

ST KIERAN'S

CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Term 3 Week 8 — We nurture the faith and wellbeing of our school community, inspiring minds through the joy of learning

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

September

7– FAMILY LIFE GRADE 3/ 4

14– FAMILY LIFE GRADE 5 / 6

15– FOOTY DAY DRESS-UP

16– LAST DAY OF TERM- 2pm FINISH
(No lunch orders)

October

3– 1st DAY OF TERM 4

11- P & F MEETING 9am

17- Board Meeting 7.30pm

19 - GRADE 4 CAMP

20 – GRADE 3 CAMP

December

9- SCHOOL CONCERT

13- GRADE 6 GRADUATION

Message from the Principal

Canonization of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta



The Canonization of Blessed Teresa will be held on the 4th September in Rome during the Sunday Mass celebrated as part of the Jubilee for workers and volunteers of mercy. Mother Teresa, was known for spending her life helping those in need in Calcutta, India. She established centres to aid the injured, elderly, impaired, and the poor. By her example and through her intercession, may Mother Teresa inspire many to give their 'hearts to

love and their hands to serve', starting with those closest to them. May we all continue to live and deepen our awareness of being in need of mercy and our willingness to extend mercy in our communities, in our families and in our service of the poor. The timing of Mother Teresa's Canonization is very timely for our Grade 5/6 students who actively participated in identifying Saints in our Church and other unsung people around the world who are living out God's mission helping communities and people in need. The children have written letters to some of these people around the world and have taken so much time to decorate and symbolize their envelopes to show their appreciation to these inspirational people. I have only include two examples but all the children's work will be on display next term so please come in and read their letters.

With much gratitude let us pray, Blessed and future Saint Teresa, pray for us!



Grade Five/Six Letters to Inspirational People



3/8/16
Dear Doc Hendley, I was very interested in finding someone who has done something inspiring and I chose you. You stood out to me. That Wine to Water idea is amazing. I can't believe it's already in 11 different countries and you're only thirty seven years old. That's fantastic. Gee, once upon a time you were a bartender and now you're the founder of Wine to Water. That is so impressive!

I dream that one day that I will be the founder of something little but not a huge organization like you have. I will keep dreaming.

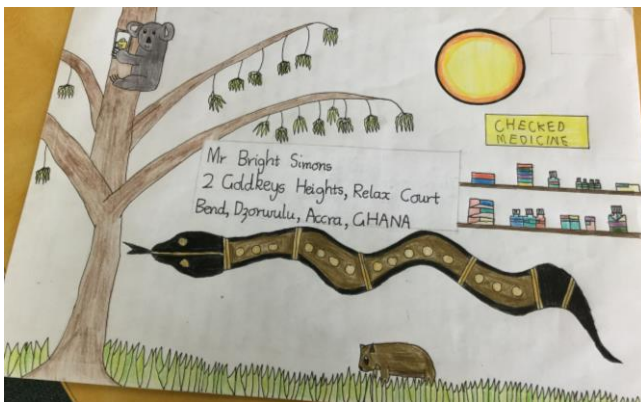
I also have a lot of questions for you but here are just a few.

1. What sort of motorcycle do you have?
2. What was the town you grew up in?
3. How did you come up with Wine to Water?

I've enjoyed researching about you and I can't wait to see what else you can accomplish.

My name is Caige, I am in grade 6 and I go to

Caige Effenberg Grade Six



Griffin Stewart Grade Five



Dear Mr. Simons, 29/08/2016

In our class we were given the opportunity to write to someone who has made a difference in the world. I chose you for your great work in Africa with the validation of medicines. The idea of having an app that can check the history of a medicinal product is superb. I am shocked at the amount of counterfeit medicine sold in some countries. Codes are like an ancient language, and you have given us a translator. I am impressed by your decision to give up a highly lucrative career in order to help people. You have given us the power to know what we are putting into our bodies. Information is power and you gave us that power to use for good. I am in awe of how many lives you have saved through the programs you have developed. You are a role model for everyone. I am thankful to live in a country with such high standards for pharmaceuticals, as nobody can be worried about ingesting bogus medicine. I simply want to say thank you for your contributions to humanity. This letter comes from an eleven year old boy who lives in Australia. Keep up the good work.

