

# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Volume 2



15<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers



## **SCHOOL MANTRA 2019**

*"Find happiness in making others happy" – Mary MacKillop*

Sunday Gospel Account

"Blessed are you who are poor for the kingdom of God is yours." Luke 6: 17, 20-26. This

Sunday's Gospel more than any other goes to the heart of what being a true disciple and follower of Jesus is all about. Jesus dismisses the scribes and Pharisees as he sees in them a rigidness that is about being legalistic even in the face of helping the poor. Our understanding is that Jesus welcomes people to use their talents to become wealthy, but do it in such a way as to not be boastful or announcing to the world 'Look what I am doing!' He also sends a clear message, in saying, that by all means we should be prayerful and ritualistic in our worshipping, but don't then jump in your car leaving the carpark of the church and not allow others into the line who are also leaving. *Actions and deeds speak far louder than words!*

It is wonderful to see our children fully engaged in the authentic learning experiences offered throughout the school this week. We began last Monday with a celebration of the Beginning of School Year Mass with Fr Dat blessing us for our year ahead and commissioning our Year 6 Leaders in their various roles. Fr Dat also congratulated the students for their participation in the Eucharistic celebration.



### **DATES FOR NEXT WEEK (WK 3)**

Monday  
February 18

Tuesday  
February 19

P&F Meeting 7pm

Wednesday  
February 20

School Banking

**Uniform Shop Open  
8:00-10:30am  
1:20-3:20pm**

Thursday  
February 21

Friday  
February 22

P&F Sundowner

Saturday  
February 23

Mater Christi Commissioning  
Mass – Staff/Board, P&F  
Executive

Return of Sacramental  
enrolment forms -6pm

Sunday  
February 24

Return of Sacramental  
enrolment forms – 8am,10am,  
5pm Mass

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Thank you to the many parents who attended the Parent Information and Community Sessions. The teachers and the Leadership Team appreciated your attendance as it continued to affirm our partnership with you in educating all our children and we are very privileged that you have entrusted us with this endeavour.



**PLEASE  
READ**

The newsletter is our number one form of communication. While we always endeavour to communicate as clearly, accurately and regularly as we can, we ask that you read the newsletter weekly so that you do not miss important information.

We also use the Skoolbag App for sharing information succinctly. Please download the Skoolbag App so that you can receive these alerts in a timely manner and are aware of vital information.



I would like to remind families about road safety around the school and in the school car park. The safety of our students is paramount and every one of us has a responsibility to ensure they are safe. REMEMBER WE ALWAYS REVERSE PARK ON THE VERGE, TOP OVAL and SCHOOL CARPARK. If you use drive thru, keep behind the car in front of you and don't leave large spaces between you and the car in front, or stay under the shade of the tree in drive thru rather than moving forward. We are fortunate to have a long drive thru and this allows more cars to be off the road ensuring better traffic flow on Yangebup Road.

Please do not park in driveways or use the main school carpark as a drop off area. To ensure that drive thru and the car park run smoothly, we are required to follow these simple and common-sense guidelines.

**Regular school attendance is essential.** While parents are legally responsible for the regular attendance of their children, staff members are here to work in partnership with parents by monitoring student attendance daily, including part or whole day absences, as part of their duty of care and legislative requirements. If your child is absent, please email the school or write a note to the classroom teacher to advise the date/s they will be absent and the reason. If your child is arriving late or leaving early, please ensure you bring your child to the Office to sign them in or out. Legally we are required to keep a record of parent notification for when a student is absent including part absences.

If your child will be absent due to a family holiday or special occasion, you are required to complete the pink Leave Form. Please ensure you submit this form at least two weeks prior to the first day of absence.



All students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 are expected to arrive at school between the first bell at 8:30 am and the second bell at 8.45am to be ready for the morning session.

Please do not hesitate to contact your classroom teacher or a member of the Leadership Team if you have any questions or concerns. We are here to support and work with you to ensure your child has a rewarding and happy year of learning at Mater Christi.

**Everyone is invited to the first P&F Meeting for 2019 on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Staff Room.**

*God Bless,  
Toni Kalat*

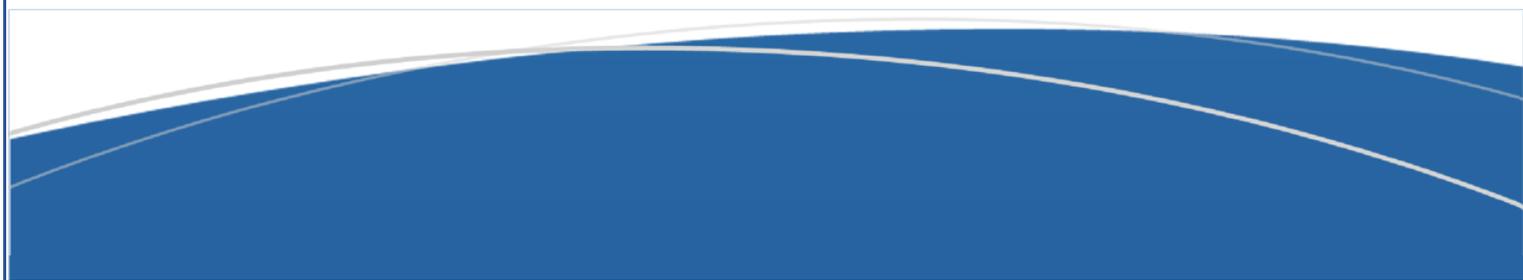


### **Congratulations**

Congratulations are in order for the Bates Family (Abigail, PPB) on the birth of their baby boy this week. We pray for much rest and wonderful moments at this very special time for your family.

