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NEWSLETTER

Term 4, Week 8 November 29th 2019

Advent Reflection

Reader 1: The first week of Advent we remember the gift of hope we have in Christ. The prophets of Israel all spoke of the coming of Christ, of how a saviour would be born, a king in the line of David. They spoke of how he would rule the world wisely and bless all nations.

Reader 2: As followers of Christ, we wait with hope for his return. As we light this candle, we remember that it was from the manger at Bethlehem that he came and gave light to the world. As we light this candle, we are reminded to be alert and to watch for the light of Christ even in the most unlikely places and people.

Reader 3: Let us pray - Loving God, we thank you for the hope you give us. Help us prepare our hearts for the Lord's coming by being open seeing to the light of Christ in others. We ask this in the name of the one born in Bethlehem, Jesus our Lord. **All: Amen**



Dear Parents and Guardians

Over the past several weeks our Year 5 children have explored the notion of leadership and what it means to them. This culminated on Friday last week with the children giving their speeches for 2020 leadership positions. Each and every child, although slightly nervous was clear and confident in their presentation and it was obvious that a lot of thought and effort had gone into the construction of their speeches. Successful applicants were announced to the children last Friday and it is a credit to all in Year 5 that although some were disappointed on missing out on a role every successful candidate was warmly cheered and clapped by all. I have great pleasure in announcing the following children as our 2020 school leaders.

School Captains	Jacqueline Puccio	Poundak Poundak
School Vice Captains	Georgia Galileos, Ayuen Majok	Oliver Dreaver
Christian Service Team	Elle Kalusevicious, Erin Johnson, Lochie Paterson, Liam Walker, Amer Deng, Hannah Dalumpines, Nynakiir Chol	
Blue Sports Captains	Nyandeng Mayan Tong	Damien Steyn
Green Sports Captains	Ava Sliwa	Lui Westerlund
Gold Sports Captains	Victoria Solomon	Ryder Fransken
Red Sports Captains	Ajak Tat	Deng Dhal
ICT Monitors	Jessica Monteagle, Elayna Kucic, Harry Fitzgerald, Anny Zhou, Jordin Orr, Alek Mangok, Firas Hoodi	
Library Monitors	Angelina Anyiany, Richard Goudie, Max Barton, Dominic Perez, Aliay Yel	
Art Monitors	Juan Guanlao, Lola Benedetti, Layla Moore, Hayley Wright, Lauren Linton, Faraj Babawy	

Have a great weekend everyone.

PLEASE NOTE THESE DATES

Friday, 6th December - School Closure Day
Friday 13th December - Whole School Picnic

Carmel Marantelli

PRINCIPAL

Parish Of Melton Office

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Office Open: Tuesday - Friday 9am - 3pm

Mass Times - St Catherine of Siena

Wednesday: 9.15am

Tuesday Evening: 7.00pm

Saturday Evening: 6.00pm

Sunday Morning: 9.00am & 11.00am

Sunday Evening: 5pm

Reconciliation

Saturday : 5.30pm- 5.45pm

Mass Times - St Dominic's

Thursday - Friday : 9.15am



Year 6 Inquiry Fundraiser

As part of the Year 6 Inquiry this term we have been researching charities and how to be more charitable. For example, 6P Jake is focusing on Earth Justice and has created seed bombs. Autumn and Olivia are raising awareness for Diabetes and Gracie and Marydina are supporting Safe Steps. Our group, consisting of Jacob, Chelsea, Jordan and Mary are running a fundraiser. On Monday we will be selling Loom Band Braclets (50c), Fidget Spinners (\$2), Bookmarks (50c), Keychains (\$2), Scrunchies (\$2), Limited Edition Scrunchies (\$3), Mini Scrunchies (\$1.50).

All money raised will be donated to St Vincent De Paul.

Thank you for your support!

Whole School Picnic

Date: Friday, 13th December 2019

Venue: Maddingley Park, Maddingley, VIC 3340

Time: 8:50am - 3:15pm for students going on the bus.

For students coming with their parents, the picnic will begin at approximately 9:30am and conclude at approximately 2:00pm.

Snack and Lunch Arrangements: Children need to bring their own food for the day (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. A jacket or coat is advisable in case of cold or windy weather.

Parents and family members are welcome to attend the picnic and will need to provide their own food and it is advised that you bring along a picnic rug, chairs, table etc.

