



St. Margaret's
Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Term Two, Week 3
April 22nd, 2024

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From Susan's Desk

Dear Families,

Last Monday, we were thrilled to see such strong attendance from our families and students at our Cyber Safety information evening. Robbie Noggler from Victoria Police delivered an informative and engaging presentation, sharing valuable tips to help keep us all safe online. The session was enlightening, and we appreciate everyone who participated. Due to its success, we're excited to announce our plans to invite Robbie back next year for both parent sessions after school and in-school student sessions. We thank Miss Costa for organising this event.

We're proud to share that Joel Kearney and our five school leaders represented St. Margaret's at the Anzac Day Mass held at St. Mary's. These students played an active role in the Mass and had the honour of laying a wreath on behalf of our school community. We extend our heartfelt thanks to these student leaders for their attendance and for their exemplary representation of our school at this significant event. A special acknowledgment goes to Joel for his support and guidance of our student leaders throughout this experience.



Leadership and Management News

Last Friday, our dedicated staff participated in a Professional Learning session alongside schools from the Western region, with an impressive turnout of 700 staff members. The focus was on creating calm and safe learning environments, rooted in the principles of the Science of Learning. Emphasizing classroom mastery, our teachers engaged in learning techniques to establish and maintain productive learning environments. This includes implementing consistent rules and routines, managing transitions, and fostering positive relationships with students. We're proud to note that elements of this approach have already been implemented at St. Margaret's, with staff undertaking learning in cognitive load and adopting a school-wide consistent approach to behaviour expectations.

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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.

Leadership and Management News

We are grateful to have Father Sijeesh leading our students in Mass this term, and we hope this will continue throughout the year. On Thursday, June 20th, our Prep to Year 2 students will attend a 9.15am Mass without Eucharist, followed by a Full Mass for Year 3 to Year 6 students on Thursday, June 27th, at 9.15am. We extend a warm invitation to all our families to join us on these dates.

Congratulations to the large number of students who represented St. Margaret's at the District Cross Country event last Wednesday. Our students exemplified our school values of responsibility, respect, and safety, displaying outstanding sportsmanship. We'll soon announce the students who will represent us at the next level.



We wish our 1 and 2 students a fantastic excursion to the Queenscliff Marine Discovery Center this week. We hope this hands-on experience enriches their learning and sparks curiosity about the marine world.

Wishing everyone a great week ahead!
Susan

Calendar of Events

(new items in bold)

Term 2

May

Wednesday, May 1st
Friday, May 10th

Friday, May 10th
Wednesday, May 15th
Thursday, May 16th
Friday, May 17th
Friday, May 24th
Friday, May 24th
Tuesday, May 28th

1/2 Excursion to Marine Discovery Centre Queenscliff
Muffins with Mum 8am
Raffle Draw
Mother's Day Stall
Assembly – 5/6 presenting
Division Cross Country selected students
Netball/AFL Lightning Premiership 5/6 students
Whole School Athletics & P&F BBQ
FIRE Carrier Commissioning Ceremony; selected students
Assembly – 3/4 presenting
School Board 7pm

June

Friday, June 7th
Monday, June 10th
Wednesday, June 12th
Thursday, June 20th
Friday, June 21st
Thursday, June 27th
Friday, June 28th

Assembly – 1/2 presenting
King's Birthday Public Holiday
Prep Excursion Werribee Zoo
Prep/1/2 Non Eucharist Mass at St. Margaret's Church 9.15am
Assembly – Prep presenting
Yrs 3-6 Mass at St. Margaret's Church 9.15am
Final day of Term 2. 1.30pm dismissal

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(new items in bold)

Term 3

July

Monday, July 15 th	First Day of Term 3
Tuesday, July 23 rd	P&F lunch - Cheer Truck
Tuesday, July 23 rd	Grandparents' Day
Tuesday, July 30 th	School Board 7pm

August

Friday, August 16 th	School Closure Day - Staff Professional Learning
Sunday, August 18 th	Sacrament of First Eucharist 2.30pm
Friday, August 30 th	Donuts with Dad 8am
	Raffle draw
	Father's Day Stall
Saturday, August 31 st	P&F Bake Sale

September

Tuesday, September 3 rd	School Board 7pm
Friday, September 6 th	Italian Day
	P&F pizza lunch
Thursday, September 12 th	R U OK? & Footy Colours Day
	P&F Pie lunch
	Longest kick event
Tuesday, September 20 th	Final day of Term 3. 1.30pm dismissal

Term 4

October

Monday, October 7 th	First Day of Term 4
Tuesday, October 15 th	School Board 7pm
Monday, October 21 st	School Closure Day - Staff Professional Learning
Wednesday, October 30 th	Year 5 /6 Camp-Anglesea (until Friday, November 1 st)

November

Monday, November 4 th	School Closure Day
Tuesday, November 5 th	Melbourne Cup public holiday
Thursday, November 21 st	Sacrament of First Reconciliation: 12 noon

December

Friday, December 6 th	School Closure Day - Staff Professional Learning
Tuesday, December 10 th	School Board 7pm
Thursday, December 12 th	Whole School Carols Evening
Tuesday, December 17 th	Final day of Term 4. 1.30pm dismissal



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5/6 GIRLS AFL

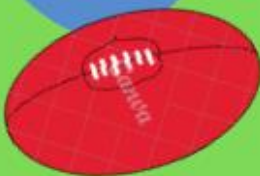


Asha - The Girls Footy was a thrilling experience, we all did amazing every match because everyone had a go!

Izzy - Girls Footy was so empowering because everything came together, the tackling, handballing, kicking goals, everything just felt right!

Ruby - I liked the Girls Footy Day because everyone tried their best and had lots of fun, plus I kicked 3 goals!

Ivy - I loved the Girls Footy this year because we all came together as a team, had so much fun and crushed it!!! [and of course because I got a couple a goals!!]





Dear God,
Thank you for looking after our school. Thank you that you love each and every one of us here. Help us to learn, play and share together, so that the wonderful world you have made becomes more beautiful every day.

Amen



Mother's Day Raffle
ST MARGARET'S PS

**WIN A
\$2500**

\$25
per ticket
or purchase a
package

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THE TRAVEL PROFESSIONALS

TRAVEL VOUCHER

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Mother's Day
raffle here**



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tickets
available**



1st Prize: \$2500 Travel Voucher with Helloworld - Leopold

2nd Prize: \$500 Crown Hotels Voucher

3rd Prize: \$200 Pamper Package with Medispa - At The Heads

ST. ALBANS FC AUSKICK:
Come and try Auskick at St.
Albans Football Club!

Boys and Girls
aged/turning 5-12 welcome

Friday 26/04 –
Intro sessions and BBQ

Friday 03/05 –
First official session

Sign up now!

Contact Ebony
on 0422 622 859
for more info



JOIN THE FUN!

St Albans (Geelong) Auskick Centre

St Albans Reserve
Fridays 4:30-5:30pm
Commences April 2024

Please contact Ebony
0422622859

Scan the QR Code to register!



Register your child for a 3 or 4 year old place in 2025 and

**Join us on
Open Day**



St Albans Park Kindergarten

Thu 16 May, 4.15pm - 5.15pm

Paramount Crescent Reserve,
Unit 42/53 Homestead Dr, St Albans Park

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