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ST THOMAS MORE

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St Thomas More Catholic Primary School

Principal's Report

Prayer for Confirmands making the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday:

God our Father, in the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus to be born of the Virgin Mary by the power of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to open these young people's hearts to the power of your Spirit. Open their eyes to the wonders that you seek to do in their lives. Grant them a deep trust in your Spirit's presence with them each day. Bless them with the Spirit's joy and peace, so that everything they are and do gives glory to you. And like Mary, may they be open to your word. May it take root and grow in them each day of their lives, by the power of your Spirit. We make this prayer to you in the name of Jesus, your Son. Amen



Dear Parents and Caregivers,



Year 5 Camp

Our Year 5 students set off on their camp yesterday, where they will spend 3 days developing leadership skills, experiencing new activities that may challenge them and learning about the local history. A huge thank you to Mr O'Brien for his organisation of this camp along with the assistance of Mrs Achmad, Mrs Lane, Mrs Davies and Mrs Campbell. We wish all our Year 5 students a wonderful time!

Interschool Cross Country

We wish 40 of our Year 2-6 students all the very best tomorrow, as they compete in the Interschool Cross Country carnival, held at Gloucester Park. Competing against 8 other schools, the Tommy More students have traditionally done well, so we hope all the training pays off. Good luck!

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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 CONNECTED easy! Either download our school app – Connected (password is Wisdom6285) or visit our website https://stmcps.wa.edu.au/ and go to the Communication tab to select Online Absentee.

You can also ring the school on the Absentee line on 9758 8042 and leave a message of the child's name, class and reason for absence and then send a note in with your child when they return to school.

P&F Meeting

The P&F meeting has been changed to Thursday 24th September at 6:30pm in the School Library. We invite all parents to come along and join in with this amazing group of parents as they continue to plan for some great fundraising and friendraising opportunities into the future. We would love to see more parents attend!

Term 3 Week 9

CEWA Commits to Zero Fee Increase in 2021

In acknowledgement of the social and economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Catholic Education Commission of Western Australia (CECWA) has determined that Tuition fees will not be increased for 2021.

Containers for Change

On 1 October 2020, Containers for Change will launch in Western Australia, Containers for Change is a new statewide container deposit scheme that lets you cash in eligible drink containers for 10 cents each.

In WA, we use more than 1.3 billion eligible drink containers each year; enough drink containers to circumnavigate WA six times every year.

By recycling through Containers for Change you help to:

- Reduce litter and landfill •
- Increase recycling
- Create jobs .
- Provide opportunities for social enterprise and benefits for community organisations

St Thomas More has a Scheme ID, which means your refunds can be directly donated to the school - simply enter C10289745 and the refund will be deposited into the school bank account.

Crazy Hair Day

On the last day of school this term, Friday 25th September, the Social Justice leaders are organising a Crazy Hair Day. Students are encouraged to wear their hair in a crazy way and bring in a gold coin donation, which will go towards supporting the Catholic Missions - the international mission agency of the Catholic Church in Australia. This agency works to support disadvantaged people. both locally and internationally to assist them live full and enriched lives.

I wish all families a wonderful week ahead.

Peace and best wishes,

RUSSELL WYLIE

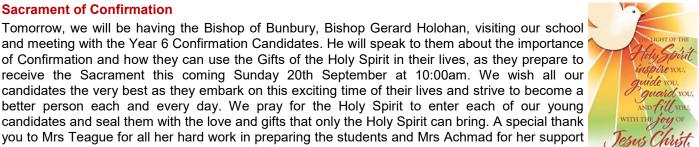
Absentees

Sacrament of Confirmation

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and meeting with the Year 6 Confirmation Candidates. He will speak to them about the importance of Confirmation and how they can use the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in their lives, as they prepare to receive the Sacrament this coming Sunday 20th September at 10:00am. We wish all our candidates the very best as they embark on this exciting time of their lives and strive to become a better person each and every day. We pray for the Holy Spirit to enter each of our young candidates and seal them with the love and gifts that only the Holy Spirit can bring. A special thank you to Mrs Teague for all her hard work in preparing the students and Mrs Achmad for her support in organising the celebration.







Cold air

dark night

bright stars

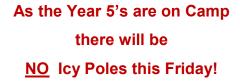
Thought of the Week

Uniform Shop

Please email your Order Forms through to <u>rita.willmott@cewa.edu.au</u> with details of your order and credit card. Forms can be downloaded off the school's website. Uniforms will go home with your children on **Tuesdays.**

> Thank you! Rita Willmott







Congratulations School Merit Award Winners

Week 8

Year 3	Tom Miller
Year 4	Coco Nicholls
Year 5	Bella Enright
Year 6	Angelina Tognela Ben Broadhurst

Friday 18th September 8.45am Merit Assembly Interschool Cross Country - 10.30am start Year 5s return from Camp

