

NEWSLETTER



St Margaret's
Primary School

Term Three, Week 9
September 15th, 2025
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From Susan's Desk

Leadership and Management News

Dear Families,

It is hard to believe we are already at the end of Term 3. What an amazing term it has been, full of learning, growth, and opportunities to come together as a community. We are so grateful for the way families continue to support our school, whether through attending events, volunteering, or simply encouraging the children in their learning each day.

A very big thank you to everyone who baked, bought, or helped at our recent Bake Sale. Your generosity and support made this event a huge success, and together we raised \$1753 for our school. We also extend our thanks to all who contributed to our Father's Day raffle – with your help, we raised \$1220. These wonderful results would not be possible without our amazing school community.

On *R U OK? Day* we were delighted to raise \$187, which will go towards purchasing a new urn for the Christ Breakfast program. Recognising R U OK? Day is so important, as it reminds us to check in with those around us and highlight the power of care and connection. Christ Breakfast is a valuable part of our local community, serving breakfast each Friday morning to those in need. We are proud that our staff volunteer their time to attend and support this worthy cause, offering not only food but also kindness and dignity to those who come along. Thank you for your incredible generosity in supporting this initiative—your contributions will ensure a new urn can be purchased, helping the program continue to run smoothly and warmly serve the community.

The last week of term promises to be a busy one. On Thursday, we will be celebrating Footy Colours Day. Don't forget to order your special lunch through the Flexischools app. Raffle ticket books have also gone home, and we have some incredible prizes on offer, including a signed and framed photograph of the Geelong Cats. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday afternoon – best of luck to all our families who have entered!



As we look ahead to Term 4, a reminder that the warmer weather is on its way. Please make sure your child's school hat is found during the holidays and ready for the first day back. Our "No Hat, No Play" policy will be in place, so all students will need their hat each day for outdoor activities.

It's also a great time to check that your child's summer uniform still fits comfortably after the winter months. Please ensure that students are wearing the correct uniform, including navy blue socks. We have noticed many students wearing black or branded socks such as 'Globe', which are not part of our school uniform. We kindly ask that families use the holidays to restock if needed so everyone is ready to begin Term 4 in full and correct uniform.

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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 also looking forward to celebrating Grandparents' Day on Friday, October 10th. This is always a very special occasion where we acknowledge the important role grandparents play in the lives of our students and school community. More details about the day will be shared before the end of term. The Cheer Truck will be onsite, and families can pre-order a delicious toastie via the Flexischools app. We can't wait to come together to celebrate our grandparents and show them how much they mean to us.

As we head into the holidays, we encourage everyone to enjoy some rest, spend time with family and friends, and recharge ready for the start of Term 4. During the break, our building works will commence. Families are asked to keep an eye on their emails for updates regarding progress and any changes to access arrangements, including the possibility of the administration area being temporarily relocated. We will communicate clearly as soon as we know whether works will be completed during the holidays or extend into Term 4.

Thank you for your ongoing support and understanding as we navigate these exciting changes. We wish all our families a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Have a great week!

Susan Perks



**TIME TO FIND YOUR
HAT FOR TERM 4!**

Make sure it's labelled!

**NO Hat
NO Play**



**The most
precious things in life
aren't things.**



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Calendar of Events

New items in bold

Term Three

September

Thursday, September 18th
Friday, September 19th

Footy Colours Casual Dress Day & Pie Special Lunch (P&F)
Term Three ends. 1.30pm dismissal

Term Four

October

Monday, October 6th

Tuesday, October 7th

Friday, October 10th

Monday, October 13th

Wednesday, October 15th

Friday, October 17th

Tuesday, October 21st

Wednesday, October 22nd

Friday, October 24th

Thursday, October 30th

Friday, October 31st

November

Monday, November 3rd

Tuesday, November 4th

Wed-Fri, Nov 5th-7th

Friday, November 7th

Monday, November 10th

Tuesday, November 11th

Wednesday, Nov 12th

Friday, November 14th

Monday, November 17th

Thursday, November 20th

Monday, November 24th

Friday, November 28th

December

Friday, December 5th

Tuesday, December 9th

Friday, December 12th

Monday, December 15th

Tuesday, December 16th

School Closure Day - Staff PL

GALS workshop at Deakin Uni. Year 6 girls

Students begin Term Four

Grandparents & Special People Lunch –

Cheer Truck (P&F)

