



NEWSLETTER

ST MONICA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Week 6 Term 2

2nd June – 16th June 2020

Dear Parents,

Over the last term I have been interviewing families for enrolment in 2021. They often comment, when asked why they chose St Monica's, that they have spoken with friends and extended family and they always cite the great community spirit of the school. They also speak highly of the students and the way that they have seen and heard them enacting our school values.

Never underestimate your influence and participation when we welcome new people into the St Monica's community or when we speak about our school. A gentle reminder that if you or someone you know is considering enrolment in 2021 please contact the school office or see our [website](#) for enrolment details.

Congratulations to all our families on the wonderful collaboration in transitioning the children back to face to face teaching over the last weeks. The staff have worked tirelessly to make this as smooth a process as possible and continue to ensure that the children are feeling safe and happy. Thank you for the many ways you have expressed your thanks to the teachers and staff at the school. Your words and generosity of spirit is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to every parent for managing the changed circumstances regarding access to the school as well. Our priority is to keep the school community as healthy as possible. It is a great example of how we work together as a school community. Many parents have commented on the ease of dropping their children at the Francis St gate in the morning and the increased independence of their children entering school.

Our new playground is well underway and we have been excitedly watching the transformation. We are really looking forward to this new addition to the school's facilities. Thank you to all who have over the years helped to make this need a reality!



Wishing you a wonderful week ahead.

Mrs Melissa Beggs
Principal

"Let us care for all of creation, which is a gift of the good God, our Creator".

Pope Francis@Pontifex



Happy Birthday to the children celebrating their birthday over the next 2 weeks.....

Anika C – 4W	Phoenix I – 3B
Madison E – KB	Tomas N – 3B
Sybella X – KB	Valentina X – KB
Isaac T – 6W	Bryton M – 6W
Makayla G – 4B	Annalise A – 2W
Sydney S – 6W	

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thank you to the following parents who will be working in the canteen this week. We appreciate the time and effort you give to our students. If you are unable to attend your rostered day please contact Michelle via the school office on 4570 3700.

Wednesday June 3	Hot Dog Day Kindy – Yr 2 Janina Zahra
Friday June 5	Josette Semaan & Paula Scibberas
Monday June 8	Public Holiday – No School
Wednesday June 10	Hot Dog Day Yrs 3-6 Kerrile Campbell
Friday June 12	Monique Godder & Marianella Malek
Thank you 😊	

Hot Dog Day

This Wednesday!

For K-2 years

Yrs 3-6
Wednesday 10th June

\$3.50

\$3.50



FROM THE REC

At the end of May, the Church celebrated the 5th Anniversary of the release of Pope Francis’ statement on the environment – Laudato Si. This truly is an all embracing statement on our responsibility to care for God’s creation. There is a wonderful YouTube clip that explains this encyclical that all the family could engage with. Follow the link below and I encourage families to talk about what they can do, perhaps differently to how we live now. Let’s start a family conversation!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= TFCXO8tD58>

Leanne Ryan
(Religious Education Co-Ordinator)

GENERAL BUSINESS

The second hand Uniform Shop is open every Thursday morning 8.30am-9.30am located on Bourke Street in the old cottage.

If you borrowed a chrome book for online learning at home and your child has returned to school, can you please ensure to return your device to the office – Thank you.

A reminder that every student needs to bring a drink bottle to school every day. Due to current guidelines, the bubblers will not be in use until further notice.

Unexplained absence letters were sent home a few weeks ago, could you please complete, sign and return these ASAP.

If you have changed your address, email address or phone numbers, please inform us via the Skoolbag App or contact the school office as soon as possible. It is important to have ALL contact details up to date for our records to ensure we can contact you when necessary.



Get well soon

Last Thursday Mrs Karen Buccini underwent surgery to repair her ongoing voice issues. As you are aware Mrs Buccini has been unable to complete her normal teaching duties this year and is hoping to be back at school soon. We wish her the best in her recovery and look forward to her rejoining the teaching staff at St Monica's.

In her absence, Mrs Maria Famularo is teaching Italian and Mrs Robinson and Mrs Fabri are assisting with sport. All teachers have consulted with Mrs Buccini and are collaborating with her on the teaching program.

Term 2	Sports Days	Library Days
Kindergarten	Tuesday and Thursday	Friday
Year 1	Tuesday and Friday	Wednesday
Year 2	Tuesday and Friday	Friday
Year 3	Tuesday and Thursday	Wednesday
Year 4	Wednesday and Friday	Friday
Year 5	Tuesday and Thursday	Friday
Year 6	Tuesday and Wednesday	Wednesday

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN MATHS??

