



### Important Dates

Learning Conversations Week

Monday 11 September

Mid Autumn Festival

Friday 22 September

Last Day of Term 3 - 3pm finish

Friday 29 September

First Day of Term 4

Monday 16 October

Photo Day

Wednesday 18 October

### From our Principal



### **Learning Conversations**

Our Parent/Teacher Learning conversations will be held next week, Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September. You will have received information about how to book a time (contact the office if you are unsure). *Please ensure you have made a booking to meet with your child's teacher.* A strong partnership between school and home is very important for your child's wellbeing and learning. These conversations give parents/carers a chance to discuss learning progress and for teachers to share celebrations of learning and areas for future focus or intervention.

### Camp

Earlier this week I was fortunate to be able to attend the 3-day Year 5/6 Camp at Wellington. Camps are a fantastic opportunity for students to learn new skills, work in teams with a variety of students, and have lots of fun! Everyone challenged themselves and stepped a little out of their comfort zones. We are proud of them all for giving things a go.

I want to thank our amazing staff for their hard work leading up to the camp and during the time of the camp.

Greig Graham, Lucy Centofanti, Joseph Fuda, Bethany Newhouse, Sandra Shephard, Celeste Brown, Pennie Blazely and Matthew Harrison.

#### **Tournament of Minds Challenge**

As a part of our Gifted and Talented Program we have 7 year 5/6s competing at Adelaide High School on Sunday in the Tournament of Minds Challenge. They have been working on a prepared challenge over the past 6 weeks. They will also participate in a spontaneous challenge. They have prepared the script and challenge on their own with no adult help, Mr Parker has only been able to guide them on techniques that might be useful.

We are proud of this team, taking on the Challenge and stepping out of their comfort zone!

Good luck Nancy, Alexis, Adam, Joshua, Markus, Yukti and Edmund.

Thank you for your continued support,

### **Kelly Campbell**

### **APRIM News**



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The recent St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal call for donations of cereal, pasta and long life milk, was well supported by the donations of many of our families and staff. Since our last newsletter, we have helped to restock the Croydon Park Vinnies shelves with packets of cereal and pasta and containers of long-life milk. Within a month, we have been able to provide the Croydon Park Vinnies group with 18 packets of cereal, 30 packets of pasta, 15 long life milks and additional cans of soup. All donations received in our Term 3 appeal, are now ready to be distributed to families in need.

#### **Community Garden Beds**

On Thursday 31 August, our Semester 2 Year 5/6 Student Leadership Team representatives were instrumental in supporting Helen Psaila to finish off the planting of our three garden beds. Helen showed our Year 5/6 leaders how to prepare the soil, compost, fertiliser and mulch to plant carrots, lettuce, spinach, marigolds and lavender. Our Year 5/6 leaders were then able to become planting buddies assisting our Reception and Year 1 student representatives to do the same. All our leaders will share the responsibility of monitoring the weather and when needed watering the plants each week.

### **Liturgies and Masses**

On Monday 28 August, our Year 2 students celebrated their Term 3 Liturgy of the Word in St Margaret Mary's Church. The theme of the liturgy was 'Being kind and including others.' A special thank you to Ms Byrne and Ms Watson as well as our Year 5/6 PowerPoint operators Vy and Jasmine for their ongoing support in preparing for and leading the liturgy. The details for our upcoming Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 parish Masses have been listed below and as always families are most welcome to join us for these parish celebrations:

Dates:	Year Levels:	Time:	Celebration:
Thursday 14 September	Year 3/4	9:15	Parish Mass
Thursday 21 September	Year 5/6	9:15	Parish Mass

### Sacramental Rehearsal and Ceremony Dates:

Congratulations to Rose, Anisha, Kayleen, Cameron, Jayne Louiz, Abrihet, Xavier, Rosalie, Aria and Javier, who were Confirmed by Archbishop Patrick O'Reagan as part of the recent Croydon Park Parish sacramental ceremonies. The dates for upcoming Masses where Sacramental students will receive their First Holy Communion are as follows:

Dates:	Event:	Time:
Sunday 17 September	First Holy Communion during Mass	10:30am
Sunday 24 September	First Holy Communion during Mass	10:30am

If you have any questions please send an email to matthew.harrison@smms.catholic.edu.au or contact the parish office directly on 8346 0944.

