

NEWSLETTER

TERM 3 | WEEK 2 | 2021



**MT TORRENS
CHRISTIAN**
SCHOOL



2021 Term Dates

- TERM 1** 27 January - 9 April
- TERM 2** 27 April - 2 July
- TERM 3** 26 July - 24 September
- TERM 4** 11 October - 3 December

Up Coming Events

WEDNESDAY 18th AUGUST

MTCS Spelling Bee

FRIDAY 20th AUGUST

Book Week Dress Up Day

MONDAY 30th AUGUST

Year F-4 Road Safety Centre Excursion

FRIDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER

MTCS Bridge Building Competition Day

Welcome To Week 2

Term 3 is well underway with an excellent start. Staff and students have settled into School routines after the extended term break, plus two days of lockdown. After 2½ years the COVID threat still haunts our society, with a return to "normality" remaining uncertain. Considering how a "mere" virus has spread such social disruption, alarm, tragedy and economic ruin across the globe is a reminder of the frailties and vulnerabilities of human existence.

Here in Australia we have escaped the worst effects, but even so there are many for whom this COVID pandemic will cause lingering sadness and loss. Such a time as this reminds us how much we need somewhere to take our anxieties and concerns. Somewhere, that is, where there is someone who cares and who can make a difference. Such a somewhere for the Christian is the place of prayer, and such a someone is the God who hears prayer (Ps 65:2)

The Bible outlines what an amazing provision God has given the believer through the provision of prayer. Associated with this provision are the equally amazing promises

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From the Principal

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God has given about what we can pray for and when we can pray. Concerning these promises, the Scripture memory passage for this term brings into focus Jesus' words on prayer in Matthew 7:7, "Ask and it shall be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and it shall be opened to you."

What Jesus describes here is an astounding invitation concerning the approach and access that we have to God through prayer. At the most basic level, the Lord's words describe prayer in terms of asking. Asking is about making a request. When the Apostle Paul spoke of prayer he encouraged this asking as an antidote to anxiety (See Phil 4:6). The need that each of us has for prayer is because of the neediness of our human condition. The Christian author Paul Tripp says, *"Sin makes us comprehensively needy. Every area of our personhood has been in some way damaged by sin. We don't desire what we should. We don't think as we should. We don't speak as we should. We don't act as we should. We need help. We need rescue. We need wisdom. We need forgiveness. We need strength"*. Yes, and what this means is that we need prayer.

It is the provision of prayer to a prayer hearing God that is on offer to each of us. "And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him" (1 John 5:15).

Uniforms

Could all parents check that student's uniforms are clearly labelled. A number of uniform items have unfortunately gone missing.

Please check student uniforms to ensure that an item belonging to someone else has not come home.

MTCS Spelling Bee

Wednesday 18th August

The 2021 MTCS Spelling Bee will be taking place on Wednesday 18th August in the Assembly Room. For students in years 2-12 this will begin from 1.15pm until 2.50pm. We welcome parents and visitors to attend.

Book Week

MTCS Dress Up Day

The Childrens Book Council of Australia has announced Book Week 2021 to be held from 21-27 August. With this in view, MTCS will have a Book Week Dress Up Day on Friday 20th August, where students and staff come dressed as a book character of their choice.

We ask that parents ensure that the characters students dress as avoid themes that do not align with the School ethos. If you are unsure, please contact the School Office.

Welcome

New Families

This term we welcome two new families to the MTCS Community, The Fahner's and the Prichici's.

Jamie Fahner has joined the Senior Class in Year 10, Joshua Prichici Year 5 and Timotei Prichici in Year 5.

We wish each of these students God's richest blessings at MTCS





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