

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



Principal's Report

Prayer for those preparing to receive their First Holy Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time on Sunday. May this day be the step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist. Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship. Thank you for their innocence and goodness. May their hands, extended in anticipation of your body and blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred Sacrament. Amen.



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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Year 5 Camp



The Year 5 students spent the past three days on their school camp to Busselton. During this time, they were able to further develop their leadership skills, enjoy new experiences and discover more about one another. A huge thank you to Mrs Shoppee and Mrs Achmad for attending the camp and to Mr Jon Miller for driving the bus and helping on camp. There were some very tired children when they got off the bus yesterday!

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Sacrament of Eucharist

This Sunday 13 of our Year 4 students will be receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist for the very first time. This is a very exciting time in the lives of these children as they get to experience the gift Jesus gave us fully and take another step closer in their relationship with God. The Sacrament will be celebrated in the St Thomas More Church at 10:00am Sunday 18th September. We invite all families to come along and give witness to these children during this very special moment.

Faction Cross Country Carnival



Last Friday, our Year 3 to 6 students took part in our Faction Cross Country carnival. This is a tough event for our students, with them running over a kilometre in each event. It is a race that requires the students to show determination, resilience, strength of mind and perseverance. I was extremely impressed with the way the competitors demonstrated this and were able to finish the race.

Congratulations to our year level winners – **Brodie John** and **Edie Davey** from Year 6, **Tom Miller** and **Neve Fox** from Year 5, **Arki Innes** and **Grace Price** from Year 4 and **Will Stewart** and **Estela Robins** from Year 3. Overall, **Richardson** were the winning faction. Well done to everyone who earned points for their faction! A special congratulations to Fr Mat who competed in about 4 of the races...he ran about 7km!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents that helped out in some way during the carnival – whether it be scoring, helping on the course or just cheering on the students. Without your help, events like these can't take place. Many thanks also to Mr Cameron McRae for all his hard work behind the scenes.

We wish 40 of our Year 3-6 students all the very best tomorrow, as they compete in the Interschool Cross Country carnival, held at Gloucester Park. Competing against 8 other schools, the Tommy More students have traditionally done well, so we hope all the training pays off. Good luck!

Uniform

Thank you to those parents who continue to send their child in the correct school uniform each day. It certainly allows the children to feel a part of something in a respectful way, being able to have pride in the way St Thomas More is represented. Please try to ensure your child does wear the correct shoes to school each day, only one pair of earrings, long hair tied up (hair that is longer than the collar for both boys and girls) and the correct school jumper, rather than a sports jacket or a raincoat with the Winter uniform. As we move into Term 4, students are required to wear the Summer uniform, so parents may want to start thinking about organising this before the end of term. Order forms are available on our Website or from the office. The Uniform Shop is open on a Monday afternoon from 1.30 to 3.00pm.

Public Holiday

A reminder that the school will be closed next Thursday for the National Day of Mourning public holiday. The students' last day of Term 3 will be Friday 23rd September.

I invite all families to come along to the Pre-Primary assembly tomorrow morning, starting at 8:45am. I am sure it will be spectacular!

I wish all families a wonderful week ahead.

Peace and best wishes,

RUSSELL WYLIE

PRINCIPAL

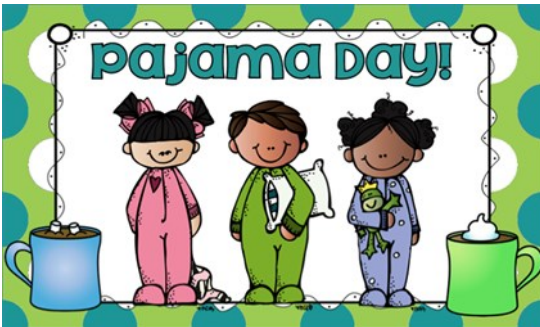
Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre

We will be opened on the 27th and 29th of September in the first week of holidays.
On the 2nd week we will be open on the 3rd, 4th and 5th of October.
On the other days when we are closed, our emergency contact between 8.00am and 4.00pm is 9754 4460.
This will reflect on our answering machine and the Dental Health Services website.



Assistant Principal News

CATHOLIC MISSION



This term, our focus is to raise money and awareness of Catholic Mission. Catholic Mission responds to the call to love God and to love our neighbour by providing support to critical initiatives in Africa, Asia, Oceania and South America as well as remote places within Australia. Next Wednesday, September 21 we are asking students to come to school in their pyjamas and bring a gold coin donation for Catholic Mission.

THE SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST

We are looking forward to celebrating with our students this Sunday as they receive the Eucharist for the first time. Congratulations to: Toby Bautista, Mikah Bien, Marine Enya Dupuy, Diandre Langridge, Billy-Jack Lawrance, Ava Paterson, Grace Price, John Maurice Samantila, Xanthia Schumann, James Tannock, Ila Yee Wilson, Natalie Wolf and Abbey Woodhouse. We pray that it will be the beginning of a new sharing in the life of Christ for each of you and your families. We praise and thank God for the special gift of the Eucharist which was first shared with the disciples at the Last Supper.



