

## NEWSLETTER

DATE: 13/10/2021  
TERM: 4

Dear Families,

It has been fantastic to have the energy and noise of students back here at school as we start the final term. Throughout this week we will have had all year levels attend at least two days per week which is a great first step. Thank you for the ongoing community support in complying with the new COVID compliant requirements from the government. We look forward to having all the students return to onsite learning on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> October**.

### **MASK WEARING**

The Years 3-6 students at school have done a marvellous job in adapting to mask wearing while at school. Wearing a mask not only supports students to reduce the risk of catching the virus but also reduces the chance of spreading the virus should they come into contact with it. Staff will continue to support students to ensure they know how to wear masks correctly. The students are not required to wear their masks when outside at break times.

### **CLASS LISTS FOR 2022**

Our classroom teachers are starting to look at possible groupings for classes for next year. If you have any concerns that are of a serious nature please forward these requests to me, by email, no later than this **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021**. [principal@stmalfredton.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@stmalfredton.catholic.edu.au). Please understand that this is the only process to go through if you would like this issue addressed properly. With planning for the 2022 school year now gathering momentum, I would ask families who are aware that they will not be returning to St. Thomas More Catholic Primary School next year, to promptly inform the school.

### **BOOK WEEK PARADE – NEW DATE**

Students are invited to dress up for our rescheduled Book Week parade on **Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> November**. The theme is *Old Worlds, New worlds, Other Worlds*. Use your imagination to come dressed as... an historical character (old worlds), a futuristic character (new worlds) or a fantasy character (other worlds).

### **SACRAMENT OF INITIATION PREPARATION PROGRAMS**

We have been advised that the St Patrick's Parish Sacrament of Confirmation preparation for children will hopefully recommence in November, depending on government COVID restrictions. The Sacrament of Eucharist program has been postponed until 2022. Please see the parish website for more details, [www.stpatscathedral.weebly.com](http://www.stpatscathedral.weebly.com)

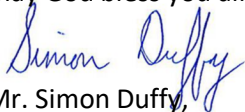
### **SCHOOL FEES**

As we begin Term 4, please keep in mind that school fees must be finalised by the 26th November 2021. If you are having difficulty meeting your fee commitments please call the school as soon as possible. Fee statements have recently been emailed to all families.

### **ALFREDTON BIKE / PUMP TRACK**

The council recently completed a wonderful new bike track, located across from our school on Cuthberts Road. This has proven to be a very popular site for many young bike and scooter riders within the local area. Since returning for Term 4 we have noticed that some of our students of varying ages are using this venue, unsupervised, of a morning prior to school and possibly without parents being aware of this. For safety reasons we encourage parents to speak to their child/children and ensure they are being safe with their riding and that they always arrive at school on time to enable a prompt start.

May God bless you all,

  
Mr. Simon Duffy,  
Principal

# Term 4 Calendar, 2021

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Oct	4	5	6	7	8
2 Oct	11	12 Year 3/4 students at school	13 Year 3/4 students at school	14 Year 5/6 students at school	15 Year 5/6 students at school
3 Oct	18	19 Year 3/4 students at school	20 Year 3/4 students at school	21 Year 5/6 students at school	22 Year 5/6 students at school
4 Oct	25	26 All students return to school	27	28	29
5 Nov	1 SAC meeting 5pm	2 Melbourne Cup Day Holiday	3	4	5 Book Week Parade
6 Nov	8	9	10	11 Remembrance Day	12 Mission Day
7 Nov	15 School closure day - Reporting and Assessment	16	17	18 Year 3/4 Camp (pending govt guidelines)	19 Year 3/4 Camp (pending govt guidelines)
8 Nov	22	23	24	25	26
9 Nov/ Dec	29	30	1	2	3
10 Dec	6	7	8	9	10
11 Dec	13 Going up day REPORTS GO HOME	14	15 End of year Mass and Graduation Mass	16 Final Fun Day activity Finish 2.20pm Student's last day	17 Staff Day

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### KELLY SPORTS IS BACK FOR TERM 4!

#### Multi-Sports Program

Wednesdays 3:30-4:30pm (60 minutes)

Starting Wed 6th Oct

Concluding Wed 8th Dec

Cost: \$165 for the 10-week Program

To Enrol: [www.kellysports.com.au/greater-ballarat](http://www.kellysports.com.au/greater-ballarat)

Queries: Call Dom 0417 967 621

\* Students can sign up a few weeks into the term.

Please just contact Dom

\* COVID Guidelines are in place

\* **All our coaches have been Covid-Vaccinated**