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The Vine



Principal's Report

Knowing God's care for us, let us pray for the needs of the world.

For strength to do what God asks of us:

Gracious God, hear our prayer.

For patience with ourselves when we fall:

Gracious God, hear our prayer.

For clear vision to see the right path:

Gracious God, hear our prayer.

For hearts full of love to serve God in other:

Gracious God, hear our prayer.

For the prayers in our hearts today:

We pray as one. Gracious God, hear our prayer.

Amen



Dear Parents and Caregivers,



Sacrament of Reconciliation

Congratulations to the students from Year 3 who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday night. It was wonderful to see the way the students turned back to God and thought about the times they hadn't made good choices and how they could change their lives. Thank you to Mrs Rowe for her work in the careful preparation of the students and assistance in organising the Sacrament. Also, a big thank you to Father Mat for his work in organising the celebration. Congratulations to:

Quinn Brett
Francis Guise
Aria Williams

Dominic Comrie
Margaux Lewis
Peter Wolf

Nathaniel Conder
Roxanne Schumann
Benjamin Wynd

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Faction Athletics Carnival

Next Tuesday, we will be having our Faction Athletics Carnival. All children from Pre-Primary to Year 6 will be participating in some running events and team games and our Kindy students will come out for their running race at the start of the day. The Year 3 and 5 students have competed in the Jumps and Throws event as part of their Physical Education lessons. The junior primary students will participate in their carnival from 9:00am – 10:40am and the senior students will participate in their carnival from 11:00am. More details about this can be found later in the newsletter. Students were sent home with a Sausage Sizzle order form yesterday – this needs to be returned with money tomorrow. We look forward to seeing lots of parents coming along to cheer on their children. A special thank you to Mr McRae for all his work in organising this event.

The Interschool Athletics carnival will be held over two days – Monday 3rd April in Augusta for the Jumps and Throws and then Wednesday 5th April at St Thomas More for the running events and team games. Both events will commence at 10:00am.

Harmony Day



This week the children have been learning about the diversity of cultures and the successful integration of migrants into our community. We invite the students to dress in traditional dress or wear orange tomorrow to celebrate.



Easter Raffle

The Year One class is holding an Easter raffle. All students are asked to bring in an Easter Egg, which can be left at the Office or given to your classroom teacher. Raffle tickets for this will be sold shortly.

Congratulations

It is with great excitement that I would like to let you know that Mrs Brittney Becker is pregnant with her second child. As a result, Mrs Becker will be finishing up with us at the end of Term 2. I am sure you will join with me in congratulating Brittney and her husband Gordon on this wonderful news.

I wish all families a wonderful week ahead.

Peace and best wishes,

RUSSELL WYLIE
PRINCIPAL

School Canteen



School Canteen is on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**.
Orders can be placed online through the QuickCliqu website.
The menu is also available through this site.

Assistant Principal News

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Project Compassion 2023



This week through Project Compassion we learn about Thu, who lives in Vietnam.

Thu lost his leg after stepping on a land mine in Vietnam. In addition to being the breadwinner for his family, Thu had to take on the role of caring for his wife, Linh, after she suffered a stroke.

Determined to turn their lives around, Thu and Linh joined the Empowerment of People with Disabilities program, run by Caritas Australia's local partner in Vietnam, the Centre for Sustainable Rural Development (SRD).

The Empowerment of People with Disabilities program supports people living with disabilities to establish Village Saving and Loans Associations (VSLA) so that they can access affordable loans. Through the VSLA he was able to obtain a low-interest loan, which he used to open his own barber shop on a new road that was constructed near his home.

First Reconciliation

Congratulations to the following Year 3 students who participated in the Sacrament of First Reconciliation on Tuesday evening.

Quinn Brett
Dominic Comrie
Nathaniel Conder
Francis Guise
Margaux Lewis
Roxanna Schumann
Aria Williams
Peter Wolf
Benjamin Wynd

Thankyou to Mrs Marian Rowe for all her efforts in helping prepare the students for the Sacrament and to Father Mat for his time given and wonderful message he shared during his homily.

