

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



Assistant Principal's Report

*Loving God,
we lift up the people of Afghanistan to you right now.
We pray that you would take hold of them
and help them walk through this fearful time.*

*Protect them under your wing and help them feel the comfort
and peace that only comes from Your powerful presence.*

*We also pray that God would transform the hearts of the Taliban,
that they might see Your love and glory and choose peace.*

We ask this through Christ our Lord,

Amen.



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The phrase when the cat's away, the mice will play, people will do as they please. But Mr Wylie has nothing to worry about while he is on Long Service Leave spending time with his family for two weeks, as he will return to a school that has continued to be filled with laughter, love, and exceptional learning.

Over the course of the week, our Year 3 students led our Year 4-6 classes in Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of Mary on Friday, Mark and Zak from MBA Sports Coaching coordinated an Olympics themed sporting incursion for students on Tuesday, and our Kindy and Pre-Primary students participated in a beautiful Liturgy of the Word celebration in the library that focused on belonging to God's family.

Bishop's Jubilee

Bishop Gerard will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of his ordination as a priest early next month. He was first ordained as a deacon, then a priest, and then in 2001, he was ordained as a bishop. In commemoration of this, we will be holding a prayer service, before our Year 3 assembly, on Friday 3 September in the undercover area at 8.45am. All parents, family and friends are welcome to attend.

Father's Day Colour Run

We invite ALL Dads to join in our Colour Run for Father's Day on Friday 3 September at 2.00 to 3.00pm. A Sundowner will follow at 3.00pm. An order form for pizza will be sent home soon, please return these to the office as soon as possible.

Please bring or wear light-coloured clothes wings, tutus, capes, sunglasses, goggles and ensure you have a change of clothes or a towel for the car ride home. We look forward to another fun filled Father's Day Colour Run event.

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The Vine



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Catholic Day – Monday 23 August

A reminder to families that Monday 23rd August is the staff's Catholic Day – a day provided to recognise the extra commitments of the staff. The school will be closed on this day.

Learning Journeys

On Tuesday 7 September at 3.00 to 5.00pm, we will be having a Learning Journey afternoon. This is an opportunity for parents to come into the classroom and along with your child, look at the learning that has been taking place over the course of the term. Over the course of the evening, parents will be directed around the classroom by their child and will look at work that is up around the classroom, as well as work in books, on iPads or in other forms. Parents are also encouraged to visit other classrooms to have a look. This a great opportunity to showcase all the wonderful things that are happening here at St Thomas More Catholic Primary School.



Catholic Mission

This term our school fundraising focus is raising awareness and money for Catholic Mission. Catholic Mission operates in over 160 countries, including remote Australia, to give people the opportunity for a full, enriched life – physically and spiritually – regardless of race, stigma, religion or gender.

On Friday 10 September, we will be encouraging students at our school to make a difference in the world through a game of soccer. On this day, students will bring to school their own Sockball – made from recycled materials such as socks, plastic bags, glad wrap, foam, elastic bags, or sand to kick goals on the field for sponsorship. So many children in developing countries do not have access to the kinds of soccer balls we have here in Australia, and they use what they can to make their own ball.

P&F Wine Fundraiser

Our P&F are interested in having a Wine fundraiser this year. Ideally, they are looking for a Winery who would sell bottles (most likely in half dozens) to families, with a donation made to the P&F from the wine sales. If you, or someone you know, would be interested in supporting this, please contact Liz Dawson on lizziedawson@bigpond.com or leave a message at the office.

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Spring Fair School Fete – Saturday 30 October

The Spring Fair School Fete will be held on Saturday 30th October at 10.00am to 2.00pm. Did you know that the school fete is our biggest fundraiser and provides wonderful items to our school community like equipment and playgrounds? But we need your help!

We are seeking donations, specifically bottles of wine, Surprise Jars, and donations to be used for raffle prizes. If you, or someone you know can help, please contact the office, or leave the donations at the school. Your support and help with this is greatly appreciated!

Sacrament of Eucharist

The Sacrament of Eucharist will be celebrated at a special ceremony in our church on Sunday 19 September at 10.00am. The Eucharist is one of seven Holy Sacraments. Through the Sacrament of Eucharist, Jesus draws us closer to himself and to others. At the Last Supper, Jesus changed bread and wine into His body and blood, and we recognise and celebrate this during every Mass. The more frequently we celebrate the Eucharist with our Parish family, the more we are helped by Jesus to love others as they love themselves. All students who are baptised and have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation are encouraged to register their interest in receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist by returning their enrolment forms as soon as possible. If you haven't received an enrolment form and would like one, please contact me.