### **Don't Forget!**

Last week, yellow family detail notes were sent home with your eldest child. Please make sure these forms are up-to-date and returned to the front office by Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> February. If you have lost yours or need a replacement, please email [rebekah.dsouza@cewa.edu.au](mailto:rebekah.dsouza@cewa.edu.au). Thank you.



## Religious Education

*He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak* Mark 7: 31-37

### Mass: Blessing of Student Leaders

On Monday, we celebrated our first whole school Mass for 2019, welcoming all new students and staff to our community, and also blessing our Year 6 Student Leaders. Thank you to our student readers and Altar Servers, our wonderful choir and the many others that helped make our first Mass very special.



### Parish Sacramental program

Those children participating in the Sacrament of Confirmation, First Eucharist (Holy Communion) or Penance (Reconciliation) in 2019 will need to collect a Sacramental enrolment form at any of the four Masses at Mater Christi Church this weekend.

### Altar Servers

Students in Years 5 and 6 who have received the Sacrament of First Eucharist and attend weekend Mass are invited to offer their service during school led Masses. Altar Serving is an opportunity for students to further their understanding of the Mass' parts, rituals and symbols.

*"Serving at the altar is a privileged way to draw closer to Jesus, which in turn enables you to open yourselves to others, to journey together, to set demanding goals and to find the strength to achieve them." Pope Francis then went on to say "The closer you are to the altar, the more you will remember to speak with Jesus in daily prayer; the more you will be nourished by the word and the body of the Lord, the better able you will be to go out to others, bringing them the gift that you have received, giving in turn with enthusiasm the joy you have received."*

Please discuss with your child if they would like to Altar Serve at school. If interested your child can then inform their class teacher to be added to the list of Servers for our Masses in 2019. Altar Servers are supported to fulfil their role by our Head Boy and Girl Altar Servers.

God Bless

Julie Southwell, Assistant Principal

## Parish News

### Mater Christi Youth Sausage Sizzle

Sausage before onion or onion before sausage? It's one of the key decisions Australians WILL be making this weekend!

This weekend after the 10am and 5pm Masses the Mater Youth (MY) Team is holding a fundraising Sausage Sizzle. So, come prepared to help out MY and tuck into a snagger – you can have your onion on top or under the sausage – you're allowed to decide around here!! \$2.50 for a sausage in a bun or \$4.00 for a sausage sizzle & drink.

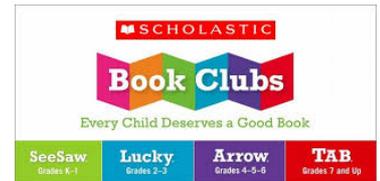


## Library News

Dear Parents,

Mater Christi School participates in the Scholastic Book club. Catalogues are distributed to the students about 8 times a year. This is a great way to purchase books for your children and earn points for our school which are used to obtain books for the library.

If you wish to order from an issue please follow the listed procedures:



- **Log-in to [www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or download our NEW iPhone and iPad app from the App Store!**
- For a quick start, just click on **ORDER** in the top menu or **REGISTER** first to save your details for next time
- Select your school and your child's class
- Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for) i.e. John S.
- Enter the item number from the Book Club brochure
- You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school
- All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date
- **Do not return paper order forms, cash or payment receipt details to your school!**
- **No late orders will be accepted. If you order after the due date you will need to pay a delivery fee to have the order delivered to your home.**
- For a quick how-to-order video, log-in to [www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) and click on **HELP** in the top menu.

Please feel free to come and see me in the Library if you have any queries.

Kind Regards, Emily Gowland, Library Officer

**Book club is due Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 3pm**

**No cash payments or paper orders please. Please use LOOP on scholastic website.**

**Any orders placed after the closing date and time will be charged \$4.99 for home delivery.**

### Use of Student Images/Names

With the increasing use of ICT at Mater Christi, student images and/or names may appear on class blogs, in the school newsletter or on class made DVD's.

**If you DO NOT wish your child/ren's names or images to appear, please return the notice below to the front office by Friday 22nd February 2019.**

I \_\_\_\_\_ parent/guardian of

\_\_\_\_\_ (name all children)

in class/es \_\_\_\_\_

**Please note a new form is required to be completed and signed each year**

## Reading Recovery

This year is the tenth year Reading Recovery has been in operation at Mater Christi. It comes under the banner of RAISe ie helping your child get a good start in literacy and numeracy with structured dedicated time in these areas.

