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NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 6

March 6th 2020

Reflection

Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool, which in Aramaic is called Bethesda and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades. Here a great number of disabled people used to lie - the blind, the lame, the paralysed. One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, "Do you want to get well?"

"Sir," the invalid replied, "I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me."

Then Jesus said to him, "Get up! Pick up your mat and walk."

At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked. **John 5:2-9a**



Dear Families

Today is World Day of Prayer. World Day of Prayer was instigated in 1927 and is always celebrated on the first Friday in March. Today over 170 countries around the world come together in prayer on this day. The focus of the day is to bring people of various races, cultures and traditions together in prayer and action for peace and justice. The host country this year is Zimbabwe and the theme is "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk".

In the week beginning the 16th March Parent Teacher Interviews for Term 1 will be held. Parents and carers will have the opportunity to book appointments for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday morning or on Thursday afternoon/evening. These appointments are an opportunity for you to meet with your child's teacher, discuss their progress and challenges to date and plan how these will be addressed in the coming term. As has been the case in previous years you will be able to book your own appointment through the online portal. Information for how to book these have been sent to you this week and are included in this newsletter. I encourage all parents to make sure that they book a Parent Teacher Interview time.

At the end of this term our Year 3 children will make their First Reconciliation in the Sacrament of Penance. These liturgies will be held on Tuesday 24th, Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th March at 7pm. In preparation for this our Year 3 children and their families are all invited to attend a Reconciliation Information Evening on Thursday, 12th March at 7:30pm. This evening will be facilitated by Lucy Vassallo and is an important component of the children's preparation for receiving the Sacrament the following week. I ask all within our school community to keep these children in your prayers in these final days of preparation.

Our Easter Raffle is on again this year and will be drawn in the last week of term. Raffle books have gone home this week and I encourage you all to do what you can to support this fundraising effort. Monies raised through Parents and Friends fundraising this year will go to support the sensory garden items designed by the current Year 4 & 5 children.

Have a great weekend everyone

Carmel Marantelli
PRINCIPAL

CURRICULUM FEE

The curriculum fee for 2020 is \$350 per child. This covers booklists, all incursions and excursions (apart from sports events) art materials, physical education equipment, mathematics equipment, readers and literacy games as well as all other curriculum materials. We ask all parents to pay this fee as soon as possible. Statements will be sent out in the coming weeks.

Year 5 Camp

I went in the rock room in free time. It was fun and challenging. *Sebastiana*

The canoeing was fun, and funny to watch people fall in. *Hannah*

Camp is fun and the best. I like the food and the canoeing. *Patrick*

Camp was exciting because there were new activities to do. I loved the super swooper. *Blake*

My favourite part of camp was the super swooper because it was really fun but scary at the start. *Ava*

Healesville Sanctuary was a good experience, they teach you about endangered animals. The

World of Parrots was inspiring it was interesting to be in their space. *Gabby and Isabella*

Healesville Sanctuary is a beautiful place, the bird show was awesome. *Krish*

I like how we got so close to wildlife, not many people get to see kangaroos in a big mob. *Ned*

At camp there were so many activities, I liked canoeing the best. *Arop*

Camp was a lot of fun I wish I could go again, the bird show was magnificent. *Talia*



Year 6 Camp

At camp we all got wet. *Oliver*

The super swooper was high but fun. *Georgia*

Super swooper was epic. *Lauren*

The long wait to the super swooper was definitely worth it. *Ava*

Canoeing was amazing but we all got wet. *Hayley*

Canoeing was challenging but amazing. *Poundak*

We held the red tailed black cockatoo. *Group 3*

Camp staff were kind and friendly. *Jacqui*





Book School Interviews Online

Dear Parents,

Term 1 2020 Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held on

MONDAY 16TH MARCH 8:00 - 8:30AM

TUESDAY 17TH MARCH 8:00 - 8:30AM

WEDNESDAY 18TH MARCH 8:00 - 8:30AM

THURSDAY 19TH MARCH 1:30 - 8:00PM

BOOKINGS WILL OPEN ON Wednesday 4th March at 9:00am and CLOSE ON Thursday 12th March at 9pm.

These interviews give parents the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to discuss your child's progress to date.

You can now book interviews at times that suit **YOUR FAMILY BEST**.

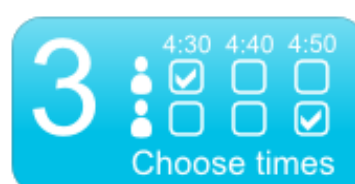
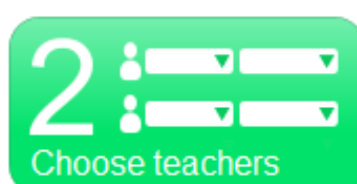
Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

School event code

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Go

Enter THIS school event code.
Then follow the 3 simple steps.



