



St Catherine of Siena

"Be all that you can be and you will set the world on fire"

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NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 10 8th April 2022



Holy Week & Easter Reflection

Dear families,

The letter below is from Prof Paul Kelly the Chief Medical Officer and Lieutenant General John Frewen DSC AM Coordinator-General National COVID Vaccine Taskforce

Dear Parents,



Australian Government

Operation COVID Shield

I am reaching out prior to the end of first term to encourage and remind you all to book a COVID-19 vaccination for your child.

Over 50 per cent of all children aged 5 to 11 have now received a first dose, with many now due for a second dose (eight weeks after the first). In particular as we approach school holidays and the weather cools down, it is important to take steps to minimise the impact of COVID-19. Vaccines are a safe and effective way to protect your child, and the community.

The Department of Health website provides a number of resources with further information about seeking COVID-19 vaccination. Attached is a Fact Sheet which you could use to have a conversation with your child. Further resources are also available at: www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/who-can-get-vaccinated/children

Vaccines are widely available across the country at general practices, state-run clinics and Aboriginal Health Services. You can find a participating clinic and make an appointment by visiting the Vaccine Clinic Finder at: <https://covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/booking>

Thank you for your efforts to keep your child and the wider school community safe.

Take care everyone and have a lovely Easter with family and friends

Carmel Marantelli
PRINCIPAL

**Term 2 begins -
Tuesday, 26th April**

Dear Parents and carers,

As Term 1 draws to a close I would like to notify you of some changes for Term 2. The children have settled in well this year and are excited being back at school with friends, however we acknowledge that parents and carers have missed out on so much over the past few years as well as the start to this year. Schools are vibrant places and based in community so need the contributions of all community members to really come alive. With this in mind please note the following changes...

*parents and carers can come into the yard at the beginning of the day to drop children off. The children have developed their independence in doing this for themselves to date so allowing them to carry their bag and come in by themselves sometimes is an important skill to foster. GATES 1, 2 & 4 WILL ALL BE OPEN IN THE MORNING.

*parents and carers can come into the yard at the end of the day to pick children up. GATES 1, 2, 3 & 4 WILL ALL BE OPEN IN THE AFTERNOON FOR ENTRY AND EXIT.

*we will be running parent helper training sessions for any parents and carers who wish to help in classes. All parent helpers MUST have a Working With Children's Check, be doubly vaccinated and wear a mask whilst inside the school buildings.

*meetings with teachers can be face to face as long as masks are worn when inside and all visitors are vaccinated. I appreciate your cooperation with this Government and Health Department requirement for Primary School visitors.

*masks do not need to be worn outside in the school yard but you can do so if you wish.

*excursions will be occurring at various stages throughout the year. If you wish to assist please make sure you have a current Working With Children's Check. Depending on the venue vaccination may also be required.

*we are hoping to invite family members to many of the school events we would normally celebrate with you. Events such as Book Week, the Art Show, Grandparents and Significant Family Members Day. This will depend on the COVID situation at the time but we will do our best to have you with us.

The map included shows the school and the 4 main entry points for your reference.

Wishing you all a safe and happy Easter with family and loved ones. Thank you all for your support throughout Term 1

FRONT OF SCHOOL GATES

Gate 1 is under the electronic sign and directly in front of the new administration building

Gate 2 is directly in front of the church on the CRC side of the pedestrian crossing

SIDE OF SCHOOL GATES

Gate 3 is on the park side of the new administration building

Gate 4 is half way down the length of the school on the park side



Reconciliation



After Reconciliation I felt happy because all my sins were taken away and I promised to try to not make those sins again.



At Reconciliation I felt nervous until I saw Father Michael and then I felt happy.



I was nervous. I was also excited. Father was really nice. My sins were forgiven





Prep 2023 Enrolments

Information Night Wednesday,
4th May at 7:00pm

School Tours Thursday, 5th May

Enrolment applications will be
available from the school office
from Term 2

St Catherine of Siena

Sibling Storytime

Bring your baby, toddler,
preschooler to
St Catherine's for Storytime.

When: Starting Tuesday 3rd of May
then every Tuesday from 2.30-3pm.

Where: In the school library

Who: Storytime is for siblings of
current St Catherine's students.