Reading Recovery was developed as a result of extensive research into literacy education and the trailing of teaching procedures by Marie Clay, a professor of Education at the University of Auckland, New Zealand.

Reading Recovery is a research-based intervention program with the prime goal of accelerating literacy learning for struggling students. Research evidence supports that Reading Recovery is a means of accelerating the development of early reading and writing.

Reading Recovery provides early literacy intervention to promote reading and writing competency, by fostering a development of these skills. This is achieved by tailoring individualised lessons for each student, where the child receives intensive teaching for half an hour each day on a one-to-one basis, during school time for a 12 – 20-week period. Children's progress is tracked daily using a variety of means that inform each day's lessons to maximise achievement and accelerate literacy learning.

Young children are best suited for the program because Reading Recovery relies on the teacher hearing what the children do with their reading to provide the most appropriate intervention before reading becomes a silent process. Early intervention is also important because the young brain can be rewired before neural networks become cemented.

Tracy Duffy & Paulina Sweeney (Reading Recovery Teachers)

PS: Looking for tips to encourage and instil a love of reading? Click on this link!

<http://susanstephenson.com.au/encouraging-kids-read/>



## What's Happening in Science This Term

Hello parents and welcome to 2019 Science! This term the whole school are learning about different topics within the Biological Sciences.

Pre-Primary are settling beautifully into the Science classroom and are learning what it means to be a scientist and how we can use our senses. They are making observations about the world around them and learning how different living things have needs and wants.

Year 1 students are becoming getting up close and personal with worms, snails and ants! They will explore how these animals move, feed and protect themselves and compare the habitats of these and other animals.

Year 2 students have silk worm eggs to look after and will be observing how they change and grow as they learn about the life cycles of different animals. Students will also explore how animals grow under different conditions.

Year 3 students will be channelling their inner taxonomists as they identify criteria to classify something as 'living'. Students will learn about different groupings of animals, such as vertebrates and invertebrates and the features of each.

Year 4 students have planted beans seeds to explore the life stages of plants. As well as learning about seeds, flowers, fruit and their role in pollination and germination, they will also look at how plants and animals rely on environmental conditions and each other to survive.

Year 5 students will be learning about particular structural features and adaptations of desert plants and animals. They will also be comparing them to plants and animals that live in other environments.

Year 6 students will be microbiologists for the term, learning about the role of mould and fungi and how these organisms can help or hinder humans. Students will be exploring the physical conditions required for organisms to grow, particularly mould.

I am looking forward to an enjoyable term!

Haylee Klupp, Science Specialist



# *What's Happening at School This Term*

## **3-Year-Old Kindy**

What an awesome start to 3-year-old Kindy! The children have enjoyed exploring their new classroom and meeting new friends.

This term, we will be discussing the topics 'Colours', 'Easter - New Life' and 'All about Me and My Friends'. Social and emotional skill development will be a priority, including listening to our friends, and teachers, following instructions and, asking and answering questions. In addition, we will explore several concepts throughout the term, including talking about God and Jesus through everyday experiences, name recognition, learning the names of colours, counting skills to 10, and sorting and classifying. Through indoor and outdoor play, the children will be working on developing their gross and fine motor skills.

We look forward to working in partnership with all our families and to a happy and fun term.

## **Kindy**

What a great start to the new Kindy year! The children have had a wonderful time exploring their new classroom and meeting new friends.

In Kindergarten we build on small successes. We endeavour to praise each achievement, no matter how little, and encourage your child to share something special that has happened at Kindy. It might be something like being able to pack their bag or building a block tower, in this we celebrate success together. Through positive reinforcement, we hope to keep your child enthusiastic and proud of their achievements.

This term, we will be discussing the topics 'All About Me', 'Family' and 'Easter- New Life'. Social and emotional skill development will be a priority, including developing communication skills, following instructions and how to make good choices and be a good friend. In addition, we will also focus on several concepts throughout the term. These will include 'Getting to know Jesus' and how to pray, counting skills to 10, one to one correspondence to 10, 2D shapes and their names, sorting and classifying, patterning, concepts of print, syllabification of words, learning Peggy Lego prompts for writing and name recognition.

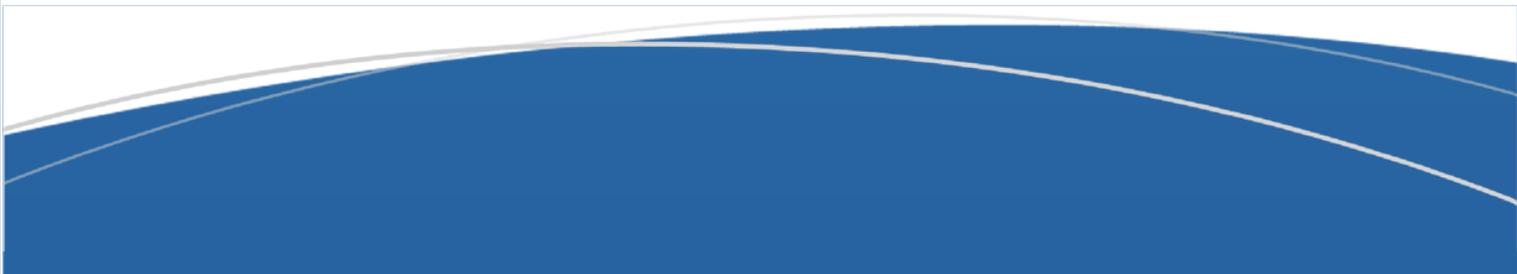
We look forward to a happy and productive term with all the Kindy kids this term.