*****Permission forms have been sent to all families via the CareMonkey app. All students MUST have a completed response by Friday, 6th December to attend this**



School Closure Day - Friday, 6th December

Monday, 9th December

Every year, each class raises money to buy a Christmas present to go under our school Christmas tree. These presents go to children in our community who are not as fortunate as others are. In order to raise this money, we will be holding a **Christmas Dress Up Day** on Monday, 9th December and we ask that the entire school get into the Christmas spirit, dress up and bring a **GOLD COIN** donation.

The Year 4 SRC reps (Jai, Dylan and Jaxson) are really hoping that all students across the school will get behind this day and dress up in their most festive Christmas gear!

All of the Year 4's appreciate your support of this day.





School Concert

This year's school concert will be held on Tuesday,
10th December at 6:30pm in the Catholic Regional
College Sports Stadium.

The theme of this year's concert is '**STORY**' and
children are asked to come dressed in Christmas

We look forward to



THIS IS
my story



Christmas Mass Timetable 2019

St Catherine of Siena, Bulmans Rd, Melton West

Christmas Eve

Tuesday 24th December

- ▶ **6pm Mass** [Children's Mass with Carols 30 mins beforehand]
- ▶ **8pm Mass** [Congolesse Choir]
- ▶ **10pm Mass**

Christmas Day

Wednesday 25th December

- ▶ **9am Mass** [9am Choir]
- ▶ **11am Mass**

**** No Mass — Thursday 26th Dec & Friday 27th Dec. ****

Individual Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 21st December	5.15pm—5.45pm
Sunday 22nd December	4.15pm—4.45pm

**** Please note— There will be no Sacrament of Penance on Christmas Eve. ****

Communal Sacrament of Penance

- ▶ **Saturday 7th December** 5.00pm
- ▶ **Saturday 14th December** 5.00pm

The Parish office will be closed from Tuesday 24 December – Tuesday 14 January 2020



*Please support this year's
appeal to help the Melton
branch*

VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL IS NOW ON

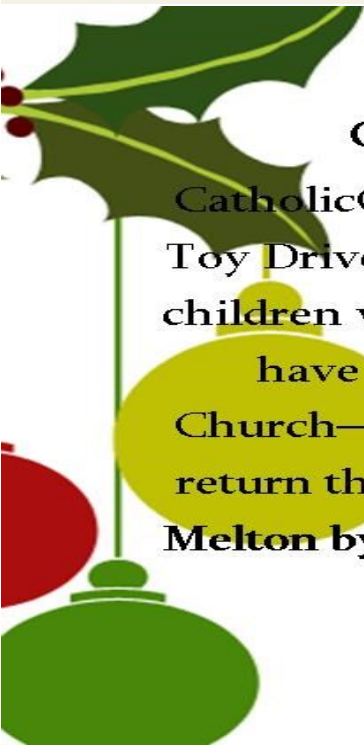
SUPPORTING LOCAL FAMILIES IN NEED

ENVELOPES AVAILABLE IN THE GATHERING AREA OF
THE CHURCH & THE PARISH OFFICE

CATHOLICCARE TOY DRIVE 2019

CatholicCare have asked us to join their annual Christmas Toy Drive. They are asking for your help to provide joy to children within our area during the Christmas Season. We

have placed gift tags on the wall at the back of the Church—Please select a tag and purchase a suitable gift & return the wrapped gift to the Parish Office at 10 Unitt St, Melton by Friday 6 December 2019. Remember to place the tag you select on the gift!



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following children who all received a class award this week.

These awards will be given out on Monday at our morning assembly.