Sunday 20th September 10.00am Sacrament of Confirmation

Monday 21st September 6.30pm School Board Meeting

Thursday 24th September6.30pmP&F Meeting in the School Library

Friday 25th September Crazy Hair Day - Gold Coin Donation (Catholic Missions) Students' Last Day of Term 3

Important Dates

Assistant Principal News

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I am currently enjoying time with the Year 5 students on camp in Busselton, staying at the Catholic Youth Camp on Caves Road. Yesterday was jam packed and the students had fun climbing through obstacles and zooming down ziplines at Monkey Business, then later trying their hand at archery in Vasse. Today, we are making our way up to Bunbury to the Dolphin Discovery Centre and will later enjoy jumping at Gravity in Dalyellup. I thank Mr O'Brien for organising a fantastic camp for our students, and our parent helpers Andrea Campbell, Mandy Lane and Annelise Davies for their assistance in ensuring all our students are safe and happy.



Last week, I spent the day with all the Year 6 students on retreat in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Lumen Christi Catholic Church in Augusta. We had a beautiful celebration recognising the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives and remaining confident in the knowledge that God will always remain with us through whatever life brings in the future. We will keep the students making the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday 20th September in our prayers and thank Bishop Gerard Holohan for officiating the ceremony.

Have a wonderful week ahead.

God bless,

NICOLLE ACHMAD

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Cross Country 2020

Congratulations to all competitors on their efforts last Friday afternoon at our faction Cross Country event. A big thankyou to parents that helped with scoring and marshalling. These events cannot take place without your help, so it is much appreciated. In a very close competition, the final results were:

- 1st Sorahan 311pts
- 2nd Richardson 291pts
- 3rd More 262pts
- 4th Mackillop 261 pts

First and Second Medal winners:

- Year 6 Boys: Luis Home and Kobi Walton
- Year 6 Girls: Neve Lentjes and Lisa Botha
- Year 5 Boys: Isaac Willcox and Jarrah Davies
- Year 5 Girls: Samara O'Brien and Alba Roberts
- Year 4 Boys: Brodie John and Jasper Moran
- Year 4 Girls: Ava Innes and Katie Campbell
- Year 2/3 Boys: Tom Miller and West O'Brien
- Year 2/3 Girls: Grace Price and Natalie Wolf

Tomorrow, our team will compete against eight other primary schools at the Interschool Cross Country event. This will be held at Gloucester Park Oval with the first event beginning at 10.30am.

Good luck to all competitors.



Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre



Rapids Landing DTC will be closed for both weeks of the September/October school holidays, Monday 28th September through to Friday 9th October. The Dental Clinic will reopen on Monday 12th October at 8.00am. In the event of an emergency during this period please contact your local family/private dentist or phone 9754 4460 between the hours of 8.00am - 4.00pm. If parents need to re-schedule an appointment during our clinic closure please email <u>RapidsLandingDTC@dental.health.wa.gov.au</u> or phone 9757 8211 outside our closure period"





MARGARET RIVER BASKETBALL 2020/21 Junior Season

REGISTRATION LINK http://bit.ly/MRBA2020

NEW! Age groups are now determined by school year at the commencement of the season, Oct.2020. Age group day & game time is subject to court availability & final registration numbers.

Day	Scheduled	Game Time
Monday	Training	N/A
Tuesday	Training	N/A
Wednesday	Girls Game Day	3:45pm U9s-U11s training followed by short game 4:50pm, 5:40pm, 6:30pm, 7:20pm
Thursday	Boys Game Day	3:45pm U9s-U11s training followed by short game 4:50pm, 5:40pm, 6:30pm, 7:20pm
Friday	Training	N/A

This schedule is a guide only, girls and boys may need to play on each other days in some divisions.

Aged Divisions (based on school year, start of season October 2020)

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U9s	Year 1	01/07/2013 - 30/06/2014		
	Year 2	01/07/2012 - 20/06/2013		
U11s	Year 3	01/07/2011 - 30/06/2012		
	Year 4	01/07/2010 - 20/06/2011		
U13s	Year 5	01/07/2009 - 30/06/2010		
	Year 6	01/07/2008 - 30/06/2009		
U15s	Year 7	01/07/2007 - 30/06/2008		
	Year 8	01/07/2006 - 30/06/2007		
U17s	Year 9	01/07/2005 - 30/06/2006		
	Year 10	01/07/2004 - 30/06/2005		
U20s	Year 11	01/07/2003 - 30/06/2004		
	Year 12	01/07/2002 - 30/06/2003		
	Gap Year	01/07/2001 - 30/06/2002		

UMPIRES WE NEED YOU! It is a great way to earn some extra dollars! MRBA have a very small team of dedicated umpires, our team is getting smaller and we need an injection of new umpires to keep us going strong throughout the season. There is a beginner level 0 umpire course being held in Busselton, Wednesday 23rd September 4pm - 8pm.

If you are interested please let us know, it would be awesome to see some new adult umpires coming through, or children must be currently 12 years of age to umpire.

