



Melbourne Archdiocese
Catholic Schools



NEWSLETTER

29th August 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

You will notice that our school newsletter looks a little different as now we are mandated to include the Melbourne Archdiocese of Catholic Schools (MACS) branding along with our own.

I would like to thank all parents for their support of the book fair last week. There was a buzz in our junior gathering space each morning and afternoon. Thanks to your support \$6,038 worth of books were sold, this gave the school \$1,200 which will be used to buy more literacy resources. I would also like to thank you for your support of the book week parade, yet again the students came with much enthusiasm dressed as their favourite book week character.

We are looking forward to our Father's/Special person breakfast tomorrow morning. This is always a great school event and heavily supported by the amazing staff here at St Jude's. Many staff arrive before the sun rises to ensure that breakfast is ready. I know you join me in thanking the staff for their continued commitment to ensure that such events as the Fathers Day breakfast can occur. Please note that we have decided not to run a raffle. 'Their Care' our before and after school care providers have kindly offered to contribute to the cost of the breakfast.

On Monday we held our House Athletics. Congratulations to **Walsh** who took out the day. It was a sensational day, albeit a little chilly. I was so impressed with the sportsmanship and enthusiasm that students displayed. A big thanks to Milan Greco for his organisation of such a successful event for our school. We had the support of students from John Paul College who helped with some events. It is wonderful to have the opportunity to work in partnership with John Paul College as the college is our main feeder school.



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Student Spotlight

We would love to use our school newsletter as a place to celebrate our students' achievements not only at school but also outside of school. If you ever have something that is appropriate to share please let us know. Many of our senior students have been busy with their sporting accomplishments. Well done to all!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YEAR 6 BOYS FOR WINNING THEIR FOOTY GRAND FINAL OVER THE WEEKEND!

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ASHER GUCE, ANDRE WOODS, LINCOLN WOOD, BEAU OXLEY, TOMMY SMYTH, THOMAS TUMIATI AND LUCAS KROTOFIL.



AVERY COMPETED IN FOUR DANCES AND ACHIEVED AN IMPRESSIVE THREE 1ST PLACE FINISHES AND ONE 2ND PLACE FINISH. WELL DONE, AVERY!



CONGRATULATIONS TO HADLEY PRIB AND GYPSY JOKSIMOVIC.

HADLEY AND GYPSY LED THEIR TEAM TO AN EXCITING VICTORY IN THE U12 GIRLS GRAND FINAL, WINNING BY LESS THAN A GOAL! THE FRANKSTON YCW STONECATS DEFEATED CARRUM PATTERSON LAKES WITH A FINAL SCORE OF 40-35.

WELL DONE, GIRLS!



As advised via Operoo email, there has been a case of Whooping Cough (Pertussis) within the junior school over the past week.

Monitor for symptoms

Parents and staff should be aware of developing signs or symptoms of pertussis particularly in the coming weeks.

Symptoms include a runny nose, sneezing, low-grade fever, and cough.

High Risk contacts are:

- Children under 6 months old.
- Children and staff that have had less than 3 doses of the pertussis vaccination.
- Women who are in their last month of pregnancy.

Under the Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations 2019 (Schedule 7)

• Students diagnosed with pertussis (whooping cough) must be excluded from primary school and children's services centres for 21 days after the onset of cough OR until they have completed five days of a course of effective antibiotic treatment

• Students diagnosed with Pertussis (whooping cough) who are not treated with antibiotics need to be excluded for 21 days after the onset of coughing, after this they are no longer infectious.

Contacts

The following contacts in primary schools and children's services centres should be excluded for 14 days after their last exposure to an infectious case, or until they have taken a five day course of effective antibiotic treatment:

- aged less than seven years; and
- in the same room as the case; and,
- have not received three effective doses of pertussis vaccine.

If you require further information, please see links below:

Information about the condition pertussis ('whooping cough') at the Better Health Channel website

www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/conditionsandtreatments/whooping-cough or see the

Victorian Department of Health fact sheet at

www.health.vic.gov.au/publications/pertussis-the-facts

Information on pertussis-containing vaccines can be found on the department's immunisation web page at

www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation/immunisation-schedule-victoria-and-vaccine-eligibility-criteria

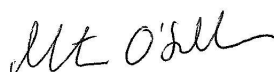
Additional information about school exclusions at

www.health.vic.gov.au/infectious-diseases/school-exclusion-table

Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations 2019

<https://content.legislation.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/2022-02/19-135sra018%20authorised.pdf>

Yours Sincerely,



Marita O'Sullivan

2024 School Closure Dates

Term	Date	Reason
Term 3	Monday 9th September	Curriculum day-no students
	Friday 20th September 1pm Finish	Last day of Term 3
Term 4	Friday 1st November	Curriculum - Assessment & Reporting
	Monday 4th November	Time in lieu
	Tuesday 17th December 1pm Finish	Last day of Term 4

Production News : 'QUEST- A Tale of Enchantment'

Production preparations are well underway! The students have enthusiastically been learning lines, song lyrics, actions and rehearsing scenes for our upcoming whole school production of, ***'QUEST a Tale of Enchantment'***

Ticket sale dates and details to come very soon!

