

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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School Mantra 2017

'Never see a need without doing something about it.'

Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Dear Parents and Carers

Holy Week



This Sunday begins the greatest week on our church's calendar. On Palm or Passion Sunday we listen to the story of Jesus' imprisonment, persecution and death. It is a sad story. Our faith tells us that Jesus beat death and as a consequence he has given hope for all who believe in him.

You would have noticed over the last five weeks of Lent that one word was missing from every Mass. This word is "Alleluia". In basic terms this means, "Praise the Lord". This word comes to life again on Easter Sunday because our faith tells us that Jesus rises from death after three days. We say Alleluia for it is reserved only for the one who is Christ our Lord, the Son of God.

"On the third day after your death, you rise again Jesus, you return to life in glory. Death could not hold you.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Jesus is risen, he is alive."

Interschool Swimming Carnival

On Tuesday Mr Donnelly and Mrs Kelly together with about 30 competitors participated in the Interschool Swimming Carnival in Rockingham. It was a perfect day to be in the water, competing for your school and attempting to achieve your personal best. Well done to all our swimmers and congratulations in placing third overall.

Edudance

How incredibly talented are our children and what fun they had in showcasing a terms hard work of dance practice to parents, grandparents and family members during this week. A very special thank you to the three teachers – Tracey Voysey, Hannah Harn and Emily Botje. I'm not sure how these ladies can teach 30 children all the moves; remain smiling and just so positive all the time. They seem to have as much fun as the children. All have commented that they love coming to Mater Christi, on how well mannered, appreciative and wonderful our children are. This is not something they experience at every school. I hope everyone appreciated the new seating arrangements for the concerts. It was an experiment and one that worked very well. Thank you to Miss Cloutt for coordinating this incursion for our school



Dates for Next Week

**Monday
24th April**

**STUDENT FREE
DAY
Catholic Day**

**Tuesday
25th April**

**PUBLIC HOLIDAY
ANZAC DAY**

**Wednesday
26th April**

**TERM TWO
COMMENCES**

School Banking

**Uniform Shop Open
8am to 10.30am
1.20pm to 3.20pm**

**Thursday
27th April**

**Friday
28th April**

9.30AM Cockburn
ANZAC
commemoration
(SRC)

2.15pm ANZAC DAY
Reflection

Saturday 29th April

Sunday 30th April
3rd Sunday of Easter

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Parent Teacher Interviews

I know that the staff slept well last night and that you have appreciated the knowledge they have on your child, their strengths, how they have been extended or supported and where to for next term. It is important that parents also understand that you are able to make an appointment to see your child's teacher during the term at a mutual time to discuss their progress or any concerns you may have. The classroom teacher should always be the first person you speak to, as they know your child best within the school.

Thank you and Best Wishes

From all of us to **Sally Van Pelt** (Admin Officer), we say thank you and farewell. Sally has been the gentle and warm face and voice of Mater Christi for the last two years. We all wish her every happiness as she embarks on new opportunities and adventures.

To **Lauren and Joel Boland** as they prepare to welcome their first child early next term. We all wish you every blessing and we know that your baby will be very blessed to have you as parents. Lauren, thank you for the way you have taught and cared for each of your students. They all know how special they are and that they mattered to you. We look forward in welcoming you back to Mater Christi with your new baby for a visit in the near future.

Winter Uniform

From the beginning of Term Two, the children in Years One - Six return to school in their full winter uniform. Please refer to the school website which lists the uniform requirements for both the girls and boys. Thank you to Ilonka Heinzle, our Uniform Manager for making sure that all orders are filled promptly and in helping parents with second hand uniforms.

Top Oval Parking



As of next term the top oval will be open and available for parking every day. We will see how this goes and if there may be a need to close it again for a short time to allow the grass and surface area to replenish. Thank you to Anthony, Luke and Edward who have nursed the area back to good health and possible use. This will also help to alleviate some parking before and after school.

Congratulations



Last week Isabella Campeotto competed in the Hong Kong International Irish Dance Premiership. Even though she is only ten she WON the Under 12's age group. She also won four Gold Medals, Silver, Bronze and another first place trophy for other sections she entered. Congratulations Isabella, what a star you are!

Wishing all our families a very Blessed Easter and Happy Holidays.

The staff and I look forward in welcoming you back to Term Two on Wednesday 26 April.

God Bless... Toni Kalat

Term Two Dates

Term Two looks just as busy as this term with many activities outside the classroom. Please see some key dates below for Term Two 2017.

