



## Principal's Message

Dear Parents

### Passing of Bishop Bill Wright

On Saturday evening I was informed by the Diocese of the sad news of the death of Bishop Bill. Bishop Bill has been Bishop of Maitland/Newcastle for the past 10 years and during that time has overseen many positive changes as his legacy.

I ask you pray for Bishop Bill and his family. May He Rest in Peace.

### Orientation & Tansistion

Last Friday we were able to welcome our Kinder 2022 students for their Transition sessions on site whilst simultaneously "zooming" parents with the Orientation message. I wish to thank Mrs Kaylene Maretich for doing a wonderful job delivering these sessions and to all my staff who were involved in creating a very warm welcome to our new families.

### St Therese's Feast Day

This Friday we will be celebrating the Feast of St Therese which normally occurs earlier in the term but due to COVID had to be postponed. As you will read further on both the LOTUS fundraiser and Socktober will also be held. I ask that you support both these initiatives and I thank all the staff and students who have been involved in preparing the LOTUS gifts and Socktober fundraising. During these difficult times it is important for us all, students especially, to realise that there is a world beyond our backyard and many people are suffering and we, in a small way, can ease this. This would be in line with St Therese's mission of giving.

### COVID Update

Last week we were informed that we had moved from Level 3+ to Level 3 restrictions. This was a welcomed easing and I am optimistic that our adherence to our COVID guidelines may bring us closer to a more relaxed situation as the year draws to a close. It is my hope that we may be able to have parents on site to attend the Year 6 final year ceremonies.

### Congratulations

Sage T from Year 5 has been selected to join the Ensemble Section of the ASPIRE band as a flutist for next year. I would like to congratulate Sage on this outstanding recognition and wish her all the best.

**Duilio Rufo**  
Principal

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## Dates to Remember

18<sup>TH</sup> NOV LOTUS

19<sup>TH</sup> NOV SOCKTOBER

2<sup>ND</sup> DEC DIO BASKBALL & TENNIS TRIALS

6<sup>TH</sup> DEC SWIMMING CARNIVAL

15<sup>TH</sup> DEC YEAR 6 CLAP OUT

LAST DAY OF TERM

## Assistant Principals Message

### Orientation/Transition Day

Last Friday, we held our combined Orientation/Transition Day. The day was a very different format, to ensure we met COVID restriction. It was lovely to meet our new kindergarten children face-to-face, I think their highlight was meeting their Year 5 buddy. I would like to thank our Year 5 children for the gentle and caring way they interacted with their buddies. We have had a number of emails from parents of our 2022 kindergarten students, saying how impressed they were by our Year 5 children, especially their beautiful manners, polite conversation and care of their child. Well done Year 5, we are very proud of you. Thank you also to the clerical staff, teaching staff, learning support teachers and support staff, for all you did to make the day special for our new kindergarten children.

**Kaylene Maretich**  
**Assistant Principal**

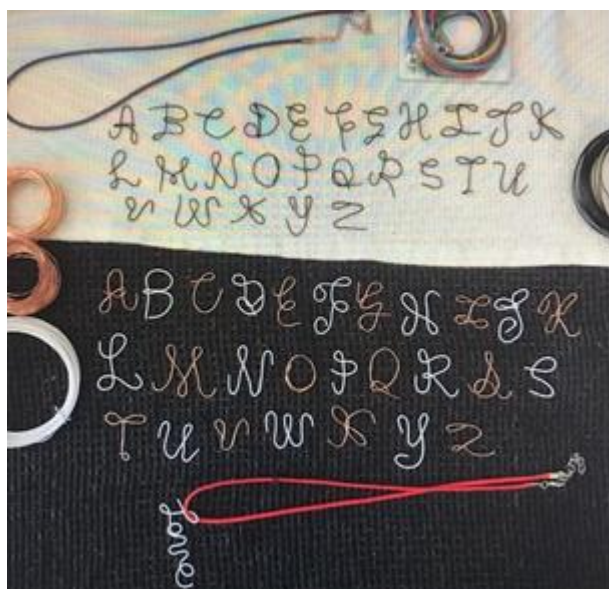
## RE News

**Mission Focus** – This week will be the culmination of our Mission Focus in support of our **Lotus** girls and **Catholic Mission's Socktober Appeal**. We will have a special school-wide focus on these very worthy causes over **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> & Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November**.

