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NEWSLETTER

Term 3, Week 7 26th August 2022

Sept 1st world prayer day of the care of creation

Pope Francis has established 1 September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, encouraging the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home.

Reflection

The day is inspired by Pope Francis' landmark encyclical Laudato Si', which calls on "every person living on this planet" to care for our shared Earth.

"Listen to the voice of creation" is the theme and invitation of this year's Season of Creation. In his message for the World Day of Prayer 2022, Pope Francis calls us to use the season to "cultivate our ecological conversion" and to pray together in "the great cathedral of Creation". He warns that we are reaching "a breaking point" and must act decisively so that "we and future generations can continue to rejoice in creation's sweet song of life and hope."

All powerful God, you are present in the universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with your peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are coming to the end of Term 3 and Parent Teacher Interviews and fast approaching. These are scheduled for Monday 5th September -Wednesday, 7th September between 8:00 - 8:30am and Thursday, 8th September between 1:30 - 8:00pm. Interviews will be held at school in your child's classroom. You will be able to book an appointment on our online platform using the code and information enclosed in this newsletter. Due to the availability of staff interviews for **Prep D and 6O will be held on Thursday, 6th October only.** We encourage all parents and carers to make an interview with their child's teacher. The interviews will cover your child's learning to date, their strengths and challenges and the focus for the remainder of the year.

In the coming weeks our Year 6 children will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is a special time for the children and their families and I ask that you keep these children in your thoughts and prayers.

Abuk Ngong	Addison McKinley	Adhieu Chol	Dominic Abraham	Alat Ngong	Allanah Raic
Angelo Dau	Anhiany Anhiany	Anon Garang	Benjamin Saliba	Bethany Russell	Brock Spence
Cecilia Bui	Chmann Poundak	Chol Chol	Dale Fernando	Darcy Thompson	Dayne Rose
Eliezer Tuvukanimigisha	Elizabeth Bonilla	Ella Evans	Emily Kaltner	Emma Van Munster	Frederick Johnson
Hayden Hausfeld	Indie Thorneycroft	James Kangendo	Jayke Gauci	Kayla Farrugia	Kane Bondin
Kareena Allen	Kobe White	Leila Eckardt	Lily Franksen	Lily Kensington	Lily Maguire
Lisa Lieba	Louis Van Berkel	Maisey Kucic	Maria Vukcevic	Max Squire	Mitchell Barton
Monique Kalutha	Mwajuma Marinjira	Natasha Puccio	Nyaleng Mayan-Tong	Nyanrup Poundak	Nyanthuoi Pabek
Priscilla Deng	Sama Babawy	Santino Mabok	Sinon Fernando	Violet Suraci	Wel Anyar

Have a lovely weekend

Carmel Marantelli PRINCIPAL

Upcoming Events

29th Aug - School Closure Day 2nd Sept - Father's Day breakfast and stall - Footy Day (dress in footy jumpers or colours 8th Sept - Parent Teacher Interviews 10th Sept - Year 6 Confirmation 16th Sept - Last Day of Term 3 1:30 dismissal

Child Safety Standards

One of the most important things we can do as a school community is to have the safety and wellbeing of all children as a priority. To assist schools and agencies who work with children in achieving this a new set of 11 Child Safe Standards have come into force. These standards are mandated for schools and other settings and replace the previous 7 Child Safe Standards. We will be audited for compliance against these standards as part of our next school review.

While many of the standards relate directly to school staff, there are others which are directed at anyone who works or volunteers in a school and will come into contact with children. In addition to this there are things we can all do to keep children and young people safe so it is important that all community members are aware of these standards. Over the coming weeks I will share information on the different standards with you all, particularly those that relate to volunteers in school settings. I have listed all of the standards below for you.

Standard 1 - Establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children and young people are respected and valued.

Standard 2 - Child safety and wellbeing is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture.

Standard 3 - Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.

Standard 4 - Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing.

Standard 5 - Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice.

Standard 6 - People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice.

Standard 7 - Processes for complaints and concerns are child-focused.

Standard 8 - Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training.

Standard 9 - Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.

Standard 10 - Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved.

