

# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Volume 5



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Dear Parents and Caregivers



## **SCHOOL MANTRA 2019**

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

### **Lent**

Thank you to Fr Dat, Mrs Southwell, Ms Ross and all the students for a meaningful Ash Wednesday Mass that helped us welcome the Season of Lent. It was lovely to see many parents in attendance and as always, the singing of our children invited us into the Mass in a prayerful way.

The following is another reflection on connecting with Lent and taking up something meaningful to prepare for Easter.

#### *My Lenten Jar*

*I always have nice things that I'd like to do, but never seem to make time to get to do: write a letter to a friend, visit a lonely person, call a distant friend. At the beginning of Lent, I write down 40 plus tasks, one per little slip of paper, and toss them in a jar. Then, each morning of Lent, I pull one out and do the task written there. It teaches me that I like surprise and variety in my Lenten practices. For me, this is a simple way to concentrate on the disciplines of giving alms and doing good for others.*

*Judy, S.*



### **Dates for Next Week (Wk 6)**

Monday March 11	Swimming Carnival Years 4-6 Cockburn ARC
Tuesday March 12	P&F Nature Play WA Event in MCCC at 7pm with guest speaker Griffin Longley SRC Meeting at 8:10am
Wednesday March 13	School Banking Uniform Shop Open 8:00-10:30am 1:20-3:20pm
Thursday March 14	
Friday March 15	9am Assembly – Aussie of the Month and Merit Awards
Saturday March 16	P&F Sleep Out 3pm Start
Sunday March 17	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent P&F Sleep out 10am Close

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## Year 6 Camp

The Leadership Team during the week spent time at camp on different days/nights. It was so pleasing to see the manner in which the students were participating in camp life. I am very appreciative of our Year Six teachers and the many staff members who put their hand up to volunteer for camp. They do an incredible job in looking after the students so well.



They have left family and responsibilities at home to attend and will need this weekend to catch up on sleep. I know that as parents, you too are very grateful to them for all that they do above and beyond their normal school day.

Positive social and emotional well-being is paramount to ensure students are able to engage in learning opportunities wherever they may be. At Mater Christi, staff support our students in developing a positive mindset to identify, develop and regulate emotions depending on the situation.

How can we support children having a growth mindset? Below are some questions we can use to develop a growth mindset in our children.

- What did you do today that made you think hard?
- What happened today that made you keep going?
- What can you learn from this?
- What mistake did you make that taught you something?
- What did you try hard at today?
- What will you do to challenge yourself today?
- What will you do to improve your work/talent?



These are also great questions for us as adults to reflect on and use during our day.

## Criminal Law Amendment (*Intimate Images*) Bill

In last week's newsletter, you will have read information about the passing of the State Parliament Criminal Law Amendment (Intimate Images) Bill, making it illegal to distribute an intimate image of a person without consent.

As young people under the age of 16 are not exempt from this new offence, it is imperative that information regarding these new laws is shared with our students and their parents.

The Department of Justice has provided the following resource for parents

<https://department.justice.wa.gov.au/I/intimate-images-law.aspx> who wish to understand more about the implications of the *Criminal Law Amendment (Intimate Images) Act 2018 (WA)*.

Legal Aid can provide free legal education sessions and resources for young people between 10 and 18 years old. You can view and book these sessions here:

<https://www.legalaid.wa.gov.au/resources/r-u-legal>



## CEWA Communication on the Conviction of Cardinal Pell

The news last week of the conviction of Cardinal Pell has been deeply distressing for our community, particularly for those whose lives have been impacted by sexual abuse.