During 2020 some Stage 3 students have had the opportunity to participate in an extension Mathematics class. This class runs on Mondays and Tuesdays and focuses on problem solving and challenging mathematical tasks. These students have also been participating in the Maths Olympiad Competition and the Have Sum Fun Online Competition. This has been a wonderful experience for these students. Here's what some of them had to say:

"Extended mathematics is fun and you get to do more difficult things" - Oliver. B

"The competitions are really fun and they make me think harder" - Nicholas. N

"This maths class is really fun, because we get to learn things that are on our level" - Therese. P

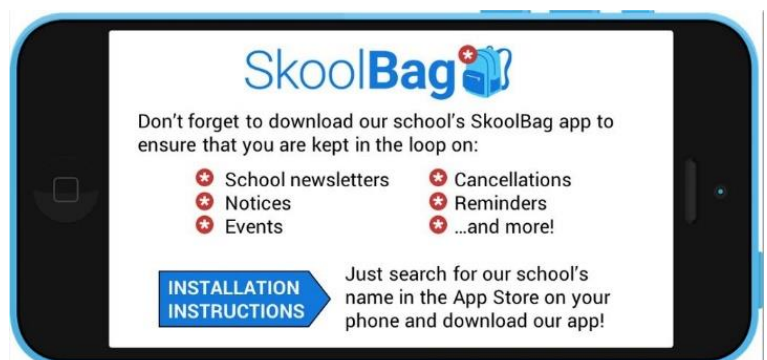
"I love this maths group because we do things that are a lot more challenging" - Thomas. L



Last week our Year 5 and Year 6 achieved amazing results in the Have Sum Fun Online Competition. Year 5 got an amazing 10 out of 10, and Year 6 got a fantastic 8 out of 10. Well done to these students.

Mrs Egan

Have You Downloaded the SkoolBag App???





2020 NSW PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students and enables them to experience quality literature. The challenge encourages students to read, to read more and read more widely.

Congratulations to those students who have already completed the Premier's Reading Challenge or are nearly there!

Last newsletter we announced that we have decided to reward the first grade to have every student in their class complete the PRC with a treat!

So what about a pizza party !! Come on St Monica's let's demonstrate our team spirit and see which grade it will be to have completed the challenge. Don't forget the rule

changes this year allow you to include more free choice books and for our primary years to include books read with your parents and teachers.

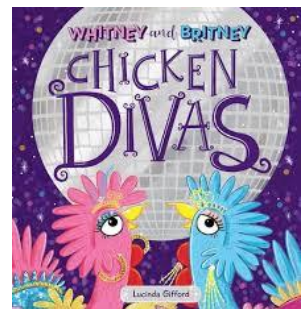
Will it be your grade that is the winner of the 2020 PRC PIZZA PARTY???

To help you all along I have added the fabulous book we all shared last week together :“Whitney and Britney - Chicken Divas” by Lucinda Gifford to your student records. Please see your teacher if you have misplaced your login details.

For further information, please visit the [PRC website](#).

Parents can access the 2020 booklist at the following address,
<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html>

Melissa Beggs
PRC Coordinator



SCHOOL REPORTS SEMESTER 1 2020

In response to changes to the learning and teaching environment during COVID-19, schools have needed to adjust their assessment and reporting processes. The Semester One report, which you would usually receive at the end of this term will now be sent home at the beginning of Term 3.

It will look different to previous reports however the report will still provide you with valuable information about your child's learning, complying with government requirements.

This report will recognise and reflect each student's learning in three key areas: English, Mathematics and Religious Education. It will also provide feedback on next steps to support continuity of learning and a general comment which will address the children's learning and achievements. The 2020 second semester report will return to documenting progress in all key learning areas with comparative data and A-E reporting (Grades 1 - 6).

Interviews will be held after the reports have been sent home to parents. We are hopeful that these interviews will be face to face however we will be guided by the current health advice at the time. More information about interviews will be sent home later in the term.

We acknowledge that students, families and teachers have shown great resilience, creativity and flexibility and have created varied and different opportunities for learning which will be reflected and acknowledged in the Semester One 2020 Reports.



Office Foyer Display Board



In case you missed our Facebook Post.....St Monica's Simultaneous Story Time

Whitney and Britney Chicken Diva's



Savoury scrolls

Makes 15

Lunchbox Recipe

Ingredients

- 1 cup self-raising flour
- 1 cup wholemeal self-raising flour
- 3 teaspoons poly or monounsaturated margarine
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup milk
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 2 tablespoons chopped basil
- 1 spring onion finely chopped
- 50g lean ham chopped
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup canned crushed pineapple (drained)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup grated mozzarella cheese



Method

1. Preheat oven to 200°C.
2. In a mixing bowl, rub margarine into the flour with your fingers until it resembles fine breadcrumbs.
3. Add the milk and mix until it forms a soft dough.
4. Place dough on a floured surface and roll out in a rectangle 1-2 cm thick.
5. Spread tomato paste evenly over the dough and sprinkle the remaining ingredients evenly on top
6. Roll the dough lengthways until it resembles a log
7. Cut the log into 2 cm rounds and place on a lined baking tray. Sprinkle with a little more cheese.
8. Place scrolls on a lined baking tray and bake for 12 -15 minutes until lightly browned.