Have a good weekend everyone.

**Matthew Harrison** 

## Belinda Elliott - Assistant Principal



Dear Parents/Caregivers

School events are a fantastic way for us to come together as a community and celebrate the students, their learning, and their talents.

The Book Week Parade and School Disco were both great examples of how talented we are at St Margaret Mary's! The costumes were

fantastic, and the dance moves were even better! Thank you to our Library ESO Katherine McCullough, the Book Week Committee and to all of the staff who supported both the Book Week Parade and School Disco.

We have another important event coming up, the Mid-Autumn Festival. The Mid-Autumn Festival is on Friday 22 September. A letter was recently sent home to all families about this special celebration. Please remember to return the slip at the bottom of the letter indicating if you will be joining us, if you are able to volunteer and please bring any cash donations to the front office. We will gather in the Parish Hall at 11:30am for special dances and presentations from the students, and then lunch will be served on the courts (weather permitting) from around 12:45pm. There will be no lunch orders on this day.

Students are invited to dress in cultural clothing or Autumn colours. It is such a fun day and always one of the highlights of our school year, so please join us! More details will be shared and reminders will be sent to all families via Seesaw.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Belinda Elliott

# **Book Week**



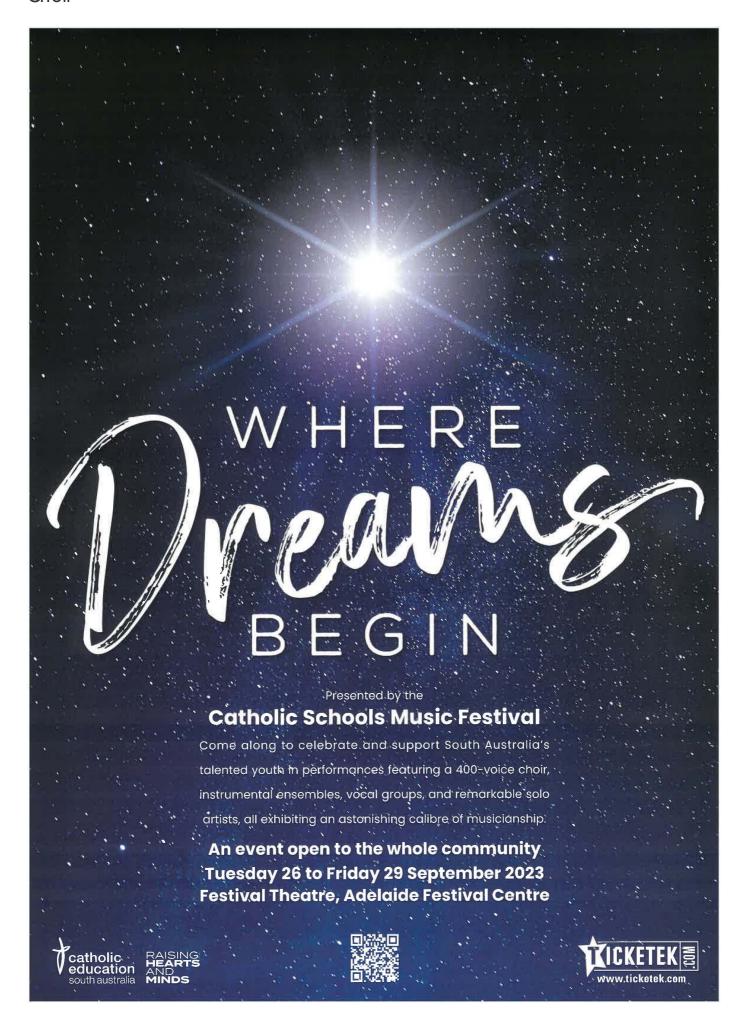
# Year 5/6 Camp

All our students had a great time on camp. They approached the activities with enthusiasm with many students putting aside their fear of heights! The photos show them taking on different challenges such as canoeing, rock climbing and the giant swing.

