental check-up each year or as frequently as your dental therapist or dentist advises.

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.

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
PRESENTS

MUSIC CONCERT

YEAR 4
YEAR 5
YEAR 6

10 DECEMBER
2019
AT 5.30PM

MARGARET RIVER
HEART
47 WALLCLIFFE ROAD
MARGARET RIVER