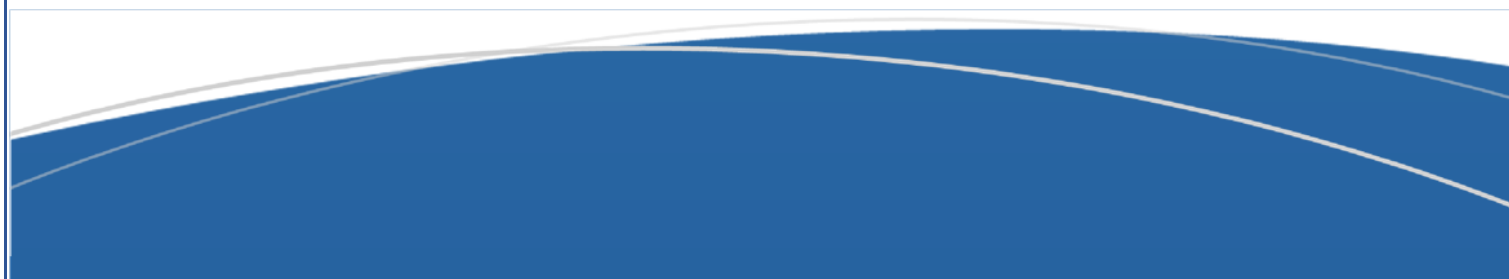
Out of respect for the ongoing judicial process, Catholic Education Western Australia will not be providing comment on the conviction and upcoming appeal at this time, other than to say that we must continue to acknowledge the pain of all victims and survivors of abuse, and provide support to them and their loved ones wherever and however we can.

As a school community, this is a reminder that every student and staff member need a safe and supportive learning environment, and that the wellbeing of all in our school remains our highest priority.

*Parents please contact me directly via the School Office if you or your child requires support in dealing with this as it is indeed an extremely difficult and confronting time.*

God Bless,

Toni Kalat



## Religious Education

### Ash Wednesday Mass

This Wednesday marked the beginning of Lent and as a whole school we celebrated Mass, led by Father Dat. Thank you to all the Year 5 readers and Altar Servers who displayed admirable leadership and responsibility in the absence of the Year 6's.

Father Dat reminded us all that anywhere can be a place of prayer. It was particularly affirming to hear many of the children share their unique places around the home to reflect and spend time with God.

Father Joe visited the Year 6's away on camp and shared Ash Wednesday Mass with them at Waroona. It has been an absolute pleasure to watch these students exhibit good behaviour, good manners and great friendship amongst their peers. Well done kids!

God Bless

Julie Southwell



### Congratulations

On behalf of the Mater Christi community, we would like to extend our congratulations to one of our ex-students, Zachary Newton. Zac went on to study at Seton after Mater Christi. We are pleased to share has received some outstanding Year 12 results.

Zac will study Bachelor of Nursing at Notre Dame University this year, having been offered a place in their Early Entry Program. He is well deserving of this as he achieved an excellent score of 90.4 in his WACE and was also awarded a Certificate of Merit from School Curriculum and Standards Authority.

Well done Zac!



### Sustainability/Environmental News

Well done to all classes for their participation in the annual Clean Up Australia whole school clean up last Friday! It was great to see everyone outside picking up rubbish and ensuring our school was spotless. Thanks must also go to the teachers who shared information about the importance of such a day as we work with the community to ensure a litter-free and sustainable future.

Haylee Klup

Science Specialist



### Uniform Shop

Upon return to school in Term 2, Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April, your child will be required to wear their full winter uniform.

For those in Pre-Primary, Year 1 and any students new to the school, I have scheduled some dates for winter uniform fittings.

- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 8:00-1:00pm
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 9:30-12:00pm and 1:30pm-2:30pm
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 8:00am-1:00pm
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 9:30am-12:00pm and 1:30pm-2:30pm.

<http://materchristicps.permapleat.com.au/schoolbookings>

Please use link above to book your child's fitting. If you can't make your appointment time, please delete your booking to create space for another student as bookings are limited.

Thank you, Simone Douglas (Perm-A-Pleat)



## Merit Awards



**Congratulations!**

Congratulations to the following students who will receive a Merit Certificate at next Friday's assembly!

1A	Brax J, Eva Grace J
1B	Annabelle A, Mason D
1C	Jack A, Isla B
2A	Grace B, Griffin J and Sophie C
2B	Ethan L and Taya C
2C	Leeyo R, Gianluca P, Hudson A
3A	Jack M, Lorcan R, Ruby R
3B	Lucas B, Breanna E
3C	Arlia B, Tim L
4A	Savannah H, Oliver H
4B	Luca P and Kasey M
4C	Theresia B, Josh L, Tynan L
5A	Ziba T, Tomas M
5B	Abbey B, Nithika V
5C	Olivia D, Tanha B
6A	Mitchell E, Kaelan D
6B	Keegan H and Bianca D
6C	Jorge D, Josh F



## Swimming Carnival (Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March)



Don't forget that the Mater Christi Swimming Carnival for Years 4-6 is on Monday. It will be held at the **Cockburn ARC on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March**. Families are encouraged to read through the Swimming Program at <http://peatmc.blogspot.com.au/> to ensure that children are aware of their designated events.