Upcoming Events

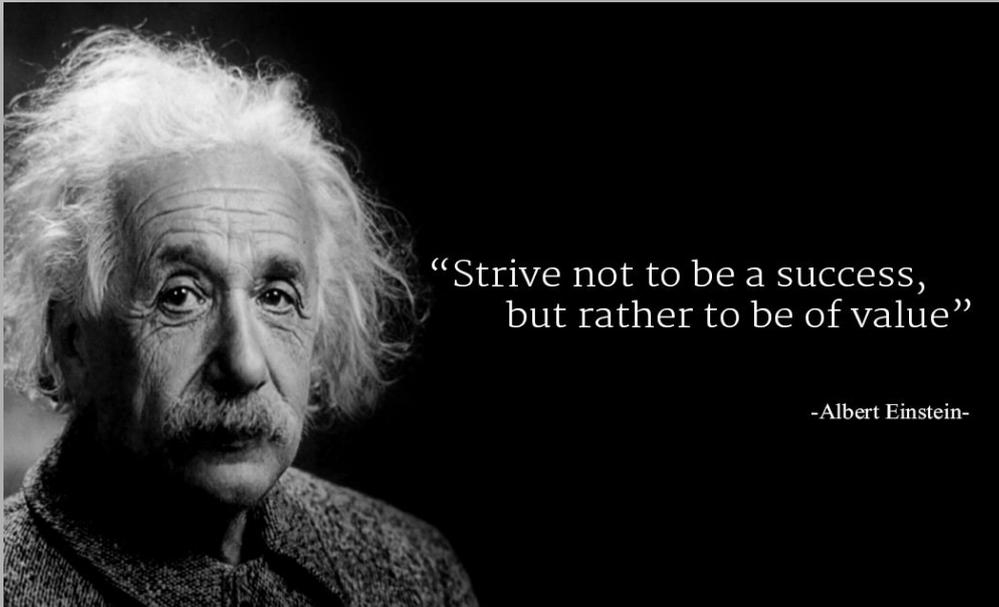
In the last week of school, students will be involved in the following:

- **Stations of the Cross (led by Year 6)** - Tuesday 4th April
- **Holy Thursday Mass (led by Year 5)** - Thursday 6th April

Peace and best wishes

MR CAMERON MCRAE
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Thought of the Week



Congratulations!

School Merit Award Winners

Term 1

Week 7

Pre-Primary	Rose McGowan Reese Noakes
Year 1	George Walsh Knox Shepherd
Year 2	Jonny Balabanian
Year 3	Cecilia Byrne Peter Wolf
Year 4	Alby Cooke
Year 5	Billy-Jack Lawrance
Year 6	Isla Shaw



Friday 24th March
8.45am Merit Assembly

Tuesday 28th March
Faction Sports Carnival

Thursday 30th March
Clubs - Week 3

Friday 31st March
8.45am Year 4 Assembly

Monday 3rd April
Interschool Jumps, Throws and 400m

Wednesday 5th April
Interschool Sports Carnival

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



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

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE	Date	Augusta	Margaret River
Palm Sunday - Vigil Sunday	1st April		6.00pm
Palm Sunday	2nd April	8.00am	10.00am
Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper	6th April	5.00pm	7.00pm
Good Friday Stations of the Cross	7th April	10.00am	3.30pm
Good Friday Our Lord's Passion	7th April	2.00pm	4.00pm
Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil	8th April	5.00pm	7.30pm
Easter Sunday Mass	9th April	8.00am	10.00am and 6.00pm
Easter Sunday Mass at Leeuwin Estate 12.00noon			

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.

St Thomas More Faction Athletics Carnival – Tuesday 28th March

We have been practising all our events for next Tuesday's Faction Athletics Carnival and looking forward to a great day! Could all students please remember to wear their faction shirt.

Throws and Jumps have been conducted in class PE sessions and ribbons for these events will be presented prior to our carnival.

Details of Tuesday's carnival day are below.

This year our Athletics Carnival will be divided into two sections.

All times mentioned are approximate only.

Junior Carnival: (9.00 -10.40am)

Kindy, Pre-Primary, Year 1 and Year 2
(Kindy will only do one event then return to class)

9.00am

Sprints: (Kindy, Pre-Primary, Year 1 and Year 2)

5-10 minute rest/drink while activities are set up.

9.30am

Rotations (Pre-Primary, Year 1 and Year 2)

These will be assisted by Year 6 students and students from MRSHS

- Flag Relay
- Bouncy Race
- Egg and Spoon
- Teddy Relay



10.30am

Wrap up and thankyou's.

Senior Carnival: Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (From 11.00am)

Order of events:

- 400m (optional event)
- Flag Relay
- Sprints
- Ball Games
- Baton Relays



All students will be involved in a sprint event, flag relay and **at least** one ball game.

There will be a short break for lunch when the Sausage Sizzle is ready (approx. 12.30pm)

Presentation

At the conclusion of all events, all students (Years 1 - 6) are asked to be part of the presentation of:

- Age champions (Junior, Intermediate and Senior)
- Faction Meritorious Award
- Faction Champion Team

Thankyou, to parents who have volunteered to help on the day. I will be getting in touch with you with further information prior to the carnival.

Cameron McRae (PE Teacher)



Relief Education Assistants

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School is looking for Education Assistants to join us for relief work.