When you click **finish**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately. You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking.

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: 5.00pm

Reconciliation

Saturday : 5.30pm- 5.45pm

Mass Times - St Dominic's

Thursday - Friday : 9.15am



Scholastic Book Club

Book Club has gone out to all children this week with an attached note explaining the due date, Friday, 13th March and procedures for ordering should you wish to do so.



No late orders can be accepted.

School Privacy Policy and Statement Collection Notice

The school Privacy Policy and Standard Collection Notice have been updated and are available on the school website at

<https://www.scmeltonwest.catholic.edu.au/our-school/privacy-policy-standard-collection-notice/>

Parents can also view these documents in hard copy form at the school office.

***Freaky* Friday 13 March 2020 NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY**



Ride2School day is back! It's Australia's biggest celebration of active travel where the community discovers the joy of riding and kick-starts healthy habits for their future. This year students are encouraged to decorate their bikes with a spooky Friday the 13th theme, take a picture and email it to Mrs Moore at kmoore@scmeltonwest.catholic.edu.au

There are some awesome prizes up for grabs for the best dressed bike, so get decorating!

Reported Case of Impetigo (School Sores)

Please be aware we have had a case of Impetigo (School Sores) reported to the school.

Impetigo is highly contagious type of skin infection caused by Staphylococcus or Streptococcus bacteria. The infection is characterised by inflamed blisters that pop, weep and form crusts. A child with Impetigo should be kept home from school until appropriate treatment has begun and the sores on exposed areas are covered with a waterproof dressing and where necessary a crepe bandage. If you suspect your child has Impetigo (School Sores) please consult your GP immediately.

More information can be found at

<https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/ConditionsAndTreatments/impetigo-school-sores>

Labour Day Public Holiday Monday, 9th March - School Closed

say cheese!

School Photo Day is fast approaching.
Have your child's school memories captured forever
on **Wednesday 11th March 2020**

Your photo order envelopes will arrive shortly. Please start planning your purchases and payment options.

Remember these helpful points:

- Read all relevant instructions for your preferred payment method.
All payments are due on photo day.
- You may pay **online** using your credit card. Each child will have an individual 'shootkey' listed on their envelope. This will help identify your child's order.
- You may pay by cash using the individual envelope provided.
Please enclose correct money as no change will be given.
- *Sibling photo envelopes are available at the school office upon request. **THESE PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN DURING SCHOOL, ON PHOTO DAY, USUALLY AT RECESS***
 - Please instruct siblings to attend the photo studio during this time. Photographers are unable to search for students who do not attend.
- Do not seal envelopes inside each other. You may include payment for all children in one envelope, however, please indicate on this envelope the names of all the children you are paying for.
- **All students should wear their correct SUMMER UNIFORM.**

For any enquiries, please feel free to contact

MSP Photography

P: 03 5333 5577

e : ballarat@msp.com.au

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Easter Raffle



Easter Raffle tickets will be sent home on Monday, 3rd March 2020.

Raffle Tickets will be \$1.00 each

We ask students to come dressed in **Casual Clothes** on Friday, 13th March and to donate either an Easter egg or bunny so we can make up our Easter hampers.

All raffle money and tickets are due back to school no later than **Friday, 20th March 2020.**

The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday, 25th March 2020

Casual Clothes Day

Friday, 13th March 2020

Come dressed in your casual clothes and bring either an Easter egg or bunny to put towards the Easter Raffle Hamper Prizes.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following children who all received a class award for the beginning of the school year. These awards will be presented at our Tuesday morning assembly. Keep up the terrific effort!!

