



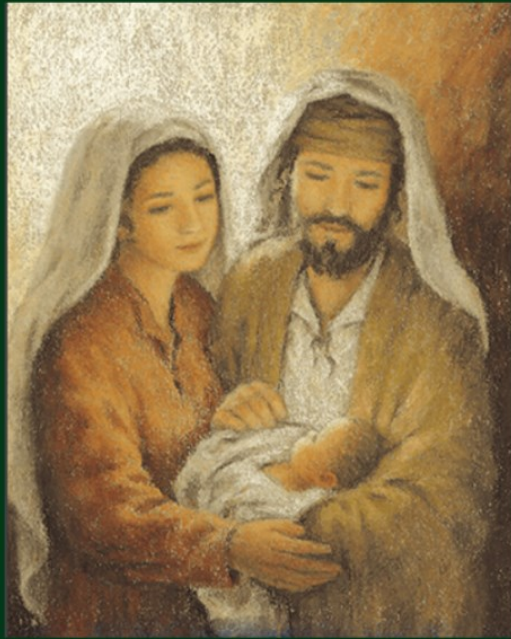
ST CATHERINE OF SIENA NEWSLETTER



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

Term 4, Week 11 16th December 2022

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Christmas- God is with us!

God so loved the world that he sent his only Son. At Christmas we remember and celebrate that God is with us now.

The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage.

Matthew 2:10,11

*Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.
Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help
All: Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.
Leader: Your ways O Lord are love and truth.
All: Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.
Leader: You have done great things for us; we are filled with joy!
All: Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, 19th December - School Closure Day

Monday, 30th January 2023 - Term 1 Begins for all Students



Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As this is the last newsletter for 2022 I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support this year as we navigated our way through some very challenging staffing issues.

Goodbye and best wishes to our Year 6 students. In 2023 you will begin secondary school and all of the exciting challenges and experiences this has in store for you. You will encounter new people from many other primary schools and begin the task of making new friends and settling into new routines. Remember your "dash" in those early days if things seem to be difficult, how do you want others to see you, what is important in your dash or journey and always stay true to this and to yourself.

There are also several other students from Prep to Year 5 who will leave us at the end of this year. For a variety of reasons you will be finishing your primary school years in another school setting. Hopefully you have had the chance to visit the school and meet some of the children who will be in your class next year. You know that when we have new children arrive at St Catherine's, everyone wants to meet them, look after them and be their friend; so I am sure that the children in your new school will do the same for you and make you feel very special and most welcome. I'm sure that you will soon settle in and make new friends. You have worked to develop life skills such as team work, problem solving, communication skills, negotiation, respect and many others, to equip you for the challenges you will encounter.

I hope you all have fond memories of your time at St Catherine of Siena, may you settle into your new school settings quickly and may the Holy Spirit continue to guide you.

At this time of year we also say goodbye to many of our families as their youngest child finishes Year 6 or they move on to other school settings. Over many years all of these families have made valuable contributions to the school and on behalf of all staff and students thank you very much for all you have done to support everyone at St Catherine of Siena during your time with us. In whatever you do and wherever you go you all have our very best wishes.

Abraham Family	Archer Family	Auber Family	Babawy Family	Bondin Family
Bonilla Family	Chol Family	Chol Family	Craik Family	Eckardt Family
Fernando Family	Franksen Family	Fu Family	Johnson Family	Kucic Family
Lue Family	Marinjira Family	McKnight Family	Pabek Family	Puccio Family
Raic Family	Russell Family	Saliba Family	Saroe Family	Schwartz Family
Solomon Family	Spence Family	Squire Family	Suraci Family	Van Munster Family
Van Berkel Family	White Family	Zammit Family		

Wishing you all the peace and joy of Christmas as, on the 25th December, we remember that night so long ago when Jesus came into the world in a stable - a baby who would change the world and bring hope to many. May we all be filled with that very same hope this Christmas, hope for the year ahead of us and what 2023 may be.

Merry Christmas, take care and stay safe


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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

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Christmas Concert

Thank you to all of our families for coming to support the students and joining in with our Carols sing-a-long at this years Christmas Concert. It was wonderful to be able to celebrate this much loved event with our school community.

