

## Heartlinks Highlights Video

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### Welcome to Term 3!

It has been a joy to see all of our students' smiling faces as they walk through the gates each morning. It has also been wonderful to reconnect with our wider school community after the break. This term is promising to include a number of opportunities for our parents and friends to join our school community in celebration. Please keep your eyes on our important dates and messages sent via Compass regarding each of these events as they draw nearer. I look forward to seeing you all at each one.

### MTP Heartlinks Highlights Video - Genius Hour

In our video this week, we share with you an explanation of what Genius Hour is. Our students in Years 3-6 are very excited about beginning their very own passion projects on a topic of their choice again this term. This is work that is completed at school and something they look forward to sharing with you all as they progress through each stage of the project development. This week students have focused on identifying what their passion is and what their project will be about.

### Staff Development Days 2022

Each year, all schools in NSW are allocated 6 Staff Development Days (SDD) to use for teacher professional development and learning. This year, the Government and CEDP (Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta) have allocated one additional SDD due to the fact that a new syllabus is being phased in to all Primary Schools in NSW over the next two years. We have already used two SDDs at the beginning of the year for teacher professional learning and for the MAI (Mathematics Assessment Interviews), and one for our combined Formation and spirituality Day with staff from Sacred Heart Primary and Fr Walter at the end of term 2.

In Term Three, the staff will have a day focussed on literacy. This SDD will be a pupil free day and will be held on Friday of Week 4, the 12th August.

In Term Four, the first day of term will be a SDD focussed on the new NSW syllabus for Primary Schools. This means the first day of Term 4 for children will be Tuesday 11th October. The final day of Term 4 (and the final day of the year for students) will be Friday 16th December (Friday, Term 4 Week 10). The following week MTP staff will be gathering with the other schools in the Westmead Catholic Community for Mass and further professional learning and planning for 2023.

### MTP School Evacuation Drill

This week MTP held a school evacuation drill in order to update and maintain compliant practices for if we were ever faced with an emergency. Our students responded appropriately during this drill and were able to evacuate the school promptly, in a safe and secure manner.

### Attendance Notes / Absences

The school is now using the [COMPASS Parent Portal](#) for all communication from the school. If you need to supply an attendance / absence note, there are 3 options:

- via the COMPASS Parent Portal
- Email to [motherteresa@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:motherteresa@parra.catholic.edu.au)
- Phone call to school office

**Please DO NOT add partial attendance notes via the Parent Portal.**

If you have not received your login details for the Parent Portal, please contact the school office.



Congratulations to those students who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. For those students who are yet to finish, you have until **midnight on Friday, 19th August 2022.**

Booklists for the Reading Challenge can be found here: <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html>



"If you judge people, you have no time to love them."

St Teresa of Kolkata

### Important Dates:

- Friday, 12th August  
SDD—Pupil Free Day  
No Students on this day
- Friday, 26th August  
School Book Parade
- Thursday, 1st September  
Father's Day Liturgy
- Friday, 2nd September  
Father's Day Stall
- Monday, 5th September  
MTP Feast Day
- Thursday, 15th September  
Cuppa with the Principal  
8:45am
- Monday, 19th September  
MTP Colour Challenge Fun Day
- Friday, 23rd September  
Final Day of Term 3

This time last year we were in lockdown and we shared prayers online and via Zoom. This year, we can welcome everyone together and pray as a community. What a celebration! If you are able to join us for these Term 3 events, we would love to see you;



**Monday, 8th August**—Morning assembly - 8.35am-8.55am - Prayer for the Feast of St Mary MacKillop - led by Yr2

**Monday, 15th August**—Morning assembly - 8.35-8.55am - Prayer for the Feast of the Assumption of Mary - led by Yr5

**Thursday, 1st September**—Father's Day Liturgy—10:00am- led by Yr2

**Monday, 5th September**—Feast Day of our school's patron saint - St Teresa of Kolkata. Liturgy time will be confirmed as we are waiting to hear from Andrew Chinn who will lead us in prayer and celebration.

This week, Yr 1 led us in a wonderful celebration of the Feast of Saints Anne & Joachim, parents of Mary and grandparents of Jesus.

This is a beautiful feast day and one which invites us to remember our grandparents (living or passed) and give thanks for the gift of their lives. May we be blessed with many years of memory making, connection and tenderness.



In this image, Br Mickey has captured the three generations of the Holy Family, complete with their pets! How many of us have a similar picture of our families in our homes?! May we treasure the joy we bring to each others lives.