24 April Pupil Free Day – Staff Catholic Day

25 April Public Holiday – ANZAC Day

26 April Term Two commences

28 April ANZAC Day Reflection 2.15pm MCCC. All parents and family members welcome

2 May Confirmation Workshops

3 May Confirmation Workshops

12 May Mothers' Day Mass & Stall – 9.45am

19 May Walk Safely to School Day

5 June Public Holiday - WA Day

23 June Australia's Biggest M/Tea – 9.45am

30 June Last day of Term Two

Our prayers and sympathies to



Mr and Mrs Barraclough, Grace (5B) on the loss of their Father, Father in law and Grandfather. May their loved ones rest in the peace and love of God.

During the school holidays student Georgia Farnan heads to London for her much awaited appointment at King's College Hospital for a Central Motor Conduction Time Test. The family have utilized funds raised by Mater Christi Community last year. Georgia's parent are very grateful for the the communities support.

Our prayers are with all these families and those in our community who are in need.

Religious Education

6th Week of Lent – Project Compassion – brings you Aloma's story

When Typhoon Santi destroyed her home in coastal Philippines, Aloma feared for her family's safety and their future. Extreme weather events such as typhoons and cyclones are a common occurrence in this country, threatening the safety and food security of many families.

In the Philippines, GDP per capita is around one-tenth that of Australia's, and life expectancy is around 14 years lower. Poverty is the single most important factor determining vulnerability to natural disasters, which makes communities like Aloma's particularly vulnerable.

However, confidence began to replace fear for Aloma as she began participating in the Integrated Community Development Program (ICDP) in 2011. The program, run by the Socio Pastoral Action Center Foundation Inc., is supported by Caritas Australia. It helps communities to prepare for disasters, and adopt environmentally friendly practices.

Aloma's training in disaster risk reduction empowered her to take a leadership role in her community in caring for the environment. She manages logistics during natural disasters, and encourages the families in her village to plant mangroves for land conservation.

The program also offers guidance on working together for the common good. As a result, Aloma says, "All the skills that I learned, I pass on to friends and neighbours."

Aloma's community now cares for their common home together, and Aloma sees a brighter future for her children.

Your donation to Caritas Australia's Project Compassion provides support to programs such as the Integrated Community Development Program (ICDP) www.caritas.org.au

Best Wishes

Courtney Dunsire

Assistant Principal



Holy Week

Next week, the first week of school holidays, is the final week of Lent – Holy Week. It is a time for entering into the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, a time for new life and growth. During this week let us unite in prayer as we pray:

Lord Jesus Christ, in this sacred and solemn week when we see again the depth and mystery of your redeeming love, help us to follow where you go, to stop where you stumble, to listen when you cry, to hurt as you suffer, to bow our heads in sorrow as you die, so that, when you are raised to life again, we may share in your endless joy. Amen.



Parish News

Confirmation Parent/Child Workshops

Online bookings for Confirmation Parent/Child workshops are now open. There are four Confirmation Parent/Child Workshops available:



- **Tuesday 2nd May** – 5pm **OR** 6:30pm
- **Wednesday 3rd May** – 5pm **OR** 6:30pm

All children with (at least) one parent are required to attend the workshop.

For log-in details please refer to the Parish website: <http://www.materchristiparish.com>

Mothers' Day Mass 2017

In Week Three next term, we will be celebrating our Mother's Day Mass on **Friday 12th May** at **9am** in the Church.



We would like to conclude the Mass by sharing a power point of all the wonderful mothers in our school.

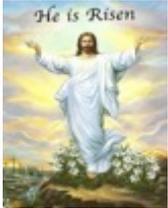
If you have a nice photo of you and your child/ren, we would love you to email it to us at admin@mcps.wa.edu.au by **Wednesday 3rd May 2017**.

Thank you!

Mothers' Day Stall

If any Dads would like to volunteer one or two hours of their time on **Friday 12th May** to serve at the Mothers' Day Stall in the undercover area, please contact Karen Simons on 0400 859 091 or tassie47@hotmail.com

HOLY WEEK AT MATER CHRISTI

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| SATURDAY 8th April | PALM SUNDAY |  |
| SUNDAY 9th April | <i>Please bring a branch</i> | |
| MONDAY 10th April | 9.00am Mass |  |
| TUESDAY 11th April | 9.00am Mass 7.00pm CHRISM MASS (in St Mary's Cathedral) | |
| WEDNESDAY 12th April | 5.00pm Eucharistic Hour 6.00pm Mass |  |
| THURSDAY 13th April | HOLY THURSDAY (Wear White) 7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper | |
| FRIDAY 14th April | GOOD FRIDAY (Wear Red) 10.00am Stations of the Cross 3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Passion |  |
| SATURDAY 15th April | HOLY SATURDAY (Wear White or Gold) 6.00pm Solemn Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter | |
| SUNDAY 16th April | EASTER SUNDAY (Wear White or Gold) Easter Masses 8.00am, 10.00am, 5.00pm |  |

Cooking Club



During the term the cooking club kids have had a wonderful time.

