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St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



Principal's Report

*O God, whose providence never fails in its design, keep from us,
we humbly beseech you, all that might harm us
and grant all that works for our good.*

*Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with
you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.*

Amen



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Interschool Winter Carnival



Today our Year 5 and 6 students travelled up to Bunbury to participate in an Interschool Winter carnival with teams competing in both Netball and Football. Competing against 12 other schools, our teams performed exceptionally well! Congratulations to all those students who competed and represented our school so well.

Staff Professional Development

On Tuesday, the staff met to discuss and learn more about the current research into best teaching practices and how this impacts our school and the students we teach. Research from the Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation has identified 7 themes that are important for effective student learning in schools. These include setting high expectations for students, explicitly teaching content, providing effective feedback, using data to inform teaching practices, managing the classroom effectively, providing opportunities for wellbeing and collaborating with others. While I believe our teachers incorporate many of these aspects already, it is always timely to review this in the context of our school and refine practices to make them even better. As we continue to strive to be the best school in Margaret River, our staff continually show their commitment and dedication to providing the best learning experiences for your children through reflection and continual learning.

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Confirmation

Next Thursday, our Year 6 students will be attending a retreat to Lumen Christi church in Augusta to reflect upon and learn more about the Sacrament of Confirmation. As some of these students continue to prepare to receive this Sacrament next Sunday 18th June, we pray that the Holy Spirit remains with them throughout their lives and helps guide and protect them. Please keep these special Year 6 students in your thoughts and prayers.

3 Year Old Kindergarten Program

We are offering a second day for our 3 Year Old Pre-Kindergarten program, to operate on a Friday. If you, or someone you know would be interested in attending this day, please contact the office.

We are also accepting enrolments for our 3 Year Old Pre-Kindergarten program for both this year and next year. Children may start this program for a full day on a Thursday or a Friday as soon as they turn 3 years of age.

Tomorrow, our Year 2 class will be presenting their Assembly. We look forward to having many parents come and join us for this performance at 8:45am.

I wish all families a wonderful week ahead.

Peace and best wishes,

RUSSELL WYLIE
PRINCIPAL



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St Thomas More Catholic Primary School

Photo Date: Wednesday 13th of September 2023

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

1. Visit www.msp.com.au
2. Select the "Download Portrait or Order Online" portal
3. Use your child's unique shootkey

A Late/processing fee will apply for orders received after Wednesday 13th of September 2023

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Assistant Principal News

We hope all students and their families had a lovely long weekend.



Staff Professional Development

On Tuesday, teachers and education assistants met for a day of professional development. The day mostly centred around improving teaching practice and defining what good teaching and learning looks like. Our staff are looking forward to implementing some of what they have learnt in the coming weeks.

Year 5/6 Lightning Carnival

Our Year 5 and 6 students headed to Bunbury today for the Lightning Carnival. We had a number of students participating in both Football and Netball. We look forward to sharing photos and memories from the day, next week!

Confirmation Commitment Mass

This Sunday, our Year 6 students will be attending their Confirmation Commitment Mass. All are welcome to attend. The Mass will commence at 10.00am.

Wellness Week

In Week 9, (19-23 June) staff and students will be focusing on "wellness". This will involve students taking part in a range of activities focusing on the health and wellness of both body and mind. The week will culminate in a day of fun activities on Friday the June 23 in which we will also celebrate St Thomas More Feast Day with a Whole School Mass led by Year 3!

MRS COURTNEY PISANO

MR CAMERON MCRAE

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

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 (whichever 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: Rapidslandingdte@health.wa.gov.au

Thought of the Week

Hit pause.
Think.
And resume.

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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 2
Week 6

Year 1	Penelope Whelan Ruby Jones
Year 2	Beau McCorkill
Year 3	Lachlan Webb
Year 4	Lucy Gatto
Year 5	Jimmy Tannock
Year 6	Elaiza Montalban

Friday 9th June

8.45am Year 2 Assembly

Sunday 11th June

10.00am Confirmation Commitment Mass

Tuesday 13th June

5.30pm P&F Meeting

Thursday 15th June

Year 6 Confirmation Retreat in Augusta

Friday 16th June

8.45am Merit Assembly

Sunday 18th June

10.00am Sacrament of Confirmation

Important Dates

School Canteen

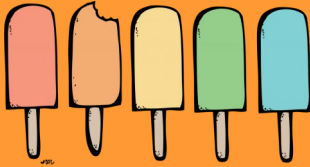


School Canteen is available on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**.
Orders can be placed online through the QuickCliqu website.
The menu is also available through this site.

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

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