

# NEWSLETTER

Week 10- Friday 5th April 2024



## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

First and foremost, I would like to thank you for welcoming me into your community this term! I have felt a strong sense of belonging to the Mother Teresa community this term and look forward to what Term 2 will bring. Thank you for your attendance at the recent interviews. The partnership between home and school is a key feature of Catholic schooling and one that we value highly.

### School Board

We are pleased to announce that we have 5 New School Board members. Welcome to Jessica Bradley, Alice Manenti, Sally Seo, Simone McDean and Vanessa Burton. We look forward to working with you throughout the year.

### Building Update

We are finally making some solid progress with the building project. Increased rainfall and delays in supplies have set the completion date closer to the end of Term 2 but we are very confident that the students will all be in their new learning spaces by the start of Term 3 at the latest.

### eSafety

One of the many activities children enjoy in the holidays is accessing technology. I highly recommend the following site which discusses the range of parental controls you can implement to keep your child safe online. The online world is becoming increasingly challenging to navigate and this platform provides a lot of useful advice. <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/issues-and-advice/parental-controls>

Best wishes for a happy and safe holiday. I look forward to seeing you all again in Term 2!

Kind Regards,  
Michelle Garbutt  
Principal

**ATTENDANCE  
MATTERS  
ALL DAY, EVERY DAY**



# Front Office News



## Upcoming Events

**Term 1 School Holiday Break:**  
**April 8th - 12th**

**Term 2 Students return:** Monday,  
15th April

**\*For Term 2  
Upcoming events -  
Please see Term 2  
calendar attached\***



## 2024 Term Dates

### Term 1

Wednesday 31st January - Friday 5th April

Term Break

Monday 8th April - Friday 12th April

### Term 2

Monday 15th April - Friday 21st June

Mid year break

Monday 24th June - Friday 12th July

### Term 3

Tuesday 16th July - Friday 20th September

Term Break

Monday 23rd September - Friday 4th

October

### Term 4

Monday 7th October - Thursday 12th December



## Front Office Hours

**MONDAY 8:00AM - 3:00PM**

**TUESDAY 8:00AM - 3:00PM**

**WEDNESDAY 8:00AM - 3:00PM**

**THURSDAY 8:00AM - 3:00PM**

**FRIDAY 8:00AM - 3:00PM**



# School Fees



## Message from MTCPS Finance Team

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope this message finds you well.

As we move forward into the new term, we would like to remind you of the importance of settling your child's school fees on time. We understand the financial commitment that comes with education, and we appreciate your continued support in ensuring the smooth operation of our school.

**A reminder that families has still a chance to avail the Early Payment Discount on tuition fees if they are paid on or before April 8, 2024. Please do not miss this chance.**

We value your partnership in your child's educational journey and appreciate your prompt attention to this matter. Should you have any questions or require further assistance regarding fee payments or any other school-related matters, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your cooperation.

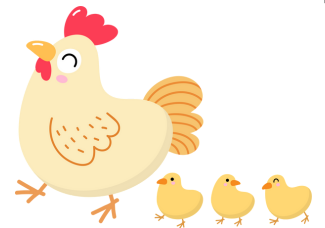
If you need more information please feel free to contact our finance office at [finance.motherteresa@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:finance.motherteresa@nt.catholic.edu.au)

Warm regards,

Finance Office - Mother Teresa Catholic Primary School

# Project Compassion

Thank you very much to all families for your generous support this Lenten season. Thank you to our Mini Vinnies for encouraging classes to donate to Project Compassion to support individuals and communities. As a school community we have raised just over \$3500 That is the equivalent of buying 500 chickens to help farmers in Zimbabwe!!



# Term 1 Soccer Program



Thank you so much to Football Northern Territory for delivering their soccer program for our year 1-6 students. They had a great time learning the skills and drills for the game from the awesome instructor, Ben.