## **Pre-Primary**

Welcome to a new year in Pre-Primary! This term will be all about establishing routines as the children settle into full time schooling.

We will be focusing our learning around the themes 'Our Family' and 'All About Me.' In Religious Education, we will be exploring Easter through discussions about new life and the Easter story. We will also be introducing Making Jesus Real, a program that helps the children to see the God Moments in everyday life and within their actions.

In Literacy, the children will be engaging in learning experiences that promote oral language and letter/sound knowledge. In Numeracy, we will be focusing on recognising, writing, ordering and making collections of numbers 1 to 20. We look forward to an exciting and busy term ahead!



## **Year One**

Welcome to a wonderful and exciting year in Year One! We have started off this term by establishing our expectations and routines to assist children in settling into life as a Year One student. This term in Religious Education we will be exploring friendship, being special and Easter. During Literacy time, we will be practising our reading and writing skills, as well as learning lots of new activities. Our Numeracy focus is on developing our number sense using a wide range of hands on activities. We will also be exploring length and capacity. In our investigation time we will be exploring the difference in family sizes, structures and roles today and how they have changed over time. We are looking forward to a fantastic and busy term ahead!

## **Year Two**

Welcome back to school! We hope everyone had a restful holiday and are ready for a term filled with lots of learning. In Religion this term our topics are 'Loving Our Differences' and 'Just Like Jesus'. In Geography this term we are focusing on Australia's location in relation to other parts of the world and how we are connected to them. In Literacy, we will be focusing on recount and procedure writing as well as a variety of reading strategies, phonemic awareness and listening skills. During Maths lessons we will be learning about place value, number stories, addition and subtraction. We are excited for the learning journey to commence!

## **Year Three**

What a great start to the year it has been for our Year 3 students with the excitement of Edu-Dance this term. This year, our Religious Education units begin by focusing on the Church, followed by our Lent/Easter unit. Our Numeracy focus is on Number and Place Value with an emphasis on consolidating and learning mental computation and problem-solving strategies. Numeracy will be taught using interactive programs such as Mathletics and other hands-on resources to promote conceptual understanding. In Literacy, we will be writing narratives and putting our powers of persuasion into practice while we prepare for NAPLAN in Term 2. We will continue to use Diana Rigg as our spelling program. We are exploring Australia, its neighbouring countries and its natural features in HASS, while in Health we focus on Social Skills. We look forward to meeting you all and the excitement that Year Three will bring.

## **Year Four**

2019 is a particularly special year for the children as they will be making their First Holy Communion in Term Three.

This term, our topics in Religion will be All Powerful God and Loved and Forgiven, while Making Jesus Real as part of everyday school life.

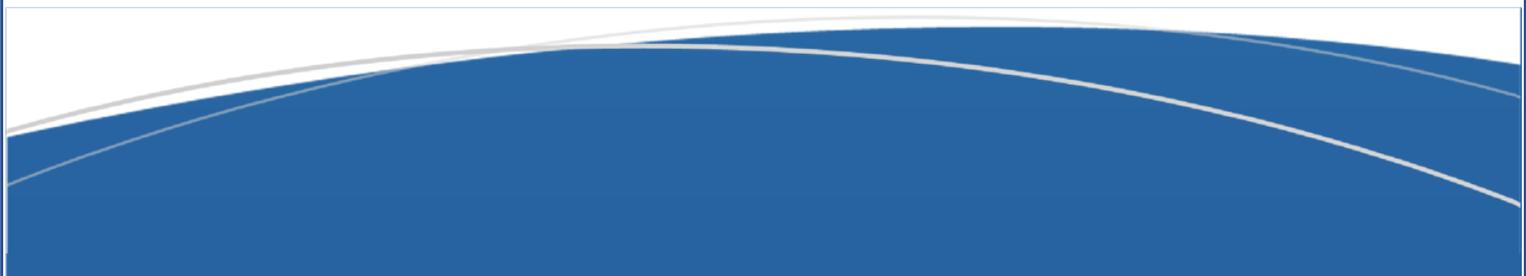
In English we are learning about narratives while also implementing a program that emphasizes on vocabulary, connectives, sentences and punctuation.

During our Math lessons we will be working on place value, addition and subtraction. Learning our times tables, mental computation and problem solving will also be included in the Math program.

We will be learning about the African and Australian environment during Geography lessons.

Finally, in Health we will be focusing on Cyber Safety and Bullying.

We look forward to a fantastic term with the students.



## Year Five

We have had a busy start to the year and find it hard to believe we are now ending Week Two.

