

# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Volume 3



22nd February 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers



## **SCHOOL MANTRA 2019**

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

### **Oval (Green Space)**

If you have the opportunity please drop in at any time from 10am – 11.30am this

Sunday to view and respond to the Concept Design for the oval. The staff carpark will be open for parking.

### **P&F Meeting**

It was a 'FULL HOUSE' at last Tuesday's P&F Meeting. Lots of good discussion, suggestions and courageous parents volunteering to have a go at assisting with some of the super P&F initiatives for 2019. How would you like to help? This is a wonderful way to meet other parents and your child/ren love to see you helping out at school.

The first social event is on tonight. The Leadership Team look forward in spending some social time with you.

### **Capital Development Plans**

At the Community Meeting I explained that CDP One and CDP Two were currently being worked on by the Architects and School to lodge with Catholic Education WA.

It is important to note that the student toilets are the priority followed by the Year 3/4 block and then staff toilets.

**CDP One** – Kindy and Staff Toilets will be lodged together because they require similar approvals from both CEWA and the City of Cockburn as these are only refurbishment projects. These will be funded from our Building Fund.

**CDP Two** is where the projects – Junior, Senior and the 3/4 classrooms require demolition. It is hoped that all costs will be met via a Federal Government Grant and/or Low Interest Loan rather than a full Mater Christi loan.

## **DATES FOR NEXT WEEK (WK 4)**

Monday  
February 25

Tuesday  
February 26

Board Meeting at 7pm

SRC Meeting at 8:10am

Enrichment Testing (Year 4)  
and new Year 5 and 6 students.

School Banking

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

6:30-8pm General Sacrament  
meeting and Adult Formation  
Evening (MCCC)

Wednesday  
February 27

Thursday  
February 28

Friday  
March 1

Assembly at 9am (Year 3)  
Merit Awards

Saturday  
March 2

Sunday  
March 3

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### School Assembly

Next Friday the Year Three classes will host our first Assembly for 2019 with their special assembly item. Our Merit Award recipients will also be acknowledged. Our Student Representative Council (SRC) will have the opportunity to lead their first Assembly. We are all looking forward to our very first whole school gathering.

### Privacy and eSafety

Mater Christi is very aware of the importance of eSafety as well as minimising the digital footprint of our students. Parents and carers have long enjoyed photographing their children at school. Today this often includes sharing the images on social media. It is important to note that the child protection laws and the privacy laws respect the rights of parents to not allow photographs of their children to be posted online without their written consent. It is important to crop the images of other students in the background that are easily identifiable before sharing any school photos of your children particularly on social media.

***You will notice in the Merit Award section only your child's first name and the initial of their surname is displayed. This will also include sporting achievements and any other school activities.***

### Your Child's Teacher

Sometimes your child's teacher may be away. As with most professions, teachers need to continually update their knowledge, and courses are sometimes run on school days. Teachers also participate in professional learning after school, on weekends and during school holidays. Currently, many junior teachers are having one to one time with their children as they carry out the beginning of year assessments. Similarly, your child's teacher may be sick themselves, or need to care for a family member who may be unwell. The relief or casual teacher, will follow the usual teaching program for the day. If your child's teacher is away for a number of days, then we try to have the same casual teacher for the whole time.

Looking forward in seeing many of you tonight at the Sundowner,  
the 6pm Mass on Saturday night and  
at the oval concept plan drop in.

Please pray for Mrs O'Donnell's father who is very ill in hospital in Ireland. Mrs O'Donnell has flown home to be with her family.

God Bless,  
Toni Kalat

### School Fees



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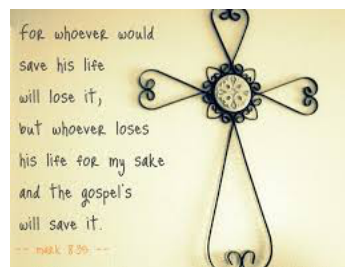
School fees for 2019 were posted today. Please be sure to check your mail. Should you wish to apply for the 5% discount of tuition fees, payment needs to be received by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March.**

## Religious Education

*Whoever loses his life for my sake and the sake of the Gospel, will save it.* Mark 8:33-9:1

### Commissioning Mass

The school staff, School Board and P&F Executive of Mater Christi Catholic Primary school will be commissioned at a special Mass on Saturday evening. The Staff, Board and P&F Executive will pledge their commitment to ensuring the decisions and actions that we make are always in the best interest of our students and families and that Christ is at the centre of all that we do.



