

20 OCTOBER 2009 - TERM 4 - WEEK 2

# ST THOMAS' PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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100 years of Celebration



*Lord, let me never forget that what I am,  
Is more important than what I do.  
Amen.*

## DATES TO REMEMBER

1	TUE 20 OCT 7.30PM BOARD MEETING
2	WED 21 OCT 6.30PM RECONCILIATION PARENT INFO NIGHT
4	MON 26 OCT YR 4 EXCURSION LANSDALE FARM SCHOOL
5	TUE 27 OCT YR 2 EXCURSION TO AQWA

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Guardians

The first week of the term has certainly been an enjoyable one, with children very enthusiastic and keen to be at school. Many thanks to all our staff for being so well-prepared for the start of this busy term.

Over the weekend, Maureen Elphick a mosaic artist and teacher, helped us by installing our Centenary mosaic in the Paul Carman playground in the Kindy/Pre Primary area. This has truly been a fantastic community event with parents, staff and students all adding their own touches to make such a magnificent art piece. Many thanks to Maureen for helping us when we needed it and to Kate Byrne for co-ordinating the art piece.

It looks like our *'Day on the Green'* will be a terrific family day of celebration and fun. It's not far off, so please organise your family ticket and come along to join us on the day.

Our Wine Raffle Tickets have gone home. Good luck in selling them!

*God bless!*  
*Tamara McGougan*  
Principal

# SCHOOL NEWS

## MUSIC NEWS

Congratulations to the following students on excellent results for their AMEB Music Examinations!

- Ben Davidson**—Yr 6 achieved a High Distinction A+ for his grade 1 exam
- Max Bailey**—Yr 5 also a High Distinction A+ for grade 1
- Meghan Davidson**—Yr5 achieved a Credit, B for her Preliminary Grade exam
- Samantha Bailey**—Yr 4 did well with a Credit, B for her Preliminary Grade exam

Well done, keep up the good work.

*Rosalee Falk (Piano Tutor)*

## LOST

Has anyone seen a small red football lost in the main school playground on Wednesday when it was kicked over the PP fence. It is soft and a little smaller than a normal football. It does not have a name on it. If you know of its whereabouts, please advise the office. Thank you!

## ST THOMAS' NATIVITY DISPLAY

The Claremont Carnival is on again, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November from 4.30 to 7.30 pm. For the last 4 years, St Thomas has had a Nativity display together with information relating to Christmas services. It is a great way to bring our message to the people at the fair and promote that 'Jesus is the reason for the season'. We are looking for helpers assist with setting up the Nativity display and handing out brochures or generally just being a friendly face to chat to people. If you would like to assist, please call Julie Bevan on 0438 558 788.

Also, Eddie Russell from Flame Ministries will be at the next St Thomas prayer group on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October in the church meeting room, to talk on 'Forgiveness and Acceptance'. Please try and come along. Cuppa at 9 am for a 9.30 am start. Should finish around 10.30 am.

## NEWS FROM THE PARISH

Fr Charles: Ph: 9384 0598 Fax: 9385 5176  
Email: [claremont@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:claremont@perthcatholic.org.au) Web: [www.claremontcatholic.org.au](http://www.claremontcatholic.org.au)



Dear Folks

Thanks to all for making last Saturday's 5.30pm KIDS MASS and Mission Supper so wonderful. Bless you all.

A reminder: Starting November 1 our **Sunday 6pm Mass moves to 6.30pm**. This way we better serve the catchment area and people who want the extra time in the sun!

The Olive Grove, our memorial garden on the Melville Road side of the Church, has two things going on: (1) it is ready for the burial of ashes of loved-ones (cost: free for parishioners; \$800 for non-parishioners); (2) it is putting up stainless steel memorial plaques with the names of deceased loved ones (cost: \$225). If interested contact Kim at: [claremont@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:claremont@perthcatholic.org.au)

In the Breath of our lives,  
Fr Charles

## CANTEEN ROSTER

Fri 23 Oct Deb Nalty & Caroline Turner  
Mon 26 Oct Laura St John-Ayre & Milena Lennon

## BOOKLISTS 2010

The 2010 back-to-school booklists were distributed to children yesterday.

We would like to remind parents that orders are to be returned to their child's teacher no later than **Friday 6th November**. Please make sure you have correct money attached with your order—no change will be given.

Order online and you will automatically go into the draw to win \$2,500—[www.wooldridges.com.au](http://www.wooldridges.com.au)

## SPRING IS IN THE AIR!

With the warmer weather now upon us, it is a good time to consider walking to school. This is a great chance for the family to get some additional exercise and perhaps engage in some riveting conversation along the way. **A great start to the day!!**

## ORACY AUSTRALIA-2009

Congratulations to all our students in Years Four, Five and Six for achieving incredible results in their oral English assessments! With the help of their teachers our students were well prepared, expressing themselves clearly and confidently. A huge thank you to all our parents who provided their child the encouragement and support needed to prepare for this learning experience. The teachers and examiners are grateful to you for attending the your child's big day.

*Lila Gibbs*

## ICAS TEST RESULTS

All children who sat for the English and Mathematics Exams will be presented with their ICAS results on Monday, 26th October, at Morning Gathering.

## UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will be open on the following days.

Friday	23 October	8.30am
Friday	06 November	8.30am
Friday	27 November	8.30am

## Presidents Report—13 October 2009

Thank you to those that attended Tuesday night's meeting.

Thanks you also to the 28 individuals who attended the extra ordinary meeting held at the end of last term. I would like to congratulate Stuart Gicquel and John Bouffler for the time and effort they have put into the investigation with regard to the purchase of a school bus. The presentation was thorough and informative. To abbreviate the P&F agreed to contribute half of the cost of a bus to a maximum value of \$37 500. So the search has begun.