Other important dates for the Sacrament of Eucharist are:

- Tuesday 31 August at 6.00pm - Parent/Child workshop
- Sunday 12 September at 10.00am - Commitment Mass

Family Mass

On Sunday 12 September, we are encouraging as many families as possible to attend Mass at 10.00am with our parish. Please stay afterwards for some shared morning tea.

Nola Marino

Unfortunately, Nola Marino is unable to present her talk about Cybersafety and protecting children when they are online on Thursday 9th September at 6:00pm, as she is unable to return from the Australian Capital Territory at this time.



Scholastic Book Fair

Our Book Week will be held in Week 2 next term from Monday 18 October to Wednesday 20 October, as this is when we will have Scholastics Book Fair in our library.

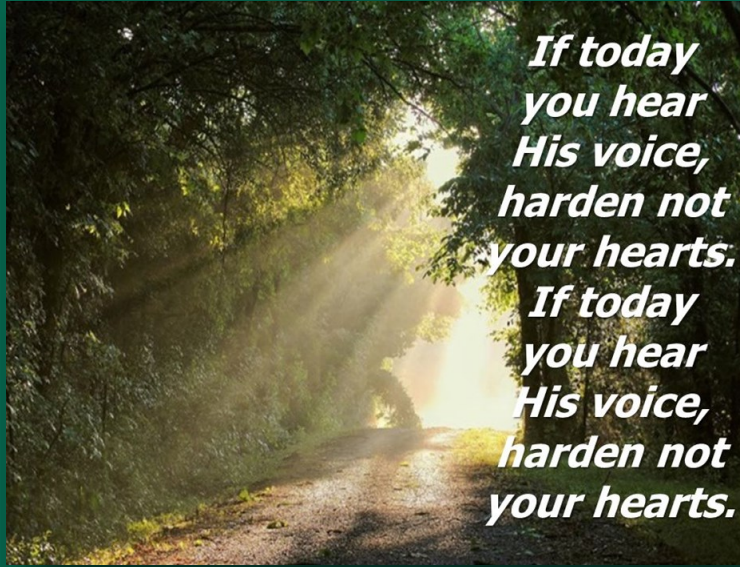
Our Book Week parade will be held on **Tuesday 19 October**. The time is to be confirmed. Students are all warmly invited to dress as their favourite book character on that day. The theme for our Book Week will be 'Reading Oasis – A Cool place to Discover Hot Books.'

Wishing all families, a wonderful week ahead.

Best wishes,

NICOLLE ACHMAD
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Thought of the Week



Congratulations!

**School Merit Award Winners
Term 3 - Week 4**



Year 1	Jordan Jones
Year 2	Sienna Walker
Year 3	Jimmy Tannock
Year 4	Charlie Quaife Neve Fox
Year 5	Benji Tognela
Year 6	Isaac Willcox

Friday 20th August
8.45am Year 4 Assembly

Monday 23rd August
Pupil Free Day (Catholic Day)

Tuesday 24th August
11.00am Year 5 Reconciliation

Friday 27th August
8.45am Merit Assembly

Monday 30th August to Wednesday 1st September
Year 5 Camp

Tuesday 31st August
6.00pm Parent/Child Sacrament of Eucharist Information Night

Important Dates

Parish Masses

St Thomas More Catholic Church
Margaret River

- Saturday - 6.00pm
- Sunday - 10.00am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church
Augusta

- Sunday - 8.00am

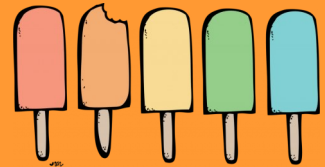


UNIFORM SHOP OPEN HOURS - MONDAYS FROM 1.30 - 3.00PM



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



School Canteen

Just a friendly reminder of the way that Lunch Orders are now being ordered through QuickCliq.

- 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



SCHOOL FETE 30 OCTOBER 2021

10AM - 2PM

WE NEED YOUR HELP

DID YOU KNOW THAT THE SCHOOL FETE IS OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISER AND PROVIDES WONDERFUL ITEMS TO OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIKE EQUIPMENT AND PLAYGROUNDS?

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

In order to hold this day, we rely on parents, friends and the community to volunteer some time to plan, prepare and run the day.

Attend meetings to share ideas, plan, organise and arrange activities, events and stalls

Plan, organise and arrange food and drinks

Volunteer on the day, maybe an hour, maybe two, maybe more (your choice)

Set up, pack down,

Arrange sponsorship

Invite family and friends to the day

Spread the word

Sell wristbands before and after school



These are just a few examples of the tasks involved to organise and run our wonderful fete day, it cannot be done without LOTS of help!

WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM ANYONE WILLING TO CONTRIBUTE IN ANY WAY.

Please email or text catherinechilton@icloud.com | 0419 323 877

Thanks heaps in anticipation!

