9th September 2021 Issue 27

# St Thomas More Catholic **Primary School**

### **Principal's Report**

## Pope Francis' Prayer for Catholic Mission

Heavenly Father, when your only begotten Son Jesus Christ rose from the dead, he commissioned his followers to "go and make disciples of all nations" and you remind us that through our Baptism we are made sharers in the mission of the Church.

Empower us by the gifts of the Holy Spirit to be courageous and zealous in bearing witness to the Gospel, so that the mission entrusted to the Church, which is still very far from completion, may find new and efficacious expressions that bring life and light to the world.

Help us make it possible for all peoples to experience the saving love and mercy of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen

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Absentee Number: 9758 8042





Dear Parents and Caregivers,













Thanks to all the parents who came along to our Colour Run last Friday night. It was a great afternoon, with the sun shining and lots of children having fun! A huge thank you to the P&F for organising this event and setting it up. It was also wonderful to see so many parents stay afterwards for the Sundowner. I hope all Dads and significant men in the lives of children had a great day on Sunday.

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#### **Learning Journeys**

Thank you to all those parents and family members who came along to our Learning Journey afternoon on Tuesday. It was wonderful to see so much engagement between the children and their parents, explaining the learning that has been taking place over the term. We feel it is a great opportunity for parents to see their child's work and for the children to really begin to take responsibility for their learning. I appreciate the work the teachers put into their rooms to ensure the children's work was displayed so creatively.

#### **Faction Cross Country Carnival**

Tomorrow, our Year 3 - 6 students will be participating in our Faction Cross Country carnival. The children have been practising for this and we look forward to seeing them in action. The event kicks off at 1:20pm with our Year 6 Boys event and should conclude by about 2:45pm. We invite parents and friends to come along and cheer the students on in this carnival. The top 5 students from each event will then go on to represent our school at the Interschool Carnival on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September.

#### **Family Mass**

This Sunday, 12th September, there will be a Family Mass held at St Thomas More church. We invite all families to come along and celebrate the Eucharist together as one Christian family. Students receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist will also be making their commitment at this Mass. The children will be doing the readings and be more fully participating in the Mass. The celebration will commence at 10:00am. We hope to see you come along!

#### **National Child Protection Week**

This week is National Child Protection Week. We all have a role to play in protecting children from harm. This year's theme is **Every child**, **in every community**, **needs a fair go**. Under this year's theme, Australians are asked to treat all of Australia's children fairly and to make sure every family and community has what kids need to thrive and be healthy. There are little things we do every day that can help to create safer environments for children. For instance:

- Be kind to children and parents
- Respect young people
- Be a good role model around children
- Get involved in your local community
- Look out for signs of abuse or neglect; if you suspect something is wrong talk to an expert
- Always take reports of abuse seriously
- Avoid blame and don't judge; instead, ask yourself what you can do to help
- Listen to the needs of children and spend time with them

#### **P&F Meeting**

The P&F will be meeting on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 6:00pm in the School Library. We invite all parents to come along and join in with this amazing group of parents as they continue to plan to support our school into the future. With our Spring Fair fast approaching, it would be great to see lots of parents come along and support our school. We also ask parents to please think about bringing in donations that can be used as Raffle prizes, wine and Surprise Jars. These donations can be left at the front office.

#### **QCE Awards**

Our school has been nominated to receive a Quality Catholic Education award for the work we have done in supporting student wellbeing. You can vote for our school to win this award by visiting <a href="https://awards.cewa.edu.au/nomination/tommy-more-wellness-week/">https://awards.cewa.edu.au/nomination/tommy-more-wellness-week/</a>. The **People's Choice Award** is open for voting now and gives CEWA school communities the opportunity to have their say in the awards. Voting for the People's Choice award will close on Sunday, 12 September. I encourage all families to vote in these awards for our school.

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#### **Kindy Enrolments**

A reminder to families that we are currently taking Kindy enrolments for next year and places are beginning to fill up. If you, or someone you know would like an enrolment package, please visit our website or pop into the office.

#### **Sacrament of Eucharist**

Students from our school will be receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist for the very first time. The celebration for this Sacrament will take place in the Church on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 10:00am. We invite all families to come along and witness this special time in the children's lives. We pray that they may grow in their love and appreciation for Mass and for Jesus' presence with us in the Blessed Sacrament.

I wish all families a wonderful week ahead.

