Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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True Spirituality

The Song of the Bird Anthony de Mello, S.J

The Master was asked, " What is Spirituality?"

He said, Spirituality is that which succeeds in bringing one to Inner Transformation."

"But if I apply the traditional methods handed down by the Masters, is that not Spirituality?"

"It is not Spirituality if it does not perform its function for you. A blanket is no longer a blanket if it does not keep you warm."

"So Spirituality does change?"

"People change and needs change. So what was Spirituality once is Spirituality no more. What generally goes under the name of Spirituality is merely the record of past methods."

Don't cut the person to fit the coat

Dear Parents/Guardians

All reports of the swimming carnival focused on the wonderful team spirit, the organisation, the huge support from parents, and fun. What a combination! To all who were involved in the carnival, thank you so much. To Mr Donnelly – an awesome effort! Thank you very much Ryan.

To our Year Three contingent – thank you for preparing today's beautiful liturgy – it was a wonderful faith filled experience. Thank you all for your kind words, blessing and beautiful morning tea. It meant a great deal to me as this place and the people in it have been very important to me for a number of years, and will always be in my thoughts.

Sincerely Mark de Kluyver

Dates for Next Week

Monday

23rd March 9am 2A Class Mass

Tuesday 24th March

arch 9am 4C Class Mass

Yr 3 Parent / Child Easter Craft Incursion

Wednesday

25th March

2.15pm "A" classes Edudance Concert

(MCCC)

School Banking

Uniform Open 8.00 – 10.30am

1.30-3.20pm

Thursday 26th March

2.15pm "B" classes

Edudance Concert

Friday 27th March

9am Assembly

(Yr 6)

Saturday 28th / Sunday 29th March

Website: www.mcps.wa.edu.au

STAFFING TERM TWO UPDATE

With Mark Ryan in the position of Principal for term two, Geordie Thuijs, currently teaching Year 6C will take over the position of Assistant Principal Administration, and Jessica Fic, currently in Support, will take over teaching the Year 6C gang. It looks like another great term ahead!

Religious Education



5th Week of Lent – Project Compassion – brings you Cristian's story

In a remote Andean village, Caritas Huacho is helping farmers like Cristian to grow and harvest a wide variety of high-value, sustainable fruit crops, which will provide a secure income and a wide variety of food for life.

Cristian is a farmer who lives in a remote Andean village in Peru. The community lives a traditional life, and without irrigation, farmers have always relied on the rains to water crops.

In 2012, Cristian and 14 other young farmers in his community participated in the Rural Development Program run by Caritas Australia's local partner, Caritas Huacho. The program offers materials, capital and training that helps farmers in rural areas establish sustainable farms that will produce reliable, profitable and long-term crops.

The program helped the young men secure land to farm, and provided them with seedlings and agricultural training so that they could grow and harvest sustainable, high-value orchard crops, including peaches, custard apples and avocados. They also received the materials and training they needed to build an irrigation system to water their fields. The farmers have helped one another to learn and achieve, and are now beginning to reap the rewards of their hard work— a healthy, nutritious new range of fruits in their diets and a steadily increasing income for all their families.

Your donation to Caritas Australia's Project Compassion provides support to programs such as the Rural **Development Program, Caritas Huacho.** www.caritas.org.au

Easter Reflection

On **Wednesday**, **1**st **April** at **9am** we will be gathering on the grass area in the middle of the front office and the library to reflect on Holy Week and the Lenten season by focusing on the Stations of the Cross. Friends and family are welcome to attend.

Best Wishes Courtney Dunsire Assistant Principal

Parent Teacher Interviews K - 6

Interviews will take place on Wednesday 1st April commencing at 12.30pm.

Appointment lists for interviews will be placed outside each classroom at 8.30am on Wednesday 25th March. Please make sure that you write your name next to a time that suits you.

Students must be collected promptly at 12 noon on this day to allow teachers to have some lunch and prepare for the busy schedule to follow.

This is also the last day for students for Term One.

Mark Ryan Assistant Principal

School Photos

Again this year MSP Photography will be our school photographer. The school photo dates are Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd April, this is Week One of Term Two.

Can you please ensure all students are in correct winter uniform from the start of Term Two.

Ordering will still be done online, more information will be distributed close to the date.

Thanks Mark Ryan Assistant Principal

FOUR YEAR OLD KINDY 2017 INTERVIEWS



TAKE PLACE NEXT TERM

- This interview will also count for those who are interested in enrolling their child/children in the three year old programme for the following year (one interview instead of two)
- Our timeline will provide parents/guardians with the knowledge that their enrolments are secure.
- We will be advertising interviews widely. If you are aware of families interested in future enrolments please encourage them to get applications in soon. As always if there are any queries get them to contact us.

