

Dear Families,

In the upcoming Advent season, as a school community, we are encouraging students to think of others in our Ballarat community who are less fortunate than ourselves and in need of assistance. With this in mind, the Student Leadership Group has commenced a Christmas Food Appeal to donate to St Vincent de Paul. Each family is encouraged to bring along non-perishable food items and leave them at the school office. We will be accepting donations up until Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December, after which we will pass all donations on to St Vincent de Paul to distribute. Thanks in advance for your support.



### FOUNDATION 2022 ORIENTATION

It was a delight to see the faces of our Foundation students for 2022 come through the doors at their first orientation session today. After what has been another rollercoaster of a year, it brings us much joy to see their 63 smiling faces, bringing with them the hope of a wonderful year ahead. Thank you to our fantastic staff and Parents and Friends Association who have been welcoming our Foundation families in a variety of ways.

### YEARS 3/4 CAMP

The Year 3/4 students thoroughly enjoyed their overnight camp to Log Cabin Lodge, Creswick, last week. I would like to thank the staff for all their efforts in making this camp possible and for providing such wonderful experiences for the students.



### PARENTS AND FRIENDS CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The Parents and Friends annual *Christmas Raffle* will be launched next week. Details regarding the purchasing of tickets and available prizes will be sent to families on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November.



## CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to the 61 St Thomas More Catholic Primary School students and their families who celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation last week. We pray that the Holy Spirit guides:



Keira Anderson	Charlotte Baker	Eva Bayles	Georgia Bunning	Tom Byvoet
Lewis Carbone	Rubi Carbone	Zac Collard	Charlie Collins	Jakob Collins
Xavier Crowe	Thomas East	Joey Elksnis	Rachel Emerson	Gemma Every
Edie Goodwin	Eva Grime	Summer Harwood	Oliver Horgan	Thomas Ilsley
Rylie Johnson	Abby Jones	Ava Jones	Jordan Korosec	Stella Lamb
Charlotte Lemmon	Lenny Manley	Ned McCormack	Max McConchie	Jake McNaulty
Sienna Morris	Tessa Morris	Lydia Ness	Callen O'Donnell	Milla O'Donohue
Zoe O'Loughlin	Ryan Parkinson	Harry Pelly	Lily Petrie	Emily Pickles
Benjamin Preston	Elwood Price	Logan Purtell	Ruby Quick	Ivy Rogan
Audrey Ryan	Sophie Ryan	Lachlan Sanders	Lucas Sheehan	Charlie Sheppard
Jaxyn Sloper	Scarlett Smith	Olivia Spry	William Stokes	Elliot Stott
Joshua Titheridge	Kayla Titheridge	Campbell Treloar	Mylo Wealands	Liam Weissenfeld
Marcus Williamson				

## GOING UP DAY FOR 2022 AND SCHOOL REPORTS

Students will have a "Going Up" session on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December where they will meet their 2022 teacher and classmates. Your child's Semester Two school report will also be available through the Parent Access Module (PAM) on this day.

## THANKSGIVING MASS AND YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Our Thanksgiving Mass will be held on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** at 5pm at the St Patrick Cathedral, to which all families are most welcome to attend. At this mass we will acknowledge our Year 6 graduating students, farewell Father Justin and departing staff while sharing a final celebration as a school community for 2021. The Year 6 parents have organised a special Year 6 Graduation Dinner to be held at the Ballarat Golf Club, following the conclusion of mass. Further details about the dinner will be provided to Year 6 families from the Year 6 Parent Group who are organising this event.

## FINAL DAY FOR STUDENTS 2021

This year the final day for students will be **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December**. We have planned a picnic at the Victoria Park playground for the students, staff and families. More details will be sent out in the next newsletter.

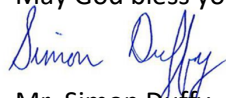
## 2022 FEE PAYMENT AGREEMENTS

This week each family should have received the 2022 Fee Payment Agreement via email. This document has also been attached with this newsletter and a paper copy has also been sent home with the eldest child from each family. Please return this completed form to the office by Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December. We recommend that families take advantage of setting up regular direct debit or credit card payments. If you have any questions or queries please contact the school office.

## JAMS AWARD

Well done to the students of 5/6 Gittings for winning the "JAMS Award". The class is to be commended for the way in which they have participated in their four specialist classes – Japanese, Art, Music and Sport.

May God bless you,

  
Mr. Simon Duffy,  
Principal





## Term 4 Calendar, 2021

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8 Nov	22	23	24 2022 Foundation Transition session 9:15-11am + Parent Info Meeting	25 Tennis Coaching -Yrs 3/4	26 Tennis Coaching -Yrs 3/4
9 Nov/ Dec	29	30 Yr 6 to Yr 7 Transition Day to St Pat's, Loreto & Damascus	1 2022 Foundation Transition session 9:15-12:30pm	2 Tennis Coaching -Yrs 3/4	3 Tennis Coaching -Yrs 3/4
10 Dec	6	7	8 Year 6 Excursion to Adventure Park, Geelong	9 Tennis Coaching -Yrs 3/4	10 Foundation Excursion to Sovereign Hill Tennis Coaching -Yrs 3/4
11 Dec	13 'Going up Session' for F-Yr 5 students REPORTS RELEASED TO PARENTS	14 End of year Thanksgiving Mass and Year 6 Graduation 5pm at St Patrick's Cathedral	15	16 Student's last day 2021 Picnic Day at Victoria Park 10:30-2:00pm School officially concludes at 2.30pm	17 Staff Day





