



# ST CATHERINE OF SIENA NEWSLETTER

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

Term 4, Week 3 21st October 2022

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## 2022 Art Show

### *Reflection - The Whispering of God's Word*

We have heard the whisper of your word, almost silent,  
yet insistent

Breaking through the chatter of many voices

The clatter of background noises, the wind, the rain

The storms and troubles of life

Through all of this Your word remains unchangeable

Cuts through to the heart and soul, unmissable

'Come follow me Take up the Cross...

My burden is no burden at all, it is simply love

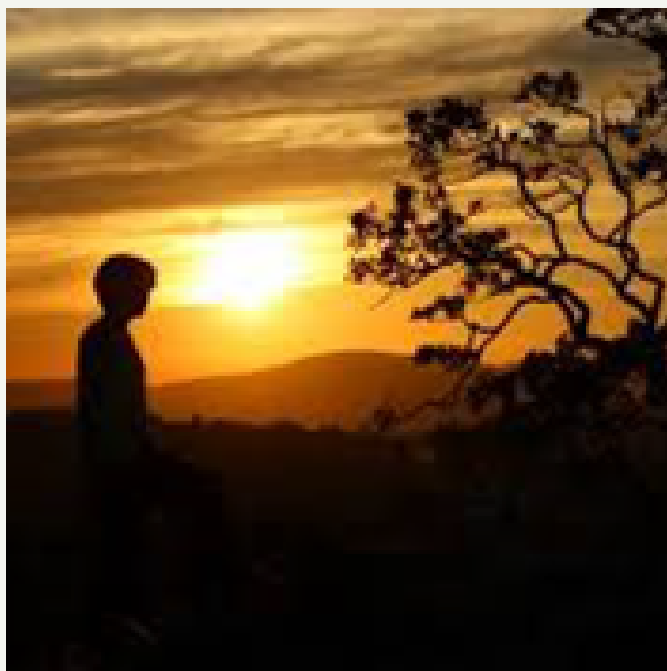
Poured out for you and through you

Sustaining, empowering ... Come follow me'

The world has ears, yet fails to hear

But we have heard the whispering of your word and we  
trust your quiet work in the hidden depths of our hearts.

Adapted from [www.faithandworship.com](http://www.faithandworship.com)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Monday, 24th October - Year 6 Graduation Photo**

**Tuesday, 25th October - Year 4 Excursion to Werribee Zoo**

**Thursday, 27th October - Year 5 Excursion to Melbourne Zoo**



# Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have the end of the year fast approaching with events such as our End of Year Concert, Whole School Picnic and Year 6 Big Day Out all coming up. Dates for all of these events are in this newsletter so please update your own calendar accordingly. Permission for these events will be sent out via the Operoo app so it is important that all families have up to date information for your child on their profiles and that your contact details are correct.

After a few years of lockdowns and restrictions we will once again be coming together as a school community for Friday afternoon assemblies. These will be held at 2:45pm in the hall and will be an opportunity for classes to share highlights of their week and also for the weeks awards to be presented in front of the whole school. Parents are able to attend these assemblies if they wish. Consistent with advice over the past few years we do ask that anyone who is feeling unwell not attend. There is no need to wear a mask but you are more than welcome to wear one if you wish to.

Our library has received a bit of a refresh recently with new furniture and shelving. Tracey Taylor along with many other staff have worked tirelessly the past few weeks to get all of the books back in place so the children can commence borrowing. The children are eagerly awaited its reopening with several sneaking past my office for a quick look. I have included a few pictures of the library in the newsletter for you.

On Friday, 11th November we will be having a special assembly at 10:30am to stop as a school community and commemorate Remembrance Day. Our school leaders will represent us down at a similar service at the Melton Cenotaph on this day.

Have a lovely weekend everyone



Carmel Marantelli  
PRINCIPAL



## 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>

## Year 6 Graduation Photo

A reminder that the Graduation Photo for all Year 6 students will be taken on Monday, 24th October. All students are required to wear their full summer uniform.



## End of Year Concert

After a two year absence we are excited to once again be celebrating the end of year with our Annual Concert. The date is yet to be confirmed but will be held in Week 11 on either Monday, 12th December or Tuesday, 13th December.

*Please keep these dates free as we would love to see all students at families attend this event.*



## Roll Up! Roll Up!

Students in Years Three to Six are invited to enter St. Catherine's Poetry Competition.

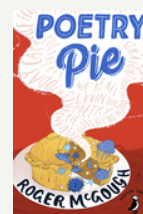
We have been focussing on Poetry in our Literacy Classes and this competition provides students with the opportunity to share their knowledge and creativity.

Students have two weeks to prepare their entry. They can enter with a hard copy or electronic copy. Your poem could be in any form you like and there will be prizes!

- Entry is voluntary.
- Poems must be submitted by Friday, November 5th, Week 5.
- Poems to be sent to Jen Del Prete (Literacy Leader). Leave hard copy in my office or email me your poem [jdelprete@scmeltonwest.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jdelprete@scmeltonwest.catholic.edu.au)

You will also need to keep a copy of your poem so you can rehearse as you will be presenting your poem in Week 6 (during a specified lunchtime) with all other entrants.

- Poetry prizes will be awarded in Week 6.



## UNLEASHED - Schools Writing Competition 2022

Congratulations to Alana Alford and Ivana Majkic who both received an Achievement Award for successfully completing the first round of Judging in the Write 4 Fun, *Unleashed - 2022 Schools Poetry & Short Story Competition!* The competition received more than 3840 entries.