**LOTUS:** On both days, classes will rotate through the Lotus Art Gallery & Stall based upon the roster below. A gold-coin donation will be required upon entry. If you would like to send your child with additional money, they will be able to choose from some of the item available below.

Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> November		Years: Kinder, 2 and 4
<b>KINDER</b>		
9.30am -10.00am	KN & half of KW	
10.10am- 10.40am	KL & half of KW	
<b>YEAR 2</b>		
10.45am- 11.15am	2N & half of 2W	
12.10pm- 12.40pm	2L & half of 2W	
<b>YEAR 4</b>		
12.50pm- 1.20pm	4N & half of 4W	
1.30pm -2.00pm	4L & half of 4W	
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> November		Years: 3, 1 and 5
<b>YEAR 5</b>		
9.30am -10.00 am	5N & half of 5W	
10.10am- 10.40am	5L & half of 5W	
<b>YEAR 1</b>		
10.45am- 11.15am	1N & half of 1W	
12.10pm- 12.40pm	1L & half of 1W	
<b>YEAR 3</b>		
12.50pm- 1.20pm	3N & half of 3W	
1.30pm -2.00pm	3L & half of 3W	





Pencil with Lotus Flower = \$1      Framed Lotus Art = \$3  
Lotus Necklace & Letters = \$1 (necklace) + \$1/letter

There will be a few other items on sale at the stall also.

**SOCKTOBER** – This will take place on **Friday ONLY**. Students are invited to come **out-of-uniform** and will be asked to pay a gold-coin donation, which will go towards Catholic Mission.

During the day, students will participate in a *Sockball Penalty Shootout* using the sockball that they have made at home or in class.

Please send in some appropriate materials for your child to make this at school if they have not already made one at home.

In the meantime, if you wish to know more or make a donation to **our school 'Socktober' page**, use the link or QR Code below.

We still have a long way to go towards our school goal of \$2,000.

<https://www.socktober.org.au/fundraisers/StTheresesPrimarySchoolNewLambton>



Please also remember that we will continue to offer an online **Prayer Liturgy & Assembly each Friday afternoon on Zoom at 2:30pm.**

We would love to see as many of our parents possible, reunite with us in this way!

**ID:** 665 1680 0085 **Password:** 004617

**Luke Smith,**  
Religious Education Coordinator

### School Fees

Please note that school fee statements were sent home last week. If you did not receive yours, please contact the office on 49574922 or email [admin@newlambton.catholic.edu.au](mailto:admin@newlambton.catholic.edu.au). All fees should be paid by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021 unless other arrangements have been made with the principal. If you need to discuss your fees, please contact office on 4957 4922 and ask for Vicki McSpadden.

**Vicki McSpadden**  
Bursar

### PBS Spirit Awards

For the remainder of the term we are focusing on the value of **COURAGE**. We congratulate the following students on receiving the PBS Spirit Award for demonstrating courage by being honest.

School Spirit Award for demonstrating COURAGE by being honest.					
<b>KN</b>	Lila M	<b>KW</b>	Adelaide K	<b>KL</b>	Xavier O
	Logan D		Zara A		Isabel B
<b>1N</b>	Ruby J	<b>1W</b>	Joshua M	<b>1L</b>	Jackson F
	Edmund H		Archer R		Sadie S
<b>2N</b>	Lucia F	<b>2W</b>	Reid M	<b>2L</b>	Declan O
	Brooklyn L		Maeve H		Violette S
<b>3N</b>	Jack T	<b>3W</b>	Luca R	<b>3L</b>	Jackson R
	Harry G		Harry N		Lucas O
<b>4N</b>	Anna V	<b>4W</b>	Oscar K	<b>4L</b>	Francesca J
	Liam B		Nicholas B		Toby B
<b>5N</b>	Toby E	<b>5W</b>	Xavier R	<b>5L</b>	Ava R
	Maddy C		Katie C		Nicholas C
<b>6N</b>	George H	<b>6W</b>	Kai H	<b>6L</b>	Ayden C
	Christina S		Archie W		Lucinda P

### Principal Awards

The following students will receive a Principal's Award at this week's School Assembly:  
Congratulations and thank you children, for upholding the values and principles of St Therese's.

