



St. Margaret's
Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Term Four, Week 5
November 4th, 2021

From Sam's Desk

Leadership and Management News

Dear Parents, Friends and Students,

Next Thursday, November 11th is an important day for our Year Three students who have been preparing for the Sacrament of Penance. This significant event, also known as First Reconciliation, will be celebrated in the Multi Purpose Room here at St Margaret's School in a small and sacred ceremony at 10am. We congratulate the following students and wish them well for next Thursday morning...

Logan Blackwell Emmanuel Bousejean Tom Higgins Melody Kessler
Alistair Broad Charlotte Butcher Loui Lagana Mia Mason Maeve Clapinski
Phillip Coumans Tom McGuane Sophia Peat Benjamin Crowe Leo Rivo Max
Russell Jock Golding Zach Harvey Seth Stevenson Ivy Timmins
Alex Werner Kiana-Lee Wilkins Lucas Wolak

In the following week, Tuesday November 16th is the Feast Day of our patron saint, Saint Margaret. This is a very important day for our school community, and we plan to celebrate it with an intimate liturgy for each year level throughout the day. Prayer and reflection will be our focus for the celebration. Students will reflect on the wonderful qualities of Saint Margaret. Still to this day, she is an inspiration and role model in our lives and we continue to aspire to her values and actions.

St Margaret was a wonderful woman and true Christian. Her kindness and good heart had a strong influence on many. She was a person of prayer, attended to charitable works - serving orphans and the poor every day and offered a powerful example of living faith in action. She promoted the arts and education in Scotland. She encouraged Church synods and was involved in efforts to correct the religious abuses involving Bishops, priests and laypeople.

Her impact in Scotland led her to being referred to as, "The Pearl of Scotland." She constantly worked to aid the poor. She encouraged people to live a devout life, grow in prayer and grow in holiness. She helped to build churches. She was well-known for her deep life of prayer and piety. She set aside specific times for prayer and to read scripture. She lived the holiness of life as a wife, mother and lay woman. Truly in love with Jesus Christ.



As we approach the Feast of Saint Margaret in the coming weeks, let us all be kind to ourselves, each other and remember the love of Jesus Christ in our hearts.

Take care,
Sam

School Community News

Easing of Restrictions

Please note the following changes to the School Operations Guide which came into effect on Monday, November 1.

Allowed:

- Visitors to schools -- consistent with vaccination requirements
- Learning Diversity (health, wellbeing, inclusion) visits
- School tours
- Excursions & Incursions
- Camps and overnight stays
- Assemblies, liturgies and other events exclusive to staff and students from single school only (Outdoors where possible, must align with public gathering limits, density and vaccination requirements)
- Professional development and staff meetings can now be held face to face but should be conducted online where practicable

Visitors To Schools

Visitors to school grounds must comply with vaccination requirements, density limits, face mask requirements, QR code check ins.

The **density limit of one person per four square metres** should be applied to any spaces and activities being attended by parent/carers and other visitors. **The density limit applies to all persons in the space, including students.**

East Geelong Little Athletics Club

2021/22 LITTLE ATHLETICS TRACK & FIELD SEASON

Are you wondering what sporting activities are available for your child/ren this summer.



Little Athletics is a great fitness and fun sport for kids aged 5 to 15. There's something for everyone from sprints, long distance running to field events.

Come and join East Geelong Little Athletics Club.

Season Start Date
Saturday 6th November at Landy Field

School Events, Gatherings and Assemblies

Outdoor events are strongly encouraged

Assemblies and other events exclusive to staff and students from single schools can resume.

Graduations, liturgies and other ceremonies (including events held off school premises with parents/carers and other guests) can resume from Phase C, however they must align with community settings.

Indoor events will remain subject to the obligations such as caps and density quotients. All eligible adults must be fully vaccinated.

Outdoor events can be held with up to 500 people, with a density quotient of one person per two square meters applied.

School Events and Dates

The easing of restrictions has enabled St Margaret's School to plan ahead with greater confidence. Please find a schedule of events and dates which have so far been planned for this term. We will hopefully be able to provide our community with some further school activities and greater clarity on how they will operate in the near future.

We're a family orientated club and offer our athletes plenty of support and encouragement. New members registration portal is open on Little Athletics Victoria. Please note that due to restrictions there is no tryouts/trials and there a cap on participating members. Be sure to register for the season so you don't miss you.

<https://lavic.com.au>

Hope to see more club members for East Geelong



For more information
Contact

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School Uniform

Summer Student Uniform

- navy school shorts,
- blue school check dress
- blue school check skort (choice of the above)
- pale blue polo shirt
- navy school socks,
- black school shoes,
- navy school sun hat

Winter Student Uniform

- navy school trousers
- kilt / pinafore (choice of the above)
- pale blue polo shirt
- navy woolen school jumper
- navy school socks
- black school shoes

Sports Student Uniform

- navy sport skort
- navy knitted shorts
- navy track pants (choice of the above)
- navy polo shirt
- rugby jumper
- navy school socks
- navy school sun hat

School Community News

Upcoming Dates

Tate Street Primary School - Outside School Hours Care

Ph: 5229 3795

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- 24 hours' notice of cancellation must be provided or full fee applies

- \$3 per minute charged for late pick up after 6pm

- Due to staffing requirements: same day bookings will NOT be accepted

- Hats must be provided for children (by parents) in

Terms 1 & 4

- Please ensure your banking details remain up to date
- Drop off and pick up – DO NOT park in the staff car park
- DO NOT block access to skip bin on Godfrey Street
- Students in Grade 3-6 must wear a mask whilst indoors.

Prep -2 students are also strongly encouraged to do so.

Fiona Farnsworth
Coordinator

On behalf of Tate St PS School Council

November

- 4 Year 5/6 on Camp
- 4 Year 3/4 Sleepover
- 5 Year 5/6 return from Camp
- 11 Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 16 St Margaret's Feast Day
- 19 All books returned to the Library
- 22 Whole School YouYangs excursion
- 26 2022 Prep Orientation Morning
- 30 Second Prep Orientation session

December

- 2 Year 6 Graduation
- 7 Step Up Day P-6 - Year 7 Orientation
- 13 or 14 School Beach Day (TBC)
- 15 Final day for students

Swimming Dates

Grade 5/6- Week 8

Tuesday 23/11- Friday 26/11

Grade 5 Swim from 1:00 -1:45pm

Grade 6 Swim from 1:50 -2:35pm

Grade 3/4- Week 9:

Monday 29/11- Friday 3/12

Grade 3 Swim from 1:00pm - 1:45pm

Grade 4 Swim from 1:50pm - 2:35pm

Grade 1/2- Week 10:

Monday 6/12 - Friday 10/12

Grade 1 Swim from 1:00pm - 1:45pm

Grade 2 Swim from 1:50pm - 2:35pm



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