

## Term 3 Week 2

### Important Dates

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ICAS Writing  
Assessment  
Tuesday 9 August

SALA Exhibition  
Wednesday 10 August

Year 3-6 Cross  
Country Carnival  
Thursday 11 August

SALA Exhibition  
Thursday 11 August

Italian & Book  
Week Celebrations  
Monday 15 August

ICAS English  
Assessment  
Tuesday 16 August

Yr 4V & 5PE  
excursion  
Tuesday 16 August

School Photo Mock-  
Up Day  
Wednesday 17 August

Catholic School  
Open Week  
Monday 22 August

Year 5 & 6 Camp

St Monica's Whole

Pupil Free Day -

ICAS Maths

Monday 22 August

School Mass

Friday 26 August

Staff Retreat Day

Monday 29 August

Assessment

Tuesday 30 August

Year 3-6 Touch  
Carnival

Wednesday 7 September

Father's Day Stall

Friday 9 September

Tournament of  
Minds Performance

Saturday 10 September

Year 4 AFL MAX  
Sleep over

Wednesday 21 September

St Monica's Fair

Friday 23 September

Pupil Free Day

Friday 30 September

Sports Day

Friday 4 November

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## Principal's Report

Welcome to Term 3! I hope that each of you were able to have some time to relax and just take it a bit slower. I was very lucky that I was able to travel to Brisbane to visit family and soak up some lovely winter sunshine. Students and teachers have returned to school with enthusiasm and excitement. Watching the children greet each with squeals of delight when they saw their friends arrive and sharing their holiday stories was just wonderful. We have also welcomed some new members to our community, and we hope that they already feel very much connected and an important part of St Monica's. This includes 16 new Reception children Mila, Rivers, Airlie, Manteg, Anoop, Gia-Rose, Trevish, Samuel, Cian, Gursaanzh, Edric, Harry, Kiera, Eloise, Harvey, Bella and their enthusiastic teacher Jade Ryan. We also welcome Nithara in Year 5, Nancy in Year 3 and Daisy in Year 1.

This morning we gathered as a whole school community to celebrate the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop at mass in our beautiful parish church. Fr Kym's homily spoke to us of the qualities of Mary which helped her to make such a significant impact on so many people's life. Her bravery, persistence and faith in God allowed her to challenge injustice and speak up for the vulnerable in the community. We thank Father Kym for his support and leadership in faith, who also took time to speak to our years five and six classes on the theology of the Apostle Creed, which they are exploring in RE.

It was also lovely to see so many parents and grandparents back in the church to once again celebrate the Mass with us. Our next whole school mass is Friday Week 5, where we will celebrate the Feast Day of Saint Monica. You are all very welcome to join us for this mass.

### Living Learning Leading Framework survey (LLL F)

By now you should have received an email and a SeeSaw message asking parents and caregivers to participate in the Living Learning Leading Framework survey (LLL F). We know that, like our students, we can always strive to improve in our teaching and learning, our community connections, the development of our learning spaces and how we utilise our resources. The data that is obtained from this survey helps identify the key areas of improvement during the next 12 months. All key stakeholders are invited to participate in this survey. It is completely confidential, is online and should only take **5 minutes** to complete. The survey is open now and runs until 12 August. I hope that many of you will provide your feedback through this survey and I thank you in advance for your support of our community.

Link: [www.NSIPartnerships.com.au](http://www.NSIPartnerships.com.au)

Access code: SMPLLLP

If you have any troubles accessing the survey, please email to let me know.

### SALA – South Australia Living Artists

How exciting – the opening of our school as a SALA venue for 2022 is drawing close!

Every student in the school has created at least one piece of art to exhibit and it is based on the theme of "God's dream for the world" We have used the words of Mary MacKillop to inspire our artwork, "How I wish that we would only remember that we are but travellers here." This statement reminds us all that we are stewards not owners of the gift of creation and we need to seek to live out God's dream for the world.

All families are invited to attend our exhibition on either Wednesday 10 or Thursday 11 August, 3pm-5pm in the school library. The Year 4 and 5 Performance Choir will also be entertaining us on the Wednesday afternoon. Entry is via the back of the school. I hope that you can join us for an afternoon of culture and fun.

God's blessings,

Emily Sayer

Principal

## Soup Making

This week we were lucky enough to have Maria Mignone (Elisia's mum) volunteer an entire day of her time to us. Maria, with the help of some of our year 6s, harvested vegetables from our school garden and made a delicious soup which was donated to the Adelaide Day Centre for the Homeless. Maria also supervised the Student Voice as they continued to paint the staircase in preparation for SALA. We thank Maria for her generous contribution to our school community!



