

NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 | WEEK 9 | 2023



**MT TORRENS
CHRISTIAN**
SCHOOL



Term 3 Calendar

MONDAY 24th JULY | Term 3 Begins

WEDNESDAY 26th JULY | Year 10 Immunisations

FRIDAY 4th AUGUST | Census

2023 Term Dates

TERM 1	30 January - 14th April
TERM 2	1st May - 30th June
TERM 3	24th July - 29th September
TERM 4	16th October - 8th December

From the Principal

As this semester draws to a close, we look back with gratitude on the many blessings throughout the year so far. Special highlights have been the MTCS sports day and cross country as well as several inter-school sporting events. It has also been great to re-introduce an agriculture and the cows create careers program this year thanks to the initiative of Mr. Hicks. Finally, the MTCS music dinner was a real blessing to those who attended. The event was planned and run

by Mrs. Sara and Ruth Trinkle and involved the students in practically all aspects from preparation to performing, serving, and cooking, with some of the produce coming from the newly established school agriculture program.

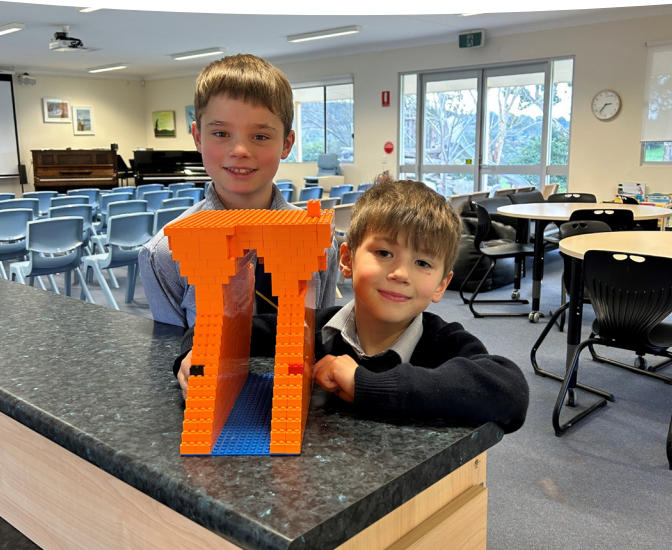
Above all it was encouraging to hear the student body join in proclaiming the great truths of God's faithfulness and salvation in song and I trust that some of the messages in song have remained with you as they have with me.

Elizabeth Cecilia Douglas Clephane was born in Scotland on June 18, 1830 and died there on February 19, 1869, at the age of 39.

In spite of being a frail woman, she was known throughout the community as "Sunbeam," being a helpful and cheery woman. Her father was the County Sheriff and her mother a descendant of the famous Douglas family. She had two sisters, but even though delicate and shy, she served the needs of the poor and sick in the community up to her physical limits. With her sisters, she gave all they did not require for their own daily needs to charity.

She wrote 8 poems in all that were published, and her second one has become famous, "The Ninety

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From the Principal

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and Nine" taken by Ira Sankey and put to music.

Here is a sampling of her poems:

"Beneath the Cross" was written in 1868 and published in 1872. Elizabeth Clephane wrote the poem a year before she died at the age of 39.

The poem was published a couple years after her death.

1. Beneath the cross of Jesus
 I fain would take my stand,
 the shadow of a mighty rock
 within a weary land;
 a home within the wilderness,
 a rest upon the way
 from the burning of the noon day heat
 and the burden of the day.
2. Upon that cross of Jesus
 mine eye at times can see
 the very dying form of One
 who suffered there for me;
 and from my smitten heart
 with tears two wonders I confess
 the wonders of His glorious love
 and my own worthlessness.
3. I take, O cross, thy shadow
 for my abiding place
 I ask no other sunshine
 than the sunshine of His face;
 content to let the world go by,
 to know no gain nor loss,
 my sinful self my only shame,
 my glory all the cross.

Blessings

Matthew Trinkle

Miss Allen's Class

These images are pictures of postings on the backboard in Room 3, and represent student work in English (grade 5/6) and History (grade 7/8).

The Grade 5/6 class are beginning to learn how to use words to create images in the mind; to 'paint a picture' with words. The sentences are fragments from their efforts in creating an image of a character by describing what the character, thinks, feels, does, or looks like.

The Grade 7/8 class became newspaper journalists visiting feudal Japan and reporting on what they had seen. The finished results were a selection of very convincing front page articles that effectively take the reader back in time.



F-2 Science

Looking Up and Around

Having spent this term exploring the theme of 'looking up and around', students in foundation, year one and year two completed a series of exciting activities in their recent science lesson. They began by creating a playdough artwork titled Night Sky. Students identified features of the night sky and explained that the night sky looks different every night because the stars 'move around'.

After exploring the eight phases of the moon, students displayed their knowledge by shaping icing from their biscuits. Finally, they design and constructed a marshmallow and skewer constellation. Great learning F-2s !

Miss Hannah Trinkle



Staff First Aid Course

While the students enjoyed their Pupil Free Day on Friday the 16th of June, our Mount Torrens Christian School staff were busily undertaking their First Aid and CPR courses. In line with duty of care policies, all MTCS staff have updated their First Aid training. This was particularly exciting due to our new First Aid Room and purchase of the new defibrillator.



Year 2-4 Art with Mrs Ruth Trinkle

This week the Year 2-4 class tried their hand at expressionism with their palette knives. Thanks to all the parents who washed uniforms despite the arts smocks being used!