We are also looking forward to more programs coming next term



# Soccer Gala Day



**Wednesday Week 9, students participated in the Regional School Sport Soccer Gala Day. We took 5 MTCPS teams and our Team 3 won in their division for the day. All the students put in an amazing effort and had lots of fun.**

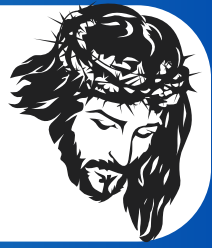


**Congratulations  
Team 3!**





# Stations of the Cross



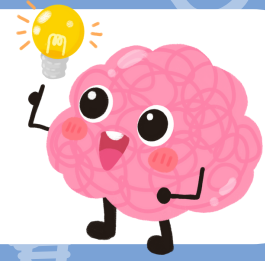
Thursday, Week 9



**To remember the Stations of the Cross, each class painted a station. They looked fabulous! Also a very big thank you to our Year 3/4 students for leading us in prayer as we remembered the Stations of the Cross.**

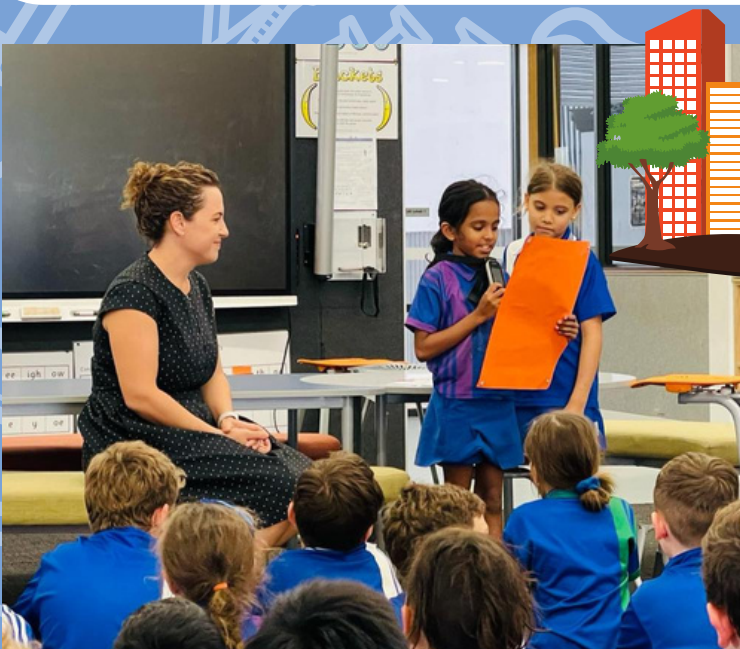


# 3/4 Inquiry



**This term the 3/4 cohort have been learning about ways in which we can keep the community we live in safe and how we can look after our community. We completed a project where the students were asked what they believe the community of Zuccoli needs, students then had to write a letter to Mrs Lia Finocchiaro. We were lucky enough for Lia to come and listen to 12 students present their ideas and read their letters to her. The students all worked very hard and should be proud of themselves. Well done 3/4!**

**Lia was very impressed with Summer and Christa's proposal to build a music centre on the vacant block opposite of the school. Congratulations to Summer and Christa!**





# 70's

## CARITAS FUNDRAISER

Friday, Week 10 was our second Caritas fundraiser for Term 1. The dress up theme was 70s



It was amazing to see so many Students and Staff dressed up. Thank you to everyone who donated a gold coin



# Community Notices

Supporting our Veterans' Families



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## Tuning in to Kids®

A free program for parents and carers of young people aged 0 - 12 years old



A six session parenting program to help parents respond to their children's emotions and needs in a healthy way



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- Be better at talking with your child?
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- Have greater success with making and keeping friends
- Have better concentration at school
- Are more able to calm down when upset or angry
- Tend to have fewer childhood illnesses

For more information please contact Bree James on 0428 207 765 or [bree.james@teamhealth.asn.au](mailto:bree.james@teamhealth.asn.au)

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Palmerston Power are seeking more players, particularly in our Under 9 and Under 10 Boys divisions. Please contact us for more information on joining our club.



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