Yours sincerely,
Griffin Stewart

Please go on to our
website or skoolbag
app to read the letters

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

LUNCH TREATS FOOTY DAY

Thursday 15th September will be our lunch treats & footy day. Students are invited to wear their favourite footy team colours or sports tops. The P & F will prepare yummy footy food; pies, sausage rolls and hot dogs. Order forms will be sent home on Tuesday 6th September. Our senior students will organise footy activities in the paddock such as longest kick, trick kicks and handball targets.



FATHER'S DAY STALL AND PHOTOS

A big thank you to all the mums who helped out with the Father's Day stall this morning. I would like to make a PowerPoint display at the week 10 assembly with photos of the children with their dads. Could you please send your photos to pmckenna@stkmoe.catholic.edu.au by Wednesday 7th September.

LAST DAY OF TERM THREE

The students will finish school for Term 3 on Friday 16th September. We will have the earlier finishing time of **2pm** to coincide with children travelling on the bus. Term 4 will start on Monday 3rd October.

Walk to School October



Walk to School October encourages children and their parents to walk to and from school on the first day of Term 4 (October 3rd) and keep it up each school day throughout the month. You can walk, ride or even scoot. Part of the way is okay too! As St Kieran's was one of the first schools in Latrobe City to register for Walk to School October, we received two class sets of pedometers. There will be many prizes on offer including a scooter, sports stores vouchers, lightweight raincoats and leisure centre passes. Each classroom will be completing a Walk to School calendar where students will record the number of walks to and from school.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

If anyone has any second hand uniforms, bags or shoes that are still in good condition, they can be donated to our Uniform shop where they are sold for \$2.00 an item. There are currently lots of second hand items available including school bags.

Thanks to Wendy Gill for the wonderful job she does in our uniform shop.

REMINDER: HATS TO BE WORN!

Please remember that students will need to start wearing their hats commencing Monday 5th September until the end of Term 4. Unfortunately, any student who does not have a hat by the start of 4th Term will have to remain undercover and will not be able to play, as part of our “No hat, no play” rule.

BOOK FAIR

Book Fair from Wednesday, 7th to 14th September. Books can be purchased before school and after school. Children will have an opportunity to view the books with their Classroom Teacher. Cash preferred, cheques made payable to Lamont Book Fairs. Thank you.

GRADE THREE/FOUR EXCURSION

Next Thursday 8th of September, the Grade threes and fours are going to Melbourne for a great end to a term focus about Early Australia. The students have investigated The Dreamtime, Indigenous life before white settlement and The First Fleet. We are catching the train and spending some time at Polly Woodside looking at the type of conditions people would have experienced on their long journey to Australia in a tall ship. To complete our day we are combining a Mandarin excursion and visiting the Chinese Museum, where JingJia has organised some KungFu fun for the students. Look out for some fun photos and memoirs from our day in the next newsletter!

FAMILY LIFE NIGHTS

Family Life, a great opportunity for you to talk to your children about age appropriate topics including families and human development. Please make a big effort to attend these nights with your child. The Grade 3/4 Family Life night is on Wednesday 7th September and 5/ 6 concludes on Wednesday 14th September.

BOGAN BINGO SUCCESS

I would like to thank all our families who attended Bogan Bingo on Saturday night, organised tables from outside the school community, donated prizes from local businesses or assisted with the cooking, preparation or sourcing raffle prizes. It was a fantastic social night for our parents and their friends, whilst raising just under **\$3000** for the St Kieran's playground. I would like to personally acknowledge the work of our P & F led by Belinda Vella, Heather Hitchins, Kristy Walsh and Tammy Bush who spent many hours walking around the local businesses in Moe and Newborough organising major auction items and raffle prizes.