### Parish Sacramental Program

- **Those children participating in the Sacrament of Confirmation, First Eucharist (Holy Communion) or Penance (Reconciliation) in 2019 will need to return their Sacramental enrolment form at any of the four Masses at Mater Christi Church this weekend.**
- Parent/s of children participating in the Sacrament of Confirmation, First Eucharist (Holy Communion) or Penance (Reconciliation) in 2019 will need to attend the General Sacrament Information meeting Wednesday, February 27. The meeting will begin at 6:30pm in the Community Centre.

### Parish News

*The Mater Christi Parish is putting out a call for readers for during Masses over the weekends, if this is something you are interested in helping out with please call in to see Fr Dat or Fr Joe in the church.*

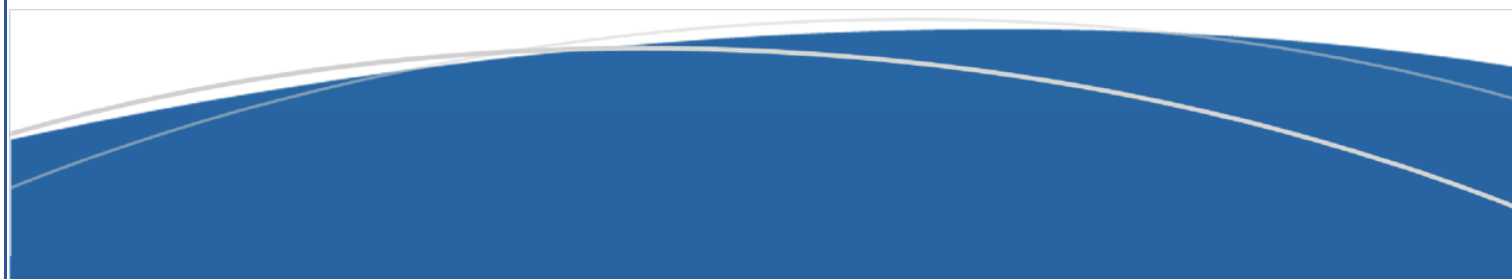
### Church

Mater Christi Primary School is blessed to have easy access to the Parish Church. Opportunities to visit the Church occur throughout the school week during liturgical singing, class prayer or attendance at a weekday Mass. During these visits, the students are reverent and respectful understanding when they walk through the Church doors they are entering into a prayerful space.

Fr Vosko, one of the world's most prolific designers of places of worship said "The doors into a church should be special; they should provide an experience of passing through a sheep gate," he said, referencing the scriptural imagery of Jesus as a sheep gate in John's Gospel. As Mater Christi students gather in the church to worship in song and prayer it is with the hope the students experience a sense of the Sacred.

<https://mediablog.catholic.org.au/church-art-architecture-shape-way-worship-god/>

God Bless  
Julie Southwell



## Swimming Carnival (11<sup>th</sup> March – Week 6)

Don't forget that the Mater Christi Swimming Carnival for Years 4-6 is fast approaching. It will be held at the **Cockburn ARC on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March (Please refer to the Info Sheet)**. A draft program has been pinned up undercover for all students and parents to view.

The program will also appear on the PE Blog at <http://peatmc.blogspot.com.au/>. Parent helpers will be notified of their jobs asap.

### Caps (Compulsory)

The Swim caps have just arrived in! Each student will **need** a cap for the upcoming Swimming Carnival. These caps are available from the uniform shop or office for \$3. The faction coloured caps are a fantastic way for the spectators to know who is racing and for the judges to award positions at the end of the race. So, get in as fast as you can and get your cap.

Ryan Donnelly (PE Specialist)

## SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2019

### (Year 4 - 6)



#### Important Reminders

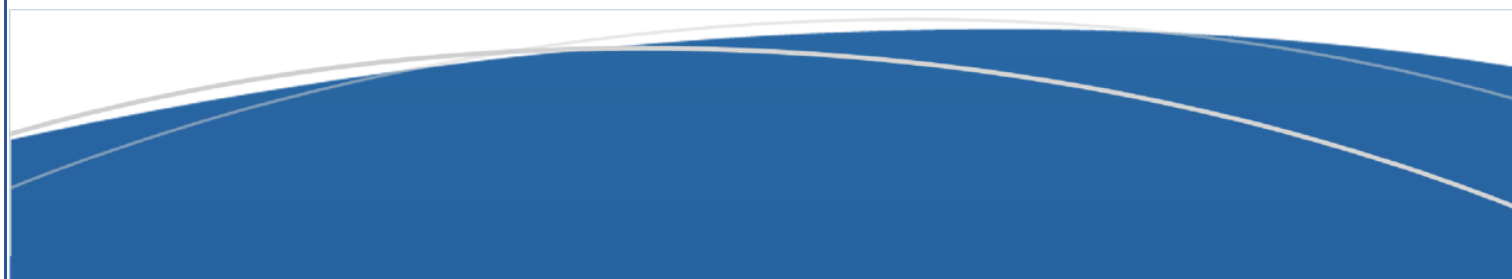
Date - Monday 11<sup>th</sup> of March 2019 (Week 6)

