

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



Assistant Principal's Report

Prayer for the First Sunday of Advent

Father in heaven,

*Our hearts desire the warmth of your love,
and our minds are searching for the light of your Word.*

*Increase our longing for Christ our Saviour
and give us the strength to grow in love,
that the dawn of his coming may find us rejoicing in his presence
and welcoming the light of his truth.*

We ask this in the name of our Lord,

Amen.



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Year Six Camp

Our Principal, Mr Russell Wylie is away on camp with the Year Six students, along with Mrs Alice Tippett, Mr Joel Lawrance and Mrs Marion McRae on Rottnest Island this week. From all accounts, they are having a great time with excellent weather. The camp develops Year Six students' independence and leadership skills as they are asked to take themselves out of their comfort zone to try new experiences. Over the week, they have rode bikes around the island, climbed the Wadjemup Lighthouse, swam in the ocean and snorkelled the reef to encounter fish and other treasures under the sea and cooked a special three course dinner to share with others. It is a final chance to build lasting friendships before heading off to high school next year. We look forward to welcoming them home on Friday and hearing all about their adventures on their return.



The Vine



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Advent

We commence the Liturgical season of Advent this Sunday 29 November. Advent is a time of preparation for Christmas, the coming of the Lord. In this season, we recall two central elements of our faith: the final coming of the Lord in glory and the incarnation of the Lord in the birth of Jesus. Key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation and justice. We will hold a small prayer service during our assembly on Friday and light the first advent candle. Parents, families and friends are welcome to attend at 8.45am in the undercover area.

Class Transitions

Students from Kindergarten to Year 5 will move into their 2021 class to meet their new teacher/s and get familiar with their new classroom on Tuesday 1 December from 9.30am to 10.30am.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

This term, we are raising much needed food and resources for the poor and marginalised through the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal. Each class has been allocated a family to focus on. All students are asked to bring in an item that can be placed into a hamper that will be presented to a representative from St Vincent de Paul. The pick-up date for the Christmas hamper has been extended and will now be **Friday 4 December**. We thank you for supporting the Christmas appeal at this time.

End of Year Events

There are a number of events coming up as we move towards the end of the year that I would like to make parents aware of:

Volunteer Thankyou Morning Tea: We invite all parents who have volunteered their time in some capacity over the course of the year to come along to a Thankyou Morning Tea at **9:30am 4th December** in the Library.

Music Concert: The Year 4-6 students will be performing a range of songs on **Monday 7th December** commencing at **5:30pm** at the Margaret River HEART. All parents and family members are invited to come along and watch our amazing students showcase some of what they have learnt this year in Music.

Whole School Thanksgiving Mass: We will conclude our year with a Praise and Thanksgiving Mass on **Thursday 10 December** at **9:00am** in the church. We invite all families to come along and celebrate the end of the year with us at this Mass.

Year 6 Graduation and Awards celebration: We will farewell our Year 6 students and present the Year 1-5 class awards and the Year 6 awards on **Thursday 10 December** at 6:00pm. The Year 6 leaders for 2021 will also be recognised and presented with their badges. All families are invited to attend this Graduation and Awards evening.

End of Year Excursion: We will come together as a school community and celebrate the end of the year with a lunch and excursion to the Heart to watch Trolls World Tour and the P&F have kindly agreed to supply a Sausage Sizzle lunch, drink and icy-pole for the children for the last day of school.

I wish all families a wonderful week ahead.

Peace and best wishes,

NICOLLE ACHMAD
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Uniform Shop

Please email your Order Forms through to rita.willmott@cewa.edu.au 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

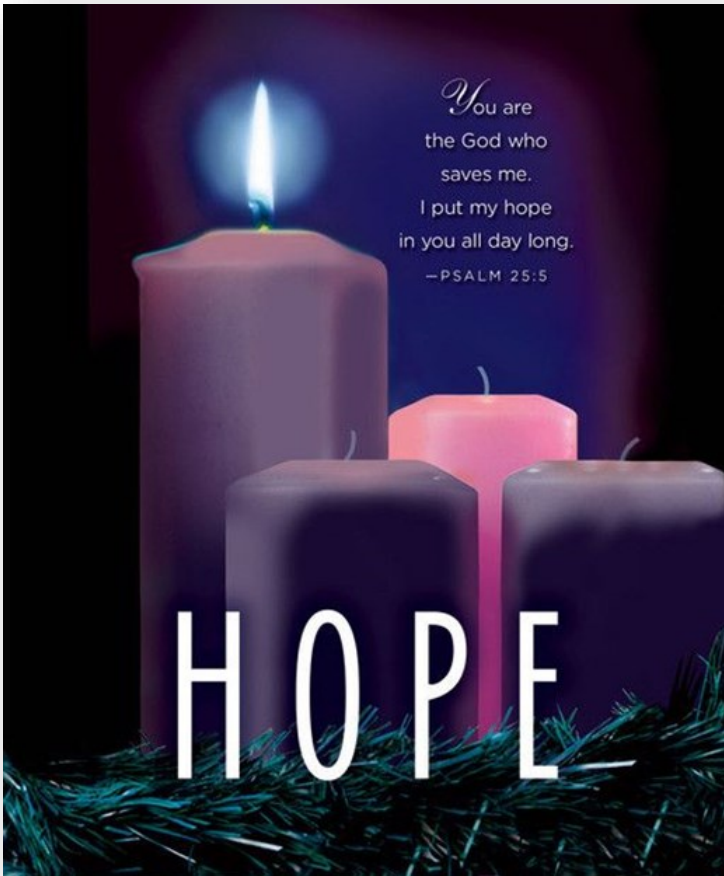


Absentees

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 **Wisdom6285**) or visit our website <https://stmcp.s.wa.edu.au/> and go to the Communication tab to select Online Absentee.

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Parish Masses

St Thomas More Catholic Church
Margaret River

- Saturday - 6.00pm
- Sunday - 10.00am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church

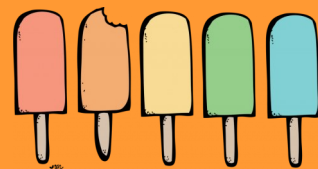
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- Sunday - 8.00am



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

All items are \$1.00



Congratulations!

School Merit Award Winners

Term 4

Week 6

Pre-Primary	Nathaniel Conder
Year 2	Diandre Langridge
Year 3	Laila Townsend West O'Brien
Year 4	Oliver Webb

Friday 27th November

8.45am Merit Assembly
Year 6s return from Rottneest

Friday 4th December

8.45am Year 6 Assembly
9.30am Volunteer's Thank You Morning Tea

Monday 7th December

5.30pm STMCPs Music Concert

Important Dates

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MUSIC

Concert

YEARS 4, 5 AND 6

MARGARET RIVER HEART
DOORS OPEN AT 5.30 PM

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS

