

St Catherine of Siena

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NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 9 24th June 2022

Reflection

<u>The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ</u>

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming to his death.

What did you hear St Paul describing in this reading? The sacramental real presence of Jesus among us as our spiritual food.

Have you heard the saying "you are what you eat"? What does this mean?

How can it be applied to the food

Jesus gives us?

Dear Parents and Carers.

The end of another term is here! Can you believe we are already half way through the year?

On Saturday, June 18, children from St Catherine of Siena celebrated their First Eucharist. It was a sacred and beautiful celebration where these communicants received the body of Christ for the very first time. Congratulations to these children. We pray that Jesus is with them always, nourishing them on their faith journey.

This occasion was one of many significant events of the term in our school community. We celebrated the feast of St Catherine of Siena with Kaboom Sports, mass and a trivia. There was a Mother's Day stall and an afternoon tea for all the mothers and mother figures. Sibling Storytime commenced. Years 3 and 4 participated in the school swimming program at Genesis. Years 5 and 6 finally made it to camp at Healesville which was exhausting but so much fun. Year 2's visited CERES on their first excursion and Year 1's had their Book launch! Families for 2023 Preps had an information evening and their enrolment interview. There was also Lightning Prem Sports and a drumming incursion.

It was a MASSIVE term of learning, spiritual growth, community events, new experiences and celebrations.

Next term we have NAIDOC Week, Book Week, Father's Day, Confirmation and Grandparents Day! Now it is time to have some rest and relaxation before the next term begins.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks for all your participation and support this term and wish you all a very happy and safe holiday.

Angela Giordimaina

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL







Get ready! Next term we WILL be celebrating BOOK WEEK! After two years of COVID we finally get to celebrate Book Week. Naturally there will be a Book Week Parade so you can use the school holidays to get organised.

The theme is: Dreaming With Eyes Open

This is really an open theme so you can dress up as a book character or create a character or something of your dreams!







Reading At Home:



The holidays are also a great opportunity to continue reading at home. Next term there will be new take home readers available. It is really important that we look after our new books and Scholastic have provided handy tips for families to read at home. Please read below:

• One of the most important things your child learns in school is how to read. And you can help.



• You can make sure that your child understands that the world is full of things to read and that reading happens all the time. When you and your child are shopping or crossing a street, look at the signs. Talk about what they say and mean. At home or on the street, point out newspapers, magazines, letters, and packaged goods. Draw your child's attention to the words in advertisements, directions, recipes, and bills.



• Look at books together with your child at home. Find a quiet place. Make it a special time. Have your child read aloud to you. Observe the pictures. Recall the story together. Share the wonders and enjoyment of a good book.



 Check your child's school bag for take home books and create a routine for your child to read each day/night. I remember as a working mum I used to get my children to read whilst I was driving! It really doesn't matter where your child reads as long as they do read!

Jenny Del Prete Literacy Leader.

Family Maths

Monthly Challenge - Little Robot

WOW! Little Robots everywhere. There were so many colourful robots and some with their own biographies!

The winners of this challenge are:

Ivana Prep B Sienna 2K

Aishia Prep C Lewis 3M

Alexia 1E Madeline 4S

Bailey 1E Maggie 5T

Sarah 2I Paige 5T

Jude 2I Ante 5V



A BIG thank you to everyone who has participated in the monthly challenges this semester. It is great to see so many families working on Maths tasks together and having fun.

Keep an eye on the newsletter for the July challenge at the beginning of Term 3. Enjoy the holidays together!

Town Squared

For the past 12 months, the Maths Association of Victoria has been working with educational game developers Playlunch Games on the development of Town Squared. Town Squared is a game-based platform for children aged 7 - 11 that builds confidence and reduces maths anxiety in children and families.

In Town Squared, children are immersed in a beautiful multiplayer world that weaves maths concepts and financial literacy learning into gameplay. The aim is to get children to apply their classroom learning when they get home, by playing interesting scenarios in a collaborative and encouraging environment with their friends.

The game also provides families with access to a Family Portal, with resources including articles by MAV that explain maths concepts, and home activities to encourage children's interests and maths skills.

During the pilot phase of this game it is free for the remainder of 2022.

Tap on the image for a link to the website.

The game is currently only available for iPhones and iPads.



Year 2 Excursion to CERES:

On Thursday, 23rd June the Year 2s enjoyed a wonderful day at CERES in Brunswick learning about Indigenous Aboriginal culture. We engaged in 'Dream Time story telling', with a class re-enactment of Tiddalik the frog. We learnt about and painted special symbols that represent people and places when 'Ochre painting'. We explored 'Bush Tucker', the different native plants that provide leaves for weaving, nourishment, seasoning, tea or have medicinal properties, such as: spikey matte rush, salt bush, native spinach, pig face, river mint and lemon verbena. We now have a stronger understanding of Aboriginal culture and connection to the land.