Venue - Cockburn ARC



Time - 9:00pm to 2:15pm. (Lunch at approximately 11:40am - 12:00pm)

- **STUDENTS NEED TO BE AT SCHOOL AT 8:15am. BUSES WILL LEAVE AT 8:35am SHARP!**
- **Spectators are \$2.50. All students need a swim cap that can be purchased for \$3.00 (Office)**
- Parents please join in the fun and support your team. Students would love to share lunch with you!
  - No chairs are to be brought into the ARC
  - Parents are to use the inside toilets. The outdoor toilets are for students.
- **A draft program has been pinned up in the undercover area. Please check it out and make sure your children have too. They need to know what races they are in.**
- Please ensure children wear their sports uniform on top of their bathers and have warm clothing available.  
**When children are not racing they should be covered up.**
- Children should have a towel or two, swimming cap, water, healthy snacks for lunch, sun screen and a hat.
- **Important - Children should listen to the teachers in the bay carefully so they don't miss their races.**
  - **Parents must stay in the spectator area (seating provided), not near the finish line.**
    - The chief judges decision is final.
- **The swimming carnival is a normal school day. No one should leave until after the presentations unless permission has been sought.**
  - If you are collecting your child please inform your child's class teachers after the carnival.





### MERIT AWARDS for 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

<b>1A</b>	Mason C and Sienna B
<b>1B</b>	Chloe R, Brock B and Ethan M
<b>1C</b>	Olivia B and Avery N
<b>2A</b>	Ben I and Ella M
<b>2B</b>	Alex M and Summer C
<b>2C</b>	Alexa D and Ella S
<b>3A</b>	Olivia F and Michael R
<b>3B</b>	Jacob M, Milla S and Donnacha O
<b>3C</b>	Amy D and Connor C
<b>4A</b>	Ricardo D and Isabelle L
<b>4B</b>	Hudson R and Brooke D
<b>4C</b>	Jacinta L and Mateo B
<b>5A</b>	Lucas L and Taj E
<b>5B</b>	Miranda L and Grace S
<b>5C</b>	Riley G and Daisy O
<b>6A</b>	Ryan P, Cayden C and Mason B
<b>6B</b>	Kade P and Jee N
<b>6C</b>	Dylan I and Troy P

## P&F News

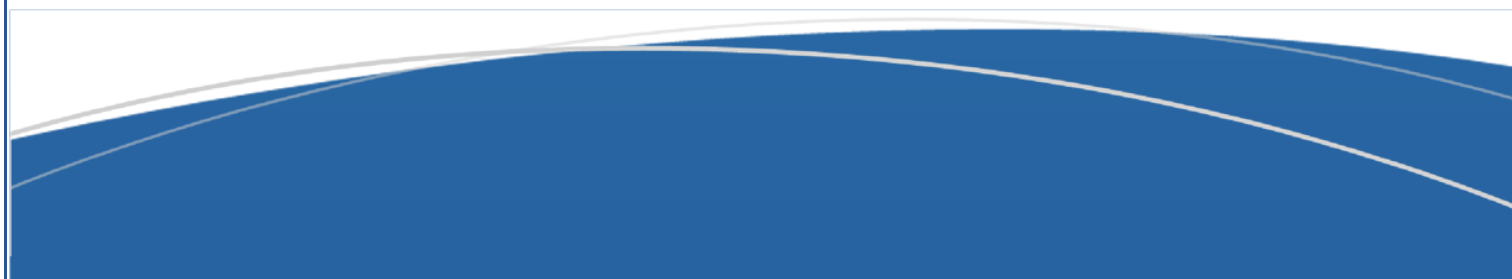
Dear Parents,

We had our first P&F meeting of the year on Tuesday evening and it was a great turnout. It was fantastic to see some new people attending the meeting and offering valuable input and information. Meetings are a great way to remain informed of what the P&F has planned for the upcoming year, on that note is there something you can help out with this year? or do you have an idea of an event that you could assist the P&F with organising? We would love to hear from you!!

