

# St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



## Principal's Report



*Father in heaven,*

*The day draws near when the glory of your Son will make radiant the night of the waiting world.*

*May the lure of greed not impede us from the joy which moves the hearts of those who seek him.*

*May the darkness not blind us to the vision of wisdom which fills the minds of those who find him.*

*We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord*

*Amen.*



Dear Parents and Caregivers,



### Year 6 Camp

I was fortunate enough to attend Rottnest with an amazing bunch of Year 6 students last week. They not only represented our school incredibly well, but I witnessed examples of determination, compassion, inclusion and great manners. I was proud to say what school we were from and watch our students interact so positively with others on the island. Camps like this really provide an opportunity for our students to develop some independence and finish the year in a positive manner. A huge thank you to Mr Joel Lawrance and Mrs Marion McRae for coming along and assisting with the camp and to Mrs Tippett for volunteering to also assist on camp and to Mrs Teague, for her work behind the scenes.

### Year 5 Leadership Speeches

Along with the Year 3, 4 and 6 classes, I listened to the Year 5 students present their Leadership speeches today. I was extremely impressed with the time and effort these students put into sharing why they would make a great leader in our school next year and congratulate them on putting themselves forward for these roles. I look forward to meeting with the Year 5 students individually and discussing why they feel they would be a good leader in our school next year. 2021 Leaders will be announced at our Year 6 Graduation and School Awards Night on 10 December.

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# The Vine



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### Volunteer Morning Tea

We invite all parents and community members who have so willingly given of their time in some capacity over the course of the year to a Thank You morning tea, held in the Library tomorrow morning following the Year 6 final assembly. We truly appreciate all the time, dedication and effort our community contributes to making our school such a great one. We hope to see you there!



### Semester Two Reports

Next Wednesday, 9 December, the Semester Two reports for all children from Pre-Primary to Year 6 will be available online via the SEQTA Parent Connect portal for all parents to access. Reports provide information to parents about the progress and the achievements that children have made for the year. Parents are encouraged to share the report with their child. Schools are expected to adhere to the School Curriculum and Standards Authority (SCSA) Pre-Primary to Year 10: Teaching, Assessing and Reporting Policy which communicate the mandatory requirements for reporting. This sets out that we must report using A-E grades, with a 'C' grade meeting the Achievement Standard for their year level. If your child receives a 'C' grade on their report, please remember that this means they have met the standard for that year and achieved what they should have – which should be celebrated!

### End of Year Excursion

To finish the year, our Pre-Primary to Year 5 students will be attending an End of Year excursion to the HEART to watch a movie – Trolls World Tour. The P&F will also kindly put on a Sausage Sizzle lunch for these students – so they will not need to bring lunch on this day. Our Year 6 students will be attending a canoeing excursion together, celebrating their last day as a group. The last day for students is Friday 11 December.

### Music Concert

Our Year 4-6 students will be presenting a Music Concert on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December at the Margaret River HEART. Starting at 5:30pm, the students will be showcasing some of what they have learnt during their Music lessons over the year. Each year level will present a number of songs in their class band. All parents and family members are invited to come along and be entertained by the wonderful talents of our students. Although entry is free, due to COVID requirements, tickets need to be ordered through the Eventbrite website – St Thomas More Catholic Primary School Music Concert.

### Thanksgiving Mass

All parents are welcome to join the staff and students at our end of year Thanksgiving Mass next Thursday 10 December in the Church starting at 9:00am.

### Year 6 Graduation and School Awards Evening

We will be farewelling our Year 6 students at our Graduation and Awards evening held on Thursday 10 December in the Church. Students from Years 1-5 who will be receiving awards will be invited to attend this evening, as we also present our Year 6 2021 Leadership badges to the Year 5 students. The Year 6 award winners will also be presented with their awards. This combined evening will commence at 6:00pm and all school families are invited to attend. As per the announcement by the Premier on 25 November, a contact register will need to be maintained. Please download the SafeWA app so the QR code can be easily scanned on entry to the church on this night.

### Fee Payments

Thank you to all the parents who have finalised their fee payments over the last couple of weeks. We really do appreciate your efforts, as it certainly makes our task that little bit easier. A final reminder that all outstanding school fees should have been paid by the end of November, so I ask families to please attend to this if there are still amounts owing. As always, please contact me if you are experiencing difficulties.

I invite all families to come along to our final assembly for the year, led by our Year 6 students, commencing at 8:45am tomorrow morning.

Peace and best wishes,

**RUSSELL WYLIE**  
**PRINCIPAL**

### 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://stmcpes.wa.edu.au/> and go to the Communication tab to select Online Absentee.

**Thought of the Week**

*"How unhappy I will be in heaven if I cannot do little favors on earth for those whom I love."*  
*from St Therese, "Last Conversations"*

**DO A FAVOR FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE; AND BETTER YET, DO IT SECRETLY.**

**CHRISTMAS CONVERSION**  
 A CARMELITE ADVENT PRACTICE INSPIRED BY THERESE OF LISIEUX

**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  
 Week 7**

Pre-Primary	Harry Hurle
Year 1	Alby Cooke
Year 3	Dominic Brawls
Year 4	Nate Poulsen
Year 5	Maui Nicholls

**Friday 4th December**

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

**Monday 7th December**

5.30pm STMCPs Music Concert

**Wednesday 9th December**

9.30am Kindy/Pre-Primary Concert

**Thursday 10th December**

9.00am Whole School Praise and Thanksgiving Mass  
 6.00pm Awards Night and Year 6 Graduation - in the Church

**Friday 11th December**

Students Last Day - Movie at Heart and a Sausage Sizzle lunch - (Pre-Primary to Year 5)

***Important Dates***



## Assistant Principal News

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

### St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

We thank all families for supporting the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal this term. Your thoughtfulness and generosity will ensure many families in Margaret River will be able to celebrate Christmas with the basic necessities we often take for granted. Thank you for your kindness.



