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# St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



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# The Vine



## Principal's Report

*Heavenly Father,*

*This school holiday season may be quite challenging for some people, especially those who have been affected by the current Covid pandemic. We pray for those who are alone at this time or have lost a loved one or have cancelled plans to be with family or friends.*

*We pray that they discover closeness in their relationship with You. We thank You for your love and reassurance that You are a God that is with us through our disappointments and difficulties, knowing that You have been tested and know what it means to be alone and isolated.*

*Comfort the lonely, console the grieving, support the weak, give grace to the afflicted and reassure those who have allowed fear to invade their peace, with the certainty that You are their ever present help in times of trouble.*

*We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

*Amen.*



Dear Parents and Caregivers,



### Wellness Week and St Thomas More Feast Day

It was wonderful to see the way the children interacted in our Wellness Week and Feast Day celebrations last week. We were particularly impressed with our Year 6 students who lead groups over the course of the day on Friday. A special thank you to the teachers for organising such fun and engaging activities for the children to participate in and to our Year 5 students for leading us in a reverent and reflective Mass on Friday morning. We are so grateful many members of our community so generously donated their time to lead the students through activities and workshops to assist with our students' wellbeing throughout the week. We hope this week was able to provide everyone with an opportunity to reflect on their own wellness and if needed, to take some steps to make adjustments in this area.



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## Reports

Parents and Caregivers would have received an email yesterday regarding accessing Semester One reports. Please follow the instructions to sign up on SEQTA so you can access these. From this site, parents are able to save and print this report. We understand that this is a new process for many parents so if you have any difficulties or issues, please contact Nicolle Achmad – [nicolle.achmad@cewa.edu.au](mailto:nicolle.achmad@cewa.edu.au)

I would encourage all our parents and carers to make time over the next two weeks to not only read your child's report, but equally importantly, sit down with them and have a conversation about their report. This presents a valuable opportunity to discuss with them how they felt they went, what they did well in, where they improved and most importantly what areas are they aiming to improve in next semester?

Should you have any queries relating to your child's report, please feel free to make an appointment with your child's teacher.

## Year 6 Asia Expo



I was privileged enough to visit our Year 6 students Asia Expo last Thursday afternoon. The students had researched a country and had to present information about it and demonstrate a good understanding. Luckily for me, there was lots of tasty samples of food from the different countries to try. Yum! I was impressed with how confidently the students spoke and the way they engaged the visitors with their interesting presentations. Well done Year 6 students!



## 3 Year Old Kindy

We are now offering a second day for our 3 Year Old Kindy program on a Friday. If you, or someone you know has a child aged 3, there are spots available on both the Thursday and Friday for them to attend this program. Please contact the office for further information.

## Kindy 2022

We only have a few spots left for our Kindy program next year. I will be conducting formal interviews shortly for those who have put in an application. This is a last call for anyone who would like their child to attend our Kindergarten program next year. If you know of someone who has a child of Kindy age for 2022, please contact the office.

## Afterschool Sports

Next Term, an afterschool sport program will be offered by MBA sports on a Tuesday commencing at 3:00pm from 27<sup>th</sup> July. The cost is \$70 for the term.

Soccer clinics will also continue to be offered afterschool on a Thursday. The cost of this is \$69 for the term.

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### End of Term Two

From all of the staff of St Thomas More, we wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable two-week holiday – hopefully with eased restrictions and no lock-downs! Enjoy this time with your children, travel safely if you are and we look forward to your return in Term 3. Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> July is a pupil free day as the St Thomas More staff will be attending a professional development day. This day will enable staff to develop their faith and their understanding of the values of Catholicism and 'Faith', so that we are better equipped to pass on the teachings of the Church to our students. Students will return to school on **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July**.

Peace and best wishes,

**RUSSELL WYLIE**  
**PRINCIPAL**

### Thought of the Week

Faith in God  
changes *everything*.



### Parish Masses

St Thomas More Catholic Church  
Margaret River

- Saturday - 6.00pm
- Sunday - 10.00am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church  
Augusta

- Sunday - 8.00am



### Friday 2nd July

8.45am Merit Assembly

**LAST DAY OF TERM 2**

### Tuesday 20th July

**FIRST DAY OF TERM 3 FOR STUDENTS**

6.00pm P&F Meeting

### Friday 23rd July

8.45am Merit Assembly

*Important Dates*

## Assistant Principal News

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As Term 2 comes to an end tomorrow, I reflect on what has been an extraordinary term. This term, the school has managed to undertake several events which, this time last year were not possible due to the COVID pandemic. This term, our students participated in the ANZAC Day march with the community in Margaret River; our Year 3 and Year 5 students participated in NAPLAN; we held a Mother's Day function; our Year 5 and 6 students participated in lightning sports carnivals in Bunbury; students in Year 6 celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with the St Thomas More Catholic parish; we held a grief workshop for families; a wellness week was organised for our students with visiting health practitioners; and last Friday we held a St Thomas More Feast Day celebration with a shared sausage sizzle lunch.

Thank you to all students for supporting our CatholicCare fundraiser last Friday by wearing your favourite sport team clothing and bringing in a gold coin donation. We raised \$108.00. This money will make a big difference to those in our Diocese who need our help.

Wishing all families, a safe and relaxing winter break.

We look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday 20 July.

Blessings,

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



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## School Canteen

Please see below the way that Lunch Orders will now be ordered through QuickCliq commencing Term 3.

- School lunch ordering is now online only
- Orders must be made online before the lock-out time of 9:30am on the day of school lunches
- Orders can no longer be accepted at the Recreation Centre
- Place and pay for orders via QuickCliq (how to guide attached)
- QuickCliq sends the order to the Recreation Centre
- No need to supply your own brown paper bags or look for loose change
- Online ordering system effective Term 3, Monday 19 July

Please refer to the last two pages of this Newsletter for more information.

## Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre

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

Landing DTC will be closed from Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July through to Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> July and will be open on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> 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.



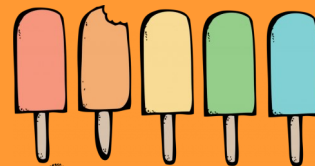
## UNIFORM SHOP OPEN HOURS - MONDAYS FROM 1.30 - 3.00PM



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



## TENNIS HOLIDAY CLINIC

We are running a Tennis Holiday Clinic at the Margaret River Tennis Club for children between 6 to 15 years old during the school holidays. The Holiday Clinics are a good way for children to learn the skills of tennis and at the same time to meet new friends. We will teach basic skills and do fun games from 9am till 12pm.

#### Dates:

06 - 07 - 08 of July

13 - 14 - 15 of July

#### Prices:

1 DAY \$25

3 DAYS \$70

All kids welcome, there is no need of tennis experience. We can provide tennis racquet. Each children need to bring their own morning tea.

**NOTE:** If the weather is wet, we will cancel for the day.

To enroll contact Pablo at:

Email: [mrtennisacademy@gmail.com](mailto:mrtennisacademy@gmail.com)

Phone number: 0478773520



## Voice Lessons – Expression of Interest

Local professional musician and music teacher Michelle Spriggs will be offering voice lessons on a Tuesday during school hours next term.

Please see Mr Goodwin for a form to express interest.



## 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



Contact: Roberta Williams on 0429 651 450

Email: [info@aquaticacademymargaretriver.com.au](mailto:info@aquaticacademymargaretriver.com.au)

Web: [www.aquaticacademymargaretriver.com.au](http://www.aquaticacademymargaretriver.com.au)

SCHOOL SOCCER CLUBS

# TERM 3 REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

AGE 5-9 WEDNESDAYS 3-4PM  
STARTS BACK JULY 21ST  
ST THOMAS MORE OVAL/UNDERCOVER AREA

LUKE@LJSOCCER.COM.AU  
0490447819

**\$69**





# MBA

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& AWARDS  
TO BE  
WON!**

## ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL MULTI SPORTS

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HEALTHY  
&  
INCLUSIVE**



### AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

TUESDAYS 27th July - 14th Sept  
YEARS: PP - Y6  
3.00PM - 4.00PM  
UNDERCOVER AREA

**\$70  
FOR THE TERM**



#### SPORTS MAY INCLUDE:

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|------------------|------------|
| SOCCER           | VOLLEYBALL |
| NETBALL          | DODGEBALL  |
| TENNIS           | GLADIATORS |
| HOCKEY           | JAIL BREAK |
| KINGBALL         | BASKETBALL |
| CRICKET          | HEAD CATCH |
| CAPTURE THE FLAG | AFL        |

*and many more!*

**PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE  
LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE SO BOOK  
AHEAD TO ENSURE YOUR SPOT**

ALL BOOKINGS TO BE MADE THROUGH:  
[www.mbasportscoaching.com](http://www.mbasportscoaching.com)

**tel: 0467 180 535**

email: [southwest@mbasportscoaching.com](mailto:southwest@mbasportscoaching.com)





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Visit our website to sign up and register  
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Add credit to your online wallet to use when required  
No more money in envelopes!



Pay and place your order, it is that quick and easy  
Food orders, uniforms & more

More information on how to **Get Started** is on the back.

### Need help

Phone or email us - Monday to Friday, 7.30am - 4.00pm  
Call 1300 11 66 37 | [support@quickcliq.com.au](mailto:support@quickcliq.com.au)





# Canteens, Uniforms, Events & more.

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QuickCliq is an innovative online ordering system trusted by over 700 schools and thousands of parents across Australia. QuickCliq is a cashless solution that helps you manage your children's canteen orders, uniforms, books and even school fees from the comfort of your home or office.



## How to get started

- QuickCliq is free to set up and easy to use
- Register at [www.quickcliq.com.au](http://www.quickcliq.com.au)
- **SIGN UP** and complete the registration form
- Receive a link via email to **ACTIVATE** your account before logging in
- **ADD STUDENT**, add your child's details, select their school and save to your account
- **ADD CREDIT** to your online wallet before ordering or pay as you go using credit or debit card
- Select **MEAL ORDER** and you're good to go

Orders can be placed up to 28 days in advance. You can view your completed orders via the **Active Orders** or **Transaction History** tabs in your account.

## Want to know the best thing about QuickCliq?

- ✓ It was designed by parents, for parents, so it's easy to use and incredibly intuitive!
- ✓ One family, one account - you will have one unique and secure login to manage all your children's orders, even if they attend different schools. QuickCliq saves you time and gives you complete visibility over your family's needs.
- ✓ Tired of scrounging around for loose change every morning before your kids run off to school? With QuickCliq, lunch money is a thing of the past.
- ✓ We're giving control back to you over your children's diets. By ordering their lunch ahead of time, you can ensure they are eating healthy and balanced meals.
- ✓ QuickCliq was designed with mobile access in mind. Simply login to add credit and order, all from the convenience of your smartphone or tablet.
- ✓ To top up your account you have three options; Direct Debit / Credit Card / PayPal
  - Direct Debit - 0.50c transaction fee
  - The surcharge to add credit is 1.5%
  - The surcharge for PayPal is 3.8%
  - When placing an order there is a small booking fee per transaction per student.

Our Call Centre is here to assist your families with ordering online **Call 1300 11 66 37**

