

ST THOMAS MORE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

29 OCTOBER 2015



From the Principal

What a wonderful weekend of community celebration and conviviality.

I know I speak with the pride of our school community when I praise and appreciate the singing from the Choir Students at our Choral Soiree on Friday night - with performances so spiritually touching, their upcoming recording at the Marakoopa Caves will be sensational - a recording to cherish.

I wish to thank the Parish Sacramental Committee and Rosie Caelli, the Sacramental Co-ordinator for the beautiful Confirmation and First Eucharist Celebration held on Saturday at Sacred Heart, Newstead. With Archbishop Porteous, concelebrating priests, families, staff, the community and the beautifully prepared candidates it was an evening of a faith-filled community coming together to confirm, strengthen, and increase our faith and closeness with the community of Christ.

Many thanks to the Parents and friends helpers who cooked the sausages on Friday night: Belinda Lehner, Jakki Cross, Paul Kilby, Kylie Smart and to the many helpers at the Confirmation Supper.

As it states in Ephesians 4:2 - 6, so I saw our community working together at its best:

With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call — one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

“One of the marvellous things about community is that it enables us to welcome and help people in a way we couldn't as individuals. When we pool our strength and share the work and responsibility, we can welcome many people”.

Jean Vanier (philosopher, theologian and humanitarian)

New staffing announcements for 2016:

I would like to congratulate Cassie O'Neill who was successful in her application for the Grade 5/6 position 2016.

Miss Anna Clark will be taking the Assistant Principal release time on Kurt Atkins class. Anna has recently graduated from the University of Tasmania.

Mrs Niccola Pearce will be a Grade 1/ 2 Teacher for 2016. Niccola is an experienced classroom teacher from Queensland. She also has skills in mentoring, coaching and curriculum development.

Mrs Natalie Zegveld will be taking Music from Kinder to Grade 2 next year. Natalie joins us as an experienced classroom teacher as well as a specialist in Music.

I know you will join me in welcoming these staff to our school in 2016.

Carol Seagar
Principal

COMING UP

Mon 2 November
Long Weekend Holiday

Friday 6 November
Playgroup 9-11
NIJSSA Athletics Carnival

Thurs 12 November
Development Band
Workshop at St Ailbes

12 Voice Choir to Mole
Creek Caves

Fri 13 November
STM FAIR

Tues 17 November
Kinder W Orientation
9.15-11.00

Wed 18 November
Kinder G Orientation
9.15-11.00

Fri 20 November
Playgroup 9-11

Mon 23 November
Grandparents Day

Tues 24 November
P&F Meeting, 7.00pm

Thurs 26 November
Band Rehearsal

Fri 27 November
Band Concert

2016 School Terms

Term 1 -	4 Feb - 8 April
Term 2 -	26 April - 1 July
Term 3 -	18 July - 23 Sept
Term 4 -	10 Oct - 15 Dec

Easter 25 - 29 March



Please visit our website to view photos of your children and their work for the year.

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CATHOLIC PARISH OF LAUNCESTON — MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Thursday, 5th November 2015 at 7.30pm in St Finn Barr's Church, 247 Invermay Road

An invitation is extended to everyone who has lost a loved one, especially during the last year to come along to our annual Mass of Remembrance. Relatives and friends are also invited to attend. You may wish to bring a photo or memento of your loved one and there will be an opportunity to place this at the altar during the Mass if you wish. You are also invited to stay for refreshments after Mass. All are welcome to join in this very special celebration of our faith. For further information, please contact the Parish Office on 6331 4377.



Vacancies for 2016

We have some places available for Kindergarten next year, also selected vacancies in primary grades. If you know anyone who is interested please ask them to contact the office, 6337 7200, or get an Expression of Interest form off our website and submit.

Fee and Levy Accounts

Just a reminder that there are only 7 weeks until the end of term and that all fee accounts should be paid by 31 November; end of term at the latest.

If you are experiencing difficulties with finalising your payments by this date please make a call to the office, 6337 7200, and make an appointment to see Carol Seagar to discuss a possible solution.

Plant & Produce Stall

Now that the sun is trying to shine, it is time to get gardening! Planning is well underway for the school fair and we are looking for donations of seedlings, potted plants and flowers and quality homemade preserves. We are also looking for donations of the following:

- . potting mix
- . soil
- . manure
- . pots



If you have any donations please leave them outside Miss Noble's classroom. If getting your donations to school is difficult please leave your name and number at the office and we can arrange a suitable time to collect your donations.

Please contact Miss Noble at shaye.noble@catholic.tas.edu.au if you have any questions.

Saints Basketball

Forms available at the office for any children interested in playing for Saints Basketball team.

LOST JUMPER

Named RAE, lost at Choral Soiree. Please return to office if found.