PRODUCTION DATE: Wednesday 30th October at 7pm

Parents, please remember you do **not** have to buy new. Please use what you already have or you can borrow clothing. Also, don't forget to check out Op shops. If you're looking for coloured accessories, \$2 shops and Spotlight often have a variety of these. Please note that faces should not be covered as part of their costume.

Many thanks for your assistance,

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Each class has a class item. We kindly ask for your assistance in helping your child with their costume. Below is a detailed list of what we need for your child to wear. Please look carefully at your child's class requests below.

Please note accessories are items such as headbands, wristbands, bowties, tutu's etc.

Class:	Costume required:	Class:	Costume required:
1/2CP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● black pants/shorts ● white top ● Tartan sash (provided by school) 	Prep H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Red, Blue, Green clothing and accessories (can choose one, two or all three colours)
Prep T	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bear Ears Headbands (provided by school) ● Orange clothes and accessories 	1/2G	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bear Ears Headbands (provided by school) ● white t-shirt ● tan/brown pants (school to provide fur patch on t-shirt)
3/4R	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Purple clothes and accessories 	3/4B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Blue jeans ● white t-shirt (school to provide basketball top)
1/2P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Green clothes and accessories 	5/6 Students not in main cast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Black clothes and accessories
1/2K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Blue clothes and accessories 	3/4HM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Yellow clothes and accessories
3/4S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rainbow clothes and accessories (can choose a variety of red, blue, green, yellow, purple, orange, tie dye) 	MAIN CAST	<p>Costumes will be provided by the school</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There may be some additional items that will be communicated. (eg jeans).

MCubed-Marvellous Minds 2024

On Tuesday Alannah, Izzy, Nathan, Austin and Hadley went to M-cubed. M-cubed is a conference for magnificent marvelous minds. We went with Mrs H (Hemingway) and Mrs Mac. We went to St Bede's in Bentleigh East.

At first there was a lot of talking. After that we got into our groups and started. There was Socratic Thinking, which Austin, and Nathan did. Socratic Thinking is a way of thinking used by the Ancient Greek philosopher Socrates, and uses a dialogue between both teacher and students. In Socratic thinking, we learnt about a poem called The Rime Of The Ancient Mariner, which is 17 pages long.

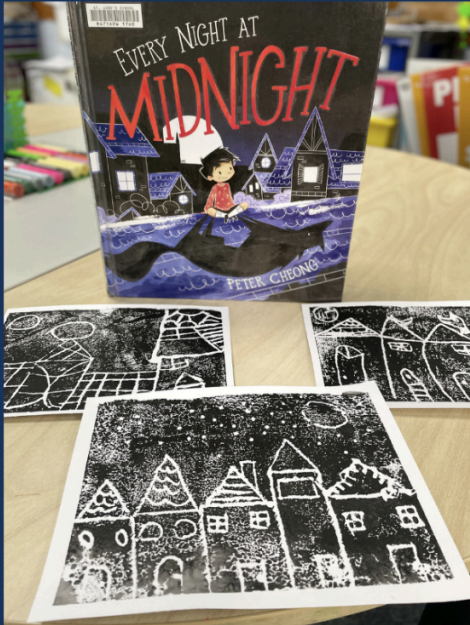
Izzy did Creative and Critical Thinking using T.O.M (Tournament Of Minds). She had to use three things to finish a mystery story. Luckily there were no wrong answers and she had lots of fun meeting new people.

Alannah and Hadley did the E in STEM (Engineering) session. They had to make something to sustain the environment. They used tools and cardboard to make a sorting bin to make sure people put things in the right bin.

The whole day was very informative and loads of fun. It was a great opportunity to learn with children from other schools and was an experience that we will always remember.



BOOK WEEK IN THE ART ROOM



In the Art Room students have been cr'eating art inspired by this year's CBCA Shortlisted Books. Last week we read, Every night at midnight by Peter Cheong. We looked at the lines in the illustrations and created our own foam printing plates in response.





Tomorrow at school we celebrate some very special men in our lives, our Dads. It is a time to think about and reflect on the ways our Dads, Grandpas, Uncles, and Brothers help to shape our identity. For me personally I always find this celebration tricky as it is centred around the anniversary of my Dad. While I love seeing all the gratitude the kids have for their dads, I can't help but tune out a little to stop the hurt I feel not being able to celebrate with my own Dad. I am sure there are many of you reading that can empathise with your own stories of loss.

Father's Day has taken on a new chapter in my family and I am mesmerised by the beauty I now see with my own brother being dad to his own little boys. I can't help but draw links to our own childhood when I see the wonder and awe in my nephews as they copy all my brother does. If my brother has a hammer, Campbell also runs to find his tools, if my brother is throwing the ball for the dog, Casey wants to as well. Maybe this is how Jesus felt growing up with Joseph. Constantly learning from the example Joseph gave to become the person God called him to be.

As you take time to celebrate all of the important father figures in our lives this weekend, maybe you can also take time to thank and reflect on our most important Father figure. As you sit down to share a meal this weekend with your Dads, maybe stop and think about how present God is when you share a meal with your family. Is he welcomed to the table through Grace before you start a meal? Are there shared prayers of thanksgiving for all he has given us? Have you talked about giving thanks to God this Father's Day?

At home this week you might like to leave a spare chair at the dinner table and talk about who might sit there, and give thanks to our Father, we are all Blessed.