We have been learning lots of different skills but our main skill was mixing ingredients.

It is a work in progress with lots of practice needed to ensure correct skills have been achieved.

The children have baked things like S'mores, Creamy Macaroni and Cheese and lots of other treats.

They are able to taste their wares and even take a little something for their teachers.

Last Thursday the children made chocolate eggs and then decorated them.

As you can see they had the time of their lives.

Interschool Swimming Carnival

On Tuesday, thirty of the schools best swimmers participated in the C.P.S.S.A Interschool Swimming Carnival, which was held at the Rockingham Aquatic Centre. The weather was glorious. It was perfect for swimmers and spectators alike and it was ideal for the inspirational Mater Christi Marlins Swim Team to heat up the water and show the world their sizzling talents.

At the end of a day of spirited competition, the Mater Christi Marlins had given everything. Some of our swimmers raced in every event scheduled for their age group, which is a magnificent test of endurance and heart. During the day, we had some fantastic individual and relay results.

Two Year Five stars Nicholas Ettridge and Maia Clayden swam beautifully and came away with Champion and Runner Up Champion medallions. What an effort!

The Mater Christi Marlins ended up coming a brilliant third amongst a super-tough field where only a handful of points separated second and fourth.

A big thank you must go to the swimmers who participated so well and trained so intensely. Another thank you to all the parents that attended training or gave lifts to children and to those that supported us on the Friday. Thanks also go to Mrs Kelly for helping on the day. Don't forget to bring back your shirts ASAP.

Have an Awesome Easter Holiday and Go the Dockers!

**Ryan Donnelly
HPE Specialist**



Interschool Swimming Training

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Due to unforeseen circumstances the latest book club order will unfortunately not arrive until Term Two.

Whilst the order was processed prior to the recommended return date, the school has been informed that the order will be delayed due to Australia Post guidelines.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

**Thank you,
Emily Richards
Library Officer**

Easter Raffle Results



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|----------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Kindy A | 1st: Liam East | 2nd: Lachlan Dicker-Lee | 3rd: Adam Hall |
| Kindy B | 1st: Vince Sapienza | 2nd: Khayden Moore | 3rd: Olive Stewart |
| Kindy C | 1st: Madylin Djamil | 2nd: Madeline De Sousa | 3rd: Jessica Zanki |
| Kindy D | 1st: Eve Weir | 2nd: Alisha Lark | 3rd: Avaya Payne |
| PPA | 1st: Maria Siah | 2nd: Ziana De Souza | 3rd: Milena Duca |
| PPB | 1st: James Breglia | 2nd: Camden Mollica | 3rd: Sofia Manfrediani Collazos |
| PPC | 1st: Eli McGivern | 2nd: Benjamin Ierino | 3rd: Jayden Brown |
| 1A | 1st: Thomas Zuvela | 2nd: Stella Andelic | 3rd: Catia Letizia |
| 1B | 1st: Mason Porter | 2nd: Lilly Martin | 3rd: Ryley Connolly-Carroll |
| 1C | 1st: Maddison Babich | 2nd: Elise Taylor | 3rd: Ruby Romeo |
| 2A | 1st: Shradda Tiwari | 2nd: Sebastian Gosney | 3rd: Mila Manning |
| 2B | 1st: Nathan Hall | 2nd: William Weeks | 3rd: Stella Cripps |
| 2C | 1st: Ella Rheinberger | 2nd: Ned Patmore | 3rd: Jake McGivern |
| 3A | 1st: Lucas Phoebe | 2nd: Abbey Boatwright | 3rd: Taj Erceg |
| 3B | 1st: Taylor French | 2nd: Sianna-Marrie Egan | 3rd: Lilly Edwardes |
| 3C | 1st: Cole Clayden | 2nd: Alexis Triplett | 3rd: Miles Harding |
| 4A | 1st: Rhys DeSouza | 2nd: Dylan Ierino | 3rd: Ella Shields |
| 4B | 1st: Ruby Dobson | 2nd: Riley Skelton | 3rd: Summar Jardim |
| 4C | 1st: Chelsea Cypelt | 2nd: Jack Bartlett | 3rd: Katia De Abreu |
| 5A | 1st: Hayley Cheong | 2nd: Ella Cocksey | 3rd: Asher Leeming |
| 5B | 1st: Blake Martin | 2nd: Taj Quinlivan | 3rd: Mia Barron |
| 5C | 1st: Lincoln Casey | 2nd: Benjamin Gosney | 3rd: Zoe Perez |
| 6A | 1st: Zoe Pendleton | 2nd: Jonah Palelei | 3rd: Nicholas Goodin |
| 6B | 1st: Christian DeAbreu | 2nd: Max Gadsen | 3rd: Zac Hampel |
| 6C | 1st: Braedan Law | 2nd: Daniel Skelton | 3rd: Liam Haskins |

P&F News

Student Free Day 7th April 2017

On the next Student Free Day, staff at Mater Christi will engage in a Team Building Activity to benefit Heartkids. They will be building eight bikes at a cost of \$557.50 per bike. The P & F have generously donated to cover the cost of two bikes. If any family or business would like to help with donations towards this wonderful cause, please feel free to contact the office to pledge your support.

