Dear Families,

Last week our Year 5 students applied for 2016 School Leader positions. They had worked over many days, and probably nights, to prepare their speeches and to think carefully about why they were applying for the position and the qualities and skills they would bring to the role. Our current Year 4 children were invited to listen to the speeches and were also asked to take part in the voting for these roles. All students took this seriously and really considered the qualities needed for leadership and did not just vote for friends and those who may be seen to be more popular. It is my very great pleasure to announce that our school leaders for 2016 are:

- **School Captains** - Daniel Monitto and Heather Petelo-Sauvao
- **School Vice Captains** - Allan St Martin and Andria Jojo
- **Green Sport Captains** - Caleb Belcher and Laini Battey
- **Gold Sport Captains** - Junior Mbuto and Angelina Maker
- **Blue Sport Captains** - Matthew Netto and Awaak Mayan-Tong
- **Red Sport Captains** - Jaxson Charge and Charlotte Stephens

I look forward to working with you all in 2016.

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 29th November. The school will hold Advent liturgies each week in the Church with our First Advent Liturgy on Monday 30th November at 8:55am, you are all warmly invited to attend these liturgies with us. The remainder of the Advent liturgies are listed in the calendar at the back of this newsletter.

Recent visitors to the school will have noticed that we now have an electronic sign in and sign out system. You will be asked to enter a few quick details on the iPad at the desk when signing children in or out. If you are visiting or helping in the classrooms you will also be given a lanyard with a QR code which will be scanned and entered as your visitor number. This is to be worn for the entirety of your visit. Staff and emergency teachers will also use this system and wear an identifying lanyard as well. As has always been our practice, visitors must come to the office before visiting classrooms or other areas of the school.

Reflection - Feast of Christ the King

We finish each Church year by celebrating the feast of Christ the King. From John's Gospel, we hear Jesus' words: 'I was born for this. I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

Pope Francis reminds us this will be: 'a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace.'

Let us take a moment to reflect how this might look in our lives...

Lord, we are waiting for the coming of Your kingdom of love, for peace around the world, for honesty, for real justice, when everyone truly shares the riches of the world. Lord, you have given us so much, help us to be grateful and to live like your Kingdom has come. Amen.

Have a great week.

Carmel Marantelli
PRINCIPAL

UPCOMING EVENTS

Events for the remainder of the year are listed in the calendar within this newsletter. Please check this weekly for additional updates.
**Parish Of Melton Office**
10 Unitt Street, Melton
Tel: 9743 6515, Fax: 9747 8603
Email: stdoms@bigpond.net.au
Office open: Tuesday-Friday 10am-4pm

**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

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**SCHOOL FEES**
Instalment 3 Fees are now well overdue and the end of the school year is fast approaching. Please attend to any outstanding fees as soon as possible.

All 2015 school fees should be finalised by the end of the school year.

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**Library News**
The Library is closing this week and borrowing will not be available after Friday 13th November. All students are requested to return all Library books by this Thursday, 19th November so that an annual stocktake can be completed. Please Check at home and in your class tubs for any forgotten books you may have.

**Scholastic Book club**
Brochures were sent home yesterday, orders are due back no later this Friday, November 20th.
Thank you Mrs Maskell

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**Whole School Picnic**
On Friday, 11th December we are planning a whole school picnic for the students and families at Maddingly Park, Maddingly. This is a whole school community event and we would love to see you there to celebrate the end of the year with us.

**Date:** Friday 11th December 2015
**Venue:** Maddingly Park, Maddingly VIC 3340
**Time:** 8:50am-3:15pm for students going on the bus.
Students coming with parents, the picnic begins at approx. 9:30am and conclude at approx. 2:00pm

**Snack and lunch arrangements:** Children need to bring food for the day as per usual: a healthy snack and lunch as well as a drink bottle of water.

**Clothing:** Students will need to wear their full sports uniform and bring their school hat and sunscreen.

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**Christmas Concert**
Our Christmas Concert will be held on 14th December at 6:30pm in the school hall. We will also be drawing the Christmas Raffle at this event. Please keep this date free. More information will follow shortly.