Prep A - Marco Salvador

Prep B - Zyrelle Baladad

Prep C - Jedidiah Roberts

Prep D - Alana Farrugia

1E - Alana Alford

1F - Julian Makhraz

1H - Luchelle Silva

2G - Luke Houghton

2I - Meyen Mialual

2K - Whole Class

3J - Kenny Ah-Kee

3L - Bella Boyd

3M - Sami Gebreyesus

4S - Indie Thorneycroft

5R - Mitchell Stancic

5T - Sebastiana Sant

5V - Mia James

6N - Ryder Franksen

6O - Victoria Solomon

6P - Gon Chol

Term 1 & 2 2020

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
9 Week 7 Labour Day Public Holiday	10 *Morning Assembly *MPSSA Divisional Swimming	11 *School Photos	12 *Reconciliation Reflection Evening	13 *Casual Clothes Day *Ride to School Day	14	15 3rd Sunday of Lent
16 Week 8 *Monday Morning Assembly *Catholic Education Week & Art Exhibition this week *Parent/Teacher Interviews 8 - 8:30am	17 *Parent/Teacher Interviews 8 - 8:30am	18 *Parent/Teacher Interviews 8 - 8:30am	19 *Parent/Teacher Interviews 1:30pm - 8pm	20 *Yr 6 Summer Lightening Premiership *National Day of Action against Bullying	21	22 4th Sunday of Lent
23 Week 9 *Monday Morning Assembly	24 *Reconciliation @ 7pm	25 *Reconciliation @ 7pm	26 *Reconciliation @ 7pm	27 *Stations of the Cross *Last day of Term 1 - Students dismissed @1:30pm	28	29 5th Sunday of Lent
30	31	1 April	2	3	4	5 Palm Sunday
6	7	8	9 Holy Thursday	10 Good Friday	11	12 Easter Sunday
13 Easter Monday	14 Week 1 *Term 2 Begins	15	16	17	18	19



GOLD
COIN
ENTRY

ST DOMINIC'S PRIMARY SCHOOL TWILIGHT MARKET

FRIDAY 20TH MARCH 5.00PM TO 8.00PM

ENTER VIA CHURCH STREET

LIVE MUSIC, PERFORMANCES AND ENTERTAINMENT

FOOD TRUCKS COFFEE VAN SAUSAGE SIZZLE

JUMPING CASTLE INTERACTIVE STALLS

SPECIALTY GOODS HANDMADE CRAFTS

STUDENT STALLS RAFFLE

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A message from the Coordinator

Hello Families,

It is great to see the children getting involved in the activities this week that we have planned and that they have suggested over the last couple of weeks. Just a reminder this week that there is no school/ OSHClub on Monday 9th March, as it is labour day public holiday and therefore, we will not be taking any bookings. As of the 10th of March Allison, will be on maternity leave. I will be filling in her position until she returns. I am looking forward to working with the families and children here at St Catherine's, bringing all the training and knowledge I have learnt and gained alongside Allison. And engaging in some amazing activities and experiences with the kids.

I look forward to meeting you all 😊

Program Coordinator

Jamie Sobotnicki

OSHClub News

This week has been a bit quiet as there has been school camp for many of the children. Although we haven't had many children it has given us the opportunity to engage in quality experiments/ activities with the children. Highlights of this week included paper making, making jelly, stress balls and lava lamps. Moving into next week we will be engaging in more science experiments as the children are really enjoying these, including: Gummy bear experiment, cotton bud/Milk challenge, we will also be making playdough. 😊

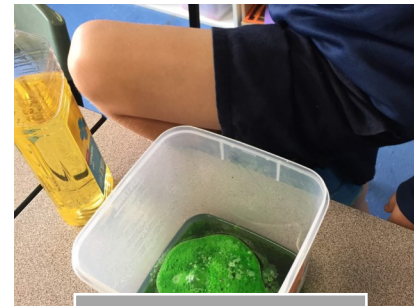
Please see below some photos of the experiences had this week.



Making Paper



Making Jelly



Lava Lamps

Next Week Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School Care	Rice bubbles, Wheat Bix, Cheerio's and Cornflakes. Toast with assorted spreads. Yogurt and Oats.	Rice bubbles, Wheat Bix, Cheerio's and Cornflakes. Toast with assorted spreads. Yogurt and Oats.	Rice bubbles, Wheat Bix, Cheerio's and Cornflakes. Toast with assorted spreads. Yogurt and Oats.	Rice bubbles, Wheat Bix, Cheerio's and Cornflakes. Pancakes. Yogurt and Oats.	Rice bubbles, Wheat Bix, Cheerio's and Cornflakes. Toast with assorted spreads. Yogurt and Oats.
After School Care	Rice Crackers and assorted dips. Fruit Bowl.	Nacho's Assorted Fruit Platter.	Toasted sandwiches Fruit Salad.	Saladas with assorted spreads Fruit Bowl.	Tuna Pasta Assorted Fruit Platter.

Fruit and Water are always on offer for the children during attendance at the program.

KINDERGARTEN OPEN WEEK

Come along and explore your local kindergarten. Meet teachers, ask questions and gather information to help inform your decision in which kindergarten to enrol your child.



