Dear Families

The end of the year is fast approaching and is always a busy time for us all. It is important to remember in all of this that at this time we also live in the Season of Advent and are preparing for Christmas. One way of doing this is to come together as a school community to reflect on the messages of the weeks of Advent and to prepare spiritually for Christmas. There are four weeks in Advent, each one with a different focus to assist us in preparing spiritually to remember the birth of Jesus Christ in a stable over 2,000 years ago. The First Week of Advent begins on Sunday 30th November. The school will hold Advent liturgies each week in the Church with our First Advent Liturgy on Friday November 28th at 9am. You are all warmly invited to attend these liturgies with us.

We have a dedicated group of parents who meet regularly to organise a range of fund raising activities. Our Parents and Friends Association have organised a Christmas Raffle for the end of the year which will be drawn on December 16th at our Christmas Concert. We are asking families to donate Christmas items according to year level themes that can be wrapped up as our raffle prizes. On Friday 28th November children will be able to accessorise their uniform with Christmas colours/items as a reminder to bring along these donations. We ask that all donations have been received at school by this date so the hampers can be wrapped. All raffle tickets and money are to be returned to school by Tuesday 9th December. This is our last fundraiser for the year and we ask for your continued support.

Monday the 1st of December will be our last school closure day for the year. This day will be an opportunity for all staff to evaluate 2014 and plan for 2015. On this day we will use a range of data to assist us. All families were given a survey and the opportunity to provide feedback on a range of programs and structures. If you are yet to return this survey please do so by the end of this week so that your feedback can be collated and used on this day.

Have a great week.

Carmel Marantelli
PRINCIPAL
St Catherine of Siena Soccer Champions

Congratulations to the boys and girls soccer teams on their victory. Both of our teams won the Melton District Tournament soccer grand final. St Catherine of Siena are very proud of all of them.

Parish Of Melton Office
10 Unitt Street, Melton
Tel: 9743 6515, Fax: 9747 8603
Email: stdoms@bigpond.net.au

Mass Times - St Catherine of Siena
Wednesday: 9.15am
Saturday Evenings: 6.00pm
Sunday Mornings: 9.00am & 11.00am

Reconciliation
Saturday: 5.30pm - 5.45pm

Mass Times - St Dominic’s
Tuesday Evening: 7.00pm
Thurs - Friday: 9.15am
Sunday: 5pm

Dear St Catherine of Siena OSHClub Parents,

We have been informed of an upcoming Pupil Free Day and are hopeful that this will run, however, this is dependent on numbers.

When / what / how:
Date: Monday 1st December
Please book prior to Sunday 23rd November 11:59pm
Times: 6:50am to 6:30pm
Cost: $13.56 - $48.00 per child (Not including 50% tax rebate)

How to book: Please log in to your account online at www.oshclub.com.au and book in under the aftercare bookings tab.

What happens: Loads of fun for all ages including art/craft, games, sports, drama, board games and fun with friends.

What to bring: Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. Also wear/provide appropriate clothing including hats.

Please note: we require a minimum of 15 children to run the day, parents will be notified by the end of business Monday 24th November if the day will proceed.

This year our Christmas Concert will be on Tuesday, 16th December at 6:30pm in the school hall.

The theme of this year’s concert is the ‘Giving Tree’ Please keep this night free as we would love to celebrate the end of the year and the coming Christmas season with you.

Details with what the children will need to wear on the night will be sent out in a separate letter to all families closer to the time.

St. Catherine of Siena Outside School Hours Care
Head Office Contact Number: 03 8564 9000
Program Contact Number: 0402 669 652

Coronavirus Update

OSHClub remains open as usual.

If you have any questions please phone the office.

