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Heartlinks Highlights Video

MTP Heartlinks Highlights - Term 2 Celebration of Learning

In our video this week, our students highlight some of the learning they are most proud of this term. We also have highlights from the beautiful displays in each Learning Studio. It was great to welcome so many parents last Wednesday afternoon and evening to our Celebration of Learning. Thank you for your enthusiasm for supporting your child's learning journey.





Deepest Sympathy

Last Friday we received the very sad news that Mr. Vivek Chaudhary, the father of one of our Year 5 students, Aaradhya, had died suddenly. Aaradhya's older brother Om is also a former student of Mother Teresa Primary. On Monday morning, Aaradhya's Year 5 teachers and friends gathered together in prayer, dedicated to Aaradhdya and her family in their time of grief. Please keep Aaradhyha and her family in your prayers.

On Sunday, we were also very sad to hear about the passing of Mrs. Siham Sande-Hashim's mother after a short illness. We ask you to keep Mrs. Hashim and her family in your prayers as well.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Thank you - Parent University - Religious Education

Last Wednesday night we held our Term 2 Parent University on Religious Education. Thanks so much to the parents who were able to join us and to Fr Walter and Mrs Denis for leading this workshop. Next term Parent University will be focused on literacy.

Staffing Updates

Welcome back to Mrs. Melissa Vella - Mrs. Vella has been on Maternity leave and will be rejoining the staff in a part-time capacity from Term 3. It is great to have you back!

A reminder that I will be on long service leave for Term 3 Mrs. Katherine Stennett has been appointed acting Principal and Mrs. Maree Grainger has been appointed acting Assistant Principal for Term 3.



"Reach high, for stars lie hidden in your soul. Dream deep, for every dream precedes the goal."

St Teresa of Kolkata

Important Dates:

- Monday, 18th July First Day of Term 3
- Monday, 5th September MTP Feast Day
- Monday, 19th September MTP Colour Challenge Fun Day
- Friday, 23rd September Final Day of Term 3

Sacrament of Confirmation (must be 10+ years old)

Enrolment forms for Confirmation can be collected from the Parish Church while attending Mass during the following dates.

Saturday, 11th and Sunday, 12th June

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Saturday, 16th and Sunday, 17th July



Year 6 Winter Social Justice Evening - Thank you

As a part of our social justice program in Year 6, the students spent last Friday and Friday evening participating in activities aimed at raising awareness, understanding, and empathy for the homeless and the poor. The students learned about the reasons for homelessness. Through social justice activities, they have developed an understanding of the terms "haves and have not". The students reflected on the difference between needs and wants. Mrs. Dennis has explained the history and role of the St Vincent de Paul Society.



Thank you so much to the Year 6 teachers, Mr. Wallis and Mrs. Dennis for giving up their evening and providing this important opportunity for our Year 6 students. Congratulations to the Year 6 students for your respectful participation in this evening.

Skoolbag to Compass - Compass as our main communication channel from Term 3

From the start of Term 3. Mother Teresa Primary will move our Accessing Compass communication platform from Skoolbag to the **Compass Parent Portal**. Compass is a web-based system allowing you to access important information about the school. Most schools in the Parramatta Diocese already use Compass platform operations like student attendance and record keeping. you have daughters at Catherine McAuley High School, you will already be using this platform for communication. Parramatta Marist High will also shortly moving to the Compass parent portal.

All parent communication will be shared electronically via email and the Compass app. It is very important that we have your latest contact information updated in our records. We do

Compass is a web based application that is accessible on any modern web browser (Internet Explorer, Firefox, Chrome, Safari) or by downloading the App called 'Compass School Manager' available through Apple Store or Google Play store for Android users. Parents can also access the Parent Portal on your computer via the website: [school to enter their portal address]





For iPhone and iPad users

Click on the "Download on the App Store" button above, or go to the Apple App Store, search for "Compass School Manager" and download the free Compass app. Search for [enter school name] and you're ready to go!

For Google Android Users

Click on the "Get it on Google play" button above, or go to the Google Play Store, search for "Compass School Manager" and download the free Compass app. Search for [enter school name] you're ready to go!

Access Details

The first time you log-in you will be required to change your temporary password and confirm your email address as well as your mobile phone number. These details will be used by the School for student absent notification, password recovery and email communication. This login will allow you access for all the children in your family.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you require any further assistance.

ask that if you have recently changed your email address or phone number and have not already notified the office, that you do so by emailing your new contact information and your children's name to motherteresa@parra.catholic.edu.au This will ensure we have the latest information and you do not miss any important messages from the school.

Thanks to the many parents who have already made the switch to the Compass Parent Portal - Please find attached information on how to use the Compass parent portal - if you have any issues logging in, please contact the school office for support.

PLEASE NOTE - all parents were sent an email from Compass with their username and temporary password. The username <u>IS NOT the parent email address - if you are having any difficulty logging into the Compass parent portal, please feel free to</u> <u>contact our school office for support.</u>

MTP 2022 Colour Challenge Fun Day - Monday 19th September - All welcome!