ST MONICA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL RICHMOND (Since 1859)

Enrolling now for 2021: Welcome!

We're all about learning at St Monica's Primary School. We put safety first, and focus on student wellbeing and the needs of each individual student.

A reminder that limited places are still available for 2021 in Kindergarten and Years 1- 6. Please share this news with your friends, family and neighbours. For more information about joining our caring school community, please contact our school office on 4570 3700 or visit our website at <http://www.stmonicasrichmond.catholic.edu.au/>

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PRIMARY RICHMOND

**ENROLLING NOW
FOR NEXT YEAR**

CALL FOR A PERSONALISED SCHOOL TOUR

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CANTEEN MENU

SANDWICHES				
Bread rolls (add extra)		\$0.50		Paper bags \$0.10
Roast chicken		\$3.50		Apples \$1.00
Roast chicken with salad		\$4.00		
Ham & salad		\$4.00		
Ham		\$3.00		
Tuna		\$3.00		
Vegemite		\$2.50		
Cheese		\$2.50		
Cheese & salad		\$3.50		
Mediterranean roll (w/Tuna, olives & tomato paste)		\$3.00		
Egg & lettuce		\$3.00		
Jaffle: Ham & cheese		\$3.50		
Jaffle: Cheese		\$3.00		
Buttered bread		\$0.60		
SALAD PACKS			Extra Fillings	
Chicken & salad		\$4.50	Mayonnaise	\$0.30
Ham & salad		\$4.50	Lettuce, tomato	\$0.30
Tuna & Salad		\$4.50	Tomato sauce	\$0.30
Egg & salad		\$4.00	Cheese, egg or avocado	\$0.50
Salad bowl		\$3.50	FRUIT & JELLY	
WRAPS			Jelly cup	\$1.00
Roast chicken, avocado, lettuce & mayo		\$4.50	Jelly & custard	\$1.50
Roast chicken & salad		\$4.50	Custard cup	\$1.00
Chicken tender wrap with lettuce & mayo		\$3.50	Seasonal fruit cups (ONLY Term 1 & 4)	\$1.00
HOT DOG DAY			RECESS MENU	
\$3.50 Hot dog with sauce	K-2 - First WEDNESDAY of each month		Garlic bread	\$1.00
	3-6 - Second WEDNESDAY of each month		Cheese & bacon rolls	\$2.00
			Pasta cups (ONLY Term 2 & 3)	\$2.00
			Carrot & cucumber with vegetable dip (ONLY Term 1 & 4)	\$1.00
			Chocolate muffins	\$1.00
			Pikelets (ONLY Wednesday)	\$0.50
			To provide the best canteen service for the children, it is necessary for all orders to be handed in at the canteen before 9am. Thank you.	
HOT FOOD			SNACKS	
Chicken Nuggets	3 for \$2.00	6 for \$4.00	Red rock deli chips – Honey & soy	\$1.50
Gluten free nuggets	3 for \$2.00	6 for \$4.00	Smith's salt & vinegar (Gluten free)	\$1.50
Hash browns		\$1.50	Bread sticks (pizza & plain)	\$0.30
Fish fingers	3 for \$2.00	6 for \$4.00	Want Want Rice Crackers	\$0.30
Corn on the cob		\$1.50	Eucalyptus drops	\$1.00
Hot roast chicken roll		\$3.50	ICE BLOCKS	
Pie -Traveller (Large)		\$3.50	Quelch – 99% Fruit juice	\$1.00
Pie - Snack (small)		\$2.00	Zooper Doopers	\$1.00
Potato Pie (ONLY Term 2 & 3)		\$4.00	Zing (yoghurt & fruit)	\$1.00
Lite sausage roll		\$3.00	Frozen apple/blackcurrant cups	\$1.00
Spinach & cheese rolls		\$3.00	Jelly joy sticks (Gluten free)	\$0.30
Pizza – Cheese & bacon		\$3.50	DRINKS	
Lasagne		\$4.00	Popper juice Apple or Orange	\$1.50
Macaroni & cheese		\$4.00	Spring water	\$2.00
Mamee chicken noodles		\$3.00	Quench (blue, green, red)	\$2.50
St Monica's cheese burger with tomato sauce		\$4.00	Flavoured milk Strawberry or Chocolate	\$2.50
St Monica's beef burger with lettuce & tomato		\$4.00	Cup of plain milk	\$1.00
Nacho dippers with salsa & cheese		\$3.50	Please Note: RECESS & LUNCH ORDERS ARE TO BE IN SEPARATE BAGS	
Fish burger with lettuce & mayo		\$4.00		
Chicken burger with lettuce & mayo		\$4.00		