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# St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



#### **Principal's Report**

Thank you, Lord, for the chance to compete and use our talents through sports.

Remind us that we are called to give our best and to finish the race while caring for others along the way.

We pray in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

Amen



Absentee Number: 9758 8042



Dear Parents and Caregivers,



# Vine





#### **Winter Carnivals**

Last Friday I attended an Interschool Carnival, where our students competed against 3 other schools in Netball and Football. All our teams did extremely well and I was impressed with the way our students not only participated in the sports, but also the way they consistently demonstrated good sportsmanship and respect towards others.

Today, I am attending another sport carnival with these students, as we compete against 12 other schools from the Bunbury region. We wish our students all the very best!

#### **Grief Workshop**

Next Thursday night, 10 June, our school Chaplain, Laurissa Knowles, will be hosting a workshop about speaking with children and teenagers about death and suicide. This workshop is open to all community members and Laurissa will provide tips on how to tackle those tough conversations about death with our children and guide them through grief. The workshop will be held in the Library and will commence at 5:30pm.

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#### **WA Day Public Holiday**



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In the general busyness of life, we sometimes forget just how fortunate we are to be living in a place as wonderful as Western Australia. Our upcoming holiday on Monday has been set aside to celebrate all Western Australians, recognising our Aboriginal history, early European settlers and the many people from all over the world who have made, and continue to make, Western Australia their home. It is a day for each of us to reflect and celebrate all the great things about our people, our lifestyle, our culture and our potential. I hope all families find time to relax and enjoy this day

#### **After School Sport**

MBA Sports Coaching will be offering an After School Sports program on Tuesday afternoons straight after school, for a trial period. It is for PP-Year 6 students and costs \$25.00 for the 3 week program. Sessions commence on 8<sup>th</sup> June. Bookings can be made through <a href="https://www.mbasportscoaching.com">www.mbasportscoaching.com</a> or on 0467 180 535. See the flyer later in the newsletter.



#### **Kindy Enrolments For 2022**

I am currently taking enrolments for Kindy 2022. Places are beginning to fill and as we are limited in places, I would hate to have families miss out. If you, or someone you know, has a child who will turn 4 by 30 June 2021, please either contact the office for an enrolment form or visit our website to download the forms and return them to the school.

We are also accepting enrolments for our 3 Year Old Pre-Kindergarten program for both this year and next year. Children may start this program for a full day on a Thursday as soon as they turn 3.

Tomorrow, our Year 1 class will be presenting their Assembly. We look forward to having many parents come and join us for this performance at 8:45am.

I wish all families a wonderful week ahead and a safe and relaxing long weekend.

Peace and best wishes,

### RUSSELL WYLIE PRINCIPAL

#### **UNIFORM SHOP OPEN HOURS - MONDAYS FROM 1.30 - 3.00PM**



Please email your Order Forms through to <a href="mailto:rita.willmott@cewa.edu.au">rita.willmott@cewa.edu.au</a>

with details of your order and credit card.

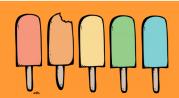
Forms can be downloaded off the school's website.

Uniforms will go home with your children on **Mondays**.

Thank you!

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

All items are \$1.00



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#### **Assistant Principal News**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Yesterday our Kindy and Pre-Primary classes celebrated with a liturgy to give thanks for the many gifts and blessings given to us. It was a beautiful celebration with many parents and grandparents joining us. A special thank you to Mrs Jane Wolf, Mrs Jennifer Morrison, Mrs Renae Cummins, Mrs Rachel Hassall and Mrs Fiona Guise for preparing the liturgy and supporting and encouraging the student's participation.

#### **Sacrament of Confirmation**

Thank you to the parents and Year 6 students that attended the Confirmation Parent Information session last Thursday evening, where we deepened our understanding of the Gifts and the Fruits of the Holy Spirit in preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The date for the commitment ceremony has changed to Sunday 13 June at 10.00am. We look forward to welcoming Bishop Gerard Holohan to our school on Friday 18 June when he will meet with the confirmands and discuss their readiness to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 20 June at 10.00am. Confirmation is one of seven Holy Sacraments. During the Confirmation ceremony, the Bishop will anoint the forehead of the nominees with the sacred oil of chrism and with the laying on of hands, the candidates will be asked to go out into the world, just as the Apostles did, with the Holy Spirit in their hearts.

#### **Catholic Care**

Our Social Justice committee is inviting all students to dress in their favourite sport team clothing and bring a gold coin donation to raise money for Catholic Care on Friday 25 June. The money raised will make a big difference to those in our Diocese who need our help.

Wishing you all a wonderful week ahead and a safe and relaxing long weekend.

#### Mrs Nicolle Achmad **Assistant Principal**

#### **Parish Masses**

St Thomas More Catholic Church - Margaret River

- Saturday 6.00pm
- Sunday 10.00am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church - Augusta

Sunday - 8.00am



#### **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 <a href="https://stmcps.wa.edu.au/">https://stmcps.wa.edu.au/</a> and go to the Communication tab to select Online Absentee.

#### **Tribute Tree Project**

The Tribute Tree is a Diarra outside the Margaret River Library into which a quirky letterbox is nestled. This is for all members of our community to write or draw messages to our natural world, encouraging connectedness and appreciation of the beauty around us. Free workshops are being run for kids to arouse their curiosity, hone their awareness and facilitate their ability to care.



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#### Thought of the Week



# Congratulations!



Term 2

Week 6



Pre-Primary Richmay Alison

Year 1 Bladen Wessels

Zorawar Arora

Year 2 John Jakimowicz

Year 3 Diandrei Langridge

Friday 4th June

8.45am Year 1 Assembly

Monday 7th June WA Day Public Holiday

Tuesday 8th June

6.00pm P&F Meeting

Friday 11th June

8.45am Merit Assembly

Sunday 13th June

10.00am Sacrament of Confirmation Commitment Mass







# EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MASTERCLASS FOR PARENTS + TEACHERS

MARGARET RIVER COMMUNITY CENTRE 6:45 PM

MON 31ST MAY (SOLD OUT)

MON 14TH JUN (AVAILABLE NOW)

A 2-hour HIGH IMPACT program to support children to be emotionally free!

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