Standard 11 - Policies and procedures document how the organisation is safe for children and young people.





Parent-Teacher interviews provides the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to discuss strengths, challenges and to celebrate their learning this term.

If the school has recently held a PSG meeting for your child, a Parent-Teacher Interview is not required.

Term 3 2022 Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held on

MONDAY 5th SEPTEMBER 8:00 - 8:30AM TUESDAY 6th SEPTEMBER 8:00 - 8:30AM WEDNESDAY 7th SEPTEMBER 8:00 - 8:30AM THURSDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 1:30 - 8:00PM

*Please note interviews for Prep D and 60 will be held on THURSDAY, 6th OCTOBER 1:30 – 8:00pm ONLY

BOOKINGS WILL OPEN ON Friday, 26th August at 4:00pm and CLOSE ON Thursday, 1st September at 9:00pm.

Parent-Teacher Interviews for Term 3 will be held onsite in your child's classroom.

You can now book interviews at times that suit YOUR FAMILY BEST. Please arrive at your Student's Classroom, 3 minutes before the appointment time.

Go to <u>http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au</u> and follow these simple instructions.



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 <u>www.schoolinterviews.com.au</u> 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 <u>www.schoolinterviews.com.au</u> website and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address you used when you made your original booking.



Dreaming with eyes open

BOOK WEEK 2022

The CBCA Book of The Year Winners for 2022 have been



announced!

Picture Book of The Year

Iceberg by Jess Racklyeft and Claire Saxby.



Book of The Year - Early Childhood Jetty Jumping by Andrea Rowe and Hannah Sommerville.



Book of The Year - Younger Readers A Glasshouse of Stars by Shirley Marr.

Please note these books will be available for borrowing from our library next week! Make sure you bring your library bag to school so you can be one of the first to borrow the new Book Week books!



Tuesday, 23rd August we were delighted to host author/illustrators Frane Lessac and Mark Greenwood. Frane captivated students in Year Prep to Year 4 with her storytelling, sharing her illustrations and sharing tales about her dog Banjo. She also discussed the process of creating a book and showed students 'sloppy copies' and explained the editing process. Mark Greenwood worked with our Year 5 and 6 students and explained how curiosity can be a spark to write a story. He had the students engaged with historical tales and mysteries.



Write4Fun

A reminder that all write4fun stories and poems must be submitted by Sunday, 28th August. You may enter online at monomite4fun.net You can also email your stories to me however you will need to do this by Friday 26th August. jdelprete@scmeltonvest.catholic.edu.au Just remember to edit your work, especially check capital letters and punctuation.

Book Neek Parade

We celebrated Book Week with our Parade on Friday, 26th August. Thank you to everyone who came along to share the love of books. A big thank you to everyone who dressed up. It was quite a sight to see.





Year 6 Confirmation

On <u>Saturday, 10th September</u>, children in Year 6 who are baptised Catholics will be celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation. On this most holy occasion students will become more closely united with Christ and the Gifts of the Holy Spirit will be strengthened as they confirm their faith. The mass times are as follows:

11:00am 6N & student in 6P whose surname begins with the letter A-N

2:00pm 60 & students in 6P whose surname begins with the letter M-Z

Here are some important reminders for this day.

• Students must come to the mass they are assigned to.

• Students and their sponsors must be in the hall 45 minutes before the start of the mass. During this time they will receive their Confirmation Medallions and the children will have a group photo.



Student Medication Authorisation

In accordance with the Medical Management Policy, where students have been diagnosed with a medical condition and require the administration of medication at school, St Catherine of Siena requires parents/guardians/carers to provide relevant information to enable it to carry out its duty of care obligations through a Medical Management Plan and Medication Authority Form.

When a student requires medication is to be administered by staff at school, this will occur only:

- where a Medication Authority Form has been completed which includes authority to administer the specified medication and has been provided to the school including all necessary information
- under the authority of the principal
- where the medication has been appropriately stored and provided in the original packaging
- in accordance with applicable instructions regarding the dosage, the method and the timing of administration of the medication and its expiry date, as recorded on the original label provided with the original container for the medication
- where provided to the prescribed student
- where the administration is recorded in a medication log, maintained by the school, which records the name of the student, the name of two staff members present to administer the medication, the date and time of administration, the medication administered and the dosage.