**KN** - Zoe T, Lewis P; **KW** - Joseph M; **1N** - Alexander P, Edmund H, Macy G, Tom C, Zac H, Eloise H, Amelia S, Amelia G, Vanessa C; **1W** – Ace C, Mia D, Riley L, Olivia M, James P, Ashton P, Gabriella S; **1L** – Mabel C; **2N** – Brianna H; **2W** – Evie T; **2L** - Kurt P, Andrea P, Egan V, Violette S, Sam S; **4N** - Mya T; **5N** - Hugo D; Lainey H; Oisin M; Grace S; Niah S; Madailein C, Ryan C, Ella C; **6N** - Lilly R, Oskar M; **6L** - Chloe D, Xavier S, Charlotte L.

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**Date:** Friday 19th November      **Time:** 2:30pm  
If you would like to Zoom in, please use the following Zoom ID and Password:  
**ID:** 665 1680 0085      **P/W:** 004617

**Janine Schneider**  
**Coordinator**

## **School Community News**

### **Canteen News**

I'm in the process of developing the 2022 roster. If you can help in the canteen once a month for a few hours in the morning, please let me know.

If you are currently on the roster, I will assume you are OK to remain on your current day, so you don't need to do anything. Please let me know if you are no longer able to be on the roster or wish to change days. Also, if you are a year 6 parent and will no longer have children at the school next year, can you please remind me. Thanks so much.

**Belinda (0447 509 968)**  
**Canteen Supervisor**

### **P&F Gingerbread Houses 2021**

Gingerbread house kits are for available to purchase. The kit includes icing, all house parts, baseboard, cellophane to wrap it up and ribbon. Flavours include traditional gingerbread, gluten free gingerbread and chocolate. They can be ordered via flexischools for \$35. Orders close 23 November. See the attached flyer in the newsletter for details.

### **Mango Fundraiser**

Unfortunately the mango fundraiser could not go ahead this year as per the roadmap set out by Catholic Schools NSW as we all return from lockdown and negotiate the return to normal living with covid. All going well, this time next year we can return to this delicious summer fundraiser.

### **P & F Brick Fundraiser**

Thank you to all the parents who purchased a family brick facing we sold 219 brick facings. The school logo and brick facings were supposed to be erected during the September school holidays but due to COVID restrictions this didn't happen but this has now been scheduled for January school holidays. The school logo tiles look fantastic and I can't wait to see it up on the lift shift with all your family names underneath.

## Sport

### Swimming Carnival

The event for the 2021 Swimming Carnival has now closed. I have attached an order of Events sheet for those student and parents who are interested. Due to restrictions, we cannot have spectators and all competitors will travel to and from the event by bus. A \$15 fee is due to the school office for those children attending.

**Deb Petersen**  
Coordinator

### **ORDER OF EVENTS – ST. THERESE’S SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2021**

Boys all Age 100m Free  
Girls all age 100m Free  
Age Races 50m Free (8yr, 9, 10, 11, 12/13)  
Boys Jnr (8, 9, 10) Breast stroke  
Girls Jnr (8, 9, 10) Breast stroke  
Boys 11 yrs Breast stroke  
Girls 11 yrs Breast stroke  
Boys Snr (12, 13) Breast stroke  
Girls Snr (12, 13) Breast stroke  
Boys Jnr (8, 9, 10) Back stroke  
Girls Jnr (8, 9, 10) Back stroke  
Boys 11 yrs Back stroke  
Girls 11 yrs Back stroke  
Boys Snr (12, 13) Back stroke  
Girls Snr (12, 13) Back stroke  
Boys Jnr (8, 9, 10) Butterfly  
Girls Jnr (8, 9, 10) Butterfly  
Boys 11 yrs Butterfly  
Girls 11 yrs Butterfly  
Boys Snr (12, 13) Butterfly  
Girls Snr (12, 13) Butterfly  
Individual Medley (IM)  
Relays Jnr (8, 9, 10) Snr (11, 12/13)





## 2022 SCHOOL FEE INFORMATION FORM

This form is issued per school for ALL your children enrolled in the Maitland Newcastle Diocese. The information on this form is used to raise the annual billing and apply the correct discounts and concessions.

Parents/carers are asked to complete and return this form to school/s per enrolment by **30 November 2021**.