School Closure Day Monday, December 1

Scooters

These two scooters can be claimed from the office, they have been left at the bike rack for a number of weeks.
As part of our Christmas Raffle Fundraiser students are invited to participate in our end of year **CHRISTMAS DRESS UP DAY** on **Friday 28th November**. 
(Students are required to wear their full school uniform accompanied by Christmas Accessories e.g.: Christmas t-shirts, socks, hats, headbands, ribbons, tinsel, earrings).
We would like to ask all families to help contribute by donating to our Christmas Raffle with the following categories:

- **PREP:** Non Perishable Festive Foods
- **YEAR 1:** Stationary & Christmas Decorations
- **YEAR 2:** Art and Craft (Incl. baskets & gift bags)
- **YEAR 3:** Car Care Products and Accessories
- **YEAR 4:** Pampering Products (eg. lotions, candles, bath oils)
- **YEARS 5 & 6:** Books / Toys

Items can be brought to school up until the Christmas Dress Up Day (Friday 28th November). All Raffle Tickets and money are to be returned to school (in a clearly marked envelope) by **Tuesday 9th December**. Raffle tickets were sent home with the eldest child **Yesterday Monday, November 17th**. Additional tickets are available from the office if required.

**The Raffle will be drawn at St Catherine of Siena End Of Year School Concert on Tuesday 16th December.**

**THANKYOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

**ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION**

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**Year 2 Sleepover**

Our Yr.2 children had dinner and a sleepover last Friday night. The Children had a great night of dancing and games, watched a movie and then finished with breakfast on Saturday morning. It was a great success.
Term 4 Calendar 2014

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CDF STUDENT BANKING

Thursday is our banking day. Deposit books are to be handed in to class or the Office by 9.00am on banking day. Encourage your child to save by opening up a CDF Banking account.

Application forms are available from the Office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Christmas Lunch
Sunday, 7th December at
St Dominic’s School Hall
Unitt Street, Melton
12.30 pm to 2.30 pm

Do you know anyone who is on their own, with no family and living alone?

Or an elderly person, who is on their own with no family members living near to them?

Then this is a chance for them to enjoy a Christmas Lunch with other people for company and some Christmas Carols too.

Please call Melwyn D’Souza mob. 0418 171 568

Their name will be taken down and an Invitation will be sent.

If they need a lift, please let us know.

Djerriwarrh Health Services operates a public school dental service, which is currently located at Melton Health, 195-209 Barries Rd, Melton West.

Children from pre-school age to Grade 6 are eligible for the service. The service is FREE for children who are eligible for concession, or a co-payment fee of $30 is payable for those who are not eligible.

Bookings can be made on the Referral and Appointment Hotline number - 9747 7609
TERM 4 SOCCER CLINICS

$60 FOR 6 SESSIONS

Register now at www.msisport.com.au

Term 4
Mondays
October 27 until
December 15 2014
4:30-5:30PM

Venue:
Catholic Regional College
Melton
109-141 Bulmans Road, West Melton

Boys & Girls Ages 5-15

MELBOURNE SPORTS INSTITUTE
(03) 9571 7676 | info@msisport.com.au
Important Information

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How to Book
1. Enrolment forms can be collected in person from Customer Service at the Melton Civic Centre or Melton Library. Forms can be emailed upon request.
2. Completed forms can be returned to Customer Service at the Melton Civic Centre, by mail or by email to VacationCareProgram@melton.vic.gov.au.
3. Successful bookings will be informed by mail with an initial statement. The statement will advise the estimated cost of the program and the date the fees must be paid in full. If fees are not paid by this date, your allocated place will be offered to a family on the waiting list.
4. Bookings are allocated in accordance with the Commonwealth Government Priority of Access guidelines. The booking procedure is designed to provide fair and equitable access to the Vacation Care Program for families who work, live or send their children to school within the municipality. Families residing outside of the City of Melton may also apply.
5. Ensure that you have registered for Child Care Benefit (CCB) if you wish to claim reduced fees. For further information contact the Department of Human Services on 130 150, open Monday to Friday 9am to 6pm.

Exceeding Rating
Our program holds an Exceeding rating in all seven quality areas. Ratings and assessment are conducted by the Quality Assessment and Regulation Division of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.

PLEASE NOTE: Activities listed may be subject to change.

Melton City Council
Vacation Care Program
Rated Exceeding in all 7 quality areas by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development
January 2015

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