Edudance Concerts

Edudance has been a big winner with our students again this year and they would love to show you their dancing skills.

So if you could make it along the concerts will be as follows,

Wednesday 25th March - "A" Classes Concert at 2.15pm in the MCCC $\,$

Thursday 26th March - "B" Classes Concert at 2.15pm in the MCCC $\,$

Monday 30th March $\,$ - "C" Classes Concert at 2.15pm in the MCCC

Mark Ryan Assistant Principal

Performing Arts Dance 2015

A reminder, to all students who are taking part in the PAF dance group this year. Our class begins this Monday (23rd March, Week 8) after school in the Mater Christi Community Centre. Please ensure that your child is picked up promptly at 4:30pm. If you have not sent in the payment for your costume, please do so to Mrs Ross in the music room.

See you Monday everyone!

From Miss Fic, Mrs Ross and Mrs Cosnett

Music

Would your child like to learn Violin?

In Term 2, Mr Richard Price our Violin Tutor will be offering a 4 week 'Introduction to the Violin' class.

The cost of the introductory class will be \$36.00 for 4 weeks. Each lesson will go for 30 minutes.

Mr Price will provide each student with a Violin to use during the lesson.

If your child is interested in this introductory class, please fill out an Instrumental form from the office and label the top of the form with 'Introduction to Violin' and hand it in to the office.

This is a great opportunity for students to try the instrument out and see if they would like to continue in the future.

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

Ms Alison Clunies-Ross Music Teacher

Graduation Meeting

Mater Christi Year 6 Graduation Meeting is now on Wednesday 25 March 7pm in the Hall.

Merit A	wards 27 th March 2015		
Year 1A	Jack Haley, Halle Hall, Sebastian Barber, Samuel Hopkins, Caitlin Ree		
Year 1B	Joshua Bradford, Nicholas Celenza, Tameka Novelli, Lucas Low		
Year 1C	Serena Duffin, Flynn Murtagh, Timothy Lieu, Riley Crookes, Timothy Ring		
Year 2A	Mitchell East, Abhinav Kolachana, Serafina Ryan, Kayla Sweeny		
Year 2B	Elaina Roy, Phoebe White, Shay McKenna, Tristan Galindo		
Year 2C	Koby Arnold, Tristan Basilio, Jonathan Luong, Sofia Bates		
Year 3A	Sienna LaMaccha, Hannah Chamberlain, Owen Phillips, Mason Rasmussen		
Year 3B	Angela Fiannaca, Liam McAleer, Georgia Rooney		
Year 3C	Boadicea Hudspeth, Nicola McKenzie, Taj Quinlivan, Kiara Cleaver		
Year 4A	Matilda Wehr, Isabella Zammit , Massimo Kwiatkowski, Kyle Malone		
Year 4B	Evlynn Biju, Sophia Barber, Charlie Clarke, Nicholas Cutri		
Year 4C	Kaleb Cumming, Connor McCay, Sarah Pelosi, Jacinta Thamrin		
Year 5A	Lachlan Taylor, Madison Artemis, Gabriel Dias, Bridget Watts		
Year 5B	Jasmine Gregory, Alexandra Koekemoer, James Ierino, Jared Day		
Year 5C	Anna Barron, Tristan Smith, Isabella Coppola , Lucas Henderson.		
Year 6A	Georgia Ettridge, Talliah Galindo Aimee Cumming, Seann Edomwandagbon		
Year 6B	Nathan Cammilleri, Jacob D¹Aurizio, Peter Tiernan, Fabiana Velezmoro		
Year 6C	Luke Housego, Liam Phillips, Tayla Petkovich, Jade Pymont		

Uniform Shop

Please make sure that you purchase a tie for your child if they are in Year 4-6, if you don't already have one.

It will be needed for school photo's in week one of term two

Uniform shop will be closing at 12 noon on Wednesday 1st April (last day of term).

Thank you Ilonka Heinzle

Uniform Shop Coordinator

Perm-a-Pleat

BATTERY RECYCLING BIN

Hello Parents

Well, it's been a long time coming but we finally have a Mater Christi Battery Recycling Bin located outside the Library for our use. Currently, batteries can NOT be placed in your green or yellow-topped bins at home and need to be taken to the Cockburn Library Battery Bin, so this will make the correct disposal of these items much more convenient.