Prep A - Charlize Mannix

3N - James Mwaka

Prep B - Abby Walsh & Kaiden Fernando

4Q - Amelia Alford

Prep C - Emily Williams

4S - Isabella Paddon

Prep D - Chloe D'Alton

4U - Tracy Lalia

1E - Reese Perona

5R - Erin Johnstone

1F - Ivy Barton

5T - Ryan King

1H - Adhuony Dau

5V - Matthew Caruana

2G - Isabella Archer

6M - Amein Anyar

2I - Whole Class






6O - Emerson Thompson

2J - Whole Class

6P - Jordan Fleming

3L - Ella Evans

Term 4, 2019

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
2 Week 9 *Morning awards	3 *Yr 6 Big Day Out	4	5 *Advent Liturgy Week 3 @ 2:45pm	6 *School Closure Day	7	8 
9 Week 10 *Morning awards *Christmas Dress Up Day	10 *Yr 7, 2020 Orientation Day @ CRC *School Concert @ 6:30PM	11 *End of Year Mass @ 9:15am	12 *Advent Liturgy Week 4 @ 2:45pm	13 *Whole School End of Year Picnic 	14	15 
16 Week 11 *Morning awards	17 *Yr 1 - 6 2020 Transition Morning	18 *Christmas Liturgy @ 9:00am *Yr 6 Graduation	19 *Last day Term 4 Students dismissed @	20	21	22 
23	24	25 	26	27	28	29
30	31	1 January 2020	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12

St. Catherine of Siena OSHClub

OUTCOME 4: LEARNING – Children develop a range of skills and processes such as problem solving, inquiry, experimentation, hypothesising, researching and investigating.

Please remember to use our website, www.oshclub.com.au to book your child in and update your bookings for each session On the day bookings will incur additional fees per session per child.

We would like to announce that Luke will be leaving the program at the end of the school year. I would like to thank all of the children, families and staff at St. Catherine's for making the last 2 years so enjoyable! Across the week we have looked into improving our Growth Mindsets. The children have loved games like Hospital Tag and Chinese Walls.

Children can ONLY ATTEND when and if they have an ENROLMENT form completed by the parents or guardians! Please don't forget our Vacation Care Programs. To book, visit www.oshclub.com.au.

Just a friendly reminder of the importance of signing your child in to OSHClub. Knowing that your child is safe and looked after is on the forefront of every parents' mind, and, having them booked in to OSHClub so that our program staff are aware they need to be here is very important in this process. Please use our website or give the program a call if you require care on the day or even visit our friendly staff!

Please note our Before School Care program begins each morning at 6.50am. Please ensure, if you haven't already, that you create a FREE OSHClub account by visiting our website www.oshclub.com.au.

****IMPORTANT**** Please ensure you or any of your emergency contacts bring in your I.D and mobile phone if you are new to the service. We need to verify who you are, if you are new to the service, for the safety of your children. We

OSHClub St. Catherine's Melton Team

FRIENDLY REMINDERS: If you need to cancel ASC please do on the internet by 3:15pm on the day before, send us a text on: 0408 477 328 or pop in to let staff know you are collecting your child so that we know where the children are. **There is a \$1/minute fee for each child that is picked up after 6:30pm.**

Week 9 Term 4 Activities

DAY	BSC	ASC
MONDAY 02.12	Christmas Tree and Silent Ball	Christmas Tree and Hospital Tag
TUESDAY 03.12	Christmas Bookmarks and Pacman	Christmas Bookmarks and Moovosity
WEDNESDAY 04.12	Christmas Booklets Night at the Museum	Christmas Booklets and Chinese Wall
THURSDAY 05.12	Nativity Finger Puppets and Musical Statues	Nativity Finger Puppets and OSHClubs
FRIDAY 06.12	SCHOOL CLOSED – NO PROGRAM	SCHOOL CLOSED – NO PROGRAM

Week 9 Term 4 Menu

BSC	ASC
Children have a self-serve breakfast consisting of wholemeal bread, basic cereals (corn flakes, rice puffs and weet bix), fresh milk, soy milk etc.	Mac and Cheese
	Crackers and Dip
	Yoghurt and Muesli
NOTE: All after care meals are served with a range of fresh seasonal fruit and vegetables.	Chicken Two Minute Noodles
	NO PROGRAM

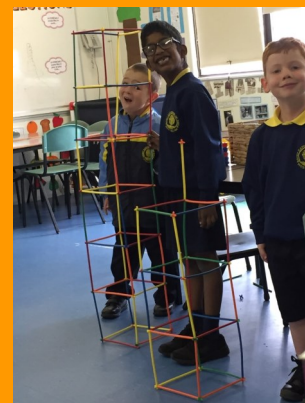
The memories we've made at St. Catherine's Melton OSHClub 😊



We love being creative – check out our Teddy Bear we made from art and craft materials!



We love to draw things - here I have drawn my Teddy Bears!



We love to build things – check out our straw tower