In Religious Education, the units of work we will be covering are 'We are Called' and 'Choosing to Do Good.' As we near Lent, it is a good opportunity for students to reflect on the choices they make.

In Mathematics we are beginning the year with place value looking at factors and multiples, rounding, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also be learning about 24-hour time, angles and three-dimensional shapes. We will continually be revising our times tables.

In English we will continue using the VCOP program, which focuses on improving the use of vocabulary, connectives, openers and punctuation in their writing. Students will explore the text structures of the narrative and persuasive genres. Our reading strategies for this term are predicting, clarifying, questioning and summarising.

Our Humanities and Social Science unit of work will be focused on Geography. Students will complete a research project on North and South America. We will end the term learning about bushfire safety and prevention.

Our Technologies unit, will focus on food and fiber production, suitability of materials and tools and food hygiene.

In Art, we are exploring visual techniques such as optical illusions, line landscape and zentangle city landscapes.

In Health, we will discuss strategies that help us to stay safe. We will further investigate the physical warning signs that indicate our level of safety. We will also identify possible risks that could potentially lead to personal and community emergencies.

We are very excited to begin our Christian Service Learning visits to Frank Prendergast House in a few weeks' time. After a short warm up with swimming trials this week, the Swimming Carnival in Week 6 can't come soon enough. The students will be exhausted at the end of Week 8 as they will also be hosting the assembly on Friday that week. Prepare to be dazzled by their stage presence.

We are really looking forward to a productive term ahead.

## Year Six

The Year Six lobby is full of excited and energetic students, who are eager to kick start their last year at MCCPS off with a bang! Camp preparations are well underway and we are all keenly counting down the weeks until we head off to Forest Edge Recreation Camp in Week 5. This will be a great chance to challenge ourselves, expand our paradigms, strengthen our friendships and create lasting memories. In Year 6 we aim to develop our leadership skills and in doing so, we strive to uphold and live out the 2019 Mantra, "Find happiness in making others happy". During our Numeracy Dedicated Time our focus is on Number and Measurement, whilst in Literacy we are focusing on recount and report writing. In Health, the Keeping Safe program sees us delve into discussions about us all having the right to be safe. Our History unit is equipping us with the knowledge about how and why Australia became a nation through Federation. It will be a busy start to the year, but we look forward to working together to foster a lifelong love of learning!

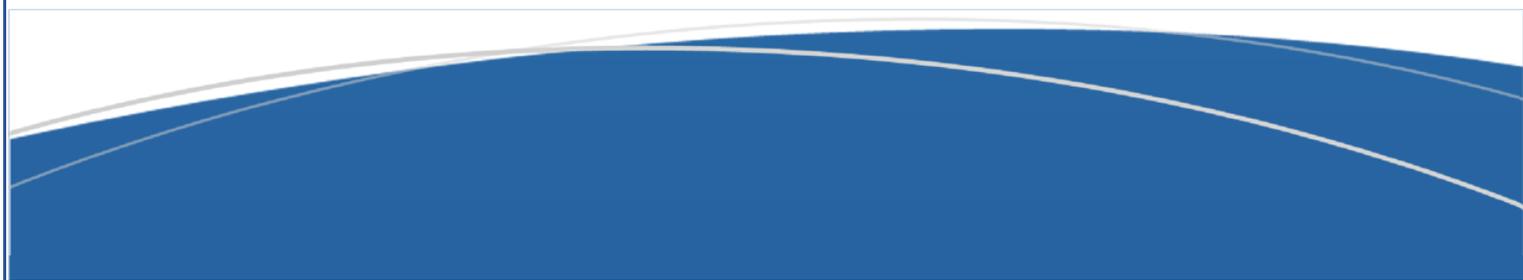
## *What's Happening in Music This Term*

First, I would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to everyone for attending the 2018 Mater Christi End of Year Christmas Concert. It was a fantastic night and the kids looked amazing! We look forward to doing it all again this year!

During music lessons, students will learn how to explore, make, reflect and connect with music.

This term in Music, our junior students will focus on improvising with voice, movement and play to explore/create music ideas and develop aural skills by exploring beat, rhythm, tempo and pitch.

Our senior students will explore the elements of rhythm, pitch, tempo and timbre through creating and composing songs on the xylophones and playing a range of percussion instruments.



## **Mater Christi Instrumental Program 2019**

### **Enrollments for term 1, have now closed.**

The **Instrumental Program** has now commenced. I would like to welcome back all of our tutors for 2019 and especially welcome our new piano tutor, Marica Jurkowski.

If your child missed out and would like to learn an instrument in Term 2, please fill out an Instrumental Program Agreement and return it by end of the term. This can be found on the school website, in the office or music room. Please note that the terms and conditions have been updated, so please read carefully before enrolling your child. Guitar lessons will start in Week 3.

### **Reminders**

- Students will receive a **Communication Book**. This book is to be brought to every lesson so that tutors can set homework and communicate with parents.
- Invoice/Payments/Receipts are directly to the tutors.
- Please make sure you have read all the **Terms and Conditions** of the program.