DATES AND LOCATIONS

All sessions will run between 6pm and 8pm

KINDERGARTEN ADDRESS

MONDAY 23 MARCH	
Brookside Kindergarten	17-20 Federation Way, Caroline Springs
Springside Kindergarten	22-50 Becca Way, Caroline Springs
Timbertop Kindergarten	1 Timbertop Parade, Aintree
Melton Uniting Kindergarten	15-19 Yuille Street, Melton
Bellevue Hill Kindergarten	14 Royal Crescent, Hillside
Burnside Kindergarten	23 Lexington Drive, Burnside

TUESDAY 24 MARCH

Botanica Springs Kindergarten	246 Clarke's Road, Brookfield West
Kororoit Creek Kindergarten	130 Tenterfield Drive, Burnside Heights
Kingsway Kindergarten	1 Kingsway, Melton
Parkwood Green Kindergarten	88-94 Catherine Drive, Hillside

WEDNESDAY 25 MARCH

Arnolds Creek Kindergarten	19 Claret Ash Boulevard, Harkness
Cambrian Kindergarten	58-66 Cambrian Way, Melton West
Bridge Road Kindergarten	260-266 Bridge Road, Strathulloh
Taylor's Hill Kindergarten	58-60 Jacaranda Drive, Taylor's Hill
Creekside Kindergarten	3-37 The Crossing, Caroline Springs
Mt Carberry Kindergarten	31-41 Exford Road, Melton South
Fraser Rise Kindergarten	46 City Vista Court, Fraser Rise

THURSDAY 26 MARCH

Melton Central Kindergarten	237-239 Station Road, Melton
Brookfield Kindergarten	14-16 Black Dog Drive, Brookfield
Melton West Kindergarten	2 West Melton Drive, Melton West
Rockbank Kindergarten	26 Old Leakes Road, Rockbank
Diggers Rest Kindergarten	48-66 Plumpton Road, Diggers Rest

For more information please email:
earlyyearsworkshops@melton.vic.gov.au

2021 Kindergarten applications open Wednesday 18 March 2020.



KINDERGARTEN READINESS MONTH

Come along and explore your local kindergarten. Meet teachers, ask questions and gather information to help inform your decision in which kindergarten to enrol your child.



KINDERGARTEN OPEN WEEK

When Monday 23rd March to Friday 27th March 2020

Time 6pm to 8pm. Dates and locations are listed overleaf. Bookings for open week not required.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

Learn everything you need to know about the 4 year old Kindergarten enrolment process for 2021.

A Location: Melton Library and Learning Hub

Date Wednesday 11 March

Time 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Bookings essential via: kinderA.eventbrite.com.au

B Location: Caroline Springs Library and Learning Hub

Date Wednesday 18 March

Time 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Bookings essential via: kinderB.eventbrite.com.au



For more information please email:
earlyyearsworkshops@melton.vic.gov.au

2021 Kindergarten applications open Wednesday 18 March 2020.

Vacation Care Program

Autumn 2020



Program Details

Who

The program is open to all primary school aged children.

Program Hours

6.30am – 6.30pm.

Monday to Friday, during school holidays.

Location

Bridge Road Children's & Community Centre
260 Bridge Road, Strathtulloh.

Cost

\$72.50 per day (prior to Child Care Subsidy being applied)
Excursions and Incursions will incur an additional cost.

Enrolment Opens

8.30am Monday, 2 March 2020

Enrolments Close

5.00pm Friday, 20 March 2020

Bookings submitted after this date will only be accepted at Supervisor's discretion and incur a \$22 late enrolment fee

Contact

E: vacationcareprogram@melton.vic.gov.au

Ph: 9747 7200

Website: melton.vic.gov.au/vacationcare

Monday, 30 March

Wheels Day

Bring in your favourite wheels from home to ride on.
Remember, no helmet = no riding!

Tuesday, 31 March

Incursion Charge \$23.00

Hip Hop Dance

Start 10:00am

Get ready to dance, dance, dance as we learn cool hip hop moves.

Wednesday, 1 April

Excursion Charge \$33.50

Werribee Open Range Zoo Depart 9:00am Return 4:00pm
Let's go on safari and learn about animals' great and small.

Thursday, 2 April

Nature Play

Celebrate Nature Play Week with outdoor activities and lots of hands on nature play.

Friday, 3 April

Vacation Care Bake Off

Aprons on, oven mitts out. A full day of baking and decorating in the kitchen.

Monday, 6 April

Incursion Charge \$23.00

Pottery Day

Start 10:00am

It's time for sculpting, shaping and creating. A special guest will teach us how to create something to take home.

Tuesday, 7 April

Sports Day

Ready, set, fun! Today is all about team work and being active.

Wednesday, 8 April

Excursion Charge \$33.50

Flip Out & Frontier Park Depart 9:00am Return 3:00pm
Get active and jump around, but don't forget your socks. Then it's off to play at Frontier Park in Aintree.

Thursday, 9 April

Hop To It

The Easter Bunny is almost here so let's celebrate before jumping into the long weekend.

Friday, 10 April

Program Closed - Good Friday Public Holiday

* Activities are subject to change

BOOK EARLY! Don't miss out!



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