On Monday, 19th of September we will be holding our Colour Challenge Fun Day. This year the Motiv8 school sports company will be leading us in a day of fun activities. Parent helpers will be required and Mrs. Stennett will share more information about volunteering to help out closer to the date. Before the date, your child will be placed into a colour team and throughout the day, your child will participate in a variety of activities where they can accumulate points for their team. We are looking forward to a fun day together.

Thank you, Catherine!

Earlier this term, Catherine J in Year 3 moved with her family to a new house and school. In an act of great generosity, Catherine's parents donated money to the school to purchase books for our school library - Catherine herself was an avid reader! We would like to take this opportunity to thank Catherine and her parents. The books are currently being accessioned and placed into our Grade libraries across the school.

What a wonderful term we have had - blessed with the generosity of all our community. Thank you so much for all your generous donations for the Vinnies Winter Appeal. We raised over \$1600 and donated 3 car loads of winter accessories and food for the Vinnies Van. Thank you to each and every family for sharing your gentle heart with the most needy in our community.

'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' Matthew 25:40

This term, each grade had a turn at preparing and celebrating a Mass or a Liturgy with Fr. Walter. It was wonderful to gather as a community to pray and share the Good News. Thank you to Fr. Walter for your guidance and involvement with all grades. We look forward to sharing more prayer experiences together in Term Three.

God Bless all our families during the holidays. Wishing you a safe and relaxing break as you reconnect and recharge. Mrs Gaye Dennis REC



Important Dates:

- First Day of Term 3—Monday, 18th July for all students
- Staff Development Day (pupil free day) Term 3—Friday, 19th August
- MTP Feast Day—Monday, 5th September
- MTP Colour Challenge Fun Day—Monday, 19th September
- Final Day of Term 3—Friday, 23rd September

WHS - Site safety

Please <u>do not</u> ask your child or a staff member to step onto the road between cars to retrieve bags from the boot of your car. If bags do need to be kept in the boot of your car, please park rather than use our "Kiss and Drop" facilities.



Soccer Gala Day

After a few weather related challenges, the Stage 3 girls and boys soccer gala days were finally played during week 9 at Jamison Park

Penrith. After much anticipation and enthusiasm, the students were able to shine on the field with a lot of success achieved along the way. The results of the day are as follows:

Girls - 3rd Overall in their pool. - won 1, lost one and drew 6

Boys - Team 1 - 2nd Overall in their pool. Won three, Drew 4 games, lost by one point.

Boys - Team 2 - 4th Overall in their pool - won 1, Drew 2, and lost 4.

A big thank you to the coaches, Miss Chidiac, Miss Elkhoury and Miss Sherry, who were able to use their soccer expertise to help the teams to their victories, and referees from Marist for attending the day. We are also very grateful to the parents and carers who were able to transport their children to the event and support the teams on the day.



MTP Athletics

Students aged 8-12 participated in our annual MTP athletics events held on the Marist sporting fields held on Monday 20th June. The sun made its appearance and allowed the students to be triumphant in their events, which included: long jump, 100m and the 800m. Students displayed fantastic team spirit and energy, cheering others along and completing the activities to the best of their abilities. A great day was had by all. A big thank you to all of the teachers who assisted at the various events and made this day possible.

The Zone Carnival will take place on Wednesday 3rd August. Further details will be communicated early in Term 3.

Diocesan Trials

Connor Berry (Yr 5) was recently selected to participate in the Diocesan Cricket Trials held at Penrith Tuesday 28th June. Conor did his best on the day and is looking forward to trialling again next year. Well done Conor.

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Cheese & Tomato	\$4.50 E
Ham , Cheese & Tomato	\$5.00 E
Chicken & Salad	\$5.50 E
Egg, Lettuce & Mayo	\$5.00 E
Tuna, Lettuce and Mayo	\$5.00 E
Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$5.00 E
OR Cheese sandwich & fruit cup & water	

- WRAPS -	
Grilled Fresh Chicken	\$6.00 E
Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Cheese, Mayo	
Kafta & Salad	\$6.00 E
Hummus, Lettuce, Tomato, Mixed Pickles	
Falafel & Salad	\$6.00 E
Hummus, Lettuce, Tomato, Mixed Pickle	
Chicken & Cheese Roll BBQ Sauce	\$5.50 E
Tuna & Salad Wrap	\$6.00 E
Cheese & Salad Wrap	
OR 1/2 wrap of choice, juice box & popcorn	

- HEALTHY PACKS-



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2022 CANTEEN PRICE LIST

- DRINKS & SNACKS -

300ml Water Bottle \$2.00 E Juice Box \$2.50 E Apple Blackcurrant, Orange, Apple Juice Bombs Various Flavours \$3.00 E Oak Milk 300ml - Strawberry/Chocolate \$3.00 E Plain Popcorn \$1.60 O Mamee Noodles \$1.60 O Corntos \$1.60 O Red Rock Deli Sea Salt \$2.00 O

 Fruit Piece
 \$1.20 E

 Hummus/Yogurt & carrot sticks
 \$2.60 E

 Cheese Stick
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