



# St Catherine of Siena

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## NEWSLETTER

Term 3, Week 3

August 7th 2020

### Reflection

*Find happiness in making others happy;*

*We must teach more by example than by word;*

*God understands us better than we understand ourselves or each other ;*

*True happiness depends on ourselves not on those around us;*

*Never see a need without doing something about it*

*So great is the strength we possess in our unity.*



Dear Parents & Guardians,

Over recent weeks, those who have been at school have all watched as the work to install the statue of St Catherine of Siena began. After several weeks of work the statue is finally in place and last week, on the 29th July, Bishop Curtain and Fr Michael blessed the statue. The children all watched as Bishop Curtain blessed the statue with incense, Holy Water and prayer. He then spoke to the children and blessed them and their families as well. St Catherine of Siena takes pride of place in the roundabout between the church and the school and she reaches up into branches of the Jacaranda so I can only imagine how beautiful this will all look when it is in full bloom. St Catherine is at the top of a tableau of scenes depicting different milestones and teachings from her life. Over time we will come to learn about all of these and thus enrich our knowledge of St Catherine of Siena.

Tomorrow is the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, our first Australian Saint. Mary was born in Melbourne, the eldest of 8 children but is best known for her work in South Australia where, with Reverend Tennison Woods, she set up schools and eventually the Sisters of Saint Joseph. She is also known for her many sayings which help us navigate our way through life's challenges - I have put some of these as our reflection this week. Mary MacKillop was canonized on the 17th October 2010.

We have all ridden the roller coaster of numbers of COVID 19 cases over recent weeks and are all waiting for a consistent decline in these which will mean, not only a return to our more usual daily routine, but an increased measure of health for many vulnerable people within our community. While this is a challenging and worrying time, it is something we can all get through if we keep in mind that everyone is doing their very best in unusual circumstances and that it is okay to lean on others when things are hard. Please do not hesitate to call the school or email me if we can be of any assistance to you, especially during this time. We are doing all we can as a school staff to keep ourselves and the children attending school safe. All staff are wearing masks and all classes have an abundant supply of sanitiser and antibacterial wipes. As with any other person in the community, any unwell staff member or child is being asked to remain at home until they are well. If staff are required to have a COVID 19 test they will remain at home until results come back. In some instances staff are still able to work at home; in others they are not. If staff are unable to work at home other teachers in your child's year level will assist with the posting and correcting of work. A huge thank you to everyone in the school community for your support during this time.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to you all and your families, God bless and stay safe

Carmel Marantelli

PRINCIPAL

# Literacy News

Wow! What an amazing week of reading. Congratulations children! Many teachers have announced that their class has recorded a milestone with the amount of books that have been read either on Epic, Reading Eggs or Reading Eggspress.

In fact, did you know that at St Catherine's we have a Regular Readers Club.

What is this all about? We acknowledge the students who regularly practise reading in their own time.

How does it work? Each time a student reaches a regular reading milestone, which is recorded and signed in the reading journal or diary, students are granted membership in the next level of the exclusive St Catherine of Siena Regular Readers Club. Club names are displayed on the Regular Readers Club Honour Roll and new members are publicly announced on a regular basis.

## Milestone stages are:

Club 15 – 15 records of regular reading

Club 25 – 25 records of regular reading

Club 50 – 50 records of regular reading

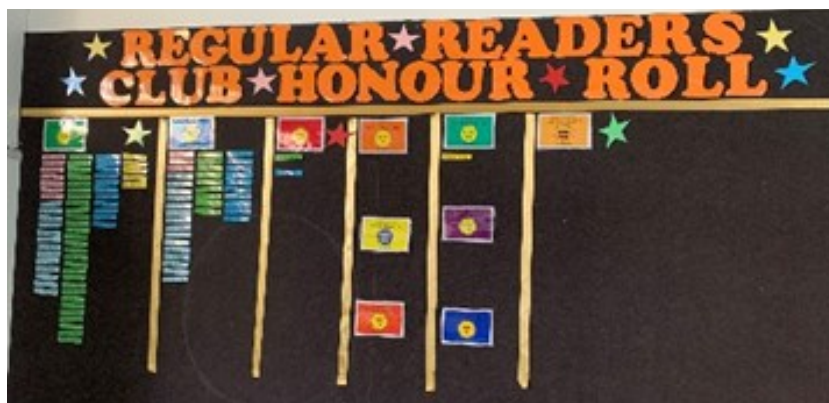
Club 75 – 75 records of regular reading

Club 100 – 100 records of regular reading

Club 125 – 125 records of regular reading

Club 150 – 150 records of regular reading      And more.

And, it is back in 2020! However, it is on hold again until we get back to face to face teaching. It may be on hold but we still have an amazing display in the foyer to acknowledge the students that reached the next level of membership. Congratulations to the students whose names appear on the wall already for this year. Thank you to Annette Volkov for putting up the display and coordinating this for us.