*With God First,  
We Will Live, Learn  
and Thrive*

# **2022 SCHOOL FEE PAYMENT AGREEMENT**

Please return this form to the school office by **Monday 6th December, 2021**

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ P/Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Students Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade 2022: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Grade 2022: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Grade 2022: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Grade 2022: \_\_\_\_\_

School Fees for 2022: Class Fee \$350 (per student), Tuition Fee \$1,600 (per family) & Capital Levy \$400 (per family)

**School Fees:** 1 child - \$2,350    2 children - \$2,650    3 children - \$3,050    4 children - \$3,400

**Camp Fees:** (approx.) Grade 3/4 - \$230    Grade 5/6 - \$370

**Chromebook:** Grade 3, 4, 5 & 6 - \$307

Please total your 2022 School fees according to the above information, including all relevant camp and Chromebook fees (if applicable) and choose from the following payment options.

Payment Type	Frequency	Payment Details	Camp & Chrome-book fees	School Fees	Total Amount
Direct Debit	Fortnightly Commencement date 25 <sup>th</sup> February, 2022. (20 payments)	Account Name: _____ Bank Name: _____ BSB (Bank No.): _____ - _____ Account No: _____			
Credit Card Payment	Monthly 16 <sup>th</sup> of each month Commencement date 16 <sup>th</sup> February, 2022. (10 payments)	Credit Card Type: _____ Credit Card No: _____/_____/_____/_____ Account Name: _____ Expiry Date: _____ (I will advise school office of new card/expiry details throughout the year)			
Cash/Cheque	<input type="checkbox"/> Fortnightly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Termly <input type="checkbox"/> Half Yearly <input type="checkbox"/> Yearly	At school office  <b><u>Please note yearly fee payments must be paid before the end of Term 2.</u></b>			
Internet Banking	<input type="checkbox"/> Fortnightly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Termly <input type="checkbox"/> Half Yearly <input type="checkbox"/> Yearly	St Thomas More School BSB: 083-526 Account No: 482080647 Reference: <b>your child name / account no</b> <b><u>Please note yearly fee payments must be paid before the end of Term 2.</u></b>			

**Please read, sign and return the document on the following page.**

## Fees Agreement

Account to be paid by (please tick):

☐ Both Parents

☐ Parent (1) only: Name \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Parent (2) only: Name \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Split between Parent (1) Name \_\_\_\_\_ %

Parent (2) Name \_\_\_\_\_ %

☐ Other - *please specify*: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We accept responsibility for the payment of all costs, fees and levies for \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Student/s)

I/We agree that all fees and levies as determined by the School will be paid by the due date unless otherwise agreed in advance in writing with the School as represented by Fr Justin Driscoll of St Patrick's Cathedral Parish. (Weekly/Fortnightly/Monthly payments may be made by arrangement).

Name of person(s) responsible for payment of fees:

1. Print: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Print: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**NB: All person(s) named as responsible for fee payment MUST sign this form as it will be considered legally binding.**

### Responsibility for Payment of Fees

School Office staff can assist with any queries you may have in regard to payment of fees and levies.

Each person who signs this form accepts legal responsibility for payment of School fees and levies incurred for the entire period of the Enrolment of the student/s.

Payment of fees is subject to all the terms and conditions contained in this form.

Where there is more than one person signing this form:

1. only one account will be issued in the name of all individuals listed on this form unless otherwise indicated;
2. each person is independently and jointly responsible for payment of the whole of the fees, meaning the School can (at its discretion) seek to recover the whole of the fees from any one parent/guardian or any combination of them unless otherwise indicated;
3. notice to any one parent/guardian is taken to be notice to all parents/guardians;
4. each individual consents to their personal information in relation to this account (including payments made or overdue) being disclosed to each other individual on the account or to other third parties in the case that recovery proceedings are required; and
5. Amendments to fee payment arrangements can only be made with the written agreement of all affected parties (including all parents/guardians listed on this form and those who will be responsible for paying fees).
6. I understand the 2021 School Fee structure and agree to fulfill my commitment to the payments of these fees as selected. I will contact the school if my circumstances change.
7. I request and authorise St Thomas More School (Direct User Id 192184) to arrange through its own financial institution, to debit my account/ Credit Card with the amount listed in the schedule above through the Bulk Electronic Clearing System or Credit Card System from the bank account identified in this form until the end of the year or written agreement.

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MESSAGE FROM ALFREDTON PRESCHOOL

It is with great pride that Alfredton Preschool invites former families to help celebrate the retirement of our long serving staff member, Chris Eldridge. After working for over 35 years and supporting countless families, children and staff, Chris will be finishing at the end of this year. We would like to invite former families to email their best wishes and any messages to either of the email addresses below to be included in a special memento for Chris.

[kmasinskaskas@vt.uniting.org](mailto:kmasinskaskas@vt.uniting.org) or [cathie.coles@vt.uniting.org](mailto:cathie.coles@vt.uniting.org)

### KELLY SPORTS SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

A full day of fun activities & sports, run by our experienced coaches to keep your kids entertained & active this summer.

**Mon 13th Dec to Fri 24th Dec**

**Tues 4th Jan to Fri 28th Jan**

(Excluding weekends & Public Holidays)

**Location:** Eastwood Leisure Centre, Ballarat

**Times:** 8am to 5pm

**Ages:** Kinder to Year 6

**Cost:** \$50 per child per day (\$45 per child per day for 5+ days)

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

**Queries:** Call Dom 0417 967 621

**\*Note:** Covid Guidelines will be in place. All of our coaches are fully vaccinated.