<b>Instrument</b>	<b>Tutor Name</b>	<b>Email</b>	<b>Working Day</b>
Piano	Mr Redwan Ali	rali@alumni.berklee.edu	Monday/Thursday
Piano	Mrs Marica Jurkowski	maricajurkowski@gmail.com	Tuesday
Drums	Mr Reggie De Souza	reggied@westnet.com.au	Wednesday
Guitar	Mr Rudy Yusof	ryusof@hotmail.com	Tuesday/Thursday
Voice	Mrs Galina Bratanova	gbratanova@yahoo.com	Tuesday/Friday

### **Mater Christi Choirs**

Junior and Senior Choir will start in Week 3.

**Junior Choir** is open to students in **Years 2 and 3** and **Senior Choir** is open to **Years 4, 5 and 6**. The **Year 6 Vocal Ensemble** will begin later in the term. The Vocal Ensemble, Junior and Senior choir participate in the Catholic Performing Arts, School Masses, Christmas Concert and other school related events. Both choirs are open to all students and are not auditioned. Auditions for the Year 6 Vocal Ensemble will take place later in the term. There is no cost to joining any of these groups and all rehearsal take place during school hours.

### **Rehearsal Times**

Senior Choir Rehearsals	Thursday	2.15pm
Junior Choir Rehearsals	Friday	10.00am
Year 6 Girls Vocal Ensemble	TBA	

If you have any questions, please feel free to come and see me ☺

Ms Alison Clunies-Ross, Music Specialist, Performing Arts & Instrumental Program Coordinator

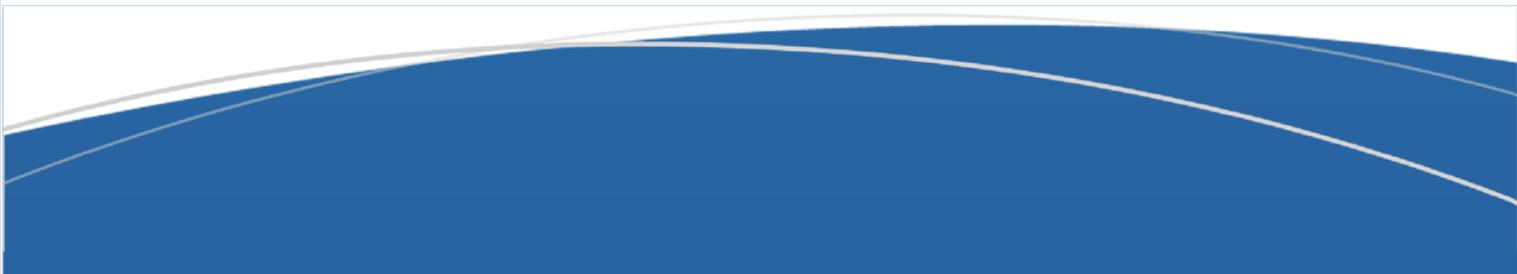
### **After School Soccer Coaching Clinics Term 1**



All Pre-Primary to Year 3 children were given a registration form for an After-School Soccer Coaching Clinic starting Monday the 25th of February (3.20pm – 4.20pm). We will conduct it on the school grounds.

The activity is coordinated and run by Physical Education and/or Soccer Specialists; all with their Working with Children Checks. The Clinic focuses on **Maximum Participation** during **Organised** and **Fun** 6 x 1 Hour sessions. The cost for the clinic is \$80.00 per child.

If you are interested in letting your child learn and play this World Game in fun sessions and you have not yet registered, then please register online at [www.play4life.com.au](http://www.play4life.com.au) or complete the registration form and return it to reception by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. (Spare registration forms are available at reception). If you have any queries, please call Jacob Aquino on 6162 0932.



# What's Happening in Drama This Term

The junior focus for this term is "**Creative Play and Using our Imagination!**" Play is exploratory, often without being clearly aware of the learning that is taking place. In their play, children take on roles; explore stories and experiment with sounds, patterns and movements.

Creative Play is important for learning and development in the early years as it:

- Encourages the child's creativity and visual expression
- Helps the child to express feelings, thoughts and ideas in verbal and non-verbal ways
- Develops problem solving skills, thinking and motor skills through role play and storytelling.

**Most importantly, their self-esteem and confidence flourish in and through the Arts!**

The senior focus is on "**Improvisation**", this stimulates the imagination and the spontaneity in the moment! The students will enjoy Drama games that develop confidence and a sense of fun. As well as this, the students will be encouraged to imagine, explore, create, and share through open ended activities.

In Drama, as you are aware, there is an ongoing focus on the children learning to become more **resilient**. Being resilient is the human capacity to bounce back from life's ups and downs and this can mean a variety of things to different children. We are using the '**Friendly Schools Plus**' as a teaching and learning resource and this term the focus will be on **Self Awareness**. Its aim is to develop the student's social and emotional intelligence to enable them to:

**Recognize and control their emotions | Build positive relationships | Show consideration for others  
Make thoughtful and sensible choices | Cope successfully with difficult situations**

Along with this, as a school our main emphasis is on "**Making Jesus Real**" (MJR). It is centered on the belief that we are the image of Jesus to all those around us.