Mrs Ruth Trinkle

MTCS Music Dinner 2023

What a joy it was to see new faces and share our songs with parents and friends on Friday! From falling cream cakes to forced cleaning of table dishes, we enjoyed your reactions and cooperation.

I've already started my notes with ideas for the next time we get to spoil you all with music and food... (hopefully it can be soon!)

A special thank you to all the former students and young people that were so willing to help out with the food prep and service behind the scenes! May God alone be glorified in all we do. He is worthy of our praise!

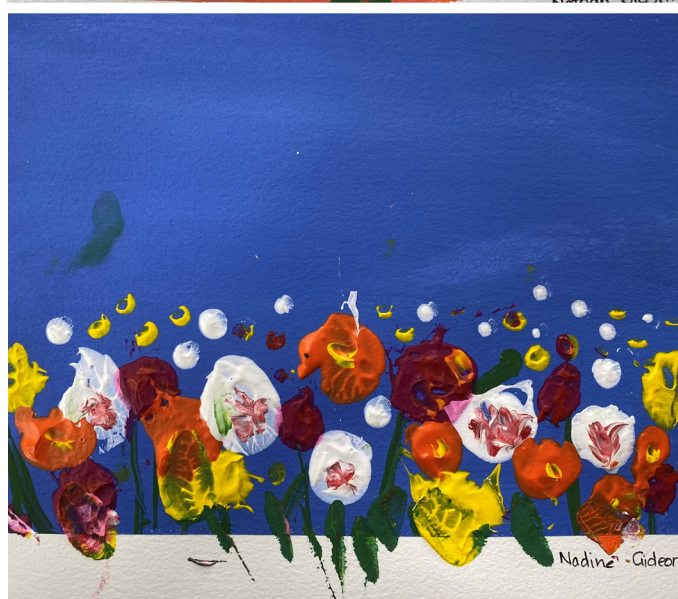
Mrs Sara Trinkle

Last Friday night we were pleased to participate in the Dinner Concert for MTCS. It went really well. We are really glad that our parents and friends couldn't see the chaos happening behind the scenes. We worked hard serving and performing, but we thoroughly enjoyed it. The best part of the night was the privilege of serving our parents and finishing off all the uneaten desserts. What a great opportunity to share God's Word with people that may not have heard about Him before.

Students from Year 2/3/4 class

What a delightful evening! just wanted to express our combined gratitude to everyone involved in last Friday's concert dinner. From the office staff to our dedicated teachers, enthusiastic students and indispensable volunteers, God bless you for your enthusiastic contributions to a wonderful evening. Upon reflection, our hearts are filled with thankfulness for the opportunities God gives us to serve our school families and wider community. May God bless the seeds of truth that were scattered, water them and produce eternal fruit for His glory and honour.

The MTCS Board



Cows Create Careers Finale

The Cows Create Careers Programme was celebrated with an online activities session hosted by the programme's organisers and sponsored by the dairy industry. Gathering in the hall, the students were on zoom with the organisers and a number of other schools.

The programme included a facts segment reflecting the importance of dairy to Australia, local communities and the Australian economy. There were also a number of games and competitions in which students could participate. The students enjoyed the activities being able to share knowledge and fun with other schools on line.

The major activity that our students had to engage in was the production of a 'moovie' to demonstrate a key aspect of the dairy industry and milk production. Our students were divided into 3 groups for this task. The group chosen to represent the school included Florence, Indy, Tabitha and Azayla. Their video featured the correct method of feeding calves. The group was acknowledged on line and were awarded special certificates and a ribbon to acknowledge their efforts. The session conclude with lunch sponsored by the dairy industry.

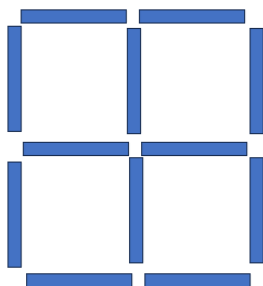
This activity formed the basis of an integrated curriculum taking in English, Maths, Technology and Business and economics. Students enjoyed all that this programme had to offer and have learned, not only things to do with the dairy industry but the life application of the subject content they learn at school.

Mr Bruce Hicks

Maths Corner - Mr Trinkle

Please see the Maths Corner question. You have quite some time to figure this one out and find me when we get back to school to explain your answer.

Remove only two sticks to make two squares









State Capital Grant

Thanks to a 2022 State Capital Grant, we have been able to install a sport barrier netting on our oval. Last week the poles were raised, just in time for the usual Thursday soccer game. Despite blizzard like conditions, bogging of the concrete truck and rain, it was a pleasant sight once the installation was complete. We are appreciative of this grant, which continues providing our school with such innovative equipment.

Reminders

Uniforms

Please be reminded that all students should be in their full formal winter uniform upon return to Term 3. If students require new uniforms, please to contact Mrs Esther Ziegelmann during the holidays.

Pick Up / Drop Off

We would like to remind families when dropping off or picking up their students from school, to adhere to the 25km per hour speed limit to ensure the safety of all.

Lobethal Christian Fellowship Church Welcomes You

Lobethal Christian Fellowship Church holds services on Sundays at 10.30am and a devotional service on Tuesdays evenings at 7pm.

We extend a warm welcome to you to come along and join us. Church lunches are also held on the first Sunday of every month.

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