<b>PARENT/CARER NAME/S</b>		
<b>NOMINATED PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR SCHOOL FEES</b>		
<b>ADDRESS</b>		
<b>ACCOUNT EMAIL ADDRESS</b>		
<b>FAMILY STRUCTURE - LIST ALL CHILDREN ENROLLED IN SCHOOLS IN DIOCESE</b>		
<b>STUDENT NAME/S</b>	<b>SCHOOL NAME – STUDENT IS ATTENDING IN 2022</b>	<b>YEAR GROUP</b>
<b>INTENDED PAYMENT METHOD</b> (tick one) Payment frequency options are available to suit parents/carers with the aim of having all fees paid in full <b>by 30 November 2022</b> . If you are wishing to establish a direct debit please click <a href="#">here</a> for School Direct Debit Authority (CDF). If you are wishing to change an existing direct debit authority, please contact the school office.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bpay	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct debit	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct over the counter at school
<b>INTENDED PAYMENT FREQUENCY</b> (tick one) School Fee Payments must commence by <b>31 March 2022</b> .		
<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly	<input type="checkbox"/> Fortnightly	<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> In Full by 30/06/2022
<b>FEE CONCESSION</b> (tick one) Please contact the school office for applicable form.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Care Card Holder	<input type="checkbox"/> Pensioner Card Holder	
<b>DIOCESAN PASTORAL CONTRIBUTION</b> (tick one) This is a voluntary contribution to support initiatives of the Pastoral Ministries within the Diocese.		
<input type="checkbox"/> I elect to pay \$300.00	<input type="checkbox"/> I elect not to pay	<input type="checkbox"/> I wish to contribute \$
<b>FEE PAYER'S SIGNATURE</b>		<b>DATE</b>



*St Therese's P&F*

# GINGERBREAD HOUSE

*Take-home decorating kit*

**\$35 PER KIT**

**Includes:** Gingerbread house kit, baseboard, piping bag with icing in it, cellophane and ribbon.

**Flavours:** Gingerbread, Gluten Free Gingerbread, Chocolate

**ORDERS CLOSE TUES 23RD NOVEMBER 2021**

[www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)

Delivery is expected no later than 10th December. The kits will then be distributed to the students to take home.

For additional product information, including nutritional details, you can visit our supplier; Gingerbread Folk at [www.gingerbreadfolk.com.au](http://www.gingerbreadfolk.com.au)



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## CREATE CHOREOGRAPHIC PROJECT REGISTRATION FORM

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
School: \_\_\_\_\_ Student email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/carer name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent mobile number: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Why do you wish to be part of the ASPIRE Create Choreographic Project?

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What dance experience do you have?

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Signed (Parent/Carer): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Application supported by (school teacher within the diocese)

Signed (Teacher): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

To register please complete the form and return to Anne Atkins [anne.atkins@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anne.atkins@mn.catholic.edu.au)  
or call Anne Atkins on 02 4979 1331 for more information.





# ASPIRE

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## CREATE CHOREOGRAPHIC PROJECT

<https://aspire.mn.catholic.edu.au>

Please refer to the ASPIRE website for all ASPIRE information, forms, updates, photos and the newsletter from the Artistic Director

ASPIRE is again collaborating with internationally recognised Newcastle-based company Catapult Dance in 2022.

Building on the success of previous programs, the Create Choreographic Project will offer students enrolled in schools in the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle the opportunity to participate in an intensive contemporary dance and collaborative choreographic program.

Students will be provided with a dance and performance art experience that is inclusive, non-competitive, creative and collaborative, and that reflects the working processes of the professional industry. Students will be encouraged to have a voice, and present their thoughts and ideas in a studio setting at the end of the program.

The Create Choreographic Project will run from Monday 28 February 2021 to Friday 4 March 2022.

Dancers will be split into Junior (Years 4–6) and Senior (Years 7–12) groups to create an original piece to perform. They will work alongside professional choreographers at Catapult Dance's studio in Newcastle West.

Secondary students need to have dance training. Primary students must have a genuine interest in and flair for dance, but don't necessarily have to attend dance lessons outside of school.

Students can register for the program by filling out an application form, which must be signed by a parent/carer and teacher from their school. Please forward completed forms via email to [anne.atkins@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anne.atkins@mn.catholic.edu.au)

Scholarship places are available for students in genuine need of financial assistance. Please contact Anne Atkins for further information.

### PROJECT DATES

### COST

<b>Junior</b>	Monday 28 February 2021 – Tuesday 1 March 2022	9.00am – 3.00pm	\$60.00
<b>Senior</b>	Wednesday 2 March 2022 – Friday 4 March 2022	9.00am – 3.00pm	\$90.00

To register please complete the form overleaf and return to Anne Atkins  
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