## Student Voice

Each year, Student Voice is active in recognising and celebrating the many and diverse cultural backgrounds of our students. Some artwork that was done by our previous Student Voice Representative has been beautifully framed and displayed in the Library.



This year's representative have been busy working on their own art for upcoming SALA Festival. We can't wait to share!



## Tournament of Minds

After some amazing auditions that demonstrated high order thinking, creativity and problem solving, our Year 5/6 team has been selected.

Congratulations to:

*Adela, Natalia and Gabriel (Year 5)*

*Emilia, Holly, Zavier and Yash (Year 6)*

We have started rehearsing and can't wait until competition day in September!

## ICAS Assessments

A reminder that ICAS assessments for registered Year 4-6 will begin next week.

Assessments start at 9am and students need a charged device and pencil.

Times are as follows:

Monday 8th August - Digital Technology

Tuesday 9th August - Writing

Tuesday 16th August - English

Tuesday 30th August - Maths

Sarah Morris

(Leader of Learning – Wellbeing and Inclusion)

## LIBRARY NEWS

Premier's Reading Challenge ends 9 September 2022

Premier's be active Challenge concludes 30 September 2022

Scholastic Book Club orders close Friday 12 August, 2022

## Acknowledgment of Country

St Monica's acknowledge the Kurna People as the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we live, learn and work. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual connection and relationship of Aboriginal peoples to this country and commit to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

## Soup Donations

# SOUP DONATIONS



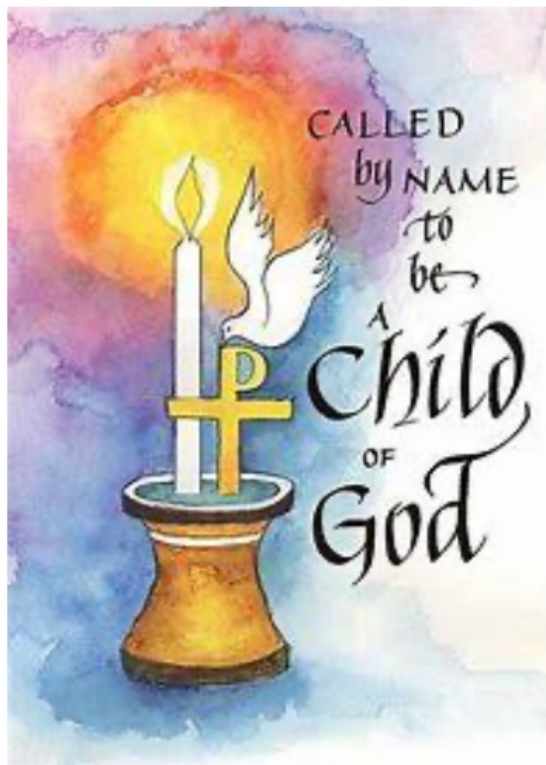
SOUP WILL BE  
MADE AND  
DONATED TO THE  
MOORE ST  
KITCHEN FOR  
THOSE  
EXPERIENCING  
HARDSHIPS

WE ASK

**TENNISON  
HOUSE**

FOR DONATIONS OF:  
A VEGETABLE, A TIN OF  
TOMATOES OR BEANS, OR  
OTHER SOUP INGREDIENTS.

Parish Baptismal Program



**IS YOUR CHILD  
WANTING TO KNOW  
MORE ABOUT THE  
CATHOLIC FAITH OR  
ASKING TO BE  
BAPTISED OR LATER IN  
THE YEAR, BE PART OF  
THE PARISH  
SACRAMENTAL  
PROGRAM?**

**DURING TERM THREE - BEGINNING ON TUESDAY 2ND AUGUST -  
A TEN WEEK PROGRAM WILL BE OFFERED FOR CHILDREN FROM  
YR 3 – TO YR 6.**

**Some sessions will be after school on Tuesdays  
between 3.30 - 4.30 pm in The Parish Office, while  
others will be on Sundays from 10.30 - 11.15 am at St  
Martin's Church Hall after the 9.30am Mass.**

***If you are interested, to help us gauge the response  
and plan appropriately, please contact the Parish  
Office on 82616200 or email Sr Rita on  
[rruzzo@gwparish.org.au](mailto:rruzzo@gwparish.org.au) by 28th of July 2022***





# Kildare College Tours

## Term 3 2022

Saturday 6 August 11.00am

Saturday 20 August 11.00am

Saturday 3 September 11.00am

Visit [kildare.catholic.edu.au](http://kildare.catholic.edu.au) to book a College Tour