YEAR FIVE CLASS LITURGY

Our Year Five students are celebrating the Word of the Lord with a Class Liturgy next Wednesday 21 September at 1.30pm in the Library. All parents and friends are welcome to attend.

Have a wonderful week ahead.

NICOLLE ACHMAD
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

A promotional graphic for QuickCliq. It features the QuickCliq logo (a stylized 'QC' in blue and purple) and the text 'QuickCliq' in blue. Below the logo is a photo of a woman and a child looking at a tablet. The text reads: 'Clever, Cashless, Convenient. Online ordering for school lunches. Sign up for free today! www.quickcliq.com.au'

A reminder that **LUNCH ORDERS**
 are available

for students each **THURSDAY**

The menu is affordable
 and has many healthy options.

Menu items can be ordered
 via the QuickCliq website app

quickcliq.com.au

Thought of the Week



Congratulations!

School Merit Award Winners

Term 3
Week 8



Pre-Primary	Louis Guise
Year 2	Byron Mountford
Year 3	Kitson Bucat
Year 4	Toby Bautista
Year 5	West O'Brien
Year 6	Kingston Nguyen



Friday 16th September

8.45am Pre-Primary Assembly
10.00am Interschool Cross country Carnival

Sunday 18th September

10.00am Sacrament of Eucharist

Wednesday 21st September

Pyjama Day

Thursday 22nd September

Public Holiday - National Day of Mourning

Friday 23rd September

8.45am Merit Assembly

Last Day of Term 3

Monday 10th October

First Day of Term 4

Important Dates

STMCPs Cross Country

Our Faction Cross Country event has been run and won! A massive thankyou to all competitors for their amazing effort. I would also like to particularly thank all the parent volunteers who gave up their time to help with marshalling and scoring. Well done to Richardson for winning the event and More on being very close runners-up.

Congratulations also to the following winners and runners-up for each event:

Year 6 Boys:

Champion: Brodie John

Runner-Up: Nate Poulsen



Year 6 Girls:

Champion: Edith Davy

Runner-Up: Ava Innes

Year 5 Boys:

Champion: Tom Miller

Runner-Up: Max Cooke



Year 5 Girls:

Champion: Neve Fox

Runner-Up: Rhianna Montalban

Year 4 Boys:

Champion: Arki Innes

Runner-Up: Jesse Kucan



Year 4 Girls:

Champion: Grace Price

Runner-Up: Xanthia Schumann

Year 3 Boys:

Champion: Will Stewart

Runner-Up: Alby Cooke

Year 3 Girls:

Champion: Estela Robins

Runner-Up: Tia La Fontaine

Tomorrow, we will be taking our school Cross- Country team to compete in an inter-school event. Good luck to all involved!

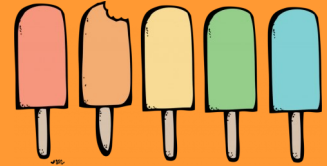
UNIFORM SHOP OPEN HOURS - MONDAYS FROM 1.30 - 3.00PM



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 website!

There is an easy online form that can be completed and it is directly emailed to the school. Too easy!

Visit our website <https://stmcps.wa.edu.au/> and go to the Communication tab to select Online Absentee.

Parish Masses

St Thomas More Catholic Church - Margaret River

- Saturday - 6.00pm
- Sunday - 10.00am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church - Augusta

- Sunday - 8.00am



Please like the St Thomas More Catholic Parish's Facebook page.

VacSwim
enrolments
now open!



Enrolments are now open for VacSwim Swimming Lessons during the 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

MANGO BOXES



The amazing Jabiru mangoes from Kununarra are now available for order! These 10Kg boxes don't last long, so get your orders in now, before they sell out (or before October 20).

Each box costs \$45 dollars and can be collected from St Thomas More Primary School when they are delivered in November.

\$10 from every box sold goes towards the school P&F projects.

Order via this link:

<https://form.jotform.com/220677367923869>

FREE \$150 KIDS SURFING LESSONS!

Margaret River Surfing Academy - info@mrsurf.com.au, are very excited to announce our participation in Kidsport. Kidsport is a government grant for families to participate in sporting club coaching. We are now registered with them. To get involved it's simple. Apply to Kidsport, choose our club for coaching and they will give you \$150 to spend on surf coaching. Children must be aged between 7-18 years. This is amazing for Western Australian families and we are thrilled to be involved. Contact Kidsport now and we look forward to seeing you in the water.

Follow the link below for applications:

<https://kidsport.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/kidsport/apply-for-kidsport-2019-1/>



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