Peace and best wishes,

## RUSSELL WYLIE PRINCIPAL

#### **Parish Masses**

#### St Thomas More Catholic Church - Margaret River

- Saturday 6.00pm
- Sunday 10.00am

#### Lumen Christi Catholic Church - Augusta

Sunday - 8.00am



# Congratulations!

#### **School Merit Award Winners**

Term 3

Week 7



Pre-Primary Jake Drysdale

Year 1 Zorawar Arora

Year 3 Maurice Samantila

Year 4 Phoebe Hickman

Dominic Brawls

Year 6 Carla Fox

#### Friday 10th September

8.45am Merit Assembly/Socktober Liturgy

9.15am Socktober Event (Oval)1.20pm Cross Country Carnival

#### Sunday 12th September

10.00am Commitment Mass for the Sacrament of Eucharist

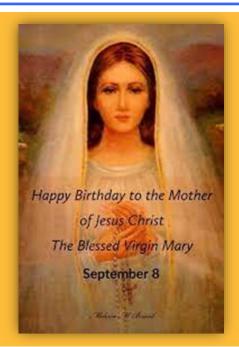
#### **Tuesday 14th September**

5.00pm Year 2 Parent iPad Meeting

6.00pm P&F Meeting



#### **Thought of the Week**



#### **Assistant Principal News**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This term we are focusing on the value of **RESPECT**.

We started this term with a discussion at our whole school assembly about our value of Respect. We thought about what respect looks like in the classroom, on the playground, at home and in the community. Next week we will be launching our 'Values Ambassadors', where one or two children from each class will be nominated for showing our value of respect within the school. These children will be celebrated during our Week 9 and Week 10 assemblies and will also receive a RESPECT badge to wear.

#### Catholic Mission - Socktober

Thank you to the families who have supported our school fundraising focus this term and signed up their child's account for Socktober. Tomorrow, our school will be participating in the Socktober Soccer Shootout Competition, raising awareness and much needed funds for Catholic Mission.

Students have made a class soccer ball out of socks and scrap materials to highlight those children in developing countries sometimes do not have access to the kinds of soccer balls we have in Australia.



#### Sacrament of Eucharist

The following students will be receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist next **Sunday 19 September at 10.00am**, Dominic Brawls, Tom Miller, Elaiza Montalban, Alex Nganga, West O'Brien, Joshua Wynd and Hayden Wynd. The Commitment Mass will be held this **Sunday 12 September** at 10.00am. Please keep these children in your prayers.

#### Family Mass

This 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. We look forward to seeing you then.

Wishing you all a wonderful week ahead.

Peace and best wishes,

MRS NICOLLE ACHMAD ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

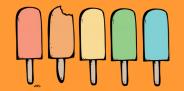
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#### UNIFORM SHOP OPEN HOURS - MONDAYS FROM 1.30 - 3.00PM



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 connected 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.

# **VacSwim** enrolments now open!



#### VacSwim

Enrolments are now open for VacSwim Swimming Lessons during the

October and Summer school holidays. VacSwim offers fun lessons at the 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

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# Join Margaret River's first Junior female cricket team!

Margaret River Hawks CC is at the forefront of diversity and inclusion and in 2021 are developing a girls cricket squad. The club is seeking girls aged 10-14 years old who love cricket and want to learn about the sport in a supportive environment surrounded by trained developmental coaches and players.

Contact The Margaret River Hawks on Facebook for Registration details!

JOIN US ON TUESDAY
THE 14<sup>TH</sup> OF SEPTEMBER
AT MARGARET RIVER
PRIMARY SCHOOL
BETWEEN 3,30-4,45







# **IMPORTANT**

Please note that there will be <a href="MO">MO</a> School Canteen Lunch Orders on Friday September 24.



Government of Western Australia North Metropolitan Health Service Dental Health Services

#### **Dental Screening**

Dental screening of all Pre-Primaries, Years 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 students will be carried out by the Area Dental Officer and her staff on Thursday the 4th of November at the school. This is a very simple check of the growth and development of the jaws and identifies urgent cases. This is only for children enrolled with our service. If you have any queries please email <a href="mailto:Rapidslandingdtc@health.wa.gov.au">Rapidslandingdtc@health.wa.gov.au</a> or call 9757 8211 between 8.00am and 4.00pm Monday to Friday.

#### **Rapids Landing DTC Dental Health Services**

C/- Rapids Landing Primary School, 42 Tonkin Boulevard, MARGARET RIVER 6280

T: 9757 8211 E: Rapidslandingdtc@health.wa.gov.au W: www.nmhs.health.wa.gov.au

Our Vision: Excellence in health care for our community





# 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 stall Plan, organise and arrange food and drinks

Volunteer on the day, maybe and 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 <u>LOTS</u> 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!