Unfortunately, when these are placed in the bins at home, they end up in landfill. The chemicals inside the batteries can leach from their casings and pollute land and water with heavy metals that are toxic to life.

You may discard any regular dry-cell household batteriesjust not mobile phone or car batteries!

They will be sent to Henderson Waste Recovery and then transferred interstate for recycling, as there is currently no provision for recycling in WA.

This is one small thing we can do, to sustain our environment for our children.

Charmaine Savy

Child Care Service

I am a school mum who recently registered as FDC Educator with the approval of City of Cockburn FDC Service (SE 000 14 215). I am trained in First Aid for children, which also includes special training for asthma and anaphylaxis management and CPR for children. I possess both Australian federal police clearance certificate and Working with Children (WWC) card, and my business follows the ACECQA early learning framework.

I am able to provide drop off and pick up for children attending Mater Christi Catholic Primary School, Yangebup. Additionally, I also provide relief care services for busy parents to drop their children off with me so they can get a break or run errands.

My hours of operation are:

Before School Care Monday - Friday (7am - 8:30am) **After School Care** Monday - Friday (3pm - 6pm) **Relief Care (6mo to 5yo)** Monday - Friday (9:30am - 2:30pm)

My contact details: Mobile: 0459 322 070

Email: busybeesouthlake@gmail.com

Website: http://busybeesouthlake.blogspot.com.au

Please feel free to contact me if you require any further information. Thank you.

Regards, Joey Lim 0459 322 070

Mater Christi Swimming Carnival

On the 16th of March, Mater Christi Year 4's, 5's and 6's went to Aqua Jetty in Warnbro for their swimming carnival. At first the weather wasn't that fantastic but it slowly got warmer. When we got there we started to get ready. The boogie board relay was the first event of the day followed by freestyle. The Bobtails started off like a killer whale speeding through the water until the lightning fast Bandicoots left them in their wake. Some people were so excited that they forgot what stroke to do. By lunchtime the scores were very close but the Bandi's were on top followed by the Magpies, Honeyeaters and the Bobtails. We ate like a hungry pack of wolves so we could get back to swimming.

After Lunch we did breaststroke and backstroke events followed by the biggest relay any of us had ever seen. A <u>MASSIVE</u> thank you to every parent and teacher who helped make the day so fantastic. Most importantly, congratulations to all students for their marvellous performances.

At the end of the day, there can be only one champion team, but everyone who swam can be called a champion. Here are the final standings:

1ST - BANDICOOTS (323 Pts)

2ND – MAGPIES (307 Pts)

3RD – HONEYEATERS (285 Pts)

4TH – BOBTAILS (257 Pts)

The most cooperative shield went to the Bobtails for their sensational sportsmanship and awesome cheering! We also had some standout swimmers who swum their way to a Champion Boy or Girl medal. They were:

Year 4	Girls	Boys
Champion	Alicia Savy	Zac Hampel
Runner Up	Sophia De Bernardis	Kyle Malone
3 rd	Tahlia Shields	Aaron Clarke
Year 5		
Champion	Tijan McKenna	Christian Silas
Runner Up	Emily Watson	Owen Rooney and James McAleer
3 rd	Chantel Zumerle	
Year 6		
Champion	Larni Roberts	Denzel Lang
Runner Up	Chelsea Taylor	Calum Milne
3 rd	Georgia Ettridge	Logan Traynor

Well done on a brilliant effort!

Those swimmers required for the Interschool Team will be notified next week.

Have a Sensational Weekend!

Ryan Donnelly (HPE Specialist), Bryce Lyon and Joshua Galipo (Year 6)



St Vincent de Paul 2015 Easter Appeal

Easter is just around the corner and we would like to start collecting donations for the St Vincent de Paul Easter Appeal. We are requesting specific items from each class.

It would gratefully appreciated if each student could bring in an item

The Food Drive will be held on Wednesday, 1st April.

All items should be taken to your class lobby where there will be a box for the collections.

All donations will be collected and given to needy families in our area.