The P&F office bearers for 2017 are:

Teresa Lawson (President)
 Marina Hayward (Vice President)
 Leah Rheinberger (Secretary)
 Rebecca Exham (Treasurer)
 Tina Stevens (Food Co ordinator)
 Deborah Horton (Communication Coordinator)
 Leonie Jones (Class Rep Coord)
 Michelle Hall (Sun Smart Rep)
 Marina Hayward (Parish Rep)

Any comments, suggestions or queries are warmly welcome.

Please contact us on: pandf@mcps.wa.edu.au



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For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 81 Phone and Windows 81 or 10 device users:

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2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
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7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 81 version Windows Phones, or Windows 81 and 10 devices.



Find out more at www.skoolbag.com.au

Walk For Autism

A big thank you to the Mater Christi Community for supporting Zac and team Zac Attack in the Autism Walk for Awareness launch. Over 120 people came (many from Mater Christi) on Sunday to walk around Bibra Lake to help raise awareness for Autism. In addition \$551.50 was raised for this important cause. Special mention goes to the year six teachers who also came to support, this was very heart warming to see.



Mater Christi Catholic Primary School

2019 ENROLMENTS

Applications for enrolment into Mater Christi Catholic Primary for 2019 are now due.

Interviews commence Term Three 2017, Please submit your application now to avoid missing out on a place. This is especially important for any families who have siblings at school now.

Applications can be downloaded from our website www.mcps.wa.edu.au or come into the front Office.

If you know of any families interested in applying, please encourage them to do so straight away.





Year 7 Music Scholarships 2018 at Seton Catholic College

Music Scholarship opportunities at Seton Catholic College. Please find an information pack (including application form) on our College website <http://seton.wa.edu.au/enrolments/scholarships/>.

Applications are due by **Friday 28th April 2017 (Week Two, Term Two)**. Applicants will be advised of audition dates with these taking place during May.



LION HEART
CAMP FOR KIDS

A children's bereavement program supporting grieving children following the death of a parent, primary caregiver or sibling

Tuesday April 11
8.30am - 3.30pm

Wednesday April 12
8.30am - 3.30pm

Venue TBC
Tuart Hill Community Centre

Cost
Free

- Helping children and parents understand the process of grief
- Providing the opportunity to connect with other children experiencing the death of a parent or sibling
- Strengthening parents knowledge and skills in supporting their grieving children

Children's program and parent's program to run simultaneously

To enquire please contact:
Program Director Shelly Skinner on 0416 344 024

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CirQuest Circus School

CirQuest Circus School offers circus classes for kids aged 5-12 years old on Tuesdays at Cockburn Youth Centre in term two.

Classes include acrobatics, trapeze, aerial silks, stiltwalking, unicycle, juggling, hula hoops and much more.

Term two classes commence on May 2 and bookings are open now. CirQuest Circus School is registered with the Kidsport grant program, so eligible families can apply for a grant to assist with the cost of fees.

To find out more, or to make a booking, go to www.cirquest.com.au.

If you have a question about the classes, please phone Isobel or Amanda on 0408 626 941.



Singing for Kids

- Is your child shy and lacking in confidence?
- Does your child sing all the time and drive you crazy?
- Does your child struggle to express themselves socially?
- Are you looking for more opportunities for your child to sing?

Choirs4Kids run fun, relaxed, community singing groups for kids in an open, inclusive and supportive environment.

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SAVE THE DATE
St Mary's School, Northampton,
cordially invite
Past Students, Families and Staff
to a celebration of 150 years of Catholic Education in Northampton, to be held on:
Friday 13 April 2018
and
Saturday 14 April 2018

Memorabilia Display
We are currently collecting a variety of memorabilia, if you have any special items that you think would be of interest, please contact us. Photos will be appreciated.

RSVP: Email: hastley.maree@catbednet.wa.edu.au Phone: 08 9934 1112

Class Rep Event

- **Year 4 – Friday 7th April – 11am**
Woodman Point, John Graham Reserve
(Siblings welcome)
RSVP Class Rep