We will have access to the public grassed area, which can be accessed via the outdoor pool. We will also be providing a marquee, however, **PLEASE BE MINDFUL THAT CHAIRS CANNOT BE BROUGHT INTO THE FACILITY**. As a school, we will do our best to access the chairs of the ARC. If these are unavailable on Monday, you will need to bring your own picnic rug.

The area in front of the public toilets needs to be kept clear at all times.

Ryan Donnelly (PE Specialist)

### SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2019



#### (Year 4 - 6)

##### Important Reminders

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

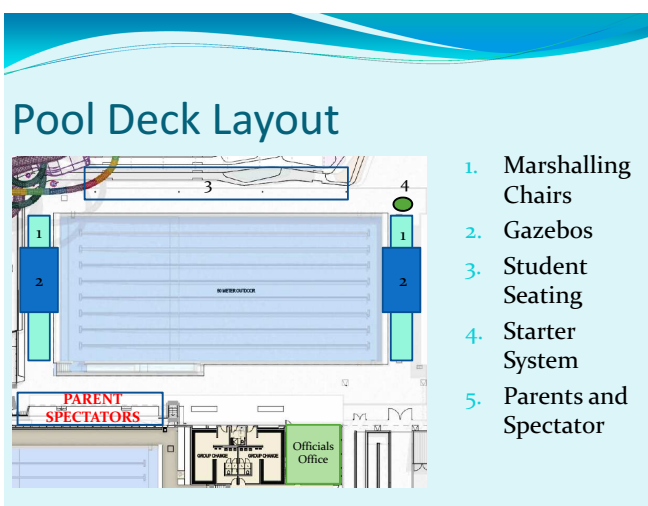
Venue - Cockburn ARC



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.

- This year, there will be a guest appearance from Syd the Seagull – to remind us all to Slip, Slop, Slap throughout the day!
- As the pool deck is limited to 300 people, we are limited for spectator space. We have been notified that there is an extra row of bench seating at the top level of cement seating space.
- Children are not permitted to visit the Parent/Spectator area. They may visit at lunchtime, provided they are with a parent.



## Swimming Carnival Important Information

### Mater Christi Swimming Carnival – 2019 Marshalls and Helpers

Job	1 <sup>st</sup> Rotation (Start – Lunch) (9:00am – 11:40am)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Rotation (Lunch – End) (12:00 – 2:15pm)
Collecting Marshalls	Kate Godwin-Johnston	Sarah Correia
Starter	Julie Southwell	
Starter's Marshall	Kelly Pritchard	
Finishing Marshall	Captains	
Announcer	Jacob O'Reilly	
Recorders	Nicole Woodhouse, Toni Kalat	
Place Judges	Claire Gardiner, Mark Clayden, Maryke Colgan, Nicholas Tay	Jada Shields, Chiara Clarkson, TBC
Timer	TBC (If you are a parent and are able to help, please see Mr Donnelly)	
Chief Judge	Ryan Donnelly	
Water Helpers	Stacey Harding, Rachel Millington, Dean Stewart, Corey Gaidzionis, Daniel Shields	
False Start Rope	Students (any non-swimmers)	

#### Faction Bay Marshalls - Teachers / Year 6 Sport Captains.

**Bandicoots – Nick Magry, Maddy Gibb and Year 6 Sport Captains**

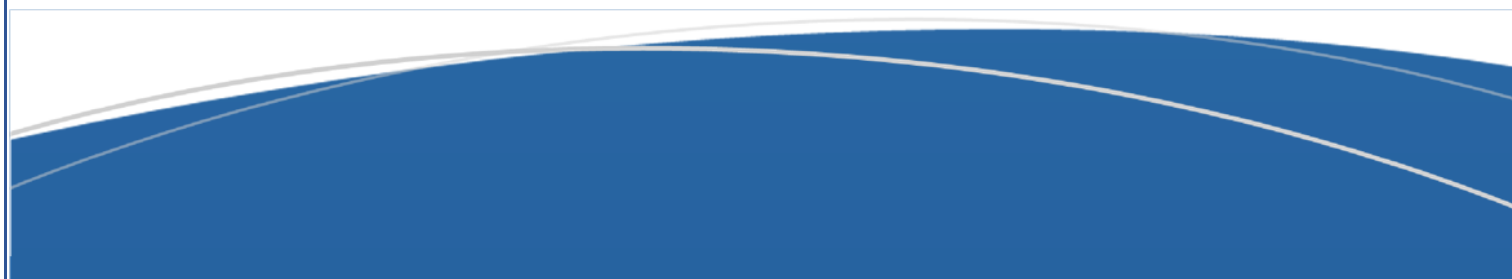
**Bobtails – Courtney Edmondson, Rebecca McMahon and Year 6 Sport Captains**

