

# Archbishop's LifeLink Day 2023

## PRIMARY SCHOOLS SPECIAL ACTIVITY

Most Rev Timothy Costelloe SDB  
Archbishop of Perth

Most Rev Donald Sproxton  
Auxiliary Bishop of Perth  
Chairman, LifeLink

**PROJECT:** In groups, students to create a collage from newspaper headlines and images.

### TASK:

Newspapers and magazines are full of information about social issues and injustices; whether it is through articles highlighting issues or articles that discuss issues.

- 1. Research the LifeLink Agencies [lifelink.com.au/agencies-contacts](http://lifelink.com.au/agencies-contacts)** Identify the issues people in need face here in the Perth Archdiocese that the LifeLink agencies support.
- 2. Search through newspapers and magazines.** As you are searching, think about the role that newspapers and magazines play in creating or stopping the issues people in need face in our society today.
- 3. Look for headlines, phrases and words that represent injustices/issues** which are relevant to the LifeLink agencies and cut them out.
- 4. Arrange the headlines, words and phrases into an interesting collage composition or shape** on an 1 x A3 sheet of paper. The way you arrange your items could also enhance what you are trying to express. When you are happy with the arrangement, glue them down. You may even like to draw/paint over the top.
- 5. Get inspiration from these examples:**



- 6. Discuss how your school can fundraise to help support the work of the LifeLink agencies,** and care for people in need within the community.
- 7. Plan your school's LifeLink Day fundraising activity/activities** and when this will be held during the school year.
- 8. Please bring your school's collages to** The **Archbishop's Office Launch** of his **LifeLink Day 2023** for **Primary Schools** on **Wednesday 7 June 2023.**

# Sharing Students Learning & Creativity



**On the 8<sup>th</sup> of August each year we celebrate the Solemnity of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's beloved first saint.**

On this day, we celebrate the important role she played in making education accessible for children in our country. Mary MacKillop devoted her life to ensuring a holistic Catholic education for children from rural, poor families.

Archbishop Costelloe SDB said, *"What an amazing woman Mary was, guided by an unshakeable love of God and called to the service of the poor and the marginalised across Australia. She faced many challenges and experienced many hardships... and yet she endured.*

*Her motto: 'never see a need without doing something about it' became the foundation for her response to need in the community - educating the poor, caring for the sick and providing shelter for women and children. Saint Mary MacKillop often said:*

***'We must teach more by example, than by word.'***

*She tried hard every day to demonstrate respect for the dignity of every person she met, to help in any way she could, whether a friend or colleague, homeless or poor, aged or infirm.*

*Our LifeLink agencies reach out to help people in need in the community. Through your support of LifeLink Day, you are continuing the tradition of Saint Mary, demonstrating in a very real and practical way, your love and compassion for our brothers and sisters in need."*

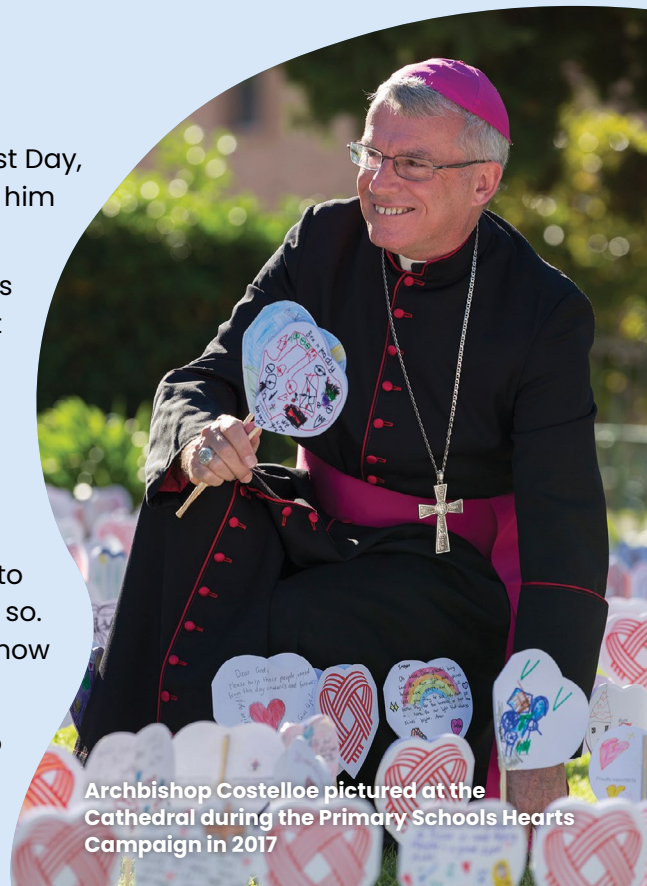
## Celebrating your students work at St Mary's Cathedral

**On Saturday 5th August 2023**, in advance of Saint Mary's Feast Day, the Archbishop will invite selected schools and students to join him at St Mary's Cathedral for a special project.

All of the creative collage submissions received from schools and students for LifeLink Day 2023 will be used to create a giant Cross within the grounds of St Mary's Cathedral.

### The Cross symbolises:

- **Life**, it points to overcoming of suffering through the resurrection of Christ.
- **Hope**, it is a calling for us to decide to live as Christians and to trust in the promise that we will be given the strength to do so. It is a commitment to remain strong in our faith no matter how difficult life become.
- **Identity**, a reminder of our religion and a representation to the world of who we are, it marks us as followers of Christ, the body of the Church.



Archbishop Costelloe pictured at the Cathedral during the Primary Schools Hearts Campaign in 2017