27th April 2023

**Issue 11** 

# St Thomas More Catholic Primary School

# ST THOMAS MORE

### **Principal's Report**

Gracious and loving God, the cross of Christ is the sign of your desire for justice and peace for all.

Open our minds to your vision as we remember all who suffered through Australia and New Zealand's involvement in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

Grant all servicepersons who sacrificed health and life for the good of all, the gift of your deep peace.

May we who inherit the freedom for which they fought become instruments of your peace in our homes, workplaces and world.

We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

[Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle]



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Absentee Number: 9758 8042



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term Two! I hope all families had a wonderful Easter period and were able to spend some time together and reflect on the true meaning of Easter and then enjoying the holidays also. It was really wonderful to see the children arrive at school yesterday morning with smiles on their faces and lots of stories to share. We welcome a new family to our school – the Mercer family (Aylah in Year 4 and Zai in Year 2). I am sure our Tommy More community will make them feel very welcome.





#### **ANZAC Day Reflection**

Our Year 2 class led the school in an ANZAC Day reflection yesterday morning. They did a terrific job in helping us reflect on the significance of this day and the sacrifices many men and women made to fight for the rights of our country, but also protecting those in others.



It was unfortunate the ANZAC Day parade was cancelled on Tuesday, however, a wreath was still laid at Memorial Park on behalf of our school.



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#### Staffing

I would like to welcome Mrs Mariluz Saenz Casado who has joined our staff as a Teacher Assistant in the Pre-Primary class.

#### **Winter Uniforms**

A reminder to families that we have moved to wearing the Winter uniform as of this term. It has been fantastic to see so many students presented over the past couple of days in the correct uniform. By the start of Week 3, it is expected that all children will be wearing the correct Winter uniform. I would like to remind families that sports jackets should not be worn with the Winter uniform and to please ensure the correct shoes and socks are worn. Students who present in the incorrect uniform will be sent home with Uniform Infringement notices. The Uniform Shop is open on Mondays from 1:30pm to 3.00pm.

#### **Kindy Enrolments For 2024**

I am currently taking enrolments for Kindy for 2024. Places are beginning to fill and as we are limited in places, I would hate to have families miss out. If you, or someone you know, has a child who will turn 4 by 30 June 2024, please either contact the office for an enrolment form or visit our website to download the forms and return them to the school.

I wish all families a wonderful week ahead.

Peace and best wishes.

## RUSSELL WYLIE PRINCIPAL

#### **Parish Masses**

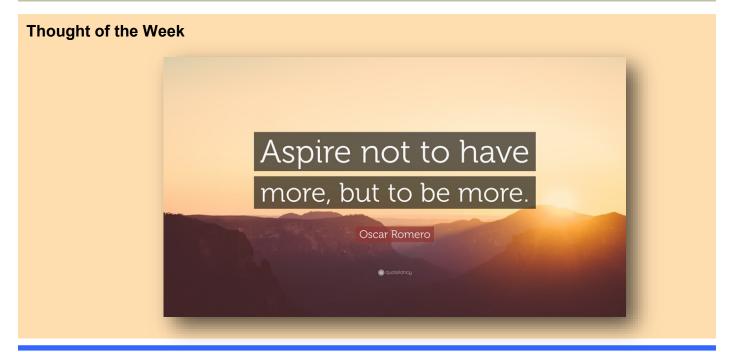
St Thomas More Catholic Church - Margaret River

- Saturday 6.00pm
- Sunday 10.00am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church - Augusta

Sunday - 8.00am





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#### **Assistant Principal News**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We have had a wonderful start back to the term at St Thomas More Catholic Primary School.

#### **ANZAC Day Service**

Our Year 2 students led our school in a beautiful ANZAC Service yesterday. Students read thoughtful prayers and shared the Ode of Remembrance. Thank you Mrs Jane Wolf for preparing the students so well.



#### **Sacraments**

Year 6 students will have the opportunity to participate in the Sacrament of Confirmation this term. Parent workshops and a retreat day will be held later in the term. We will provide further information in the coming weeks.

#### Seesaw

I would like to remind all families to engage with their child's learning journey through the Seesaw app. If you do not have access to your child's Seesaw profile, please get in contact with your child's teacher.

Peace and best wishes,

MRS COURTNEY PISANO ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Friday 28th April

8.45am Merit Assembly

**Monday 1st May** 

5.30pm School Advisory Council Meeting

Friday 5th May

8.45am Merit Assembly

Monday 8th May

Book Club Orders Due

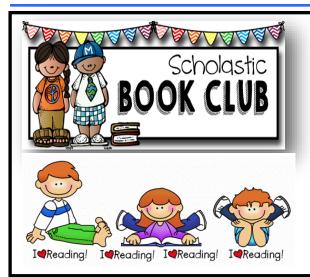
**Tuesday 9th May** 

5.30pm P&F Meeting

Wednesday 17th May

School Photos





**Issue 3** of Book Club was sent home today! Your orders and payments need to be returned to the school no later than **Monday May 8**.

You can pay by either Cash or Cheque or you can use Credit Card through the LOOP online system.

Orders received after this date will **NOT** be processed. If you are paying by cheque please make all cheques payable to <u>Scholastic Australia</u>.

The next Issue of Book Club will be Issue 6 in Term 3.

Thanking you for your co-operation.
Rita Willmott
Book Club Organiser

#### **School Canteen**



School Canteen is on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Orders can be placed online through the QuickCliq website.

The menu is also available through this site.

#### 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 <a href="https://stmcps.wa.edu.au/">https://stmcps.wa.edu.au/</a> and go to the Communication tab to select Online Absentee.

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## St Thomas More Catholic Primary School

Photo Date: Wednesday 17th of May 2023

#### School photo day is fast approaching, make sure you place your order.

1. Visit www.msp.com.au



Select the "Download Portrait or Order Online" portal



Use your child's unique shootkey

Wednesday 24th of May A Late/processing fee will apply for orders received after 2023



#### Margaret River Senior High School - 'Two Weeks with the Queen - The Play'

A large group of Margaret River Senior High School students are working hard to prepare the school production 'Two Weeks with the Queen. The Play' (written by Mary Morris. Adapted from the best-selling novel by Morris Gleitzman). This play will be staged in the Studio Theatre at the Margaret River HEART on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th of May at 7.00pm and will finish at approximately 9.15pm. It will showcase the talents of 42 dancers, actors and musicians from all years in the school.

This production is set in 1985 and follows 12-year-old Colin as he travels from his small, Australian country town all the way to London. Colin's plan is to ask Queen Elizabeth II for her best doctor so he can cure his little sister's cancer.

With parental guidance this play would appeal to students in Years 5 and 6. Being an audience member would allow students a chance to see the skills and the fun generated by the performing arts programs at the high school.

Tickets are available though the link below!

https://artsmr20.sales.ticketsearch.com/sales/salesevent/106863



# MULTI-SPORTS

# AFTER SCHOOL CLUB 2023

ST THOMAS MORE PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM 2 | WEEKS 2 - 9

WHEN? Thursdays 3.15pm- 4.15pm

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 KINDY - 6?

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

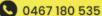


PLEASE NOTE: There are limited spaces available, book ahead to secure your spot.



#### **SECURE A SPOT**





bookings@mbasportscoaching.com





#### **MARGARET RIVER JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB**

Interested in meeting new friends?

Would you like to try a new sport?

Margaret River Junior Gropers Rugby Club could be for YOU!

**Pre-Primary to Year 7** 

Training starts: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 4:30pm Lower Western Oval (Next to BMX track) For more information, contact Abi: 0490 764 427

or Stephen: 0422 902 199