Both girls now have the opportunity to have their entry '*Rose and the New Boy*' & '*Friends with the Woods*' published in the limited edition book, 'Unleashed'.

**This is a wonderful achievement and we couldn't be more proud.**

Orders of the publication can be placed online at [www.write4fun.net](http://www.write4fun.net) no later than 25th November 2022





# Family Maths

## Monthly Challenge

How are you going with this month's challenge? A few entries have been sent in and there is still time before the challenge ends. Work with your family to solve some problems involving counting.



- How many people?
- How many animals?
- How many feet altogether?  
(Hint: you may not be able to see all the feet)
- How many fishing rods?
- Count and name all things that are floating.

Collect a response sheet from the classroom office tub and get counting!

Challenge ends Wednesday, October 26th and winners will be announced in the following newsletter.

### Just in time for the Melbourne Cup - Snail Race!

Test your skills in the area of Chance.

Roll the dice and see if your snail wins!



# Congratulations

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

These awards were presented to children at school today.

Keep up the terrific effort!

**Prep A** - Eden Fraser

**Prep B** - Aleeya Bowman

**Prep C** - Malual Majok

**Prep D** - Audrey Kasambalis

**1E** - Bol Chol

**1F** - Zoey Brown

**1H** - Abraham Thomas

**2G** - Alexander Kondis & Taylah  
Crabtree

**2I** - Johnny Scaringi

**2K** - Joseph Chol

**3J** - Liam Dreaver

**3L** - Chloe D'Alton & Chelsea Griffith

**3M** - Nyok Anyar

**4Q** - Benedita Pinhao Dos Santos

**4S** - Gabriella Galileos

**4U** - Ngashida Chimann

**5R** - Kenny Ah-Kee

**5T** - Jaymee Cutajar

**5V** - Georgia Sorenson

**6N** - Dale Fernando

**6P** - Kristy Saroe





Thank you so much for continuously supporting our school, especially through fundraising. This term, the PFA are hosting a Colour Explosion School Fun Run to raise money for the Playground Upgrade!

Visit [www.australianfundraising.com.auto](http://www.australianfundraising.com.auto) create your child's cybersafe fundraising profile. Instructions are in your child's sponsorship booklet and you have until 20/11/2022 to fundraise, so lets get cracking!

The big day is coming and we are so excited to host our Colour Explosion School Fun Run on Thursday, 8th December. On the day, make sure your child brings a white t-shirt for the Fun Run! They will be covered in non-toxic, high quality colour powder from head to toe! They will also need a water bottle and their hat.

How do prizes work? Help your child fundraise more by setting a fundraising goal! The more donations a student receives the more prizes they can order. Students can choose a prize based on the total amount of dollars raised, or mix and match smaller prizes.

As an extra incentive the highest fundraising student in our school will go into the draw to win a \$10,000 JB Hi-Fi Shopping Spree, including your choice of televisions, laptops, phones, home accessories and more!

Start fundraising at [www.australianfundraising.com.au](http://www.australianfundraising.com.au) for your chance to win.












**Thanks in advance for your support, and happy fundraising!**



# School Closure Day – Monday, 31st October

## Melbourne Cup – Tuesday, 1st November

# Term 4, 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
24 Week 4 Yr 6 Graduation Photo 	25 Yr 4 Excursion to Werribee Zoo Sibling Story time @ 2:30pm	26	27 Yr 5 Excursion to Melbourne Zoo	28 Yr 3/4 T20 Cricket Training Whole School Assembly @ 2:45pm	29	30
31 Week 5 <b>School Closure Day</b>	1 November <b>Melbourne Cup</b> 	2	3	4 Yr 3/4 T20 Cricket Training Whole School Assembly @ 2:45pm	5	6
7 Week 6	8 Yr 3/4 Basketball Training Prep 2023 Transition Session 1 Sibling Story time @ 2:30pm	9 	10	11 Yr 3/4 District T20 Competition Whole School Assembly @ 2:45pm	12	13
14 Week 7	15 Yr 3/4 Basketball Training Prep 2023 Transition Session 2 Sibling Story time @ 2:30pm	16	17	18 Yr 3/4 District Basketball Competition Whole School Assembly @ 2:45pm	19	20
21 Week 8	22 Prep 2023 Transition Session 3 Sibling Story time @ 2:30pm	23	24	25 Whole School Assembly @ 2:45pm	26	27 Advent Week 1 <b>Hope</b> 
28 Week 9	29 Sibling Story time @ 2:30pm	30	1 December	2 Yr Prep Excursion Whole School Assembly @ 2:45pm	3	4 Advent Week 2 <b>Love</b> 
5 Week 10 <b>School Closure Day</b>	6 Sibling Story time @ 2:30pm	7 Yr 6 Big Day Out!	8 PFA Colour Run 4 Fun 	9 Whole School Picnic 	10	11 Advent Week 3 <b>Peace</b> 
12 Week 11 Semester 2 Reports available online	13 Yr 1 – 6 2023 Step Up Morning	14 End of Year Mass @ 9:30am	15 Yr 6 Graduation @ 7pm 	16 Whole School Assembly @ 2:45pm	17	18 Advent Week 4 <b>Joy</b> 
19 Week 12 Last Day of Term 4 Students Dismissed @ 1:30pm	20	21	22	23	24	25 



# Children's Week 2022

Free Family Fun Event



Come along and join in free activities

• storytelling • music • craft • sports • animal farm •

**FREE**  
event!

BYO Picnic Lunch

**Tuesday 25  
October**

Melton Community Hall  
232 High Street, Melton

**10am – 12:30pm**

For more information:  
[melton.vic.gov/events](https://melton.vic.gov/events)



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