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### St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



#### **Principal's Report**

Heavenly Father,

Your light shines brightly in your children.
You have inspired us to do good deeds in your name.
Bless this school and all who work to
make your will known in the world.

We ask this in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

#### **Peer Support**





This afternoon, our students from Year 1 to 5 formed groups to participate in the Peer Support program. Led by our wonderful Year 6 students, the children began getting to know each other and learn about how to develop friendships and how be a good friend. Peer Support sessions will run each fortnight after lunch on a Thursday.

#### **COVID**

We are continuing to experience some more cases within our school, so a reminder to parents to continue to monitor for symptoms with your child/ren and if they appear sick to please keep them home and get tested. The school has RATs available for students - so should you require some to do the daily test, please come into the office to collect them. Please be mindful that while these RATs are safe for use by children, they should only be administered under the supervision of an appropriate adult.

#### **School Photos**

Unfortunately we were unable to have our school photos taken yesterday due to the Photographer being sick. They have been rescheduled to next term – Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Photos can still be ordered online using the Shoot Key sent home earlier up until this date.

I wish all families a wonderful week ahead.

Peace and best wishes,

RUSSELL WYLIE PRINCIPAL







#### **Assistant Principal News**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for a wonderful week! We are sorry that School Photos have had to be postponed. We will keep you updated and inform you when they have been rescheduled.



#### **Author Visit**

Last Friday we were lucky enough to have a visit from an author as part of the Margaret River Readers and Writers festival. Jayden Boundary is the author of *Noongar Boodja Waangkan* a book of Noongar language first words. Nathan introduced us to some Noongar words and played some didgeridoo as well. He was very impressed with the knowledge our children have of some of the Noongar language as they have been learning it in class.

#### Mary Help of Christians Liturgy

Next Wednesday at 9.00am our Year 4 students will be leading us in our Liturgy to help celebrate Mary Help of Christians Feast Day.

#### Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated this term. Some important upcoming dates are as follows:

• Parent/Students Workshop: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May - 5.30pm

Confirmation Commitment Mass Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June - 10.00am

Confirmation Student Retreat Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June

• Sacrament of Confirmation Sunday18<sup>th</sup> of June - 10.00am

Peace and best wishes,

MRS COURTNEY PISANO MR CAMERON MCRAE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

#### School Canteen



School Canteen is available on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**.

Orders can be placed online through the QuickCliq website.

The menu is also available through this site.

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



#### **Parish Masses**

<u>St Thomas More Catholic Church</u> Margaret River

- Saturday 6.00pm
- Sunday 10.00am

<u>Lumen Christi Catholic Church</u> <u>Augusta</u>

• Sunday - 8.00am



## Congratulations!



### School Merit Award Winners

Term 2 - Week 3

Pre-Primary Harrison Dazley
Year 1 Makai Kelly
Year 2 Jake Drysdale
Year 3 Margaux Lewis
Year 5 Jesse Kucan
Year 6 Dominic Brawls
Max Cooke

Friday 19th May

8.45am Merit Assembly

**Monday 22nd May** 

5.30pm School Advisory Council Meeting

Wednesday 24th May

9.00am Mary Help of Christians Feast Day Liturgy

Friday 26th May

8.45am Year 3 Assembly



#### **School Fees**

School Fee Statements were emailed out yesterday, Wednesday May 17.

Please check your billing email address Inbox.

Thank you!



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



Please email your Order Forms through to

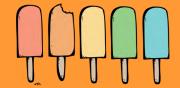
rita.willmott@cewa.edu.au

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.

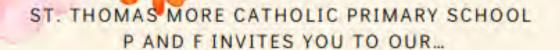
#### **Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre**



The Rapids Landing Dental Therapy Centre provides free dental treatment to children from age 5 to 17 or Year 11 (which ever comes first). We are located at Rapids Landing Primary School 42 Tonkin Boulevard, Margaret River. Our current opening hours are 8.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday. Enrolment forms for all new students have been sent through to the schools. Please return your dental enrolment form through to the school administration as soon as possible.

If you have not received an enrolment form or unsure if your child is enrolled please email: Rapidslandingdtc@health.wa.gov.au

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# Ladies Luncheon

Sunday 25th June The Scullery, Margaret River 11am til 2pm

Come and join us for a beautiful 2 course lunch, sip on some local wine and mingle with new friends and old.

Door prizes, raffle, silent auction

#### Tickets \$80 each

(\$15 from every ticket sale and all proceeds from the raffle and auction going towards a new playground for our primary school)

Tickets available to purchase on Wednesday and Friday afternoons 2:45-3:15.

We will be set up near the year 2 classroom/carline.

Limited numbers available. Get in early to avoid disappointment.

On sale until Friday 9th of June unless sold out prior

## Emotion Coaching Your Child Bunbury



Raising our children should be one of life's greatest experiences, but as every parent knows it can often be overwhelming.

Research indicates that developing the emotional competence of your child provides a 'secure' pathway to the development of Emotional Intelligence (E.Q. - believed to be a better predictor of success than Intelligence (I.Q.).

This workshop is designed to introduce you to the art of Emotion Coaching which helps parents to be supportive of their child's emotional world and to value emotional connection and intimacy.

Participants will be encouraged to learn how to:

- Help their child identify and understand their emotions
- · Soothe and guide their child through their 'difficult' emotions
- Understand the contribution of their own emotional world to their parenting
- · Communicate with their child more effectively
- Understand the different styles of parenting

When: Thursday 25th May 2023

Time: 9.30am-12pm

Where: BUNBURY FAMILY RELATIONSHIP CENTRE

Corner Molloy and Symmons Streets, Bunbury Access from Symmons Street side of the building

Cost: \$30 per person

For information about our courses and workshops please call 6164 0566 or visit www.relationshipswa.org.au

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