



St Catherine of Siena

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NEWSLETTER

Term 3, Week 1 15th July 2022

Reflection ~ NAIDOC Week

God of Mercy and Grace, in your quest to bring about justice. You understand what it is like to persevere in an unjust society when you suffered and died on the Cross Have mercy on us.

This Land weeps in sorrow. It is filled with sadness and grief because of the atrocities of the past and present. Have mercy on us.

We yearn for conciliation and peace in this place. To yarn and listen deeply to each other with Care and Compassion.

God of Truth, You are pure and true - we worship you for who you are. There is no one like you - for you shine in the darkness.

Enable all the peoples of this Country to desire, listen and understand the True History of this Land. For only then can we walk this journey together.

Jesus, you are the tree life. Help us to be your instruments of Truth, by the Power of your Holy Spirit.

We pray for discernment and wisdom to impart your Truth.

Deliver us from devastation and bring about Healing to Country and our communities."

Our Healer, May all Creation, the birds, animals, fish, trees, plants, rocks, mountains, waters, and peoples be healed to flourishing.

Strengthen us, lead us, inspire us into action, ignited by our faith in you Lord Jesus.

Help us not to lose Hope.

For it is only through justice, forgiveness and Love can there be Healing and Peace. Amen.



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope that you all enjoyed the school holidays and were able to catch up with friends and family. I wish to say thank you to you all for your lovely messages of care and support for my family and I at dad's passing. Knowing that so many people care and have reached out has been both overwhelming but also very touching; and while sometimes the answers to your queries have been emotional and hard to give, knowing that you care and gave me the space I needed to be with my family means everything....so a very sincere and heartfelt thank you.

This term we are trialling a few changes to the scheduling of the newsletter. The newsletter will go out once a fortnight commencing this week so the next edition will be sent to your email on Friday, 29th July. In the alternate weeks the page with the student awards and the calendar will be sent out to you so that you can still be kept up to date with events and be notified of student achievements. Towards the end of the year we will seek feedback on whether a fortnightly or weekly newsletter is preferred.

Next weekend our Year 6 children will be presented to the Parish as part of their preparation for Confirmation. It is important that all year 6's who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation attend one of the parish masses on Saturday, 30th or Sunday, 31st of July. They will receive an enrolment form prior to the weekend which they will need to bring along with them. This is a very special time for these children and their families so I ask that we all keep these children in your thoughts as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Next Tuesday our Preps, Year 1's & 2's will commence their swimming program. If you have not already completed the notes sent out to all parents please attend to this as soon as possible. Please note that the children are to wear their sports uniform on the days they go swimming.

Have a lovely weekend

Carmel Marantelli
PRINCIPAL

**Swimming begins -
Tuesday, 19th July for
Year Prep, 1 & 2**



On Tuesday we made Aboriginal artwork. We got the inspiration from two Aboriginal artists named Miimi and Jiinda. We watched a video and learnt about Dreamtime stories and Aboriginal artwork. We painted our pictures in brown, black, blue, pink and green. We made our dots out of white paint.

Alana Alford 3L



CELEBRATING
NAIDOC
WEEK
IN 3L



This week for NAIDOC week, as a class we made indigenous/Aboriginal artwork. We learnt about Miimi and Jiinda, they are two Aboriginal artists. We created the painting out of acrylic paint and did dot work. We used different colours like blue, green and red. I learnt a lot and had fun. *Mussie Gebreyesus 3L*



Family Maths

Monthly Challenge - SuperHero

The monthly challenge for July is to create your own SuperHero!

Check out the SuperHeroes below. Who is the strongest? Who has the most brains and who has the coolest gadgets?



Work together as a family to create a new SuperHero. Think about their strength, skills, brains, gadgets and heart. Will your SuperHero have the most swag? Use the entry form in your classroom office tub. These will be available Monday.

Have fun!

The challenge ends on Wednesday, July 27th and the winners will be published in the newsletter on Friday, July 29th.

