Dear Parents and Carers,

Usually More Reminders does not have much input from me but since this is our last week there’s some key reminders I’d like you to be informed about…

Congratulations!

Mrs Stephanie Meagher gave birth to a healthy baby boy last Friday – Lewis James. Mum and baby are doing very well.

Miss Sophie Cummins got engaged last weekend, which is very exciting.

Annabelle Graham, in Yr 2, was baptised into the Catholic Church last weekend - Annabelle is blessed with the Spirit and a disciple of Jesus.

ANZAC Liturgy

St Thomas More’s ANZAC Day Liturgy will be held this Friday, April 8, commencing at 9am in the Holy Faith Hall. Parents are warmly invited to attend and commemorate this special Centenary Year. Special thanks to Sonja Mingay for all the organisation. Thank you also to John Fenwick who will give a reflection at the liturgy and Caroline Bourne who will read the Peace Prayer.

Play Equipment

I had a meeting last week with the After School Care director. She brought to my attention that they have, as part of their contract, access to the play equipment from 3:30pm every day. I am asking that all parents and students clear this area at 3:30pm. Thank you for your understanding.

NAPLAN

In May 2016 the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3 and 5. The tests will be conducted across Australia on the following dates:

Tuesday, 10th May - Language Conventions & Writing

Wednesday 11th May - Reading

Thursday 12th May - Numeracy

Friday 13th May - A ‘catch-up’ day is scheduled for any students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.
Catholic Schools Soccer Carnival

STM entered 2 teams to play in the carnival last Sunday. The students represented St Thomas More’s with great sportsmanship and enthusiasm. Thank you to Mr Dayne Spencer for all his organisation, along with Miss Jessica Pearson. Thanks also to all the parents who supported the students on the day.

Pick Up Arrangements

All students must be collected from the top of the basketball court area. Thank you for your cooperation. When children wait in other areas they are not fully supervised.

Staffing News

We welcome Mrs Pauline Griffiths to our staff at the beginning of next term. Pauline will be our Music Teacher and will work in our school every Tuesday. Pauline comes to us with outstanding experience and qualifications. Our students will now have 3 specialist classes - Library, Italian and Music.

May you know the mercy of God,

Julie Wiley Principal (Acting).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES

PUT THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARY if you are interested in enrolling your child to participate in the First Holy Communion program for 2016

TERM 2 Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Catechesis Sundays are:

May: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
June: 5, 19, 26 (12 is a Public Holiday weekend)

Where: St Thomas More’s Church

Date and time for Parent Information Evening will go home in Week 1, Term 2.