Well done to all the students for their amazing performances and to the teachers who have spent lots of time preparing them. Thanks also to Eboni Morrell and Monica Martino for all your time and effort in putting the show together it was a huge success and enjoyed by so many.



Colour Run Major Prize Winner

Congratulations to Arabella from Year 2 who is the lucky winner of a Razor Electric Scooter. Arabella was the highest fundraiser for our Colour Run raising over \$1000!! An amazing effort. A huge thank you to everyone who supported this event by raising money and also volunteering on the day.

Also a special thanks to Kaye Bigeni and the PFA for organising and hosting the Colour Run. Your time and effort in preparing for this is very much appreciated.



Year 6 Graduation

Congratulations to our Year 6 students who last night celebrated their graduation. We wish you well as you continue your education journey at secondary school! We hope you embrace all the opportunities and challenges that your new school will bring.



Semester 2 Reports

Semester 2 student Reports are now available through the nForma Parent Portal. Please login to the Parent Portal Homepage and enter your Username and Password. If you have forgotten your password, this can be reset online. New users will receive an email containing a link and a temporary password to access the Portal.

Please email ict@scmeltonwest.catholic.edu.au if you have any issues with accessing your child's report.

Bulmans Road - Roadworks Update

An update on the Update to Bulmans Road has come through. Please note the following timelines.

Service Authorities Relocations Powercor relocation works to commence March 2023. Anticipate completion August 2023.

Council to commence works on Bulmans Road Stage (Section 1) between Sovereign Blvd and Centenary Ave. Anticipated construction timeframes are July till Sept 2023

Council to commence works on Bulmans Road Stage (Section 2) between the boundary of Arthur Westlake Reserve to Westlake Drive. Anticipated construction timeframes between Sept till Nov 2023.

Council to commence works on Bulmans Road Stage (Section 3) between Sovereign Blvd and the boundary of Arthur Westlake Reserve (School frontage). Anticipated construction timeframes between Nov 2023 till March 2024. Much of this work will be done during the school holidays.

Landscaping & Line marking (Final Section) Contractor is most likely to complete landscaping and line markings works at the end of the project construction.

SPECIAL MOMENTS FROM 2022





2023

CANTEEN NEWS

2023 Open Days

The canteen will be available again in 2023 for lunch orders and over the counter sales on the following days

TUESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

*The canteen will be
closed on **MONDAY** &
WEDNESDAY*



Christmas Mass Timetable 2022

St Catherine of Siena Church, Bulmans Rd Melton West

Simbang Gabi (Na Ulit) Sa Melton

Christmas Novena Masses

15th -23rd December 2022 at 8pm each evening

Christmas Eve

Saturday 24th December

6.00pm [Family Mass], 8.00pm & 10pm

Christmas Day

Sunday 25th December

9.00am & 11.00am

** No Christmas Mass at 5.00PM **

Boxing Day

No Masses on Boxing Day

Individual Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 10th December 5.15pm–5.45pm

Sunday 11th December 4.15pm–4.45pm

Saturday 17th December 5.15pm–5.45pm

Sunday 18th December 4.15pm–4.45pm

Please note— There will be no Sacrament of Penance on Christmas Eve.

COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS



Term 1, 2023

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

23 	24	25	26 Australia Day 	27	28	29
30 Week 1 Term 1 Begins Preps here 8:50am - 1:30pm	31 Preps here 8:50am - 1:30pm	1 February Preps NOT at school	2 Preps here 8:50am - 1:30pm Canteen Reopens for 2023	3 Preps here 8:50am - 1:30pm	4	5 
6 Week 2 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm	7 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm	8 Preps NOT at school	9 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm	10 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm	11	12
13 Week 3 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm	14 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm	15 Preps NOT at school	16 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm	17 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm MPSSA Summer Sport - Round 1	18	19
20 Week 4 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm	21 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm	22 Preps NOT at school	23 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm	24 Preps here 8:50am - 3:15pm MPSSA Summer Sport - Round 2	25	26
27 Week 5 Preps at school 5 days	28 MPSSA District Swimming Carnival	1 March	2	3 MPSSA Summer Sport - Round 3	4	5
6 Week 6	7	8	9	10 MPSSA Summer Sports - Lightning Cup	11	12
13 Week 7 Labour Day - School Closed	14 Whole School Photo Day 	15	16	17	18	19