Maths Puzzle

This week's puzzle is REVERSI.

Reversi is a strategy board game for two players, played on an 8×8 uncheckered board. It was invented in 1883. It requires memory and logic to defeat your opponent!

Click on the image to play the online version of this game.



Numeracy@HOME

The Numeracy@HOME website is a resource for families. Here you will find activities, tips, and information to support young children's maths learning during everyday activities. The Numeracy@HOME resources acknowledge that families are children's first maths educators.

It focuses on **11 ways to maths** learning during everyday activities, such as when families are preparing meals, playing games, or walking down the street. Click on the image to check out their website.



Sibling Storytime

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

When: Every Tuesday from 2:30pm - 3pm

Where: In the school library

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

*Parents/Carers
MUST stay with
child/ren during
storytime





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>



Car Park Safety

A reminder to parents accessing the car park in the morning to drop children off at OSHClub to please exit the car park via the EXIT gate. Using other gates to exit the car park is dangerous and can cause unnecessary congestion.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Bookclub

Issue 5 of the Scholastic Book Club have been sent home recently. Orders must be submitted online and are **due by Friday, 29th July.**

No late orders can be accepted.



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.

Swimming Program

The swimming program for Prep/1/2 and 5/6 year levels will take place this term.

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.



CONGRATULATIONS

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 - Mathias Kalutha	3L - Avalon Sutton
Prep B - Lachlan Hastings	3M - Alivia Stead
Prep C - Charlie Schereck	4Q - Cleeve Lazaro
Prep D - Deng Garang	4S - Dudi Adour
1E - Lilysue Marsh & Bunny Marsh	4U - Diing Mabor
1F - Ellie Thorneycroft	5R - Joshua Gallagher
1H - Tayla Ferris	5T - Ebony Barrow
2G - Joseph Chol	5V - Dengich Keer
2I - Johnny Scaringi	6N - Maisey Kucic
2K - Jayden Delos Santos	6O - Lisa Lieba & Nyanthuoi Pabek
3J - Jamie Nobin	6P - Emily Kaltner

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Mon		Tue		Wed		Thu		Fri		Sat		Sun	
18	Week 2	19 *Prep/Yr 1/Yr 2 Swimming Program *Sibling Storytime @ 2:30pm		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 *Sibling Storytime @ 2:30pm		27 *Grandparents Day Mass & 9:30am *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	Week 4	2 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program *Sibling Storytime @ 2:30pm		3 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program		4 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program		5 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program		6		7	
8	Week 5	9 *Yr 5/6 Swimming Program *Sibling Storytime @ 2:30pm		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	
15	Week 6	16 *Sibling Storytime @ 2:30pm		17		18		19		20		21	
22	Week 7 Book Week	23 *Sibling Storytime @ 2:30pm		24		25		26		27		28	



Expressions of interest to volunteer:

Vinnies Soup Van Program

Do you:

- ✓ Have a passion for giving a 'hand up' to individuals experiencing disadvantage?
- ✓ Love giving back to your local community?
- ✓ Enjoy engaging with people from all walks of life?

We are looking to establish a Vinnies Soup Van service in the Melton area. The program would provide a regular evening meal service at fixed location/s and times to people experiencing disadvantage & homelessness in the Melton area.

We are currently evaluating the interest and availability of volunteers for this program.



Vinnies
good works

What could I be doing on the Soup Vans?

Food & donation collection: Collection of items, in a Vinnies vehicle, required for the service from various locations during the morning or afternoon.

Food prep: Food to be served would be prepared of an afternoon. Typically, this includes soup, sandwiches and hot drinks.

Food delivery: Volunteers travel, in a Vinnies vehicle, to fixed locations, at regular times, to provide food and friendship to those in need.

To attend and serve on the Soup Van Program you must be **age 18 or over**.

Please register your interest and availability in becoming a volunteer using the QR code here:

Alternatively, please email us at soupvans@svdp-vic.org.au providing your potential availability (day of the week, time of the day).