Thank you Ms Jodie Russell
Performing Arts Teacher

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**Sports Day**
8.50am: Students, dressed in team colours, go to class as usual
9.00am: All classes meet on the turf for relays and parent race
10.25am: Activities stop for recess. Students go back to their classroom for recess
11.10am: After recess students go to class lines as usual, make their way to Westlake Reserve and line up in house teams
11.20am: Activities start
1.05pm: Activities stop, students line up in class lines to go back to classrooms for lunch
2.00pm: Lunch finishes, students go to class lines as usual and make their way back to the turf area for House relay
2.40pm: Activities finish, students line up in class lines and make their way over to hall for presentations
2.55pm: Presentations
3.10pm: Students go back to classrooms for dismissal at 3.15pm

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The Year 3 students, Jackson, Joel and Ryan are extremely passionate about wildlife, and are wanting to help the environment by minimising the cutting of trees so animals like gorillas have a habitat. They have researched and worked really hard to organise a “They’re Calling On you” awareness day on Tuesday 24th November. They are wanting to spread awareness that Gorillas are an endangered species because of poaching and loss of habitat. If you would like to contribute to this wonderful cause you may donate an old mobile phone that you no longer use. Please find a zip lock bag enclosed. Please ensure you label the bag with your name, contact details and phone model. Please make sure all contacts, photos and messages have been deleted.
MELTON PARISH
CHRISTMAS MASS TIMETABLE 2015
“Come Home for Christmas”
St Catherine of Siena Church
Bulmans Rd Melton West
Thursday 24th December
Christmas Eve
6.00pm, 9.00pm & Midnight
Friday 25th December,
Christmas Day
9.00am & 11.00am
Carols precede all Masses
Saturday 26th December
6pm
Sunday 27th December
9am & 11am
5pm St Dominic’s
NEW YEARS EVE: Thursday 31st December at 7pm

Communal Reconciliation
Thursday 17th December at 7.30pm

Individual Reconciliation
Saturday 5th December  5.15pm—5.45pm
Saturday 12th December  5.15pm—5.45pm
Saturday 19th December  5.15pm—5.45pm

The Parish Office will be closed from Thursday 24th December 2015 till Wednesday 27th January 2016
Thank you to everyone for your support of the Christmas raffle. The response so far has been fantastic. Keep selling as many tickets as you can as funds raised go to supporting the children at school.

**Book Seller Prize**
A Reminder to you all that for each completed book you sell, you will receive 1 entry into a draw to win an iPod shuffle 2GB.

***** When returning all tickets please make sure your name is written on the front page of the book

**As this is a registered raffle we are bound to account for all tickets issued, if you have damaged or lost your tickets please inform the office.**

Thank you for your understanding

PFA committee

PFA Christmas Raffle – Request for additional book

Please complete and return to the office when you require more raffle books

You have until 7th December to sell raffle tickets

Parent/Guardian Name:........................................................
Eldest Child Name:.........................................................   Class:...................................
Number of books: …………………………
Parent’s/Guardian’s Signature: .................................................
ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PARENTS AND FRIENDS FUNDRAISER

Re-usable Lunch Order bags for School Canteen

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"Lunch Wallets" come in black with your choice of pink, blue, green, red, grey, yellow or purple binding. blue, green, red, grey, yellow or purple binding.

Name: __________________________ Class: ______

**Don’t forget to ask family, friends & neighbours if they would like to order as well.

The Lunch Wallet and Insulated All Rounder are re-usable alternatives to the brown paper bag. The bags both have zippered pockets to place your lunch order and money into safely. Both have a plastic pocket to slide your name/class label into so it is clearly displayed. When not in use, the bags fold down into a wallet and are secured closed with Velcro. When in use, the bags unfold into a flat based lunch bag which holds a large amount of food and even a drink!

Please return orders and money by Tuesday, November 24th.
ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PRIMARY SCHOOL  
- SUMMER UNIFORM ORDER FORM -  
- Terms 1 & 4 -

Parent Name: ___________________________  Phone: ___________________________
Child’s Name: ___________________________  Class: ___________________________

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**Presentation of Uniform:**

All students are expected to wear the prescribed school uniform, at all times.
Black shoes are to be worn daily, except on sports days - runners are to be worn.
Socks - navy.
Jewellery: a watch can be worn. Earrings are to be plain studs/small sleepers only.
Hair - long hair to be tied up in black/brown hair-tie, with or without a blue/yellow ribbon.
No Nail polish.

**UNIFORM SHOP IS OPEN EACH MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY MORNINGS BETWEEN 8.30AM - 9.00AM**

**PAYMENT BY CASH & PAID IN FULL AT TIME OF ORDER**