

NEWSLETTER



Melbourne Archdiocese
Catholic Schools



St Margaret's
Primary School

Term Four, Week 4
October 26th, 2026
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From Susan's Desk

Leadership and Management News

Dear Families,

Crazy Hair Day on Friday was a wonderful success, and it was fantastic to see so many creative and interesting hairstyles across the school supporting Transplant Australia. It is so important for our students to realize that they can help others even in small ways, and with Transplant Australia being a cause particularly close to our hearts due to having transplant recipient Quinnie Westwood in our student community, your generosity means a great deal. All money raised from our icy pole sales throughout October will be donated directly to Transplant Australia.

Looking ahead, please remember that next Monday and Tuesday, November 2nd and 3rd, are student-free days. We hope everyone enjoys the long weekend for the Melbourne Cup and takes the opportunity to rest and recharge before we dive into the busy second half of Term 4. Due to the short school week, there will be no newsletter published next week. Additionally, our P&F Hot Dog Special Lunch will take place on Thursday, October 29th, so please make sure to get your orders in quickly via the Flexischools app so your child doesn't miss out.

Graduation tickets for our Year 6 students are now available for purchase on the Flexischools app. We encourage all Year 6 families to purchase their tickets and RSVP so we can celebrate this wonderful milestone together. The RSVP note was sent home via PAM email last Friday, but please feel free to pop into the front office if you need any assistance with this process.

On Friday, October 30th, we join communities across Australia in celebrating World Teachers' Day! This special day is an opportunity for students, families, and staff to pause and extend a "Thank You!" to our incredible educators. Every day, our teachers go above and beyond: Guiding, encouraging, and sparking curiosity in our classrooms. Take a moment this Friday to share a kind note, a drawing, or a simple word of thanks to show your appreciation for all the amazing things they do!

A gentle reminder to all families to be proactive and set up your 2027 school fees on direct debit now. Taking care of this early ensures you can spread the tuition fees across more manageable payments, and prompt payment of fees is imperative to ensure our school continues to run smoothly. Please note that all 2026 fees should now be fully settled, unless you are already on an established payment plan.

Finally, I will be taking leave from November 4th through November 19th. Renee Cunningham will be stepping in as Acting Principal in my absence, so please reach out to her or your classroom teacher for any support or assistance you may need during that period. I hope you all enjoy the upcoming long weekend, and I look forward to seeing everyone upon my return.

Susan Perks

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.

together in faith

School Community News



St Margaret's
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We are going
BLUE
for
Breakthru's!
Type 1 diabetes

Friday 27th
November

Please wear a touch of blue!

All icypole money for December
will go toward raising money for
Type 1 Diabetes to help find a cure!



ICY POLE FRIDAY!

All sale proceeds to Catholic Mission
Month for October!



WEEKLY LUNCH orders

Freshly made, delicious, and ready for you!



winston & co

ORDER VIA FLEXISCHOOLS APP

St. Margaret's Scrunchies

Available Now!



Repurposed from summer school
dresses

Sold at Mrs. Perk's office for
\$3.00 each

Calendar of Events

(new items in bold)

Term Four

October

Tuesday, October 27th

2027 Prep Orientation - visit 2

Thursday, October 29th

School Advisory Board 7pm

Friday, October 30th

P & F Hot Dog Special lunch

World Teacher's Day

Year 4 Assembly

November

Monday, November 2nd

Student Free Day - Staff Professional Learning

Tuesday, November 3rd

Melbourne Cup Public holiday

Wednesday, Nov 4th

Cricket Regionals

- selected students @ Keilor Park - leaving school 7:30 am

Monday, Nov 9th-11th

Year 5/6 Camp Wilkin

Tuesday, November 10th

Reconciliation Family Preparation evening

Wed, Nov 11th - Fri Nov 13th

Footy Clinics (during P.E.)

Thursday, November 12th

Year 5/6 student rest day

Friday, November 13th

Year 1 Assembly

Monday, November 16th

P & F Slice Morning Tea / Slice Drive

(please note change of date)

St Margaret's Feast Day with Kaboom event

Tuesday, November 17th

Grade 5s Ten Pin Bowling

2027 Prep Orientation – visit 3

Tuesday, November 24th

P & F Meeting 7pm

Wednesday, Nov 25th

Year 5 Incursion

Greek Special Lunch

Thursday, November 26th

Sacrament of Reconciliation 12:15pm

Friday, November 27th

Assembly Year 2

December

Friday, December 4th

Student Free Day - Staff Professional Learning

Tuesday, December 8th

2027 Prep Orientation – visit 4

2027 Step Up morning

School Advisory Board 7pm

Thursday, December 10th

Whole School Christmas Concert

Friday, December 11th

Whole School Activity Day

Monday, December 14th

Year 6 Graduation

Tuesday, December 15th

Assembly - Prep presenting 12 noon

End Term 4 - 1.30pm dismissal

**No newsletter Melbourne Cup Long Weekend
(Monday, November 2nd due to short week)**

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**SAVE THE DATE:
ST MARGARET'S
CHRISTMAS
CONCERT**

THURSDAY 10.12.2026

6PM

MORE DETAILS COMING SOON

School Community News



4-7 YEAR OLDS*

Your introduction into Australian football centred around game-based activities kids love.



7-12 YEAR OLDS

Designed for any child to give it a go, with a focus on skill development and learning how to play the game.

*Kids can join NAB AFL Auskick if they are turning 5 in the calendar year (before 30th June in WA).

ST MARGARET'S

THURSDAYS 3.30-4.30

SCHOOL OVAL

STARTING 19TH NOVEMBER

AUSKICK



SUPERKICK

