



Important Dates

Graduation Mass 6pm Wednesday 7 December Graduation Dinner 7:15pm Wednesday 7 December Presentation and Carols Night 6pm Tuesday 13 December Last Day of School Wednesday 14 December

Student Free Day Thursday 15 December

Student Free Day

Friday 16 December

Hi all,

I'm finishing up this article from the comfort of the Dining Room at Mylor Adventure camp where our Year 3/4s are enjoying three days of fun and adventure.

A child asked me yesterday whether the best part of being a principal is getting to go on all the school camps. They might not be far from the truth as I think it's a time for myself where I get to see the kids in a different environment where they are pushed and challenged in different ways.

Even in last night's Talent Showcase we saw kids stand up and sing, tell jokes and perform in front of their peers, one of the toughest things to do. Today they will be pushed in different ways on the giant flying fox and various challenge courses to attempt things that some children won't be phased by, and others will find a significant physical and mental challenge.

Split Recess Trial

The feedback from our Split Recess trial has been predominantly positive from staff, parents, and students. We will continue in this mode for the rest of the year and then assess again at the beginning of 2023.

What's going on with the Build?

Since our last update....Plenty! Stage 1 of the build includes what the builders refer to as Building 1 and Building 3. Building 1 is our new Junior Primary Building. They are currently digging the footings for this in preparation for the slab being poured next week. All has been relatively smooth sailing so far.

Building 3 is our new toilet block which is situated on the northern side of the playground. This has had the slab poured and first fix carpentry almost completed. Brickwork is expected to be completed within a fortnight.

Each individual cubicle features it's own basin and hand dryer. There will be 5 toilets located near the playground and 2 additional toilets attached to the new Junior Primary building.

End of Year Events Reminders

A note was sent home last week but this ais a reminder about the end of year events at SCMS.

Wednesday the 7th of December (Week 8) – 6pm Graduation Mass

We will celebrate with our departing Year 7's and their families with a School Mass from 6pm at St Columba's Church. This Mass is a significant moment for our Year 7 students. All Year 6 and Year 7 students are asked to attend as they will be involved in the mass.

All in our community are invited to attend.

Tuesday the 13th of December (Week 9) – 6pm Presentation Night/Carols

Presentation night will be a night where we celebrate with our wider community. It will feature a selection of carols from our students as well as a celebration of the year that has been.

The night will also feature the traditional Year 7 awards and our 'St Columba's awards'. It will be held in the St Columba's Hall.

This night is a **compulsory** night for all students at our school.

Kind Regards,

Scott March

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Hello!

Welcome to Term 4 😂

Next week we have two important feast days. On November 1 it is the Feast day of All Saints when we remember all those who have attained Heaven and on November 2 we commemorate All Souls Day when we remember and pray for all those who have died. For the Feast of All Saints Day we will be having a whole school mass on Thursday, November 3 at 9:15am. We would love to have you join us. If you ever have any questions about the Mass or any curiosities, please don't hesitate to contact me. I am more than happy to help answer them or discuss further.

These two feast days are celebrated in many ways around the world but one tradition that I think is beautiful is that of visiting a cemetery on the feast of All Souls Day and praying for those who have died. Reading the names of on the gravestones and remembering these people, even if we never knew them, but saying their names and recognising their lives is a powerful way to feel the communion of saints and also to remember our own mortality. There is an old Catholic practice of meditating on one's death called 'Momento Mori' a Latin phrase meaning, "remember your death." – find out more HERE. This practice helps us to remember that we will one day die ("You are dust, and to dust you shall return" (Gen 3:19)) so we need to use each day to do the best we can to do good, to love well and to seek God in all things. This may seem all a bit morbid, but its purpose is actually the opposite; to truly understand our mortality and so to live well, to live intentionally. So I invite you to take the time next Wednesday to head out to the cemetery, alone or as a family, to walk through the graves and say the names of those who lie there and offer a prayer for them. May we be encouraged to live well.

God Bless,

Miriam Honner, APRIM

Zooper Doopers



Zooper Dooper Fridays have returned!

Mini Vinnies will be selling Zooper Doopers at lunch time each Friday for 50c each. Limit of two iceblocks per student, all funds raised will be donated to St Vincent De Paul. If you would like to donate a packet of Zooper Doopers towards our fundraiser, please feel free to drop to the front office.

From the Mini Vinnies.

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Reception



The Reception classroom was busy last week writing a recount of what they did in the holidays. Miss McGrath and Miss Warwick enjoyed reading about what they got up to.

Junior Primary



The Year 1/2 students in Design and Tech have been learning how to create paper sculptures. They have had a lot of fun manipulating the paper in varied ways to create their very own masterpieces.

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Middle Primary



In the Year 3/4 Class, students have been learning about angles. Students went on an investigation around our school to see what

angles they could find. During their exploration in the yard, students noticed the construction workers building the timber frame for the new toilet block which was made up of many right angles! As a result, students are now walking around the school pointing of the different angles they see.