### Upcoming Dates

- Next P&F Meeting Friday 22nd March 9am (Staff Room)
- Welcome Sundowner - Fri 22nd Feb 7pm (Mater Christi Community Centre). **This is a parent only event**
- Mater Christi Dads Dinner - Tuesday 26th February 6.30pm, Cafe Royal, Cockburn Central
- Dads & Kids Campout – Saturday 16th March 2019

Louise McEntee, P&F Vice President



## 2019 Dads and Kids "Camp Out"



**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 3pm – Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 10am**

**Camp fee - \$ 10 per family**

Hey kids, grab your Dad or father figure and come down to the school for a campout at Mater Christi.

Due to an overwhelming response via the Facebook Class Representative Pages and the limited secure space within the school grounds, there are a limited number of spaces available. **Tickets will be available via stickytickets. The link will be made live from 4pm today until sold out.**

Bookings can be made with stickytickets

at <http://tix.yt/materchristicampout>

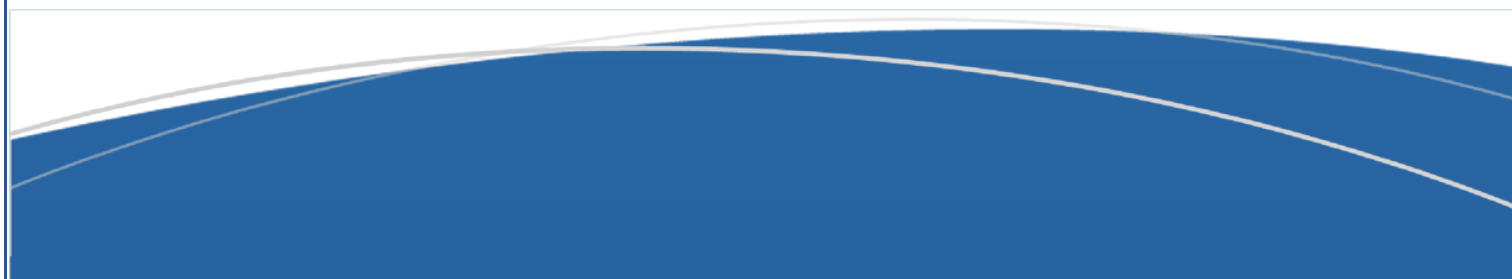
### Important Information

- The campout is on the grassed areas within the school grounds, starting from 3pm on Saturday on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March. A suggested timetable is shown. Make the most of doing as much as possible with your kids:
- Plan together
- Shop together
- Pack together
- Camp together
- Access to the school is via the drive-through entry. Parking is available at the rear of the school in the teacher's carpark.
- You are responsible for supervising your child/ren at all times during the event. No child should be left unsupervised at any time.
- Food and water: A sausage sizzle dinner, plus breakfast of bacon and eggs and cereal is included in your camp fee. Bottled water, tea and coffee are provided by the P&F, in addition to Eskys. The school's barbecues will be available for the cooking of dinner and breakfast.
- This is an alcohol-free and smoke free event.
- Please bring any medications required including Ventolin or EpiPen. A general first aid kit will be available.
- Open to all families with school-aged children currently attending Mater Christi Catholic Primary School. Children can attend with one parent or an adult guardian. If Dad isn't available then please come along with Mum.
- Please contact Corey [cgaidzionis@gmail.com](mailto:cgaidzionis@gmail.com) with any questions or concerns.
- Books are essential for security and catering purposes. To book, please fill out ALL of the information in your ticket booking by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2019. If you are unable to complete an online booking, please email [cgaidzionis@gmail.com](mailto:cgaidzionis@gmail.com) asap for a paper booking form.

Thank you

Corey Gaidzionis

P&F Organiser







### Year Five Coffee Catch Up

**Where:** Jamaica Blue, Beeliar

**When:** 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 at 9:30am

No need to RSVP

For further information, contact Year Five Parent Representatives – Andrea Hegney, Linda Miguel or Rachel Millington.

## Community News

**Trinity College Scholarships 2020**

- Academic Scholarship
- Astronomy/Space Studies Scholarship
- Music Scholarship
- Pipe Organ Scholarship
- Indigenous Bursary
- Refugee Bursary
- TOBA Bursary
- Edmund Rice Bursary

For full details of these Scholarships and Bursaries please go to our website.  
Applications close at 4:00pm on Friday, 15 March 2019  
Examination Date: Saturday, 30 March 2019 (Academic only)

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