***You MUST stay with your child/ren during
Storytime, wear a mask and be fully vaccinated**

Parish Of Melton Office

20 - 22 Unitt Street, Melton

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Email: melton@cam.org.au

Office Open: Tuesday - Friday 9am - 3pm



Mass Times - St Catherine of Siena

Saturday Evening: 6.00pm

Sunday Morning: 9.00am & 11.00am

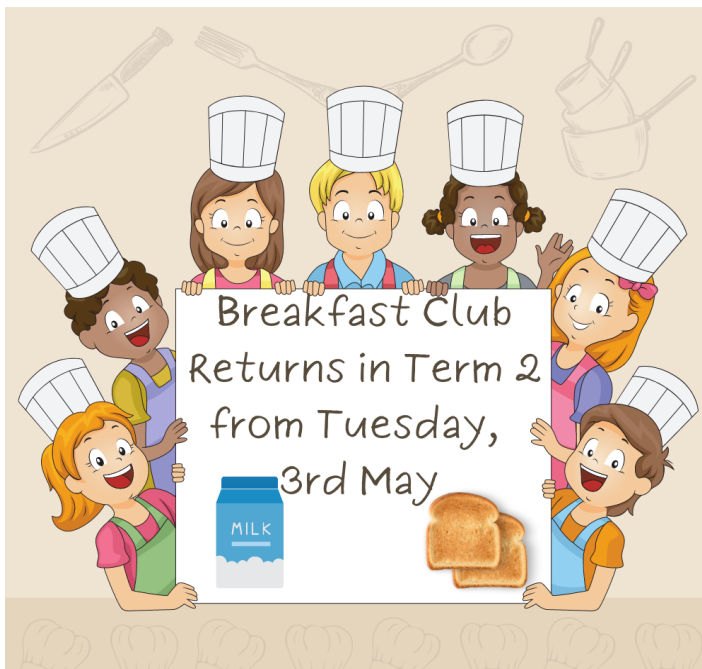
Sunday Evening: 5.00pm

Mass Times - St Dominic's

Thursday - Friday : 9.15am



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



Family Maths

And the winner is.....

Thank you to the families that took on the March Maths Challenge. The winner for the month of March is Audrey Thomas and her family. What an amazing flag!

The Family Maths section of the Newsletter will be back Week 1 of next term with lots of ideas for involving kids and adults in Maths, resources and tricky challenges. Until then, enjoy your holidays and remember Maths is all around you!



St Catherine of Siena Parents and Friends Association

Mother's Day Stall ~ Volunteers

The Mother's Day Stall is a very popular, fun and exciting event for the students.

HELP WANTED - we would appreciate the extra help with sorting and selling gifts. If you are able to help please fill in the form below and hand it into the office.

MOTHERS DAY STALL HELPERS / VOLUNTEERS

NAME: _____ [Please Print] PHONE: _____

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YES I am able to help on the Mother's Day Stall (Friday, 6th May: 9am – 11am).

Please note all volunteers must have a current Working With Children's Check, wear a mask, be fully vaccinated and show staff their Vaccination Passports/Certificate and Working With Children's Card on the day

ON BEHALF OF THE PFA WE SAY THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HELP



*St Catherine of Siena
Parents & Friends Association*

2022

Mother's Day Stall
Friday, 6th May

Gifts are priced between \$1 and \$4

Please bring along a plastic
bag to put your gifts in.

**children will have the opportunity
to purchase 1 or 2 gifts.*



Easter Timetable 2022

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday 9th April & Sunday 10th April 2022

Blessing of the Palms during Mass

HOLY THURSDAY

Thursday 14th April 2022

Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7.30pm

Adoration – 8.30 pm – 10.00pm

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday 15th April 2022

Stations of the Cross (English) – 10.30am

Followed by Individual Reconciliation

Celebration of the Lord's Passion – 3.00pm

HOLY SATURDAY

Saturday 16th April 2022

Blessing of the Easter Food – 10.30am

Followed by Individual Reconciliation

Please Note – NO EVENING MASS

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday 17th April 2022

Easter Mass (Vigil) – 6.00am

Easter Mass – 9.00am, 11.00am & 5.00pm

INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION

Friday 15th April (Good Friday) – 11.30am – 12.00pm

Saturday 16th April (Holy Saturday) – 11.00am – 12.00pm

YEAR 7 2024 ENROLMENTS

*Valuing God,
Nurturing the Individual,
Excelling in Education*



Catholic Regional College, Melton is a Year 7-12 co-educational secondary school. It provides education for students from the Parishes of Bacchus Marsh, Melton & Melton South.

At Catholic Regional College Melton, we nurture the faith development of our students, focus on their individual needs and strive to develop their academic potential.

Applications for Year 7 2024 at our Melton West and Cobblebank campuses are now open.

Applications are due by Friday 19 August 2022.

COLLEGE TOURS WILL BE HELD ON:

Wednesday 23 March 12pm

Tuesday 3 May 2pm

Wednesday 25 May 9am

Wednesday 1 June 12pm

Tuesday 19 July 2pm

Wednesday 10 August 9am

**You can register for a tour of the College on our website
www.crcmelton.com.au/join-us/college-tours**

**109-141 Bulmans Road, Melton West
Ph: 03 8099 6000**

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following children who all received a class award this week.
These awards will be presented to children at school.
Keep up the terrific effort!!