Enrolments are now open for VacSwim Swimming Lessons during the
October and Summer school holidays.

VacSwim offers fun lessons at beach or pool locations.

They are a great school holiday activity and they teach valuable safety skills
to help keep your child safe in the water.

Enrol at education.wa.edu.au/vacswim

VacSwim enrolments now open!





Studiosity

Free online homework and study help

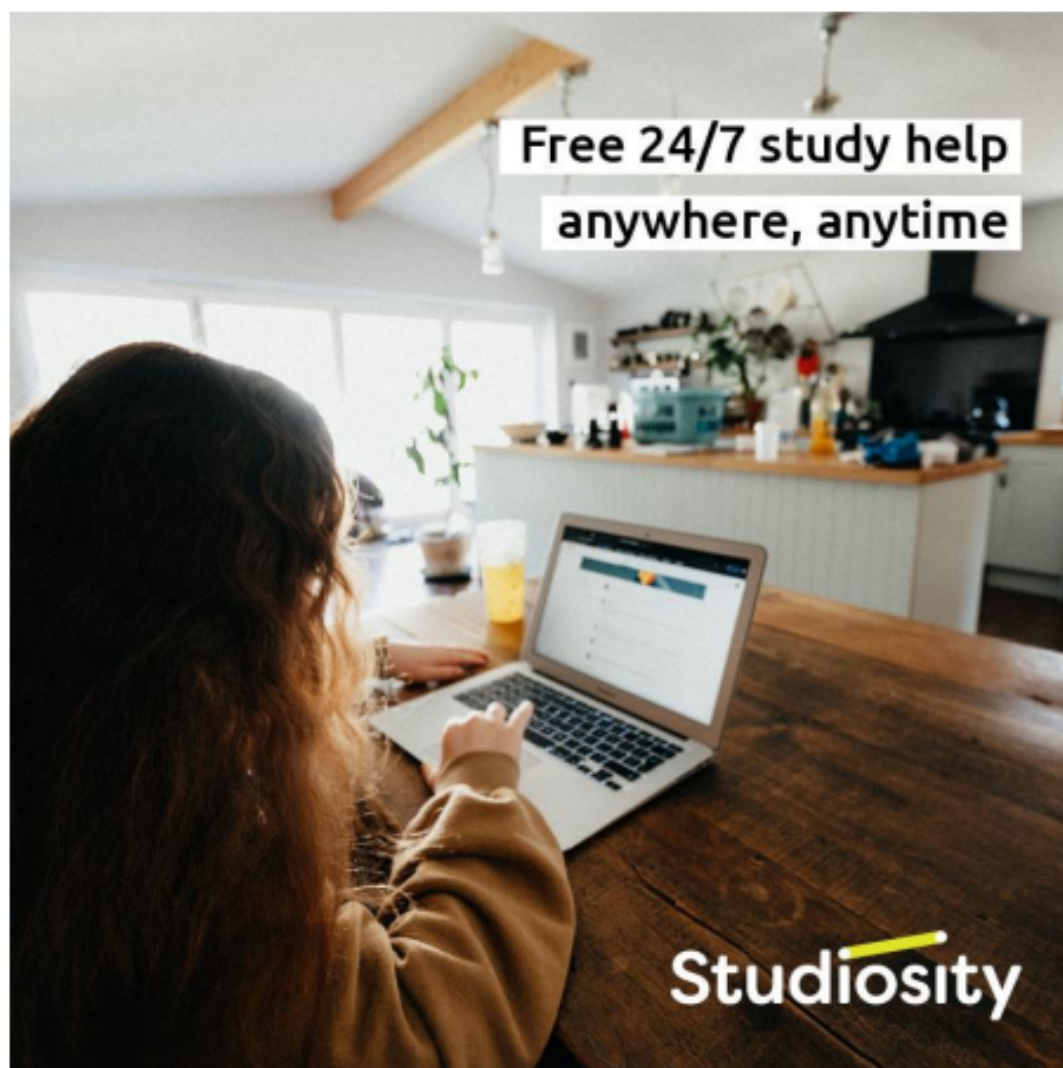
Studiosity is the anytime, online study and homework help service, available to any family for FREE thanks to the Shire of Augusta Margaret River Libraries. There are two ways students can get help:

- **Connect Live:** Students can ask a question and be quickly connected to a real, qualified Subject Specialist via live chat, for help with English, Maths, Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Business Studies, and more.
- **Writing Feedback:** Students can upload any essay or written draft and receive detailed feedback from a real writing specialist, that helps them think about and improve their own work.

Used and approved by over 70% of Australia's public universities, as well as hundreds of public libraries and schools across the country.