MJR values include respect, honesty, trustworthiness, understanding, tolerance and inclusion. They focus on the Gospel values of compassion, justice, humility and forgiveness. These values also encourage students to do their best, treat others fairly, be responsible for their actions and stand up for others against bullying.

Mrs. Pottier, Drama Specialist

## P&F News

**Everyone is invited to the first P&F Meeting for 2019 on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Staff Room.**

### **Kindy C Catch up**

Chipmunks Bibra Lake, Foodbank WA Food Charity Day

Date: Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019 at 9am

Contact: Lesley Pascuzzi on 0409 913 545

**No need to RSVP!**





# **Mater Christi Catholic Primary School and Emmanuel Catholic College Enviro Club**



The Emmanuel Environmental Leadership Squad would like to invite students from Mater Christi Catholic Primary School to join the Enviro Club for 2018.

## **History**

In 2011 Emmanuel started a committee to deal with litter and waste in the College. Since then, students have been involved in leadership opportunities, workshops, creating and maintaining the College garden, worm farms and recycling programs covering paper, cans and mobile phones.

The Emmanuel Environmental Leadership Squad (EELS) has won a number of awards and has worked to gain and maintain accreditation as a Waste Wise and Keep Australia Beautiful Clean school. In 2014, the Litter Task Force won the Keep Australia Beautiful STAR Youth Achievement Award as well as the overall Chairman's Award for Excellence. In 2015 the College won a Highly Commended Award at the Waste Authority's Infinity Awards in both the categories of Waste Wise Schools and Waste Champion (Lee Durrant 2014 Environmental Captain). In 2016 the College won the Waste Authority's Infinity Awards in both the categories of Waste Wise Schools and Waste Champion (Mrs Kylie Kingdon).



## **Enviro Club**

Created in 2013, the Enviro Club is aimed at year 7-9 students and looks at the practical side of the environmental programs at the College. The Enviro Club maintains the worm farms, organises the can recycling and looks after the College veggie garden. Students bond over afternoon tea before heading off to complete a number of environmentally friendly tasks to help close the waste cycle. Students get to take home the produce they have helped grow. In previous years we had a bumper harvest of celery, lettuce, chives and parsley to name a few. Students also got to take home tomato plants, cuttings from various plants and their own little worm farm.



## **Partnership with Mater Christi**

We would like to offer the high school students a chance to develop their environmental leadership whilst teaching Mater Christi students the importance of recycling, worm farming and how to reduce the amount of waste produced. This is based on an environmental education model called 'Kids Teaching Kids'. The older students will be involved in planning the activities and teaching the younger students how to complete the tasks.

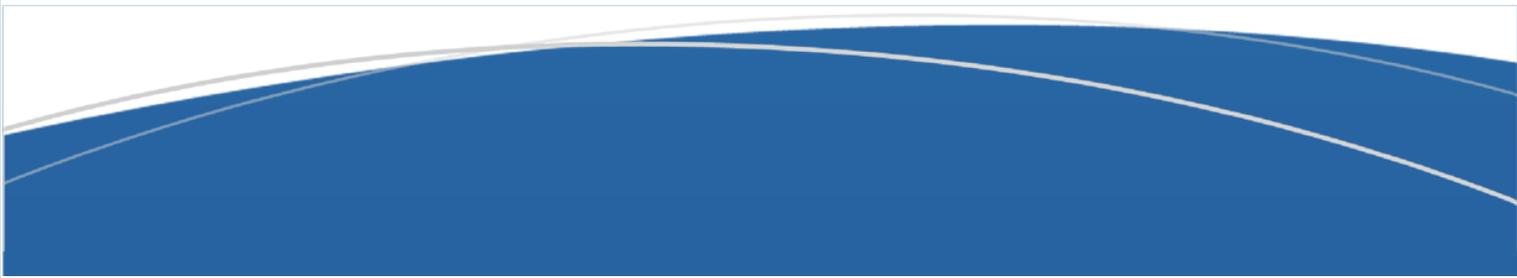


We would invite students onto the Emmanuel campus for these sessions. Parents would need to transport their children from Mater Christi Catholic Primary School to the Emmanuel campus. Parents are more than welcome to stay or they can drop students off and collect them from the campus at the end of the session.

Sessions run fortnightly on Tuesday afternoons with the first session of the year being on Tuesday 26 February 2019. Afternoon tea starts at 3:30pm with Enviro Club activities usually starting around 3:40pm. Sessions finish at 4:45pm unless started otherwise. Once your child has signed up a program of dates will be sent to you with fortnightly email reminders. Due to the nature of the work we will be completing we are inviting students from year two to year six only.

