Reflection~ Ascension

Christ has no body now on earth but yours;
No hands but yours; No feet but yours;
Yours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ must look out on the world;
Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good;
Yours are the hands with which He is to bless His people now.

St Teresa of Avila

Dear Families

Last Sunday we celebrated Mother’s Day and I hope all mums had a wonderful day and that your children spoiled you on your special day. We had a terrific response to the Mother’s Day breakfast at school on Friday morning and it was wonderful to have so many mums and grandmothers come and have breakfast with us. Thank you to the staff who attended and helped with breakfast on the day, thanks especially to Ms O’Leary for organising this event. A special thank you to the parents who organised the Mother’s Day stall and to the helpers on the day who sold a fantastic range of gifts. Thanks also to all the parents who supported the stall by allowing their children to buy the gifts. I’m certain all mums would have been delighted with their gifts.

This week, students from Years 3 & 5 will participate in the NAPLAN. These national tests will assess student achievement in literacy and numeracy. All students at Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in schools across Australia will complete the same tests on the 15th, 16th and 17th May. It is important to remember that these tests are one test on one day and as such give only an indication of what your child is capable of and are only one of the many pieces of data we collect to determine student progress. Student results from these tests will be distributed later in the year in the form of an individual report on each student. A parent information leaflet went out to all parents of children in Years 3 & 5 last week however if you still have any queries please make an appointment to see your child’s teacher.

This Friday is National Walk to School Day. This event has been held for the past twelve years and is a way of promoting exercise and an active lifestyle. While it is not always practical to walk to school you might be able to park a bit further away and increase the distance walked on Friday.

Best wishes everyone for a great week.

Carmel Marantelli
PRINCIPAL

Prep 2013 Enrolment Information Evening — Wednesday, May 16th at 7.00pm
Parent Faith Development Night—Wednesday, May 23rd at 7.30pm
PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

As you are aware a new-tiered fee structure will be introduced in 2012. However, in 2011 all families were asked contribute to the Parish Stewardship Program. To those families who have already made the effort to establish their contribution to this program we are very grateful for your support. I would like to remind families who are yet to contribute to ensure this has been addressed as soon as possible. We aim to have everyone on the lower tiered fee option in 2012.

As always any family who is experiencing genuine financial difficulties can discuss suitable arrangements with the Parish at any time. Of course, these payment arrangements and conversations remain confidential at all times.

Father Michael Moody
Parish Priest
On Behalf of St. Dominic’s Parish Finance Committee

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program
St Catherine Of Siena has registered with Woolworths for the Earn & Learn Program.
For every $10 spent at Woolworths you will receive a sticker.
Sticker charts will be sent home this week.
When the chart is full just pop it into the box in the School Reception area.
Thank you for your support

CDF STUDENT BANKING
Thursday is 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 Student Banking Account.
Application forms are available from the Office.

CDF STUDENT BANKING

Prep Enrolments for 2013 are now open ~ please pick up an enrolment form and Information Pack from the School Office.
We will be holding a Tour and Information Night for our 2013 enrolments on Wednesday, May 16, 2012. Please come to the front office where tours will commence.
The tours begin at 7.00pm and the Information Session begins at 7.30pm.

Prep Enrolments 2013

Uniform News
The Uniform Shop is open every Monday and Wednesday morning between 8.30am - 9.00am
Eftpos facility is not available

Uniforms For Sale
5x school pants—size 6
2x Tracksuit Pants—size 6
All very good condition $60
Contact Elizabeth on 0415 052 380

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INTERSCHOOL SPORTS ~ Round 1, Friday, May 25
St Catherine’s v Melton West at Blackwood Drive 12.00pm - 2.00pm
There will be No Football on this week

The book fair will be here from Monday 25th until Thursday 29th of June. The book fair will be open during Parent / Student / Teacher Interviews for purchasing items.
Thank you.

Mrs Maskell
Parent Faith Development Evening

On Wednesday, May 23rd there is a Parent Faith Development Evening for all parents of children receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time.