Here is some of the feedback received this morning....

- " I got to touch and hold cool reptiles!"
- " I played lazer tag and it was amazing!"
- " I learned how to face my fears."
- "I learned how to make new friends, try my hardest and cooperate with using different rules."





# Angolo Italiano

Reception students have been learning about family during Italian time. They have engaged in listening to a story in Italian, learning vocabulary, playing interactive games, and completing activities to reinforce learning. Their enthusiasm and participation has been fantastic!

Bravissimi bambini!

### **Gina Armiento**

Italian Teacher



### From the Library



The PRE-LOVED BOOK SALE during Week 5 was a great success. Thank you to everyone who bought a book and helped raise \$35.50. The proceeds went towards buying pasta, long-life milk and cereal for the St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.

### **Book Club**



Lucky Book Club Issue 6 is out now.

Due date for orders is 12th September.

ALL orders done online via Book Club LOOP.

Find out how on Page 31 of your magazine (payments will not be accepted at school).

# Holiday Club



# MISSION XI PROGRAM

St Margaret Mary's School

Address: 5 Eldon Street CROYDON PARK SA 5008

Phone: 0404 452 628 Program Times: 07:00 am - 06:15 pm

03 Oct

Mission Takeoff XI: Mind & **Body Quest** 

Embark on an epic journey of self-discovery! Feel the heart's pulse with a science experiment making a pumping heart. Craft a hand model to explore muscles and create galaxy iars for mindful wonders. Unleash excitement within your

Full Fee \$83.75 | After Max. CCS\* \$8.38



04 Oct

**Adventure: Defy Gravity!** at Bounce Inc

ROCKET

Extraordinary Holiday Adventures

Reach new heights at Bounce Inc! Defy gravity as you flip, jump and bounce on their huge range of trampolines. How high can you jump?

Full Fee \$117.75 | After Max. CCS\* \$11.78



Thu 05 Oct

**Operation: Food for Fuel** 

Let's look at ways we can fuel our bodies. From discovering healthy and delicious food through activities and crafts to exploring other ways we can fuel our passions; how do you fuel your energy?

Full Fee \$71.75 | After Max. CCS\* \$7.18



06 Oct

**Project: DIY Giant Game Adventures** 

Have you ever made your own board game from scratch? Join us as we craft our very own giant board game, designing game pieces, tokens, and more. Plus, you'll get to create a special 4in-a-row game to cherish at home!

Full Fee \$92.75 | After Max. CCS\* \$9.28



Mon 09 Oct

**Experience Takeover:** Slam Dunk Showdown

You asked for the ultimate slam-dunking extravaganza and here it is! Calling all hoop heroes - today is your day to shine! We're unleashing full-court action with thrilling basketball games led by professionals. It's a total basketball bonanza!

Full Fee \$93.75 | After Max. CCS\* \$9.38



Incursion

10 Oct

**Operation: Alien Encounters** 

Inspired by World Space Week (4-10 October), we're exploring the extraordinary in extraterrestrial life - aka ALIENS! You'll find yourself venturing through some out-of-this-word fun, such as scavenger hunts, creating alien language and more.

Full Fee \$71.75 | After Max. CCS\* \$7.18



Wed **11 Oct** 

**Adventure: Rocketeers Dance Party** 

Ready for the ultimate dance fest! This dance party will have you feeling the groove as we celebrate our new song 'Take Me to Base Camp' with mind-blowing performances, the 'Take Me to Base Camp' dance moves, and some fun sing-

Full Fee \$119.75 | After Max. CCS\* \$11.98



**Project: The Plus-Plus** Thu 12 Oct Challenge

Let's build and create using Plus-Plus blocks! An award-winning Danish toy featuring one shape and endless possibilities, it's your turn to get hands-on and build your own design and even learn basic coding using different colour combinations.