**Magpies – Siobhan O'Donnell, Rachael Sita and Year 6 Sport Captains**

**Honeyeaters – Katie McNally, Nicole Nuttall and Year 6 Sport Captains.**

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## P&F News

Hi Parents,

### Exciting Event!

The P&F will host Griffin Longley from **NaturePlayWA** on Tuesday 12th March at 7pm. Please join us for a free, inspiring and informative session with NaturePlay WA on their mission to get kids outdoors in unstructured play, more often. At this information evening parents can learn about the tools needed to find a balance on kid's screen time, gain some great ideas on outdoor play and find out the 51 things for kids to do before they are 12! Tickets are free but please register as the event is limited to 150 places. Don't delay and register here [tix.yt/mcnatureplay](http://tix.yt/mcnatureplay). Tea, coffee and supper provided.

**Next P&F meeting: Friday 22nd March, 9am (Staff Room)**

### The Good Cup Café

The Good Cup Café was started as an initiative in 2018 to improve the pastoral care of families within the school community, encouraging parents to take the time to support other families and make new friendships. There is usually a member of the Leadership Team or support staff member attending, as well as Father Joe - making this the perfect time to chat when you usually would not get the opportunity to do so. Please continue to support the Good Cup Cafe with a quick 10-minute coffee after dropping your children at school, and chat or stay for an hour for a good yarn! The Café relies on parent volunteers to organise and serve coffee each time it opens. If you'd like to get involved, please email [materchristipandf@cewa.edu.au](mailto:materchristipandf@cewa.edu.au)

Thank you

Louise McEntee,  
Vice President

## Upcoming Class Representative Events

Please see below for the list of upcoming social events organised by your Class Parent Representatives.

### Kindy C Morning Coffee

**Where:** The Electric Bean Coffee Company, Merino Entrance, Cockburn

**When:** Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 9:15am

**RSVP:** No need to RSVP. For further information, contact Lesley Pascuzzi on 0409 913 545



### Year Kindy D Catch Up

**Where:** Crocs Playcentre – Armadale Road, Jandakot

**When:** 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 at 9am

**RSVP:** No need to RSVP. For further information, contact Kate Pow on 0433 248 137

### Pre-Primary A Mums Get Together

**Where:** The Berrigan Bar & Bistro

**When:** Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm

**RSVP:** Sarah Lentz on 0405 520 431 by Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> April



### Pre-Primary B Play and Picnic

**Where:** Honeywood Playing Fields (Opposite Honeywood Primary School)

**When:** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 10:30am

**RSVP:** No need to RSVP. For further information, contact Michelle Pozzi on 0405 202 804

## Year 3A Coffee Catch Up

**Where:** 8 Yolks – Beeliar Drive, Success

**When:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March after drop off

**RSVP:** Please advise Loretta Formato on 0413 802 556 or Clare Yakas 0421118511 by 15/3/19



## Year 2C Parents Dinner

**Where:** The Vale

**When:** Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7:00pm.

**RSVP:** Louise Amsuss on 0488 243 828 by Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

## Community News

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**SECONDARY OPEN DAY TOURS**  
Friday, April 5  
Tours start at 9:00am & 11:30am

We warmly invite all prospective secondary parents and students to our College Open Day Tours to experience what "Joy in Learning" looks like for yourself, at St John Bosco College.

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9.30 - 11.00AM  
[www.iona.wa.edu.au/openmorning](http://www.iona.wa.edu.au/openmorning)

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**YPA Swap-Meet**

**Sunday 24th March**  
**Nicholson Reserve, Yangebup**  
8 am - 11 am  
Sellers set up from 7 am  
\$15 per spot, book now at  
<https://www.trybooking.com/BAK0XT>

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