

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



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The Vine



Principal's Report

Prayer for the Sacrament of Confirmation

*Spirit of God, seal our hearts with the Spirit of Your Love.
Give us the courage of the saints to love when it is easier to hate,
to see beauty beneath what is ugly, and to bring hope to our world.
Teach us to have reverence and respect for all of life
and to look for ways to respond to the Gifts you have given us.
Keep us always open to the Spirit's presence in our world.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

Amen.



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Sacrament of Confirmation

Our Year 6 students have been developing their understanding of the Gifts and the Fruits of the Holy Spirit in preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, which will take place this Sunday. They have also been researching about a saint who they have found to be inspirational. Today, the Year 6 students attended a retreat at Lumen Christi church in Augusta to further prepare and reflect on the importance of this Sacrament and what it means. It was a very beneficial day, involving time for reflection, prayer and faith development and I thank Mrs Achmad and Ms Knowles for their organisation of this retreat for these students. We will be blessed to have Bishop Gerard Holohan come to visit our school tomorrow and meet with the children who will be receiving the Sacrament. The Sacrament will be celebrated on Sunday 20th June at 10:00am.



Wellness Week



Next Week is Wellness Week! We will be having a focus on wellness with lots of activities organised to support the mental, emotional and physical wellbeing of our staff and students.

We will be commencing each day with a Daily Fitness activity, led by our Year 6 Student Leaders. This will conclude by 9:00am each morning. We will have sessions run by Dr Lydia Altini, Charlie O'Beirne, Deb Shipton, Mandy Lane and Laurissa Knowles over the course of the week, covering such topics as healthy eating, mindfulness, yoga, breathing and movement and dealing with anxiety. The classes will also be undertaking a meditation each day. Research has shown that just 10 minutes a day can assist students in reducing anxiety, depression and stress, whilst improving behaviour, a sense of self and learning capacity.

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Children are invited to wear their Sport's uniforms each day and on Friday, the children are invited to dress in their favourite sporting team clothes.

This will all lead up to our celebration of St Thomas More Feast Day on Friday. We will begin the day with a Mass and then move into groups to complete some activities. The P&F are providing a free Sausage Sizzle lunch. We will conclude the week with a game of Netball – Staff v Year 6 Students.

Friday will be a 'Walk/Ride to School' day, where we encourage students to walk or ride bikes or scooters to school.

Here are some tips for travelling to school:

- If you are still working from home why not use this flexibility to walk, ride or scoot with your child to school. Active travel enables you and your child to engage in physical activity and spend some quality time together.
- Remember to reinforce good road safety habits such as wearing a helmet and practising the stop, look and listen, think procedure when crossing the road.
- Teach your child to always cross the road at a school crossing and to walk their bike or scooter across the road.
- If you need to drive, consider parking a few blocks away and walking the rest of the journey with your children.

RIDE or
WALK
to school

More information about Wellness Week can be found further in the Newsletter.



St Thomas More Feast Day

St Thomas More Feast Day falls next Tuesday 22nd June, but we will celebrate this day on Friday 25th June as a school community. St Thomas More was widely remembered as a man of tremendous integrity and has since been described as a martyr. He was canonised in 1935 and is the patron saint of adopted children, lawyers, civil servants, politicians and difficult marriages. We will celebrate this day with lots of fun activities, a Mass and a Year 6 Student versus Staff netball game (weather permitting).

3 Year Old Kindy Program

We are now offering a second day for our 3 Year Old Kindergarten program, operating on a Friday. If you, or someone you know would be interested in sending their child to attend a 3 Year Old Kindy program on a Friday, please contact the office.

Staffing

We are looking for a Special Needs Teacher Assistant to join our staff next Semester. Please see our advert on our website if you know someone who may be interested in this position.

We wish Mrs Jane Wolf and her family a wonderful time as she takes some Long Service leave for the remainder of the term to travel up north. We welcome Mrs Danielle Noble to teach our Kindergarten class during this time.

I wish all families a wonderful week ahead.

Peace and best wishes,

RUSSELL WYLIE
PRINCIPAL

Assistant Principal News

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I was honoured to have spent the day today with our Year 6 students on retreat at Lumen Christi Catholic Church in Augusta with Mr Thomas McDonald and Ms Laurissa Knowles. A time that the students will deepen their relationship with God, to reflect on the gifts they bring to the world and what they would like to do in the future to change our world for the better and make a difference.



Wellness Week

Next week, we are looking forward to a week focusing on wellness. The students are encouraged to bring a healthy lunchbox each day to go into the running to win a prize. There will be table tennis competitions, yoga, stretching, exercise and talks on healthy choices. Students are asked to wear their sport uniform each day and there won't be any homework either. What fun!

St Thomas More Feast Day

Our **St Thomas More Feast Day** on **Friday 25 June** will begin with a Whole School Mass led by Year 5 in the church at 9.00am. We wish to extend an invitation to all families to join us for Mass. Following Mass, all students will be involved in a range of fun activities together. They will receive a Sausage Sizzle for lunch and an icy pole and we thank the P&F for organising this. The day will conclude with a staff vs Year 6 students netball game on the hardcourt.

CatholicCare

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 CatholicCare 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.

Mrs Nicolle Achmad
Assistant Principal



Thought of the Week

Come, Holy Spirit,



fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

Congratulations!