Full Fee \$92.75 | After Max. CCS\* \$9.28



Fri 13 Oct

**Operation: Brain Boosters** 

Experience that 'light bulb' moment as your brain engages in fun problem-solving activities! From puzzles and logic games to brain teasers and more, it's time to think out loud and enhance your cognitive skills!

Full Fee \$71.75 | After Max. CCS\* \$7.18



Camp

Visit campaustralia.com.au/rocketeers to join our next mission

### School Times & Term Dates

Front Office: 8.30am - 3.45pm

Student Supervision: 8.30am - 3.20pm

Classes: 8.45am - 3.00pm

Term 1: Monday 30 January to Friday 14 April;

Term 2: Monday 1 May to Friday 7 July;

Term 3: Monday 24 July to Friday 29 September; Term 4: Monday 16 October to Wed 13 December

### **Preschool Times**



Group 1: Monday & Tuesday 8.45am - 2.45pm;

Wednesday 8.45am - 11.45am

Occasional Care: Wednesday 9-11.45 (bookings required)

**Group 2**: Wednesday 12.15pm-3.15pm; Thursday & Friday 8.45am - 2.45pm

### **Uniform Shop Times**



**Tuesday**: 2.30pm - 3.30pm; **Friday**: 8.30am - 10.00am

## **Crossing Monitors**



 $\textit{Thank you} \ \text{to these students who have volunteered to be crossing monitors:} \\$ 

Week 7: Sachin, Piang, Logen

Week 8: Matilda, Alex, Nancy

Week 9: Vy, Dillen, Helena

## OSHC Hours



**Morning**: 6.30am - 8.30am; **Afternoon**: 3.00pm - 6.15pm

Phone Camp Australia: 1300 105 343

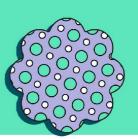
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### **OSHC News**



# Newsletter





Date St Margaret Mary's 6th September 2023



# Hi Everyone



Book week was so much fun, we dressed up as our favorite book characters, played charades, and enjoyed story telling.

It's been a busy term 3 and this week we are focusing on SPORTS, the children have programmed amazing games to play, Soccer, Chasey/Tag, Basketball, Cricket, and Handball. The weather is feeling more like spring every day, and the children are enjoying the sunshine and fresh air.

We have focused on healthy eating and Our New menu is very popular, the children really like to cook and they have made healthy Asian stir fry, Italian Pasta, Chinese Fried Rice, Cold Rolls, Banana Bread, Cheesy Nan Bread, Pizzas, and fruit smoothies.

We are thrilled to announce Spring 2023 Rocketeers Mission XI is now open on Camp Australia Website <u>www.campaustralia.com.au/rocketeers</u>

Make this spring holiday break an unforgettable one for your child/children. GET Creative, GET Active, GET Social, Non-Stop Action, morning to evening. We have amazing experiences programmed that all the children will enjoy.

WEEK 8			
Monday	UNO, Let's get cooking -Cereal Cupcakes	-	
Tuesday	Chess Challenge, Cupcake paper Art		
Wednesday	Twist those bodies with Twister, Creating your own board game		
Thursday	Giant Snakes and Ladders, Ping Pong Game		
Friday	Jigsaw Puzzles, Building Lego Competition		



Please phone Camp Australia 1300-105-343 for bookings, rebates will apply.

To find out more about the program, view fees and to register, visit.

www.campaustralia.com.au

Keep Smiling (3) Louise & Jenny



To register and book, visit www.campaustralia.com.au





# Newsletter

















Your OSHC.

