

# St. Monica's Newsletter



2023: Term 2 - Week 5



St. Monica's acknowledges the traditional custodians of this land, the Wurunjeri people of the Kulin Nation. We pay our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures; and to Elders both past, present and emerging.



## Important Dates - Term 2

**Term dates are subject to modification**

**Fri 26th May** - Fire Ed Visit: Year 5/6

**Mon 29th May** - Seda Basketball clinics for PE

**Tues 30th May** - Soccer X Before School 7.30am

**Wed 31st May** - Footscray Division Cross Country  
Seda AFL Clinics

**Thurs 1st June** - Linton, MACS language coach  
at St Monica's today

**Mon 5th June** - Seda Basketball clinics for PE

**Tues 6th June** - Soccer X Before School 7.30am  
PNF morning meeting

**Thurs 8th June** - First Aid for Schools Program

**First Eucharist - 6pm with Fr Philip**

**Mon 12th June** - King's birthday holiday

Long Weekend & school closed today

**Tues 13th June** - Soccer X Before School 7.30am

School Advisory Meeting 7pm

**Mon 19th June** - Seda Basketball clinics for PE

**Fri 23rd June** - Last day of Term 2 (**Dismissal 1pm**)

## Term 3 - advanced notice

other important dates will be supplied

**Monday 10th July** - School Closure Day

Teacher Professional Practice Hours

**Tues 11th July** - Term 3 commences

First day for students

**Friday 25th August** - St Monica's Feast Day

Mass and celebrations

## Reminders

- Lunch order day: Every Monday & Friday
- Our school gate is open at 8.30am every morning for student arrival
- Children eat lunch at 11.40am (after first play)



St Monica's website



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Jesus, Son of God, on the day of Pentecost you sent the Holy Spirit to be with your disciples, and with us, forever. May the power of the Holy Spirit and the fire of your love inspire us to live a life of love and courage.

We ask this in your name.

**Amen**



## Principal's Message

Dear students and parents,

Another week down and winter is looming. A time of year when we all need to look after ourselves and keep warm.

I also bring to your attention that the annual Report to the Community will be shortly available on our school website. This is an important report that provide valuable information about our school's achievements, goals, and policies. The annual Report to the Community highlights the progress we have made over the past year and showcases the dedication and hard work of our students, teachers, and staff. We encourage you to take a moment to read through the report and celebrate the accomplishments of our school community.

There is also once again plenty of valuable information contained within our fortnightly newsletter including:

- Respectful relationships in the Year 3/4
- Importance of Pentecost Sunday (The birthday of the church)
- A student reminder of why bullying is never Ok. (parents are encourage to read this reminder and discuss with their child /children at home)
- What's happening in TCL Italian classes

Today we had our first delivery of our new lunch online provider, **James on Moreland Cafe**. 20 orders were received across our grades today as well as 4 staff orders. Many students and staff said the food was healthy and yummy. We encourage all families to take up this opportunity every Friday for the rest of term 2.

Thank you to the many families and students who given us their school Banie preference. We will shortly share the chosen option and make banies available for purchase as soon as possible.

In Partnership,  
Nathan

# Respectful Relationships in the Middles

In Respectful Relationships Lessons, we have been learning to develop a better understanding of our own personal strengths. We have been able to identify our personal character strengths and see how different strengths help people to learn and grow. We also learnt that good communication skills can help our relationships with others and that there are different characteristics needed when working collaboratively with others. This was evident when we played the balloon game and the sitting chairs game. We had a lot of fun but we also realised that we need to be inclusive, listen to the ideas of others, support one another, share your own ideas, wait your turn to speak in order to work together successfully. We also realised that our co-operative skills show what support looks like. Everyone does their small part to make the whole group work, and everyone is important in providing and receiving support.

Look at what we have been learning:



## PENTECOST SUNDAY

This Sunday we celebrate Pentecost Sunday. The day we as Catholics commemorate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles of Jesus.

Pentecost Sunday is an important celebration for all Catholics because it commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ. The word "Pentecost" itself comes from the Greek word meaning "fiftieth," signifying that it falls on the fiftieth day after Easter Sunday.

Pentecost is often referred to as the birthday of the Church because it marks the moment when the disciples received the Holy Spirit.

Dear God,  
on this special day, you send us your Holy Spirit and gifts of the Holy Spirit offers: wisdom, understanding, counsel, knowledge, fortitude, piety and fear of the Lord (wonder & awe). These gifts help us to live out your message of love and life.



## Gospel

Jn 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,  
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them  
and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,  
they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,  
they are retained.'

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# Reminders for students



## What is bullying?

Bullying is when someone tries to make you feel bad over and over. They might do this by calling you names, taking something of yours, shouting at you, or kicking or pushing at you.

A few things to remember

It's NOT your fault! Nobody deserves to be bullied. Sometimes people bully others because they are having a hard time themselves.