### Volunteer Thank you Morning Tea You make a world of difference!

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School would like to thank all parent volunteers for their valuable contribution to our school by inviting you to

Morning Tea  
in the Library at  
9.30am tomorrow morning.

### Praise and Thanksgiving Mass

Our Praise and Thanksgiving Mass will be held next Thursday 10 December at 9.00am at St Thomas More Catholic Church. All parents and family members are invited to attend. This mass is an opportunity to come together as a school community to give thanks for the many blessings we have received this year. We are thankful for the friendships we have developed, the knowledge we have acquired and the spirituality we have nurtured as a result of being a part of this special community. We thank God for our Year 6 students and those staff members and family who will be leaving our school community and wish them every blessing as they move into the future.

Have a wonderful week ahead!

God bless,

**NICOLLE ACHMAD**  
**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**



### Parking

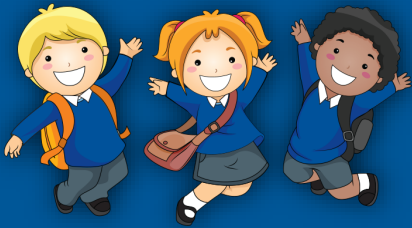
It has been raised with the school that parents are parking on the privately-owned block of land next to the school. As this is private property, parents are asked not to park on this block of land. There is parking available at the Church carpark, or across the road at the Recreation Centre. Alternatively,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

## Uniform Shop

Please email your Order Forms through to [rita.willmott@cewa.edu.au](mailto:rita.willmott@cewa.edu.au) with details of your order and credit card. Forms can be downloaded off the school's website, and orders will go home with your children. The Uniform Shop is open on Tuesdays only.

**For your convenience the School Uniform Shop will be open before school commences in 2021 on the following dates:**

- **Thursday January 21** 1.00pm to 3.30pm
- **Wednesday January 27** 9.00am to 3.00pm
- **Thursday January 28** 9.00am to 3.00pm
- **Friday January 29** 1.00pm to 3.00pm



Thank you!  
Rita Willmott



**7 DEC**

ST THOMAS MORE

**MUSIC**  
Concert

**YEARS 4, 5 AND 6**

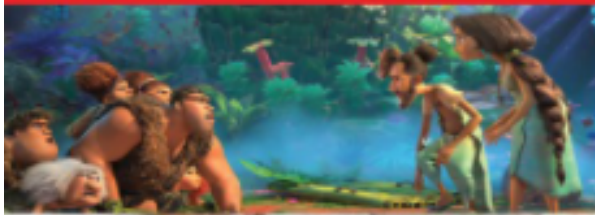
MARGARET RIVER HEART  
DOORS OPEN AT 5.30 PM

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS

<https://www.stthomasmore.catholic.edu.au>

# SCHOOL HOLIDAYS CINEMA

All tickets \$9



**The Croods: A New Age**  
Tue 12 January 1pm

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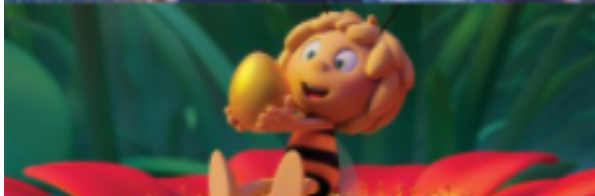
**The War with Grandpa**  
Wed 13 January 1pm

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**Onward**  
Thu 14 January 1pm

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**Onward**  
Tue 19 January 1pm

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**Maya the Bee 3: The Golden Orb**  
Wed 20 January 1pm

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**The Croods: A New Age**  
Wed 21 January 1pm

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**Toy Story 3**  
Mon 25 January 1pm

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**Toy Story 4**  
Wed 27 January 1pm

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**Maya the Bee 3: The Golden Orb**  
Thu 28 January 1pm

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# EVENING CINEMA

Adult \$15, Child \$10, Concession \$12.50



**The High Note**  
Fri 8 January 7:30pm

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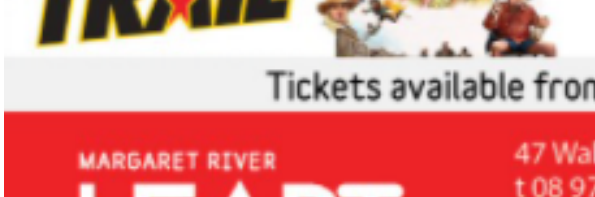
**I Am Greta**  
Mon 11 January 11:30am

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**I Am Greta**  
Fri 15 January 7pm

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**Love Opera**  
Thu 21 January 7pm

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**Guardians of the Galaxy**  
Fri 22 January 7:30pm

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**The Comeback Trail**  
Fri 29 January 7pm

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Tickets available from [www.margaretriverheart.com.au](http://www.margaretriverheart.com.au)

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The HEART will be complying with all WA Department of Health COVID-19 regulations