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Senior Primary





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This term in the year 5/6/7 class, the focus within our HASS and Science lessons revolves around the key ideas and messages in the 2019 documentary '2040'. The students have watched the documentary in class and will now explore what the future would look like by the year 2040 if we simply embraced the best solutions already available to us to improve our planet and shifted them rapidly into the mainstream. These units have been designed to allow students to explore climate change and its causes by looking at a range of real-world solutions such as making transport more sustainable, improving food security, making education available to everyone and implementing alternative energy sources.

Library News





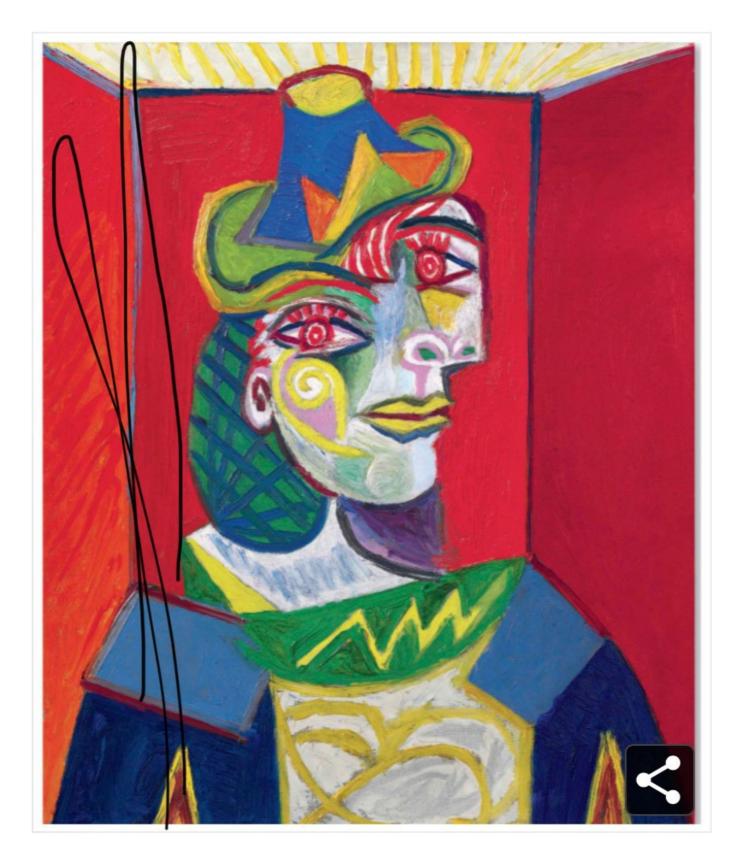
We have a busy time in the library this term as we are installing a new library system. The children will be able to borrow extra books as there will be no borrowing in Week 4 and 5 whilst this is happening.

Could all Issue 7 Book Club orders please be in by Friday 28 th of October.

How exciting! Our "Buy One Get One Free" Book Fair is commencing on the 28th of October and will be running until the 9th of November. A great opportunity to get some Christmas shopping done.

Thankyou

Julie Anderson



A very famous Spanish painter is Pablo Diego Jose Francisco De Paula Juan Nepomuceno Crispin Crispiniano Maria Remedios de La Santisima Trinidad Ruiz Picasso. That is the name of just one painter and he is better known as Pablo Picasso. He became one of the most influential artists of the 20th century with many other artists changing their style as a result of his works. He was an excellent drawer from a very early age and his mother said his first sentence that he spoke was to ask for a pencil to draw.

He often drew people in small chunks, from several angles, simultaneously. And then reassembled the different pieces, so that his portraits were not meant to be realistic, but a collection of different views of the one person.

Mandy Thompson.

SunSmart reminder for Term 4



The average daily UV Index during October is 5 in South Australia, so as we jump into Term 4 it's very important that we are reminding and encouraging staff, families, students and children to use a combination of sun protection measures during all outdoor activities **whenever the UV is 3 and above**.

Now that daylight savings has begun, sun protection times have changed and extended. Remember, you can access local daily sun protection times using the SunSmart app, to help determine when you should protect your skin in five ways—**slip**, **slop**, **slap**, **seek** and **slide**.

Download the SunSmart app here.. SunSmart app - Cancer Council (cancersa.org.au)

Thanks!

Amy Kennedy

WHS Officer

A Day At The Burgh

A Day At The Burgh is back from Friday the 4th of November to Sunday the 6th of November. Plenty of activites for the whole family.



Students art work will be on display at A Day At The Burgh!

Green Space



A big thank you to the following school family and community members for contributing to the Green Space:

Rob Mumford, Karly Harris, Pat Franke and Chris Critchell for the generous donation of seedlings for the garden and Amy Kennedy for providing straw for mulch.

The Green Space is looking fabulous at the moment with all the rain and sunshine.

SCMS Gather & Grow Fundraiser GINGERBREAD HOUSE SALES DRIVE

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- Step-by-step instructions on Youtube!

Order by MONDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2022

Order forms available from SCMS front office or order on QKR app.

Kits will be ready for collection late in Term 4, ready for you to build and decorate for Christmas.

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