## What can I do?

DON'T try to hurt the person back as that can make things worse. DO walk away and try to stay calm. Take a few deep breaths or count to 10.

## Tell someone what's happening

Talk to a parent, a teacher or a school leader about the bullying. They can help you work out what to do about it. You don't have to deal with it alone.

**Bullying is NEVER ok.** It is hurtful and can impact someone for a long time. Remember, you are not alone. There are people you can talk to and things you can do to stop the bullying.

Parents are encouraged to talk to their child/children as often as possible by asking them questions about their day at school.



# Italian

Put simply, learning a language involves actively learning new words, and knowing how to put them together for the purpose of communicating.

It has been another great week of learning at Saint Monicas. This week in TCL Italian our focus has been to learn how to say I like or dislike something and you? We have been watching engaging clips to learn new gestures to support this. The students have also been playing matching games in groups with one another. The students have also had an opportunity to begin to write in Italian.

In one of this week's activities the students had the opportunity to have a go at writing one like or don't like and presented it to the class.

Next week we'll be learning how to count in Italian and engage in conversations with one another about how old we are.

Arriverderci,

Signorina Danni





17 MAY 2023

## Footscray Road – eastbound closed from Saturday, 27 May

We're building the West Gate Tunnel Project to create an alternative to the West Gate Bridge and take trucks off local roads. As part of the project, an elevated road above Footscray Road is being built to create a link between the new tunnel and the city.

### Footscray Road eastbound disruptions

The six-month major construction program is in its final stages. We have spent the past two months lifting concrete segments into place above the westbound lanes on Footscray Road, meaning that around 70 per cent of the elevated road section above Footscray Road is now complete. We will now make the final move back above the eastbound lanes.

**From 7am Saturday, 27 May until mid-June, we'll:**

- Reopen the westbound lanes to traffic.
- Close the eastbound/citybound lanes 24 hours, 7 days a week. Detours will be in place via Dynon Road.

Footscray Road will be closed in both directions between Dock Link Road and Appleton Dock Road overnight on Friday, 26 May from 8pm to 7am.

### Footscray Road eastbound closure and detour

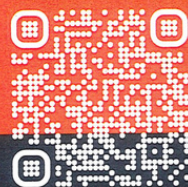


Follow the signs and lane marking, and drive with care.



# SHOW YOUR WEST -SIDE

## 2023 ART PRIZE & EXHIBITION



The Footscray Traders Association presents a new local art prize & exhibition, lead by LaDY MoHaWK, and supported by Maribyrnong City Council.



### EXHIBITION

Opening night 14 July, 5.30-8.30pm.  
Runs till 11 August 2023.  
Footscray Connectivity Centre,  
138 Nicholson St, Footscray  
Follow our socials for more  
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### CALL FOR ENTRIES

Opens 5 May, closes 16 June 2023.  
\$4500 prize pool.  
Youth and Adult categories.  
Prizes generously donated by  
Cheaper Buy Miles, Community  
Bank Seddon, Trimson Partners  
Real Estate, MP Katie Hall, LaDY  
MoHaWK, Littlefoot Bar, Two Birds  
Brewing, and Footscray Traders  
Association.

ART FOR THE PEOPLE BY THE PEOPLE



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Catholic Primary School  
Footscray

We're here to make a difference

## Commencing Friday 26th May 2023

### HOT FOOD

Chicken Parma	\$8.90
Chicken Salad Souvlaki	\$9.90
Steamed Dim Sim	\$1.50
Chicken Skewer	\$4.90
Party Pie	\$2.50
Sausage Roll	\$4.90
Vegetable Pastie	\$2.50
Healthy Cheese Burger	\$6.90
Healthy Chicken Burger	\$6.90
Lamb Salad Souvlaki	\$9.90
Mac and Cheese	\$8.90
Pasta Bolognese	\$8.90
GF Pasta Bolognese	\$8.90
Fried Rice with Bacon	\$8.90

### SALADS

Caesar Salad	\$5.90
Coleslaw Salad	\$5.90
Pesto Pasta Salad	\$5.90

### SANDWICHES

Ham and Cheese Sandwich	\$5.90
Roast Beef Sandwich	\$9.90
Roast Pork Sandwich	\$9.90
Egg and Lettuce Sandwich	\$4.90
Sliced Chicken Sandwich	\$6.90
Salad Sandwich	\$4.90
Sausage Sandwich	\$6.90
Schnitzel Sandwich	\$7.90
Vegemite Sandwich	\$4.50
Egg and Bacon Toastie	\$3.90

### SOMETHING SWEET

Blueberry Vanilla Yoghurt	\$2.90
Luscious Berry Yoghurt	\$2.90
Tropical Yoghurt	\$2.90
Banana Bread	\$3.90
Muffin	\$3.90

### DRINKS

Bottle of Water \$2.50

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Friday 2nd June, Friday 9th June,  
Friday 16th June & Friday 23rd June (Last day of Term 2)