This session will be held at St Dominic’s Worship Centre and will run for approximately 1 hour. This session will commence at 7.30pm.

Fr Chris Toms will present the session and lead us on this evening.

This session is for parents only, children receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist are not expected to attend this session.

Mrs Anderson
RE Coordinator

School Fees

Term 1 Fees

The Term 1 fee of $250 are now overdue, please make arrangements to pay this fee. We have a number of ways in which you can pay, Eftpos, cash, cheque, direct debit, Bpay or Centrepay

Term 2 Fees

Term 2 fees are now overdue - $700.00 (higher school fees)
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Children from pre-school age to Grade 6 are eligible for 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.

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## Calendar of Events

### May

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  - PEP Program 11:30am - 1:00pm
  - Prep 2013 Enrolment Information Evening - 7:00pm

- **Monday, May 21st**
  - School Assembly Hosted by 1H at 9:00am

- **Wednesday, May 23rd**
  - Parent Faith Development Evening - 7:30pm at St Dominic's Worship Centre

### June

- **Saturday, June 2nd**
  - Sacrament of Eucharist - 1:00pm & 3:00pm

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### Asthma, Coughs and Colds: Information for Parents and Carers

The common cold, caused by an upper respiratory tract infection, is one of the most common illnesses for children and adults in Australia. Colds are more common in winter months as people spend more time indoors, in close contact, and can be more likely to pass on viruses that cause the common cold.

Colds can be a trigger for asthma, and asthma management can become more difficult for children and teenagers attending school if they have a cough or a cold. Ensure your child reduces the risk of passing on coughs and colds by avoiding coughing or sneezing on, or near other people and that they wash their hands appropriately after blowing their nose or handling used tissues. Coughing or sneezing onto the inside of their elbow instead of their hands can also prevent the transmission of infections. If your child is unwell, it is recommended that they stay home and rest to reduce the chance of spreading infections and to give them a better chance to recover quickly.

While there is no known cure for the common cold, symptoms such as headache, cough and runny nose can be managed, and children with asthma are advised to see their doctor before using any medication, or herbal and natural remedies, as these may react with their asthma medications. Many cold and flu medications available over the counter are not suitable for children and teenagers, and some medications may also trigger asthma symptoms, it is best to avoid these unless recommended by your doctor.

People with asthma should avoid the following medications if possible:

- **Aspirin**
- Ibuprofen/Naproxen (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications)
- Beta blockers tablets and eye drops (used for high blood pressure and glaucoma) CE inhibitors (used to control blood pressure)

Saline drops and nasal sprays may help relieve blocked sinuses, and gargling with salty water may help relieve a sore throat.

If cold symptoms become more severe, parents and carers are encouraged to consult their doctor as soon as possible for advice. Nasal sprays should not be shared between people as this may transmit infections and viruses.

It is also highly recommended that in the lead-up to winter, people with asthma ask make use of influenza (flu) obesity vaccinations.

For more information on the common cold, medications and references used in this article please see the Better Health Channel (State Government of Victoria) - [www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au](http://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au) and the NPS website - [www.nps.org.au](http://www.nps.org.au).

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### Melton Phoenix Football Club

**Players Wanted**

Pre-season training on now
- **U5-U7** Thursdays 6.00pm-7.00pm
- **Juniors U9-U16** 6.00pm-7.00pm
- **Seniors** 7.00pm-8.30pm
- **Juniors and Seniors training Tuesdays & Thursdays**

Men, Women, Boys, Girls

**All Welcome**

[www.meltonphoenix.com](http://www.meltonphoenix.com)

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### Karate Training

**When:** Monday & Wednesday 6.00pm – 7.15pm

**Where:** Springside & Children's Community Centre

22-50 Becca Way Caroline Springs

**For more Information** Contact Felix Johansson on

0433 400 531 or Email felixdojo@gmail.com