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CRICKET
CAPTURE THE FLAG

VOLLEYBALL DODGEBALL GLADIATORS JAIL BREAK BASKETBALL HEAD CATCH AFL

and many more!

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



## MARGARET RIVER TENNIS ACADEMY

Coaches: Pablo Gomez & Laura Roy Email: mrtennisacademy@gmail.com Contact number: 0478773520 Website: www.mrtc.org.au

We run the coaching program at the Margaret River and Cowaramup Tennis Club. Our goal is to bring tennis to people of all ages and levels. We aim to help people improve their skills and gain confidence on the court in a fun environment. For the younger children we use special modified equipment with smaller racquets and low compression balls to help them improve.

#### **HOLIDAY CLINICS**

1st Week : Tue 28/09 - Wed 29/09 - Thur 30/09 2nd Week : Tue 05/10 - Wed 06/10 - Thur 07/10

A fun way to enjoy the School Holidays learning how to play tennis and meeting new friends. No experience is needed to join in. We teach the basic skills of tennis and play fun games. Its for children from 6+ year old and runs from 9am till 12 noon.

COST: 1 DAY - \$30 or 3 DAYS - \$80

#### AFTER SCHOOL LESSONS

Term 4 - 2021 - From 18th of Oct till 11th of Dec - 8weeks							
MARGARET RIVER & COWARAMUP TENNIS CLUB							
Class	Days	Age	Times	Cost per Term			
Mini Tennis	Monday	3-5 year old	3.45pm-4.15pm	\$80 per Term			
Red Ball	Wed or Thur Tue - Cowaramup	5-7 year old	3.45pm-4.30pm	\$128 per Term			
Orange Ball	Wed or Thur Tue - Cowaramup	7-9 year old	3.45pm-4.30pm	\$128 per Term			
Green Ball	Wed or Thur Tue - Cowaramup	9-11 year old	4.30pm-5.30pm	\$139 per Term			
High School	Thur Tue - Cowaramup	+12 year old	5.30pm-6.30pm 4.30pm-5.30pm	\$139 per Term			
Orange/Green Squad	Thur	+7 year old	4.30pm-5.30pm	\$139 per Term			
Yellow Squad	Wed	+10 year old	4.30pm-6.00pm	\$160 per Term			
Saturday Junior League	Sat	+6 year old	9am-11.30am	\$5 mem/\$10 non-mer			

We offer a FREE trial lesson in a group for all new players in the After School Lessons (excluding MiniTennis)

#### PAYMENT:

- •We will send an invoice with payment details in week 2.
- To enrol or more info visit www.mrtc.org.au or send an email to mrtennisacademy@gmail.com

For families we offer 10% discount for second child and 50% discount for third child, on group After School Program.

We accept Kidsport Vouchers

#### ADULT COACHING

Term 4 - 2021 - From 18th of Oct till 11th of Dec - 8weeks							
	MARGARET RIVER TENNIS CLUB						
Class	Description	Days	Times	Price			
Fit Tennis	A fun way to be back at tennis or practice some drills. This class is for all levels. No need experience. Tennis drills and games done to music designed to improve your tennis and make you sweat	Wednesdays Saturdays	5.45pm - 6.45pm 8am - 9am	\$15			
Lady's Squad	Match training with different drills to improve your tennis and get a good work out	Mondays	5.30pm - 7pm	\$20			
Men's Squad	Match training with different drills to improve your tennis and get a good work out	Fridays	5.30pm - 7pm	\$20			
COWARAMUP TENNIS CLUB							
Fit Tennis	A fun way to be back at tennis or practice some drills. This class is for all levels. No need experience. Tennis drills and games done to music designed to improve your tennis and make you sweat	Tuesdays	5.45pm - 6.45pm	\$15			

NOTE: You need to book in for the adult classes, but you don't need to commit every week.

#### PRIVATE LESSONS

1 Hour - \$70 30 min - \$35

#### SPONSOR

We use Tecnifibre equipment for all the coaching and also we sell the equipment like racquets (juniors and adults), tennis balls, grips, dumpers and stringing racquets at the shop at the Margaret River Tennis Club. Also we have demo racquets to try,



To enrol or more info visit www.mrtc.org.au or send an email to mrtennisacademy@gmail.com