



St. Margaret's
Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Term Two, Week 2
May 2nd, 2023

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From Susan's Desk

Dear Families,

It is with an immense sense of gratitude and enthusiasm that I have accepted the permanent position as Principal of St Margaret's. I would like to thank the staff and the community for their ongoing support since I began here in term 3 last year and I am looking forward to continuing to work together. I am continually impressed by our students and our ANZAC liturgy was a wonderful example of this. Our leaders did an amazing job leading us at very short notice due to the school holidays. All of the students entered the Church with reverence and displayed respect throughout the service.

Thank you to those families supporting our staff as we transition to an 8.40am first bell. Many families are adjusting to this well, with most children arriving close to 8.40am and quickly transitioning to outside play prior to the school day beginning. Unfortunately, we have had some children arrive at school as early as 8.10am. As we take child safety seriously at St Margaret's we will direct these students to Kelly Club to ensure they are cared for until the beginning of the school day.



Our whole school sports day at Landy Field last Friday was a wonderful day with our students supporting each other and enjoying the opportunity to participate in a wide range of activities. It was wonderful to see our House Captains cheering on their teams and being so encouraging of those competing. Congratulations to Mercy Blue house on winning the

day and Iona Yellow for winning the Spirit of St Margaret's award. Thank you to Fiona Moran for her outstanding organisation of the day, the staff for their coordination and ensuring our students engaged in each of the activities and the families that came to cheer on the teams. It was a very successful day that celebrates trying our best and giving things a go.

On Friday May 12th we are celebrating Mother's Day with Muffins with Mum. Please join us under our tree near the court and playground from 8am for a muffin with your child. We will also be announcing the winner of our Thermomix raffle. Please continue to promote this raffle so we can reimagine our library space and encourage a positive reading culture at our school. The Mother's Day stall will also take place on this Friday.

Enjoy your week.
Susan

We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land that St Margaret's is located on, the Wathaurong people. We pay our respects to Elders' past, present and emerging and acknowledge the importance of Aboriginal culture in all the work we do.



All students attending St Margaret's Primary School have the right to feel safe.

The care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people is a fundamental responsibility of all within our school.

St Margaret's is a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of all children and young people are respected and valued.

Calendar of Events

Term 2

May

(New items in bold)

Wednesday May 3rd

Friday, May 5th

Tuesday, May 9th

Friday, May 12th

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Thursday, May 18th

Friday, May 19th

Friday, May 19th

Wednesday May 24th

Thursday, May 25th

District Cross Country

Assembly – 5/6

School Board 7pm

Muffins with Mum 8am.

Thermomix Raffle drawn

Mother's Day Stall

Minibeast Incursion – P-2

Environmental Savours Peer Teaching Day at Holy Spirit

Walk to School Day (student organised)

Assembly – 3/4

3 /4 Senior singing at Freedom Aged Care

RACV Solar Squad Incursion – Years 5/6

June

Friday, June 2nd

Friday, June 2nd

Monday, June 12th

Friday, June 16th

Thursday, June 22nd

Friday, June 23rd

Italian Day & Special lunch

Assembly – 1/2

King's Birthday Public Holiday

Assembly – Prep

P&F Special Lunch

Last day of Term 2. 1.30pm finish. Casual Clothes

*Last day of school for the year will be Friday December 15th at 1.30pm.

2024 Enrolments

Enrolments are now closed. Tours will continue on a needs basis.

Walk to School Week

May 15th - 19th

This term as Year 6 leaders, we are organising a walk to school week. The walk to school week will be happening from the 15th -19th of May. On the Friday we will give out apples and pears to everyone who has joined in for the week.

To raise money for the fruit we will be having a Year 6 Student verses Staff basketball game on Friday May 12th 1.10-1.30pm. Please bring a coin donation to watch the game.

We hope you enjoy it!

Riley Budge and Lachlan Reynolds



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School Community News

Meet the Staff of St. Margaret's (a few at a time!)



Name: Susan Perks

Role: Principal

Years at our school: 6 months

Family: My husband Tim & 2 daughters Zoe & Abby.

Loves: My animals; 2 dogs Bella & Louie and cat Astra.
Spending time with my family, the beach, anything Disney, reading & going to the theatre!



Name: Josh Wilson

Role: 5/6 Teacher

Years at our school: First year

Family: Partner Ramona and two dogs Chelsea and Pippa.

Loves: Very passionate about sport and being active. Also I have a love for travelling and exploring the world.



Name: Rosa Genitori

Role: Literacy Intervention Teacher

Years at our school: 5 years

Family: My son Damien, my daughter-in-law Michelle and my gorgeous granddaughters Zara and Madison.

Loves: Socialising with family and friends, walking and dancing. I love creative arts and creating fairy gardens. I love good movies and outdoor adventures!



Name: Georgia Kavenagh

Role: Office Manager

Years at our school: Started 2023

Family: husband David, 3 children, Noah, Holly & Flynn

Loves: spending time with my family, travel, walking my dog, breeding budgies, cooking and reading.

Mother's Day Raffle

RAISING FUNDS TO TRANSFORM OUR
LIBRARY



Mother's Day
Online raffle.
Drawn 12th
May
8.30am

**Win a
Thermomix
valued at
\$2359**

Tickets \$20 each
Only 400 available



Help our community raise funds for our Library Transformation Project. We know that school libraries play an integral role in increasing educational outcomes for all students. Providing an inspiring space that is inclusive, warm, and designed to encourage learning will bolster a strong reading culture at St Margaret's where literacy is valued.

Help us raise funds for this much needed project and go into the draw to win an amazing prize of a brand new Thermomix TM6 valued at \$2359!

Only 400 tickets available.

Tickets are for sale in Victoria only.

Tickets are priced at \$20 each, 2 tickets for \$40, 3 tickets for \$55, 6 tickets for \$110

**TO ENTER SCAN THE QR CODE
OR GO TO THE FOLLOWING
LINK**

[HTTPS://RAFFLELINK.COM.AU/STMARGPSTHERMOMIX](https://rafflelink.com.au/stmargpsthermomix)



MOTHER'S DAY MORNING TEA

MUFFINS



with mum

Join us for coffee & a muffin to
celebrate the special women in our
life.

Friday 12th May
8am-9am
on the basketball
court.

All welcome.
Please RSVP
by 5th May for
catering purposes

Thermomix
raffle
drawn at
8.30am



THOMSON AUSKICK

JOIN US IN SEASON 2023



FREE FREE FREE

**FIRST 50 REGISTRATIONS
ARE REIMBURSED**

**BEGINS FRIDAY
28TH APRIL**



Where - Thomson Oval
Godfrey St

When - Every Friday Night

Time - 5pm - 6pm



**REGISTER NOW
USING QR CODE**

- 10 week program for children aged 5-8yo
- Fun and inclusive environment
- For all skill level, ability or knowledge

For more information
please contact our

**AUSKICK COORDINATOR -
AARON KESSLER - 0468647082**

CANTEEN WILL BE OPEN FRIDAY NIGHT!



Sausage in bread, party pies & sausage rolls, assorted
lolly bags, snacks and cold drinks will be available

**CASH PREFERRED AS ALL MONEY IS GOING
TOWARDS OUR JUNIOR FUNDRAISING**

St. Mary's Tennis Club
Tennis Hotshots Placements Available
Cardio Tennis for Adults
Day or Evening
Contact Mark 0416 288 956