Swimming week for Prep

P&F Meeting 7pm

Year 3/4 AFL SEDA clinic in PE hour

Assembly - 5/6 presenting

P-2 Prayers in Pyjamas

School Board 7pm

2026 Prep Orientation Sessions: 9.15-10.30 or 11.45-1.00

Year 3/4 AFL SEDA clinic in PE hour

Specialist Spectacular from 3.30pm with P&F Sausage Sizzle

Assembly - 3/4 presenting

School Closure Day

Melbourne Cup Public holiday

Year 5/6 students at Camp Kangarooobie

Prep Excursion to MoPA

Year 5/6 only, student free day (TIL staff day)

Remembrance Day

2026 Prep Orientation Sessions: 9.15-10.30 or 11.45-1.00

Penance Preparation Family Evening 5.30pm

St Margaret's Feast Day

Assembly - RE Leaders presenting

Swimming week for 5/6

Sacrament of Penance 12 noon

Yr 6 AFL Max camp

Assembly - 1/2 presenting

School Closure Day - Staff PL

Step Up Day

2026 Prep Orientation Session: 9.30-11.00am

School Board 7pm

Assembly - Prep presenting

Year 6 Graduation

End of Term Four 1.30pm dismissal



School Community News

Division Athletics.

Well done to all competitors.

We have 5 students moving through to regionals!



Thomson Cricket Club

Junior training will commence next Monday September 15th 4.30pm at Thomson number 2 oval.

We are looking forward to seeing some new faces along with returning players. We encourage kids that have been playing beach cricket or just in the backyard to test their skills in a team environment. We'd also love to see kids (boys & girls) that have never picked up a bat in their life to come down & see what it's like.

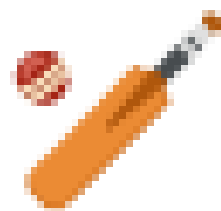
Thomson have junior teams at entry level U11's (where you can't be dismissed, no ladder) and U13s (lead by Toby Broad) - which play on Friday evenings and U15 age group on Saturday mornings for those that want to get serious!

Training is open to everyone of all abilities & our coaches Lach, Adam & Dan do a great job ensuring everyone has a fun experience. Feel free to bring along a friend, or family member interested in playing cricket this summer.

If you have any questions before or after Monday - don't hesitate to reach out.

Dale Menzies

Thomson CC President M: 0412 053 595.



Student of the Week Awards

CLASS	STUDENT	AWARDS – Term 3 Week 8 Friday, September 12 th , 2025
Prep JC	Archie Reiffel	For taking great care in his work and always striving to do his best.
Prep JC	Harlow Weber	For demonstrating great persistence in reading and a wonderful enthusiasm for learning.
1/2 EK	Harriet Jeffers	For your incredible work during our text based unit and demonstrating great use of vocabulary.
1/2 EK	Louis Gray	For having a successful term and demonstrating persistence in your learning and evolving friendships.
1/2 EK	Angus Smith	For working well on your spelling.
1/2 JB	Hadley Robinson	For your positive attitude shown towards all aspects of your schooling.
1/2 JB	Lina Hirwa Rugira	For setting a great example to other students in the classroom.
3/4 EC	Koda Sperling	For showing dedication and commitment during joined handwriting sessions.
3/4 EC	Elijah Allwright	For having a fantastic term and demonstrating determination and persistence in his learning.
3/4 HM	Fletcher Eslick	For your consistent effort and hard work in Maths.
3/4 HM	Hazel Bennet	For being a leader in our class and working hard to extend yourself in Literacy.
3/4 JK-CB	Cooper Clowes	For his positive attitude towards his learning and trying his best in class.
3/4 JK-CB	Austin Ariyappilly	For demonstrating exceptional learning habits in all class tasks.
3/4 LC	Bonnie Martini	For taking pride in the presentation of her work and for persistence in solving Maths problems.
3/4 LC	Jack Geoghegan	For the encouragement and support he gives to others. You are a great role model for this, Jack.
5/6 FM	Ivy Heather	For working hard to catch up and stay on top of your maths this term. You are doing so well!
5/6 FM	Jack O'Brien	Well done on settling back into school so well and doing your best with all our learning tasks. Well done!
5/6 KH	Maeve Noonan	For always working hard and presenting work to a high standard. Congratulations.
5/6 KH	Jobe Greenwood	For trying really hard during our math learning investigations on decimals. Well done.
PRINCIPAL'S AWARD		Alexander Lacorte For showing kindness towards others & supporting them when needed.