So everyone, get reading. Wouldn't it be great to join this amazing club and see your name on the wall??

***Remember, 'Reading is the key to learning'. Keep up the reading everyone.***

For further information contact Mrs Parnis, Literacy Leader.

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# Victoria School Guides

The Victorian Schools Guides distributes a magazine each year to assist families when making decision in relation to their child's education for 2021 and beyond. This year they have created a digital version for parents to access. Please find below a link to the useful digital resource tool for the 2020 edition of the Enrolments Guide.

**Enrolments Guide 2020**  
READ OUR DIGITAL EDITION



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Looking for more inspiration to get your child reading as much as possible? The MS Readathon may be worth considering. This year's MS Readathon is a magical quest, and although the adventure kicked off on August 1, there is still time to register as it wraps up on August 31. All you need to do is visit the website and register your child. There is a brand new interactive website that lets kids write book reviews and rate their favourite reads. For more information visit

<https://www.msreadathon.org.au/>

## CRC Melton Year 7, 2022 Enrolments

Enrolment application dates for Year 7, 2022 have been changed by Catholic Education Melbourne, due to COVID-19.

Enrolment applications are now due on Friday, 9th October. Application forms can be returned to the College reception or via email [enrolments@crcmelton.com.au](mailto:enrolments@crcmelton.com.au)

If you return your application via email, you will be contacted regarding the payment of the \$50 enrolment fee when the application is processed.

Applicants will be notified by mail of the result of their application by Tuesday, 1st December 2020.

A reminder that all families who apply are required to make an appointment to see their Parish Priest.



## CareMonkey is Rebranding as 'Operoo'

CareMonkey the school's digital forms platform provider will be rebranding as 'Operoo': *School processes, without the paperwork.*

The name change will occur the week beginning Monday, 10th August. How you use the service, as well as the ownership and operation of the company, will remain unchanged.

You can continue using the system, and its mobile application, as usual. Just be aware that, after Monday, 10th August, emails and notifications sent from the system will start appearing under the new name 'Operoo'. You will also be automatically diverted to the new Operoo website if you go to the old CareMonkey website.



## Parish Of Melton Office

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### **PLEASE NOTE:**

As of 19th March 2020 **ALL MASSES** (including Sunday services) have been **SUSPENDED** until further notice due to the COVID-19 direction issued by The Bishops of the Province of Victoria. We will continue to provide updates via the Parish website and Parish Facebook page as they become available.

w: <http://pol.org.au/melton/Home>

 Parish Facebook Page

 Parish Instagram Page



# Congratulations

Congratulations to the following children who all received a class recently.  
These awards will be posted to children who are not onsite.

Keep up the terrific effort!!

Prep A - Jobe Garcia & Angel Ngong

3M - Mia Wolfe & Joshua Morris

Prep B - Sifa Alumbulwa & Olivia Alberto Godsell

4Q - Sinon Fernando

Prep C - Charlie Hill & Jedidiah Roberts

4S - Monique Kalutha & Dayne Crabtree

Prep D - Beny Poundak & Alex Kondis

4U - Kobe White & Max Squire

1E - Annabelle Borg & Gracie Staples

5R - Aiden Harrison

1F - Liam Dreaver & Braxton Vella

5T - Jeremiah Saliba & Jack Thorneycroft

1H - Aaliyah Farrugia & Leona Perera

5V - Patrick Makhraz & Jordyn Philpin

2G - Ngashida Chimann & Indiana Williams

6N - Tralie Faavae & Liam Walker

2I - Asha Anhiany

6O - Lochie Patterson & Hayley Wright

2K - Avah McGrath & Orlando Mannix

6P - Jacob Abraham & Angelina Anhiany

3J - Ruby Cunningham & Anica Klasic

PE - Dayne Rose

3L - Ceara Goundar & Apai Dhal

LoTE - Blake Williamson

## Term 3, 2020

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
10 Week 4	11	12	13	14 *Feast of the Assumption	15	16
17 Week 5	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Week 6	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 Week 7	1 September	2	3	4	5	6
7 Week 8	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Week 9	15	16	17	18 Last Day of Term. Children finish at 1:30	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27



# Family Learning Program



## Come along and meet people from your community!

Do you want to be more involved with school activities? Do you want to meet other parents? Do you want to feel part of a community?

If you are interested in learning skills that can help you communicate with schools and help you feel more confident engaging in your community than this program is right for you.

### Program Details

**Day:**  
Thursdays  
Via ZOOM

**Time:**  
3:30pm – 5:30pm

### About the program:

Learn or improve on existing skills in:

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Digital Literacy
- Communication

This program is aimed at improving communication levels and help participants feel more confident using a various range of technologies.

**Starting Term 3**  
**17<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

FUNDING PROGRAMS AND SUPPORTERS:



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