An updated Medication Authority Form has been attached for your reference.



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Mass Times - St Dominic's Thursday - Friday : 9.15am

St Catherine of Siene Parents & Friends Association **Father & Day Stall Friday, 2nd September** Gifts 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.

Father's Day Breakfast & Footy Colours Day

All Dads, Grandfathers or Special Persons are invited to attend our Annual Father's Day Breakfast on Friday, 2nd September at 7:30am. (*Please bring a gold coin donation for breakfast*)

This will also be our Annual Footy Colours Day. A day to celebrate your favourite sports team. Children are invited to wear their team jersey or colours instead of their school shirt.



School Closure Day - Monday, 29th August



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29 Week 8 SCHOOL CLOSURE	30 *Sibling Storytime @ 2:30pm	31	1 September	2 *Father's Day Breakfast *Father's Day Stall *Footy Colours Day	3	4
5 Week 9 *Parent/Teacher Interviews 8 - 8:30am	6 *Parent/Teacher Interviews 8 - 8:30am *Sibling Storytime @ 2:30pm	7 *Parent/Teacher Interviews 8 - 8:30am *Yr 1 Excursion to Melbourne Museum & IMAX	8 *Parent/Teacher Interviews 1:30 - 8pm	9	10 Yr 6 Sacrament of Confirmation	11
12 Week 10	13 *Sibling Storytime @ 2:30pm	14	15	16 End of Term 3 - Students dismissed at 1:30pm	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	1 October	2
3 Week 1 Term 4 Begins	4	5	6	7	8	9

Vacation Care Program - Spring September 2022





Program Details

Who

The program is open to all primary school aged children.

Program Hours

6.30am - 6.30pm. Monday - Friday, school holidays.

Location

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

Cost

\$79.55 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 \$36.80 and Incursions \$25.25.

Enrolment Opens

8.30am Monday, 29th August 2022

Enrolments Close

5.00pm Friday, 9th September2022

Bookings submitted after may incur a \$22.50 late 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

BOOK EARLY! Don't miss out!

Monday, 19th September Spring is back

Starting the program with welcoming the flower blooming season, Spring. From gardening to making sun catchers, exploring Spring.

Tuesday, 20th September

Multicultural Day - Incursion (\$25.25)

As we are living in a very diverse, multicultural country, today is all about exploring and learning different languages, cuisines, music and arts. Includes a Bhangra session, learning the art of origami. We invite all children to come **dress in their cultural attire**.

Wednesday, 21st September-Excursion to Collingwood Children Farm Old McDonald had a farm -Excursion (36.80)

We will be off to Collingwood Children Farm to explore and learn about farm life and enjoy a picnic at the beautiful farm. Please be at the centre by 9:15am as we are leaving 9:30am and returning by 3:30pm. Thursday, 22nd September

Footy Day

With the AFL grand final looming over the weekend, today we will be holding an AFL play session at the recreation centre next to Bridge Rd centre. We will also have other sports equipment set up from soccer posts to badminton. Come dressed in your team colours – any sport!

Friday, 23rd September- Public Holiday **CLOSED**

Monday, 26th September

Book Day

We invite all children to dress up in their favourite book character, celebrating classic stories. Making our own puppets and show. Tuesday, 27th September

STEM learning day - Incursion (\$25.25)

As an extension of children's interest and their request we have booked in STEM education incursion. This day is planned with different station of construction to experimentation areas to enhance children's critical thinking.

Wednesday, 28th September - Excursion to Kemizo Caroline Springs Arcade Day - Excursion (\$36.80)

We will be going to Kemizo in Caroline Springs to take part in roller skating to sky walking. We will be taking minibuses to the Arcade. Thursday, 29th September

Little Masterchef - Incursion (\$25.25)

Putting our little master chefs with professional Chef Sallie we will be holding a mini MasterChef competition and cooking class. Friday, 30th September

Mindfulness Dav

It is all about positive psychology, training our mind with meditation to participating in a yoga session with Aman, a calm and relaxing day.

* Activities are subject to change



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