*Lord God almighty, bless our grandparents with long life, happiness, and health. May they remain constant in your love and be living signs of your presence to their children and grandchildren. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*Sts Anne and Joachim - pray for us.*

God Bless!  
Mrs Gaye Dennis—REC

### Important Dates:

- Staff Development Day—Friday, 12th August
- School Book Parade—Friday, 26th August
- Father's Day Liturgy—Thursday, 1st September, 10am
- Father's Day Stall—Friday, 2nd September
- Feast of Mother Teresa—Monday, 5th September
- MTP Colour Challenge Fun Day—Monday, 19th September

### WHS - Site safety

Please **do not** 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.

# SPORTS NEWS

A big welcome back to our students, parents and carers. The first half of the year proved to be a very successful one for our school community and sports and I am sure that the next half will be full of achievements as well!

I am pleased to announce that we have 32 students who have made it to the Cumberland Zone Athletics carnival this year, which will be held Friday 19th August at Charlie Bali Reserve Doonside. The following students have been invited to attend:

Nathan W, Zorion F, Michaela B, Josephine E, Isaac B, Tristan S, Mia A, Moira T, Alex N, Lucus J, Eva Marie A, Elena B, Jaycob B, Arnav P, Annabella B, Alessia M, Marcus S, Joseph T, Carmen N, Saide A, Sienna M, Isaac H, Isabelle K, Dean S, Andrew S, Monique D, Charbel S, Eve R, Nicholas K, Camilla C, Victoria A, Charles M.

Permission notes for this event will be available next week.

### Coming Up.....

Cumberland Zone Athletics Carnival—Friday, 19th August 2022


St Nicholas Netball Gala Day—Wednesday, 24th August 2022

## CSPA 2022 Parent Survey on Student Wellbeing and Learning

Have your say on what matters regarding the wellbeing and learning of your child. If you are a parent or carer with a child in a Catholic school, CSPA would love to hear from you.

Click on the survey link and share your feedback to assist CSPA in reporting to the Federal Government and Catholic education. Your feedback will remain anonymous.

[Click here for CSPA Parent Survey](#)



**2022 PARENT SURVEY**

**CLOSES 31 AUGUST**

Parent survey is now open

Catholic School Parents AUSTRALIA

**HAVE YOUR SAY**

Catholic School Parents Australia is listening.

Catholic School Parents Australia (CSPA) acknowledges the funding received from the Australian Government to support this work.

Have your say on what matters regarding the wellbeing and learning of your child.

For example, has COVID or your partnership with the school affected your child's wellbeing and learning?

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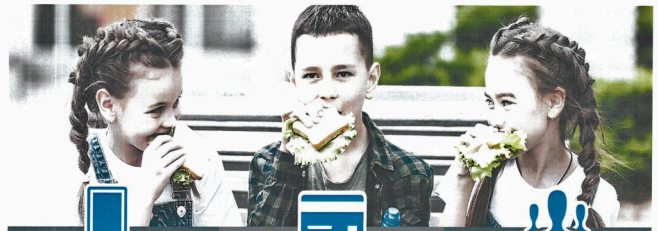
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### - SANDWICHES -

Jam/Vegemite.....	\$3.00 E
Cheese.....	\$4.00 E
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
<b>OR Cheese sandwich &amp; fruit cup &amp; water.....</b>	<b>\$7.00</b>

### - WRAPS -

Grilled Fresh Chicken.....	\$6.00 E
Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Cheese, Mayo	
<b>Kafta &amp; Salad.....</b>	<b>\$6.00 E</b>
Hummus, Lettuce, Tomato, Mixed Pickles	
<b>Falafel &amp; Salad.....</b>	<b>\$6.00 E</b>
Hummus, Lettuce, Tomato, Mixed Pickle	
<b>Chicken &amp; Cheese Roll BBQ Sauce.....</b>	<b>\$5.50 E</b>
<b>Tuna &amp; Salad Wrap.....</b>	<b>\$6.00 E</b>
<b>Cheese &amp; Salad Wrap.....</b>	<b>\$5.50 E</b>
<b>OR 1/2 wrap of choice, juice box &amp; popcorn.....</b>	<b>\$6.50</b>

### - HEALTHY PACKS -

<b>Lge Graze Pack ( a mix of fruit, veggies, crackers, cheese and yogurt or hummus).....</b>	<b>\$6.00 E</b>
<b>Zaatar Pack (small zaatar pizza, veggies &amp; yogurt).....</b>	<b>\$6.00 E</b>
<b>Sml Graze Pack (ham, carrots, cheese, apple slices).....</b>	<b>\$4.00 E</b>
<b>Plus Water &amp; Sea Salt Chips extra.....</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>



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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.....	\$1.20 E
Corn Cup.....	\$1.20 E
Single Fruit Cup.....	\$2.60 E
Cheese & Crackers.....	\$3.20 E

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