You will have noted the next Busy Bee Saturday October 31-my thanks to James Martin for organizing this regular event.

The school as you will note is celebrating Presentation day and as it is a centenary celebration the P&F has agreed to provide ice poles and a celebratory cake.

The Day on the Green looms close and there is plenty to do so please, please help in whatever way you can. To Donella Caspersz-Loney a huge thank you for your time and effort.

A subcommittee for the review of the school uniform has been formed consisting of the following people:

Sharon UTTING  
Liz MACQUILLAN  
Sarah FERGUSON  
Judy BUCKLEY  
Anne CORNISH  
Coreena KELLY  
With assistance from Sharon MAXWELL.

These wonderful people will compile a survey to gain your views on the uniform and its suitability-if you wish to have a voice then please fill it in and return it to school asap.

The P&F AGM is Tuesday November 24 at 7.00pm in the Library and will as usual be held in conjunction with the Board AGM.

To those who are interested in nominating for the P & F, there will be a number of positions available, including that of President. If you are interested in any position please contact me either via email [pcwishaw@iinet.net.au](mailto:pcwishaw@iinet.net.au) or phone:92845508.

Thanks everyone  
Caroline Wishaw



## A 'Day on the Green' Saturday 14 November

- ◇ Toy & Book Stall
- ◇ Bobbing apples
- ◇ Coits throwing
- ◇ Guess the Tombola Jar!!

### Plus

A Café, Canteen, and.....of course Saturday evening Mass!

And to finish...

A bush dance with the fabulous Mucky Duck Bush band!

Please come to what you can, come to everything, invite your friends, old school families and help celebrate our St Thomas Centenary!

Tickets available: \$20 per family

**Contact: Donella Caspersz, 93816168, 0448 772 018.**

# P & F NEWS

## Spring affair at the Schoenstatt Shrine

Invitation to the cherished school staff, students and their families  
Feast of All Saints, Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2009 Spring affair at the  
Schoenstatt Shrine, 9 Talus Drive, Armadale, from 9.30 am till 2 pm.  
This is the opportunity of a life time to come to the Shrine. Besides  
spending money at the Spring affair where all sorts of things will make  
you wish you hadn't brought so much, you will be able to have November  
Masses offered up for the deceased members of your Family. This very  
special offer will help us to stay close to those who have gone before us  
and be united with them in prayer. What better place than the  
Schoenstatt Shrine to do so.  
Hoping to see you all there—**Sister M. Lisette—9399 2349**

## KINDY COFFEE MORNING



Please join us for a catch-up  
this Thursday 22 October  
straight after drop-off at the  
Dome Cafe, Hampden Road,  
Nedlands.

## ATTENTION ALL YEAR 6 PARENTS!!!!



### Cocktail Party!!!!!!

Our date has been set Saturday November 28th at the  
"Barwood Residence"

Please lock this into your diaries as it won't be one to  
miss - our final hoorah!!!!

Invitations have been given to the children to pass on.

Any concerns please call Louise 0410 334 491.

**LEARN TO DIVE** springboard classes, Term 4 –  
Challenge Stadium. Vacancies still exist for the Term 4  
Program commencing in Week 2 of school term.  
Contact Jane for more information – 9287 2000 or  
[info@wadiving.com.au](mailto:info@wadiving.com.au)

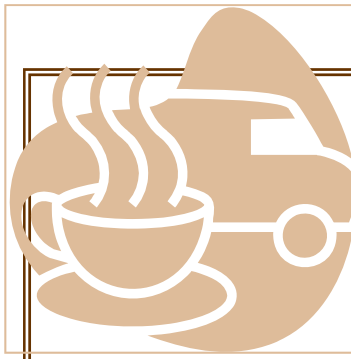


## After School Community Jam with Kirsty Keogh

Come along and enjoy Kirsty Keogh and friends as they entertain  
and take your children on a musical adventure with a little bit of magic...

Dates: Friday 23/10, 6/11, 20/11 and 4/12  
Time: 3.45 – 5.45pm  
Location: Moerlina School, 16 Brockway Rd, Mt Claremont  
Cost: gold coin donation

Bring along a picnic afternoon tea!



## COFFEE VAN AT THE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

*Kiss Café* Mobile Coffee

van will be at the Athletics Faction  
Carnival on Friday October 30 from  
10am. They have a variety of  
coffee, hot drinks, muffins,  
cakes and snacks available for purchase.  
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*Congratulations* to  
Anthea Sargison who  
won First prize in the  
'Andalusian Gelding Any  
Age' Competition held  
at the Royal Show  
during the school  
holidays. Fantastic job  
Anthea!!

## Revive with Louise Roe

*"The Dermalogica Facial Treatment"*

only \$45—One Week Only  
from Monday 26th October. Please call Louise to  
secure your booking on—0410 334 491

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## An Invitation to Tanya's Garden

You are invited to see the fabulous garden at 67  
Beatrice Rd, Dalkeith (6 quarter acre blocks which have  
been transformed into a stunning garden) for fine wines,  
canapes and great music on the afternoon of Saturday,  
November 28<sup>th</sup> from 2.00 - 5.00pm.

This garden is only open to the public for private  
functions.

Tickets are \$50 and proceeds will go to the Claremont  
Therapeutic Riding Centre which provides all people,  
including those who are disabled or disadvantaged the  
opportunity to learn riding and horse management  
skills under the remarkable guidance of Miss Henry,  
OAM.

If you would like a ticket, please contact Beth  
Marchbank on 9384 2821; [bmarchba@bigpond.net.au](mailto:bmarchba@bigpond.net.au) or  
Deb Cooke (organiser) at [debcooke@iinet.net.au](mailto:debcooke@iinet.net.au)