Prep A - Khai Blackshaw

Prep B - Mayom Anhiany

Prep C - Alek Bith

Prep D - Deng Deng

1E - Bol Chol

1F - Fatuma Jambari

1H - Adhel Duang

2G - Sophie Carniero

2I - Jobe Garcia & Beny Poundak

2K - Marco Salvador

3J - Kelsey Bartolo

3L - Whole Class

3M - Lewis Michael

4Q - Michael Deng

4S - Reese Perona & Elias Ah-Kee

4U - Ayen Thuc

5R - Macie Cowan

5V - AJ Leota-Seiuli Seufatu

6N - Adhieu Chol

6O - Dayne Rose

6P - Alat Ngong

Wellbeing - Isla Evans, Best Nnajeze & Guak Dhal

Term 2, 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
11	12	13	14	15 Good Friday	16	17 Easter Sunday
18 Easter Monday	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Term 2 Week 1 ANZAC DAY	26 2023 Enrolment Applications Open	27	28 *Kaboom Tabloid Sports Day	29 St Catherine of Siena Feast Day	30	1 May
2 Week 2	3 *Sibling Story Time @ 2:30pm	4 *Prep 2023 Information Session @ 7pm	5 *School Tours	6 *Mother's Day Stall	7	8
9 Week 3	10 NAPLAN - Yr 5 *Sibling Story Time @ 2:30pm	11 NAPLAN - Yr 5	12 NAPLAN - Yr 5	13 NAPLAN - Yr 5	14 Eucharist Presentation Mass	15 Eucharist Presentation Masses
16 Week 4 *Yr 6 Camp	17 NAPLAN - Yr 3 *Yr 6 Camp *Sibling Story Time @ 2:30pm	18 NAPLAN - Yr 3 *Yr 6 Camp *Yr 5 Camp	19 NAPLAN - Yr 3 *Yr 5 Camp	20 NAPLAN - Yr 3 *Yr 5 Camp	21	22
23 Week 5	24 *Sibling Story Time @ 2:30pm	25 *National Simultaneous Story Time	26	27	28	29

Vacation Care Program - Autumn

April 2022



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

\$75 per day (prior to Child Care Subsidy being applied)

Excursions and Incursions may incur an additional cost.

We have many FREE activities; however, some Excursions may cost \$34.70 and Incursions \$23.80.

Enrolment Opens

8.30am Monday, 14th March 2022

Enrolments Close

5.00pm Friday, 1st of April 2022

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

Reminder... absences are charged unless you notify us in advance.

Contact

E: vacationcareprogram@melton.vic.gov.au

Ph: 9747 7200 Website: melton.vic.gov.au/vacationcare

Monday, 11th April – Roo Keepers Incursion

Ocean Day

Come join us learning about sea life with The Roo Keepers! As well as making our own ocean in a bottle and sand art.

Tuesday, 12th April – Free Incursion

Carnival Day

Think coin drops, think ball toss, think hot dogs, think popcorn, think prizes, think the best day of your life!!!

Wednesday, 13th April - Excursion

Roaring Wednesday

In the morning we will make chocolate chip muffins and then we are off to see all our favourite animals at the Werribee Zoo. Please arrive at 8:45am, as we are leaving 9:15am sharp. Return 4pm.

Thursday, 14th April

Hoppy Thursday

Celebrating all things Easter! Come have fun with us as we bake chocolate crackles for afternoon tea, make easter crowns and an easter egg hunt.

Friday, 15th April

Good Friday – Public Holiday – Centre Closed

Monday, 18th April

Easter Monday – Public Holiday – Centre Closed

Tuesday, 19th April - Airoworld Excursion

Today we are headed to Airoworld for a day of bounce, ball play and exercise, an indoor trampoline park in Altona North. Please arrive at the centre by 8:45am, as we are leaving 9:15am sharp. Return 4pm.

Wednesday, 20th April - Free Parks Excursion

Wanderlust Wednesday

Today we set off on an adventure! We have 4 sessions of visiting two different parks. We will take a bus to Frontier Park, Arbourton Park with 2 staff members and 8 children at a time for 1.5 hours. Bring your drink bottles and hats.

Thursday, 21st April - Dance Incursion

Working Together Thursday

Today we will be in teams and play group games while scoring points for our team and make Easter Egg Slice. Between 130pm-345pm we are having a dance incursion with Steph!

Friday, 22nd April - Incursion

Bee Yourself – Earth Day

Holly's Backyard Bee's is joining us today to teach us about Australian native bees and help us design our own insect hotel to take home.

** Activities are subject to change*



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BOOK EARLY! Don't miss out!