How to get started

Head to the Library website, all you need is your Library member number and password. Go to www.amrlibraries.com then follow the link to Studiosity to unstuck.





Margaret River Little Athletics

RUN, JUMP, THROW!

The 2021-2022 Little Athletics season is almost here and we are looking forward to another fun filled competitive season.

Children aged from 5- 17yrs can register and compete.

We require parents/care givers to stay on some Saturday mornings to co-ordinate and record the children's results as they move from event to event and to help with the sausage sizzle. Events include running, hurdles, shot put, javelin, discus, long jump, triple jump and high jump (depending on age).

Little Athletics develops the basic motor skills of running, jumping and throwing. Developing strength, flexibility, co-ordination and balance, all basic requirements of ANY sport.

You can complete registration ONLINE at www.resultshq.com.au with payment via Paypal or credit card, from **SEPTEMBER 1st**.

The costs for this season will be \$150 for the first child and \$110 for each additional child. We accept Kidsport vouchers. Please note, we must receive payment prior to the season commencing.

The first day of our Little Athletics season is set for **Saturday 30th October** at 8.15am (setup) for an 8.30am start. As a guide a typical meet will finish approx 10-1030am.

Term 4 and Term 1

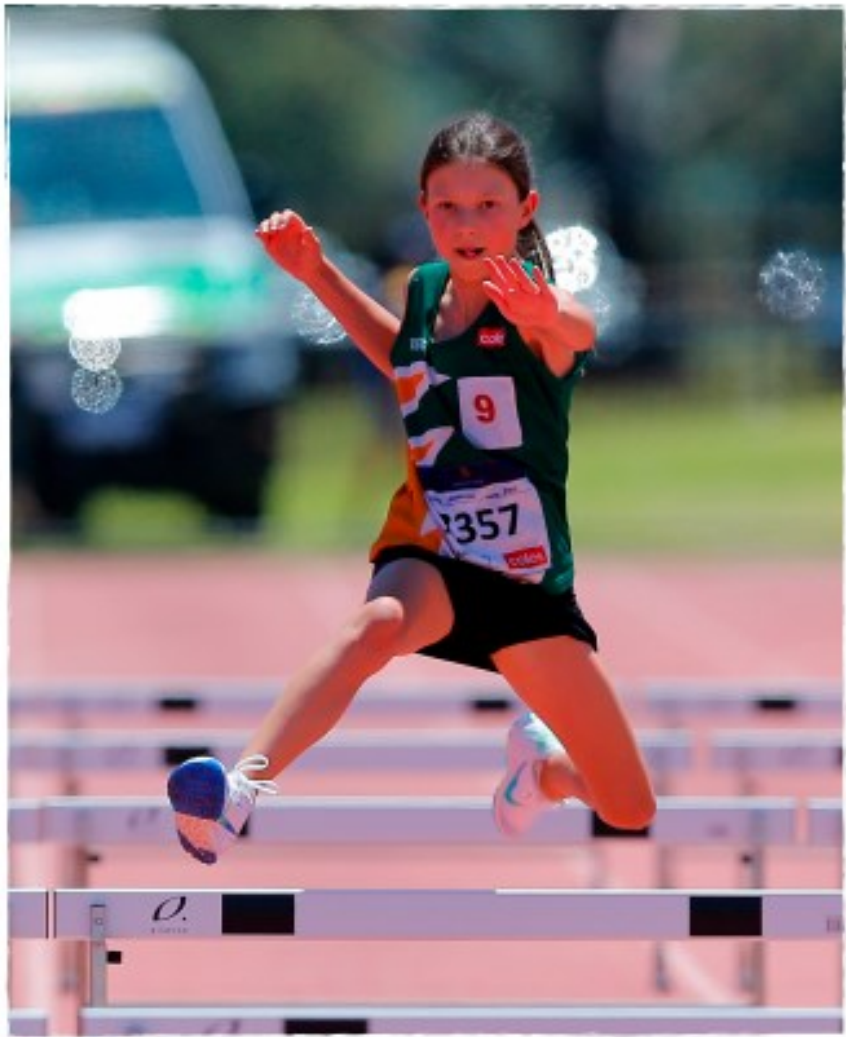
Trainings (optional) will commence Tuesday 2nd November from 4.00pm till 4.45pm.

So come and enjoy a fun family sport where everyone is involved.

For more information please email mrlacrego@gmail.com



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MARGARET RIVER ATHLETICS



JOIN US FOR A FUN FREE TRIAL DAY
RUN! JUMP! THROW!



GLOUCESTER PARK OVAL AT 9AM
OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN AGE 5-17YRS
SAUSAGE SIZZLE
FOR FURTHER INFO LIKE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE



FAMILY FUN & FITNESS
www.walittleathletics.com.au