Interested in coaching? Please get in contact, <u>mrjuniorbasketball@westnet.com.au</u> Each season we need around 50 coaches, by coming forward, it saves our volunteers a great deal of time and work sourcing coaches for all our teams. By registering with MRBA there is a level of parent commitment that is required to ensure our basketball season go ahead.



Join us on FACEBOOK at Margaret River Basketball Association

If you are registering with a KidSport Voucher code, please email to get the registration link Email mrjuniorbasketball@westnet.com.au

HEART Card Annual Membership

Become a HEART Card holder to receive discounted tickets, special offers & early bird access to pre-sale tickets for events at the Margaret River HEART!

What's On

September

Only

\$25.00!



Eight: The Shift - Photography Exhibition Fri 7 August - Mon 5 October 10am - 4pm

David Dare Parker Film Photography Exhibition Mon 24 August - Mon 5 October 10am - 4pm

Culture Club @ HEART: Parents & Kids Group Every Monday 12pm-2pm, bring a rug & a smile for a relaxed get-together outside the HEART! All welcome. For more info, contact Jessie on 0432 421 841.

Cinema

Storm in a Teacup: Screening and Q&A Fri 11 September 7pm, Bar opens 6pm

Star Wars Episode V: The Empire Strikes Back Sat 12 September 6:30pm, Bar/Kiosk opens 5:30pm

Young @ HEART: Over 60's Mondays 10am - 12pm



Riversong Choir, Poetry by Erica Lumsden, and Recorder duo Margaret Affleck & Cecily Metcalfe Mon 14 September from 10am

Yarning Nature Tribute Tree Meeting with Elders Mon 21 September from 10am

Notice: Public Holiday Closure

There will be no Young @ HEART or Culture Club on Mon 28 September, as it is a public holiday and the HEART will be closed for the long weekend.



47 Wallcliffe Road Margaret River WA 6285 t 08 9780 5294 e contact@margaretriverheart.com.au margaretriverheart.com.au | @margaretriverheart The HEART will be complying with all WA Department of Health COVID-19 regulations



MARGARET RIVER TENNIS ACADEMY

Coaches: Pablo Gomez & Laura Roy Email: mrtennisacademy@gmail.com Contact number: 0478773520 Website: <u>www.mrtc.org.au</u>

We run the coaching program at the Margaret River Tennis Club and Cowaramup Tennis Club. Our goal is to bring tennis to people of all ages and levels. We aim to help people improve their skills and gain confidence on the court in a fun environment. For the younger children we use special modified equipment with smaller racquets and low compression balls to help them improve.

HOLIDAY CLINICS

1st Week - Tue 29/09 - Wed 30/09 - Thur 01/10 2nd Week - Tue 06/10 - Wed 07/10 - Thur 08/10

A fun way to enjoy the School Holidays learning how to play tennis and meeting new friends. No experience is needed to join in. We teach the basic skills of tennis and play fun games. Its for children from 6 to 14 year old and runs from 9am till 12 noon.

COST: 1 DAY - \$25 or 3 DAYS - \$70

AFTER SCHOOL LESSONS

	Term 4 - 2020 - From 12th of October till 18th of December - 10 weeks							
	MARGARET RIVER TENNIS CLUB							
Class	Days	Age	Times	Cost				
Mini Tennis	Monday & Friday	3-5 year old	3.45pm-4.15pm	\$8 per class				
Red Ball	Wed & Thur	5-7 year old	3.45pm-4.30pm	\$150 per Term				
Orange Ball	Wed & Thur	7-9 year old	3.45pm-4.30pm	\$150 per Term				
Green Ball	Wed & Thur	9-11 year old	4.30pm-5.30pm	\$165 per Term				
Green Squad	Wed	by invitation	4.30pm-5.30pm	\$165 per Term				
High School	Thurs	+12 year old	5.30pm-6.30pm	\$165 per Term				
Yellow Squad	Wed	by invitation	5.30pm-7.00pm	\$200 per Term				
	COWARAMUP TENNIS CLUB							
Red Ball	Tuesday	5-7 year old	3.45pm-4.30pm	\$150 per Term				
Orange Ball	Tuesday	7-9 year old	3.45pm-4.30pm	\$150 per Term				
Green Ball	Tuesday	9-11 year old	4.30pm-5.30pm	\$165 per Term				
Yellow Ball	Tuesday	+12 year old	4.30pm-5.30pm	\$165 per Term				

We offer a FREE trial lesson in a group for all new players in the After School Lessons (excluding MiniTennis).

. If lessons are rained out we will reschedule before the end of the Term or you can get credit for next term.

For families we offer 10% discount for second child and 50% discount for third child, on group After School Program.

PAYMENT:

DIRECT DEBIT : PABLO GOMEZ PUJALTE BSB: 062-514 ACC NO: 1034 8882

CASUAL: We accept cash payment on the day with the requirement that you inform us with as much notice as possible if your child cannot attend that week.

To enrol or more info visit www.mrtc.org.au or send an email to mrtennisacademy@gmail.com