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# We wish the following students who celebrate a birthday in September a very happy and blessed birthday:

Nathan	3/4MC	Alexa	3/4JM
Monique	PRE2	Grace	2KB
Cameron	3/4KR	Rahmah	5/6LC
Furmann	RML	Tyson	3/4JM
Praise	3/4MC	Thomas	3/4MC
Guransh	10V	Diamond	PRE1
Nafisa	RRB	Matilda	5/6LC
Thomas	PRE1	Harry	5/6GG
Abrihet	3/4KR	Arin	3/4KR
Pia	10V	Valeria	RML
Piang	5/6LO	Daniel	3/4KR
Aryan	3/4KR	Hasiet	PRE2
Emma	FDN	Ку	5/6LO
Akuen	RRB	Harry	2NW

PRE2	Shine	RML
2KB	Anh	3/4MC
2KB	Mia	2NW
FDN	Isabel	FDN
5/6LO		
3/4KR		
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### Student Absences

# Student Absences/Late Arrivals

When a student is absent or going to be late, parents should notify the school by 9am on that day by texting the Absentee Line on 0407 682 137, emailing absent@smms.catholic.edu.au or phoning (08) 8245 5855.

You will need to state the following:

Name of Child:

Year Level;

**Reason for Absence** (if late, approximately what time your child will arrive)

Phone: 8245 5855 (answering service - call anytime)

Email: absent@smms.catholic.edu.au

SMS: 0407 682 137

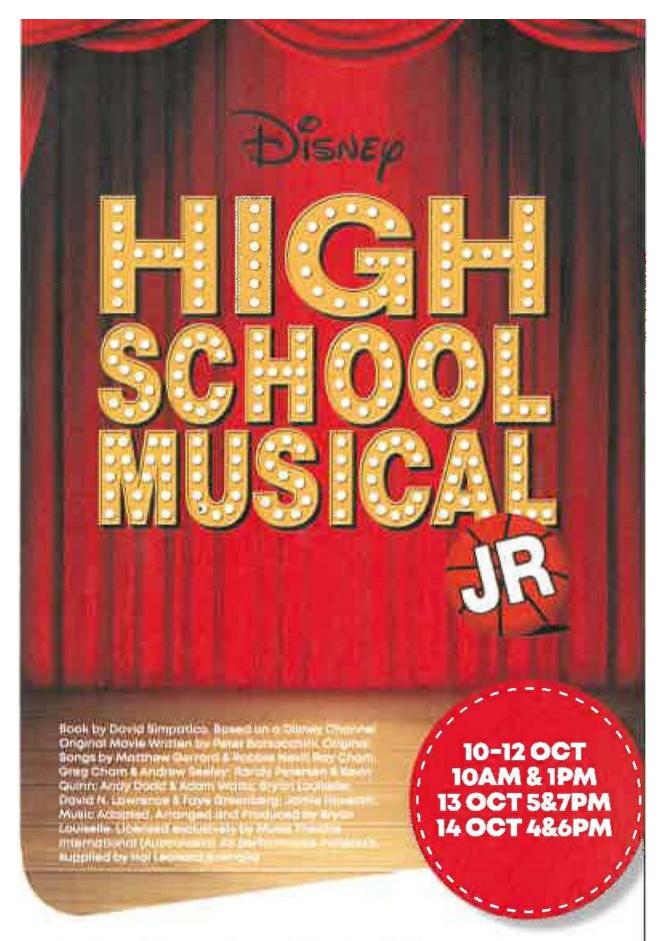
### Croydon Park Catholic Parish

Parish Priest: Fr Charles Lukati

Ph: 8346 0944

### Parks Youth Theatre

The Parks Youth Theatre Production of



Follow the antics of East High's most popular student as they come alive on your stage. Watch the blossoming relationship between Troy, a high school jock, and Gabriella, the new smart girl at school, all while singing in a karaoke competition.

# TO BOOK: trybooking.com/CIGMN

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