Year 1 Book Launch

Success!































Yesterday the year 1 'Authors'invited families and staff to come in and look at the wonderful texts they created. The students were so excited to show off their Literacy skills. Thank you to those who could attend and support us - It is much appreciated!

From Mrs Moore, Miss Ris and Mrs May

Canteen ANNOUNCEMENT =

Term 3 Open Days

Until further notice the canteen will be open for lunch orders and over the counter sales on

TUESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

The canteen will be closed on MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

Parish of Melton Office

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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





Term 3 begins - Monday, 11th July

Semester 1 Reports

Reminder that Semester 1 student reports are now available to view and download via the nForma Parent Portal. Instructions on how to access the Portal have been emailed to all families. Please note that this email has come from noreply@nforma.com.au and not the school. You may need to check your junk/spam folder for an email from that address.

Prep/Year1/Year 2 & Year 5/Year 6 Swimming Program MELT

SWIM SCHOOL

The swimming program for Prep/1/2 and 5/6 year levels will take place in Term 3.

Prep, Year 1 & Year 2 ~ Week 2 & Week 3 Tuesday, 19th July 2022 - Friday, 29th July 2022

Year 5 & 6 ~ Week 4 & Week 5 Tuesday, 2nd August - Friday, 12th August 2022

All students require a signed Operoo permission to attend this program and payment must be made at the school office before lessons commence. Students need to bring a towel, drink bottle and plastic bag for wet bathers. Students may also bring goggles and a swimming cap if they wish. It is the policy of the Swim School that parents do not accompany their child to the pool.

Please refer to permission notes sent out via Operoo for more detailed information.

CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE MELTON

Applications for 2024 are due by Friday, 19 August 2022.

Our new Cobblebank campus will open in January 2023 for up to 200 Year 7 students and grow to accommodate 1500 Year 7 to 12 students by 2028. The expansion of the College brings with it other changes, including a new name - St Francis Catholic College – to be launched at the start of 2023 school year. Throughout this period of significant growth, our commitment to nurture the faith development of students, focus on their individual needs and strive to develop their academic potential remains as strong as it has for more than 40 years.

To join us in Year 7 2024, visit https://www.crcmelton.com.au/join-us/enrolment. Limited places for Year 7 2023 are also available at our Cobblebank campus.

College tours will be held at the Melton West Campus on:

Tuesday, 19th July 2pm

Wednesday, 10th August 9am

To register, visit www.crcmelton.com.au/join-us/college-tours

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THE MAN

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

These awards have been presented to children at school today.

Keep up the terrific effort!!

Prep A - Claire Sepulveda & Lily Walsh

Prep C - Aisha Savage

Prep D - Zakai Thomas

1E - Ajhak Ajak

1F - Nikola Majkic

1H - Whole Class

2G - Xavier Maher

2I - Leon Perera & Faith Mahawaduge

2K - Whole Class

3J - Lilyana Zammit & Ira Gardoce

3L - Whole Class

3M - Daniel Abraham

4Q - Nathan Mendonca

4S - Whole Class

4U - Whole Class

5R - Ava Wolfe

5T - Bella Boyd

60 - Whole Class

6P - Maria Vukcevic

Term 3, 2022

Mon		Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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11 V Term 3 Begins NAIDOC W		12	13	14	15 *NAIDOC Celebration Day	16	17
18 V	Week 2	19 *Prep/Yr 1/Yr 2 Swimming Program	20 *Prep/Yr 1/Yr 2 Swimming Program	21 *Prep/Yr 1/Yr 2 Swimming Program	22 *Prep/Yr 1/Yr 2 Swimming Program	23	24
25 \	Week 3	26 *Prep/Yr 1/Yr 2 Swimming Program	27 *Prep/Yr 1/Yr 2 Swimming Program	28 *Prep/Yr 1/Yr 2 Swimming Program	29 *Prep/Yr 1/Yr 2 Swimming Program	30 Confirmation Presentation Mass	31 Confirmation Presentation Masses
1 August V	Veek 4	2 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program	3 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program	4 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program	5 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program	6	7
8 V	Veek 5	9 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program	10 *St Mary of the Cross Mass @ 9:30am *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program	11 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program	12 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program	13	14

Mental Health First Aid Course

Brought to you by

Zonta Club of Melton Inc.

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) is an evidence-based course that teaches community members how to provide a helpful and supportive initial response to someone experiencing a mental health problem or in a mental health crisis

Costs: \$60.00 (includes Morning Tea, Lunch and Afternoon Tea)

2 Days Training: Saturday 16th July and Saturday 23rd July 2022

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: Melton South Community Centre

41 Exford Road Melton 3338

Bookings: Please email Suzanne at suepy19@gmail.com for registration. You

will be invoiced by return email and all payments must be received

by 1st July.

Note that numbers are limited to 20 attendees.

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