



Dear Parents,

We are excited to announce that our school is once again participating in Socktober, an inspiring initiative of Catholic Mission. Socktober is a meaningful way for our students to engage with social justice and the very important work of global mission through the world game of soccer. Amid the excitement of the FIFA Women's World Cup, what better time than now to get involved? I encourage your family to sign up today as part of our team Our Lady of Good Counsel Legends.

Socktober 2023 presents a wonderful opportunity for our students to make a positive impact, simply by kicking their goals. This initiative will not only teach them valuable lessons about compassion and global awareness but also allow them to actively contribute to the lives of others in a fun and interactive way.

This year, the focus of Socktober's fundraising efforts is on Timor-Leste. Specifically, the proceeds will benefit vulnerable young people attending a medical clinic and a children's home in Venilale. Our contributions can help children who truly need it to access better health, nutritional and educational outcomes, showcasing the spirit of solidarity that defines our school community.

We understand that economic circumstances can vary, but even a small gesture can create a significant change in the lives of these children. By signing up today at **socktober.org.au**, our students will have the chance to choose the goals they want to kick and seek sponsorships from far and wide, all contributing to a meaningful cause. All that's required of you is to help them sign up, kickstart their fundraising with a small gift if possible, and then share their page with your network.

We will keep you informed about our progress and any related events through our school newsletter and emails when necessary. In Term 4, we will have our school's Socktober Event Day, where students will engage in a Socktober Shootout. It's a day of fun, education, and giving back, and you are welcome to join us if possible.

Thank you for your continued support in making Socktober 2023 a success at our school. Together, we can create positive change and teach our students the importance of empathy and kindness.

Yours sincerely,

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