CLASS	ITEMS REQUESTED	
Kindy A/B	Pasta Sauce	
Kindy C/D	Tinned Fruit	
Pre Primary A	Custard	
Pre Primary B	Rice	
Pre Primary C	Pasta	
1A	Tea	
1B	Tinned Soup	
1C	Long Life Milk	
2A	Pancake Mix	
2B	Toothbrushes	
2C	Toothpaste	
3A	Tinned Soup	
3B	Biscuits	
3C	Coffee	
4A	Tinned Soup	
4B	Jam	
4C	2 Minute Noodles	
5A	Long Life Milk	
5B	Juice	
5C	Vegemite	
6A	Milo	
6B	Deodorant	
6C	Cereal	

Thank You for your Generosity

Notice of Change to PFFWA Constitution

The Parents and Friends Federation of Western Australia is proposing a minor change to their Constitution to alter the number of required general meetings each year from eight (8) to 4 (four). This change will be voted on at the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 27th May.

Rationale for change:

- The ability to communicate with Councillors between face-to-face meetings has become increasingly easier and more convenient
- Councillors tend to be active on other committees within their school and community and one less meeting per term makes it easier for them to contribute to their other commitments
- It assists both in time away from home and meeting the cost of travel for country-based Councillors
- It still provides the ability to have more meetings should they be required

A detailed notice of the change can be accessed on our website, www.pff.wa.edu.au. Should you have any queries, please contact Shelley Hill, PFFWA Executive Officer on 9271 5909 or execoff@pff.wa.edu.au

P & F News

The P&F is holding an Easter Giving Day as well as an Easter Raffle on the last day of Term One, Wed 1st April, more details to follow.

Kate Godwin-Johnston, P & F

Parish Corner

Sacramental Program 2015

Confirmation Commitment Mass

All **Confirmation candidates**, with their parents, are required to attend a **Commitment Mass** this weekend. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday 21st March at 6:00pm or Sunday 22nd March at either 8:00am, 10:00am or 5:00pm.

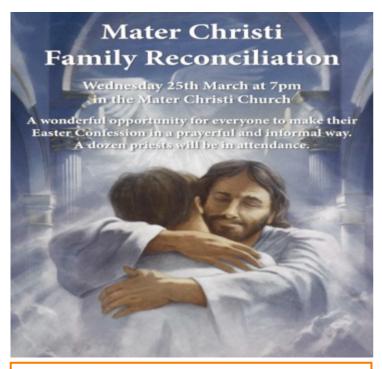
Confirmation Parent/Child Workshops

Online booking for Confirmation Masses are available from **Monday 23rd March**.

Online booking for Confirmation Parent/Child Workshops are available from **Monday 30th March**. Four workshop choices are available:

- ❖ Wednesday 29th April 3:30pm OR 5pm
- ❖ Thursday 30th April 5pm OR 6:30pm

All children with (at least) one parent are required to attend the workshop. www.trybooking.com/GYJT



Class Rep Events

- PPC Saturday 28th March 7pm
 Café Royal, Cockburn RSVP to your Rep by 24th
 March
- **1A** Friday **27**th March **7.30**pm

 The Gate, Cockburn RSVP to your Rep by 25th

 March
- **2A Wednesday 25th March 7.30pm**Dragon Palace Cockburn, RSVP to your Rep by 23^{trd} March
- 3A Sunday 29th March 1pm Salt on the Beach, North Fremantle, RSVP to your Rep by 27th March
- 3C Thursday 26th March 7pm The Quaire,
- 4C Monday 30th March 6.30pm
 The Gate Bar & Bistro, Success RSVP to your Rep by

HOLY WEEK AT MATER CHRISTI

Saturday 28TH March PALM SUNDAY

Sunday 29TH March Please bring a branch

Monday 30th March 9.00am Mass Tuesday 31st March 9.00am Mass

7.00pm Chrism Mass (in St Mary's Cathedral)

Wednesday 1st April 5.00pm Eucharistic Hour

6.00pm Mass

Thursday 2nd April Holy Thursday

7.00pm Mass of the Lord's

Supper

Friday 3rd April Good Friday

10.00am Stations of the Cross 3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the

Passion

Saturday 4th April Holy Saturday

5.00-6.30pm Reconciliation7.00pm Solemn Easter Vigil

& First Mass of Easter

Sunday 5th April Easter Sunday

Easter Masses 8.00am,

10.00am, 5.00pm

School Holiday Activities

Interested in *fun school holiday activities* that encourage creativity, discovery and exploration? Nearer to Nature is running a range of fun, hands on, nature based activities from Woodman Point and Canning River Eco Education Centre.

Discover some interesting facts about Canning River while paddling in a canoe, explore the magic of the marine world or the challenges of living in the bush with 'baddies' around, or listen to the stories of possums and pips as they survive a whole range of challenges!

Check out the N2N autumn calendar on www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/n2n to find out what is happening when and where! Bookings essential call: 9295 2244