School Merit Award Winners - Term 2 - Week 8



Pre-Primary

Alice Kucan

Year 1

Indianna Keogh
Isaac Shepherd

Year 2

Sumi Vo

Year 3

Hunter Mann

Year 4

West O'Brien

Year 5

Coco Nicholls

Year 6

Samara O'Brien

Parish Masses

St Thomas More Catholic Church
Margaret River

- Saturday - 6.00pm
- Sunday - 10.00am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church
Augusta

- Sunday - 8.00am



Friday 18th June

8.45am Pre-Primary Assembly

Sunday 20th June

10.00am Sacrament of Confirmation

Monday 21st June

6.30pm School Board Meeting

Tuesday 22nd June

9.30am Years 3 and 4 Reconciliation

Friday 25th June

Free Dress Day (dress in you favourite sports team clothing)

Gold coin donation for CatholicCare

9.00am St Thomas More Feast Day
Whole School Mass - led by Year 5

Important Dates



St Thomas More Catholic Primary School

WELLNESS

week

In order to further promote healthy practices, St Thomas More will be having a 'Wellness Week' next week (Week 10). There will be a strong focus on healthy eating, fitness, mental wellbeing and friendships. Students will be allowed to wear their Sports Uniform on each day if they choose to.

On Friday, students may dress in their favourite sports team clothes.

There will be no homework for the week! Each morning will start with Daily Fitness, there will be daily meditation and Crunch and Sip in the classrooms.

There will be a competition for the healthiest Lunchbox each day - send a photo of your lunchbox to Mr Wylie.

On Friday, we encourage all students to walk/ride to school where possible.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning Fitness - led by Year 6 Leaders Smiling Mind meditation	Morning Fitness - led by Year 6 Leaders Smiling Mind meditation Deb Shipman - Yoga sessions 9:00 - 10:40	Morning Fitness - led by Year 6 Leaders Smiling Mind meditation Dr Lydia Altini - Mindfulness and Nutrition - 9:30 - 10:15	Morning Fitness - led by Year 6 Leaders Meditation/Kinesiology sessions run by Laurissa and Mandy Lane Smiling Mind meditation	Walk/Ride to School St Thomas More Feast Day 9:00am - Mass
Library chill-out zone lunchtime 1:30 - Charlie O'Beirne - Movement, breathing and mindfulness	Library chill-out zone lunchtime	Library chill-out zone lunchtime	Dancing in the Undercover Area at lunchtime	9:30 - 1:50 - PP - Year 6 Group activities Free Sausage Sizzle lunch (thanks to the P&F!)
				2:00 - 2:30 - Teacher v Student Netball game 2:30 - 3:00 - Classroom activities

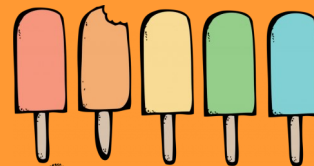


UNIFORM SHOP OPEN HOURS - MONDAYS FROM 1.30 - 3.00PM

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 **Mondays**.
 Thank you!

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

All items are \$1.00

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

Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre

Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre will be open between the hours of 8.00am and 4.00pm for Monday 5th July and Tuesday 6th July for the July School Holidays. Rapids

Landing DTC will be closed from Wednesday 7th July through to Friday the 16th July and will be open on Monday 19th July at 8.00am.

In an event of an emergency during the clinic closure please contact your local family dentist or call mobile 0409 935 793 for emergency advice.

**Term 3 Swimming Lessons 2021**

Stages 1/15

Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday afternoons

Parent and Child Classes

(6 months to 3 years)

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday mornings

Duo Classes for the 3 - 4 year old's

(2 Children per class)

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday mornings



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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS CINEMA



June Again

Friday 25 June, 7pm & Monday 12 June, 11:30am



Those Who Wish Me Dead

Tuesday 6 July, 7pm



Tom & Jerry

Wednesday 7 July, 10am & Tuesday 13 July, 2pm



Peter Rabbit 2: The Runaway

Wednesday 7 July, 2pm & Friday 9 July, 2pm



Cruella

Thursday 8 July, 10am & Friday 9 July, 7pm



A Quiet Place Part II

Monday 12 July, 7pm



KIDS WORKSHOPS



'We Can Sing Pop!' - with Andrea Frances Manners

Tuesday 6 July & Tuesday 13 July, 10:30am



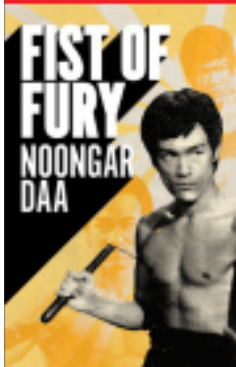
Still Life Drawing and Painting - with Caro Bannister

Thursday 15 July, 10am

Hand Buidling Clay Spheres - with Natalia Ford

Friday 16 July, 10:30am

NAIDOC WEEK CINEMA



Fist of Fury Noongar Daa + Live Q&A

Thursday 8 July, 7pm



My Name is Gulpili

Wednesday 7 July, 7pm



Breathing Life into Boodja film + Live Q&A

Tuesday 13 July, 6:45pm



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LIVE MUSIC



A Taste of Ireland: 2021 Australian Tour

Saturday 3 July, 7:30pm

Homegrown@HEART - Locals Playing Folk Music