



Newsletter

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Principal Message

Dear Parents,

Everyone in our school community works tirelessly together to ensure all students at Mother Teresa get the best possible opportunities in their education. Part of this is making sure the school has the resources to meet these needs. We all have a responsibility and a role to play in ensuring the ongoing management of the schools resources and it is for this reason that I write to you today.

Catholic schools operate on approximately 80% of the funding state schools receive from the government. Even with fewer resources from State and Federal Governments the Catholic school system is amongst the best in the world. Through school fees parents help reduce this gap from 20% to around 10%. Even though it may not seem like much individually, when all families contribute to the financial needs of the school via school fees it makes a huge difference to the opportunities children at Mother Teresa, can receive.

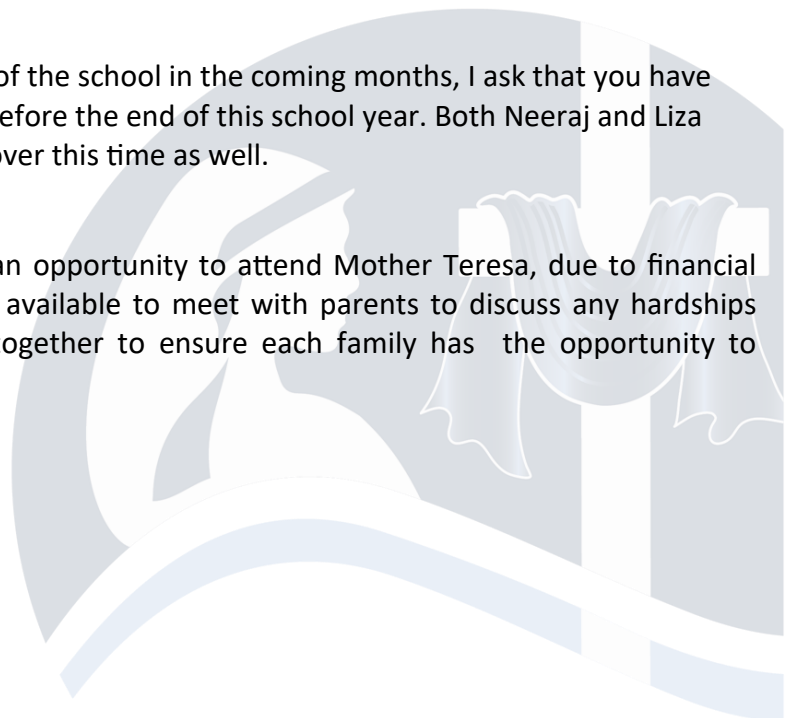
Please take the time to read your fee statements when they arrive. Being aware of your fees and what is owed will enable you to plan how you can meet this in a way that suits you and your family's other commitments. Using the direct debit option for your family is the easiest way to ensure you can meet these commitments without placing an overpowering burden on your finances by trying to pay large sums off your fees in one hit. This is especially true of this time of year as your family head into the holiday season. It is much easier to have paid off or nearly paid off your school account by small amounts via direct debit over the course of the year, than try and find large one off sums of money heading into Christmas.

In order to help us as we finalise the financial aspects of the school in the coming months, I ask that you have your financial commitments finalised and paid in full before the end of this school year. Both Neeraj and Liza from the Finance Team will be following up accounts over this time as well.

It is the school's belief that no child will be denied an opportunity to attend Mother Teresa, due to financial hardship. As the Principal of the school I am always available to meet with parents to discuss any hardships around paying school fees and how we can work together to ensure each family has the opportunity to contribute.

Yours sincerely,

Reuben Johnson
Principal



From the Office

Important Dates for the Diary

Thursday 9th December 9am - End of Year Mass and Awards

Thursday 16th December - Year 6 Graduation

Friday 17th December—ELC Graduation



The sports voucher scheme is available to every school-enrolled child from preschool to year 12. Children are eligible to receive two \$100 sports vouchers each year. The first in January and the second in July.



To apply go to: <https://nt.gov.au/leisure/sport/sport-and-swim-vouchers/sport-voucher-scheme-urban/get-sport-vouchers-for-your-child>

2021 Term Dates

Semester Two, 2021

Term 4	Mon 11th Oct– Thurs 16th Dec
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2022 Term Dates

Semester One, 2022

Term 1	Wed 2nd Feb– Fri 8th April
Term Break	Mon 11th April– Fri 14th April
Term 2	Tues 19th April– Fri 24th June
Semester Break	Mon 27th June– Fri 15th July

Semester Two, 2022

Term 3	Tue 19th July– Fri 23rd Sep
Term Break	Mon 26th Sep– Fri 7th Oct
Term 4	Mon 10th Oct– Thurs 15th Dec



Have you moved house?

Have you changed jobs?

Do we have the correct details for you?

Please remember to update all contact details with the front office. This can also be done via Skoolbag eforms.



Defence Visit

This week the Defence Kids Club had some special visitors from 1CER. It was a great visit with lots of questions asked by the students from the Defence kids Club. The other students from the school also enjoyed trying on the equipment that was brought in at lunchtime.

A big thanks to 1CER for providing the time to come to the school.

Cheers,

Clare Corvaia



**Mother Teresa Catholic Primary School
presents**

SOCKTOBER

Supporting Catholic Mission Australia-
Raising Awareness and Funds to support
schools in Thailand

Wear Crazy Socks and bring a
Gold Coin



Friday, 29 October 2021



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Bussy's Corner

Hello Students and Families

**Caring
for Others**



Look after each other on the bus

- When you see that someone is being bullied, show empathy by reporting it to the driver
- Do not engage in bullying, instead show kindness, and rather make people smile
- Take your bag off the seat so that someone standing can sit down
 - Do not leave stuff on the floor so that some else do not trip



Can parents/guardians please ensure that students understand their responsibilities as outlined in the *Code of Conduct for School Bus Travel*. Click on this link for the Code:

https://nt.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0010/547624/code-of-conduct-school-bus-travel.pdf

Read on for some helpful hints to keep you
safe on the bus



▪ Caring for others is contagious?

According to elevation study, caring for others makes us feel good and that positive feeling makes us treat others even better

Don't you want to feel good all the time?

Stay tuned for the next issue of Bussy's Corner...



Term Three & Four Calendar, 2021

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Assembly
School Holidays Week 1 & 2	Office Closed	Office Closed	Office Closed	Office Closed	Office Closed	No Assembly
Week 1 October 11th - 15th						Leadership
Week 2 October 18th - 22nd	Life Education Van					1/2S Wednesday
Week 3 October 25th - 29th	Board Mtg 5.30pm				World Teachers Day Socktober Fundraiser	3/4R Friday
Week 4 November 1st - 5th	Swimming Lessons					5/6I Friday
Week 5 November 8th - 12th			Transition 2022 Orientation Night	Remembrance Day Service 11am		1/2T Wednesday
Week 6 November 15th - 19th		ELC to Transition 8.30am -9.30am				3/4G Wednesday
Week 7 November 22nd - 26th		ELC to Transition 8.30am -9.30am				1/2L Wednesday
Week 8 November 29th - 3rd		ELC to Transition 8.30am – 10.15am STEP UP DAY			School Captain Speeches	5/6P Wednesday
Week 9 December 6th - 10th	Board Mtg 5.30pm			End of Year Mass and Awards	End of Year Concert	TR F Wednesday
Week 10 13th - 17th				Year 6 Graduation School finishes	ELC Graduation	