Please contact Mrs Courtney Pisano for further information
courtney.george@cewa.edu.au
9757 3544



Government of Western Australia North Metropolitan Health Service Dental Health Services

Rapids Landing DTC is closed from Friday the 7th of April and will re-open on Monday the 17th of April
In the event of an emergency from the 12th to 14th of April between 8.00am and 4.00pm you may call 0409 935 793

After hours emergencies please call: 1800 098 818

Alternatively please contact your local dentist and if you receive the Child Dental Benefit Schedule ensure you use this as all our local dentists in Margaret River accept this.

If it is not an emergency you may email us at: rapidslandingdtc@dental.health.wa.gov.au

And we will respond once we re-open.

Remember to be brushing 2x daily with fluoride toothpaste and floss daily.

Spit DON'T rinse

Keep sugars and snacks to a minimum and drink lots of water.

Have a great Easter Break

THE DENTAL TEAM

**Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre | South 6 -Busselton/ Margaret River
Dental Health Services**

Mental Health, Public Health and Dental Services

Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre/ 42 Tonkin Blvd, Margaret River WA 6285

T: (08) 9757 8211

E: RapidsLandingDTC@health.wa.gov.au

nmhs.health.wa.gov.au



We acknowledge the Noongar people as the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we work, and pay respect to their elders both past and present. North Metropolitan Health Service recognises, respects and values Aboriginal cultures as we walk a new path together.

MULTI-SPORTS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB 2023

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PS

TERM 2 | WEEKS 2 - 9

WHEN?

Thursdays

3.00 pm - 4.00pm

WHERE?

Undercover Area

Sports can include:

AFL, Basketball,
capture the flag, cricket,
dodgeball, gladiators,
head catch, kingball,
netball, soccer, tennis,
Volleyball



IS YOUR CHILD IN YEAR 1 - 6?

**Sign them up for an after school club!
NOW \$80 per term**

PLEASE NOTE: There are limited spaces available, book ahead to secure your spot.



SECURE A SPOT

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 0467 180 535
 bookings@mbasportscoaching.com



MARGARET RIVER HOCKEY



**REGISTRATIONS OPEN
YEAR LEVEL TEAMS**

3-5, 6-8, 9-12

**Great fun, proud history,
family friendly club**

Find all the details

www.margaretriverhockey.org.au

Or call 0439 311 063



IGNITE A PASSION FOR THE GAME!

Margaret River Auskick Centre

Nippers Oval every Friday 4-5pm

First Session 28th April 2023

Click link below to register or for more information
email: auskick@mrjfc.com.au

play.afl/auskick

NAB AFL Auskick is one of the best, first experiences kids will have learning Australian Football.

In weekly sessions, Auskickers and their families will run, jump, kick, laugh and create their own special moments playing footy.

No matter their skill level, ability or knowledge of the game, Auskick is for everyone!

Registration is this simple!

- 1 **WWW.**
Visit play.afl
- 2
Select "Where to play"
- 3
Enter your suburb
- 4 **REGISTER**
Find your local club and register!

play.afl/auskick

Online REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

FOOTBALL MARGARET RIVER

2023 Soccer Registrations
Register online www.playfootball.com.au/register
Enquiries registrar.fmr.6285@gmail.com

2023 Junior Fees
Miniroos - \$175
FIFA - \$225
Registrations close 10 March

EAT SLEEP SOCCER REPEAT

Is your child eligible for up to \$150 towards club fees?
Find out and apply online www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/kidsport

www.footballmargaretriver.org

VOLUNTEER NOW TO BECOME PART OF OUR AWESOME CLUB

MRJFC still need coaches for all grades:
U9, U11, U13

Register on CoachAFL or email the club today!
<https://www.play.afl/coach>

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!
Become a Hawk in 2023

Click on the PlayHQ link below or scan the QR code to register
Registrations close 5th April

PlayHQ

<https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/a55d8a>

- Grading 22/03 & 29/03
- Team Training 05/04
- First Game 29/04

Email: mrjuniorfootball@gmail.com
Follow us on Facebook for more Information

ALL GIRLS AFL REGISTRATIONS



ALL GIRLS TEAMS



GO HAWKS! AMRJFC 2023

<https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/1be>

\$230. INCLUDES PLAYERS POLO SHIRT
ALL GIRL TEAMS Y6/Y7, Y8/Y9 & YOUTH GIRLS Y10-Y12
AUGUSTA MARGARET RIVER JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB
EMAIL ENQUIRES AMRJUNIORFOOTY@GMAIL.COM



Lil' Miss MRCA

...another awesome community initiative from
MARGARET RIVER OFF ROAD CYCLING ASSOCIATION

A MENTORING AND COACHING GROUP TO ENCOURAGE
YOUNG GIRLS INTO MOUNTAIN BIKING

REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW

THURSDAYS 4-5PM | GIRLS AGED 7-16 | \$50 PER TERM
For more information head to www.mrorca.org.au



See what we've been up to!



Contact us through messenger!