If you would like more information, please feel free to contact Miss Jessica Milne at Emmanuel Catholic College on 9414 4000 or via email ([milne.jessica@emmanuel.wa.edu.au](mailto:milne.jessica@emmanuel.wa.edu.au))

To sign your child up for Enviro Club, please follow the link <https://goo.gl/forms/QNkosaKBMmOPdT1g2>. and complete the online form or email [milne.jessica@emmanuel.wa.edu.au](mailto:milne.jessica@emmanuel.wa.edu.au). **Forms are due Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.**



## Community News

# STEM for Girls

Term 1 2019

**Tuesday 3.45 – 4.30pm**  
Junior Engineers : age 4-7 years

**Tuesday 4.15 – 5.45pm**  
Apprentice Engineers : age 7-10 years

**Tuesday 4.45 – 6.15pm**  
Master Engineers : age 10-14 years

19 February – 2 April 2019

Yangebup Family Centre  
11 Dunraven Drive, Yangebup

Engineering For Kids brings science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), to girls ages 4 to 14 in a fun and challenging way.

We are proud to inspire girls to build on their natural curiosity by teaching engineering concepts through hands-on learning.

Thanks to funding from the City of Cockburn through the Cockburn Creates initiative these workshops are being offered at heavily subsidised rates. Bookings are essential.



Bookings essential [trybooking.com/BAMOX](http://trybooking.com/BAMOX) | \$55/child (limited places with Health Care Card \$15/child)  
For any enquiries contact the YFC on 9417 9995 or [info@yangebupfamilycentre.org](mailto:info@yangebupfamilycentre.org)

Supported by



<https://bestprograms4kids.com/parent-workshops/>

**Interested in Playing Rugby League?**  
Fremantle/Cockburn Roosters Junior Rugby League Club

**Come and Try Day 2019!**  
Sunday Feb 24th / 10 am - 2 pm  
Ken Allen Field  
Cor Jeffery & Shepherd Streets, Hilton

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IF INTERESTED IN ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT:  
Mike Scales  
0848 87 844 | [j.peters@roosters.com.au](mailto:j.peters@roosters.com.au)

**Kids LOVE Drama**  
PARENTS LOVE THE RESULTS

- BOOST CONFIDENCE
- INCREASE SELF ESTEEM
- LEARN LIFE SKILLS
- IMPROVE COMMUNICATION
- DEVELOP DRAMA SKILLS

WEEKLY CLASSES ENROLLING NOW  
KINDY DRAMA 3-5 YEARS | LOWER PRIMARY 5-8 YEARS  
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TO FIND OUT MORE, PLEASE CONTACT US  
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[www.helenogrady.net.au](http://www.helenogrady.net.au)

# Champs of the Bay 2019

**Bay Swim - Just for Kids**

**Sunday 24 February 2019**  
(the day after the Rottnest Channel Swim)  
**Thomson Bay, Rottnest Island**

Event check-in from 7:30am to 8:40am  
First race starts at 9:00am

20% discount on ferry tickets for family & friends  
Finishers medal, swim cap & race tattoo for all swimmers  
A fun family day out, plus vouchers & giveaways

**Race distances**  
150m Splash | 300m Dash | 450m Classic | 600m Olympic  
All for kids aged 7 to 14 years

Online Entries Now Open - Only \$25  
FREE Ferry Ticket - 1st 100 Online Entries

Event proudly brought to you by **SPORTZCORP** with support from the following partners and sponsors

Major event partners: **RICC** (Rottnest Island Chamber of Commerce), **ROTTNEST EXPRESS**  
Official sponsors: **ROTTNEST GENERAL STORE**, **BOUST FUN**, **COCKBURN**  
Event supporters: **COCKBURN**

[www.champsofthebay.org.au](http://www.champsofthebay.org.au)

### SPECIAL OFFER

ENJOY SOME FAMILY FUN AT ROTTNEST ISLAND



Sunday 24 February 2019



Start the day with your kids swimming in the beautiful, calm & shallow waters of Thomson Bay as part of CHAMPS OF THE BAY 2019. Afterwards, you can kick back, relax, eat, play and enjoy a FUN FAMILY DAY OUT at Rottnest Island sampling many of the island-based activities on offer.

- Ferry from Fremantle B Shed at 7.30am, choice of return times
- Unique bay swim for kids of all swimming abilities (aged 7-14 years)
- Beautiful location in Thomson Bay next to the Just4Fun Aqua Park
- Multiple distances offered:
  - ✓ 150m Splash (1 Lap)
  - ✓ 300m Dash (2 Laps)
  - ✓ 450m Classic (3 Laps)
  - ✓ 600m Olympic (4 Laps)
- Swim cap, race tattoo, fruit, water & finisher's medal for ALL swimmers
- Short 150m swim lap in shallow water close to the shore
- Water safety, chaperones and a pit-stop platform on-course
- Spectator-friendly course to hi-5 your kids at the finish approach



And best of all, take advantage of all these special offers and discounts:

- FREE return ferry ticket with Rottnest Express for ALL swimmers
- 20% off all return ferry tickets with Rottnest Express for family & friends
- FREE Simmo's Ice Cream for ALL swimmers
- Just4Fun Aqua Park Bonus Time Voucher for ALL Swimmers
- Spot prizes (Sportzcorp, Just4Fun Aqua Park & Vorgee)

Enter online now for only \$25 at:

[www.champsofthebay.org.au](http://www.champsofthebay.org.au)

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