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\$5 ADULT TICKETS



RND 3	SAT 30 AUG	RND 7	THU 25 SEP	RND 8	SUN 5 OCT	RND 9	SAT 11 OCT	RND 12	TBC
									
3.05PM	GMHBA	7.35PM	GMHBA	3.05PM	GMHBA	3.05PM	GMHBA	TBC	GMHBA

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CCS
PROGRAM
SUBSIDIES
AVAILABLE!
*Creative apply



WEEK 1



Mon
22
Sept

INCUSION

SUPERHERO ADVENTURE

Get ready for a heroic showdown at Kelly Club's Superhero Themed Day — featuring epic Nerf Wars with Kelly Sportal. Grab your blaster, suit up in your superhero gear, and jump into action as we dodge, duck, and defend in thrilling team battles.

FULL FEE
\$103.08
AFTER MAX
CCS* \$10

WEEK 2



Mon
29
Sept

DISNEY DAY

Step into a magical world at Kelly Club's Disney Themed Day, where kids become their favourite characters and enjoy enchanting games, crafts, and fairy-tale fun, creating unforgettable moments in a kingdom of imagination and wonder.

FULL FEE
\$73.08
AFTER MAX
CCS* \$730



Tues
23
Sept

EXCURSION

INFLATABLE WORLD

Get ready to bounce, climb, and slide your way through an unforgettable day at Inflatable World! Join us for an action-packed excursion where giant inflatable obstacle courses, slides, and bounce zones guarantee nonstop fun, day full of laughter, movement, and inflatable adventures!

FULL FEE
\$103.08
AFTER MAX
CCS* \$11



Wed
24
Sept

AROUND THE WORLD: AFRICA EDITION

Embark on an exciting journey at Kelly Club's Around the World: Africa Edition, where kids explore vibrant cultures, wild animals, and fun-filled activities from across the continent!

FULL FEE
\$73.08
AFTER MAX
CCS* \$730



Thur
25
Sept

GRAND FINAL DAY

Join us for an action-packed day of glory in the lead up to the Grand Final! Come dressed in your team's colours and take part in goal kicking and handball competitions. Who will lift the Premiership Cup?

FULL FEE
\$73.08
AFTER MAX
CCS* \$730



Fri
26
Sept

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

FULL FEE
AFTER MAX
CCS*



Tues
30
Sept

INCUSION

ENDANGERED SPECIES

Experience the wonders of Kelly Club's Endangered Species Day! Kids will enjoy a special excursion with Wildlife Xperience, getting up close with amazing endangered animals. With fun conservation games, creative crafts, and hands-on learning, it's a day full of discovery and adventure!

FULL FEE
\$103.08
AFTER MAX
CCS* \$10



Wed
1
Oct

EXCURSION

OUT OF THIS WORLD BOWLING

Strike! Get ready for a fun-filled day as we head out on a bowling adventure! Whether you're a first-time bowler or aiming for a strike, this excursion is all about friendly competition, teamwork, and lots of laughs. Lace up your bowling shoes and let the good times roll!

FULL FEE
\$113.08
AFTER MAX
CCS* \$11



Thur
2
Oct

EVERYTHING IS AWESOME: LEGO DAY

Get ready to build, create, and imagine at Kelly Club's LEGO Themed Day, where kids dive into brick-tastic challenges, epic builds, and endless fun, sparking creativity and teamwork in every colourful construction adventure.

FULL FEE
\$73.08
AFTER MAX
CCS* \$730



Fri
3
Oct

BOOTCAMP MADNESS

Get ready to move, jump, and conquer in a day full of obstacle courses, team challenges, and high-energy games! Test your strength, speed, and balance — then refuel with some energizing treats. It's all about fitness, fun, and friendship!

FULL FEE
\$73.08
AFTER MAX
CCS* \$730

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