



St Thomas More's  
Catholic Primary  
School



COLOURS DAY  
& Crazy Hair  
Fri 23 Sept



END OF TERM  
Fri 23 Sept



TERM 4 STARTS  
Mon 10 Oct

# NEWSLETTER

## From the Principal:

As Term 3 comes to a close I wish to thank parents, staff and students for their contributions to another successful term. Lots of learning has occurred, both in the classroom and within the school community: Science Fairs, Drama evenings, Rock n' Roll Night, Dance Event, Cross Country Races, Singfest, Sacraments of Reconciliation and Confirmation, Songline Day and Book Parade to name a few. The threads that are interwoven amongst all of the learning at STM are our recognition of the dignity of all students as we meet their learning needs; the inclusion of all students into our school community and our genuine desire for these students to flourish. This "binding force and potential for relationships derive from a set of values and a *communion of life* that is rooted in our common belonging to Christ. (CONGREGATION FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION 2007). Pope Francis, in an address to the Congregation for Catholic Education in 2014, said that a catholic education must be one that *looks toward the integral development of the person and which responds to the right of all to have access to wisdom and knowledge*. We continually seek to provide these in all areas of school life at St Thomas More's.

*C. Seagar*

Carol Seagar  
Principal

Thank you all for your support and assistance over the past months and last night. What a beautiful view it was to see all these precious children we have in our care stand, as their name was called. Each one is a gift, I am privileged to be on this journey with them.

Thank you to the families for all they do, and the way they prepared their children and participated in our liturgy.

Thank you all, I look forward to our fun day and First Eucharist.

Rosie Caelli





## IMPORTANT: Filtering Content at Home

We published this a number of weeks ago, but wanted to publish it again as it is of vital importance that network filters are set up in the home.

The ease with which inappropriate content can be accessed online these days is scary. However, we really don't want to stop our child/ren from using this valuable learning tool. The below website is a link to a blog post by the Cyber Safety Lady regarding what you can do to keep your home network safe, so that you can still access the internet, but without most of the nasties. Please take the time to read this as it has specific things that you can do to prevent your child from seeing things that they shouldn't.

<https://thecybersafetylady.com.au/2015/09/protect-your-child-from-adult-content/>

One of the key ideas she gives in this blog post is to set up a home filtering system. Luckily this can be done for free, and we have popped a link to the website that will allow you to do this below. We can't urge you strongly enough to ensure that your home network has this, or some other filtering system in place.

<https://www.opendns.com/home-internet-security/>

### Colours Day

The P&F will be spraying crazy hair colour before school and at recess for \$1. This donation is in addition to the Colours Day money and will also go towards the Fair Treasure Chest.

### Courtesy to STM Neighbours

Can parents please keep driveways clear around the school as these property owners need to come and go.

### Appointment for Miss Clark

Congratulations to Anna Clark on her appointment to Hutchins School for 2017. We wish her all the best for her future teaching career.

## Coming Up

### **Fri 23 Sept**

Colours Day  
Gold Coin donation  
End of Term 3

### **Mon 10 Oct**

Term 4 commences

### **Wed 12 Oct**

STM Athletics Carnival  
P&F Meeting, 7.00

### **Thurs 13 Oct**

Board Meeting, 7.00

### **Tues 18 Oct**

Andrew Chinn visit

### **Thurs 20 Oct**

MJR Day

### **Fri 21 Oct**

Infant Athletic Day

### **Wed 26 Oct**

Foundation Band &  
String Workshop

### **Fri 28 Oct**

STM Fair

### **Fri 4 Nov**

NIJSSA Athletic  
Carnival

### **Mon 7 Nov**

Long Weekend

### **Thurs 10 Nov**

Development Band  
Workshop

### **Fri 11 Nov**

Remembrance Day

### **Mon 14 Nov**

Grandparents' Day

## TERM DATES FOR 2017

**TERM 1: 9 FEB - 13 APRIL**  
**EASTER: 14-18 APRIL**

**TERM 2: 1 MAY - 7 JULY**

**TERM 3: 24 JULY - 29 SEPT**

**TERM 4 16 OCT - 21 DEC**

## SACRAMENTAL CALENDAR

### OCTOBER

21st Friday Candidates Fun Day St Ailbes Hall 10 – 2:30  
Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Faith Sharing Session – Church of the Apostles 3:30-7:00pm

### NOVEMBER

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Faith Sharing Session – Church of the Apostles 3:30-7:00pm  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Presentation of the Lord's Prayer and practice for First Eucharist  
Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Presentation of the Lord's Prayer and practice for First Eucharist  
Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Sacrament of First Eucharist at all Mass Centres  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Sacrament of First Eucharist at all Mass Centres

# Gallery



DANCE  
EVENT  
AT  
SILVERDOME



Congratulations to William Barns for his medal in the UNSW exam for spelling



Congratulations to Daniel Luck, awarded best junior actor at the Deloraine Drama Festival

## What's On outside school

Carswell Coaching Holiday Tennis Clinic  
When: Monday 26 Sept to Wednesday 28 Sept  
Where: Newstead Tennis and Squash Centre, Olive Street, Newstead  
Time: 9-11am each day  
Enquiries or enrolments please phone Mat on 63261020 0417390261 or e [matcarswell@yahoo.com.au](mailto:matcarswell@yahoo.com.au)

New Enrolments also being taking for Term 4 Coaching, Beginners to Advanced players, Adult lessons available.

# St Thomas More's

## Kinder Order Form

Date: Parents Name: Contact Phone:	Complete Orders will be ready for collection from Targetts Schoolwear after the 25th of January 2017.
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<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Polo Top-size 2, 4, 6			\$43.50	
Rugby Top-size 2, 4, 6			\$76.95	
Knit Shorts-size 4, 6			\$20.00	
Skort-size 2, 4, 6			\$24.00	
Trackpants-size 4, 6			\$44.00	
R/R 3pk sport socks-size 9-12, 13-3			\$11.00	
Legionnaire Hat-1 size fits all			\$10.00	
Waterproof Coat-size 2, 4, 6			\$39.50	
Smock-size Xsml, Sml			\$17.95	
Backpack- Med, Lrq			\$42.50/\$45	
Library Bag-1 size			\$10.00	

Shoes: Predominately white Sport shoes.

Please Note: 15% discount will be given on school and sports shoes purchased from Targetts Schoolwear, please advise shop assistant upon purchasing that you are a St Thomas More's Parent so they can give you the correct discount.

<b>ORDER TOTAL=</b>	<b>\$</b>
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Orders can be placed by emailing 'sales@targetts.com.au' or faxed to 03)6331 3727

Alternatively you can drop this form to us in store.

We request that orders be placed by 25/11/16 to guarantee delivery before start of the 2017 school year.

Any Questions, please phone the store on 03)6331 4622

Payment: Orders are to be paid for in full upon collection. Lay-by facilities available.