Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Caregivers



<u>SCHOOL MANTRA 2018</u>

"Be a voice, not an echo"

Easter Sunday Gospel John 20: 1 – 9.

We are in Holy Week which commenced last Sunday with the Passion Gospel. Today, our Year 4A children led us through a poignant reflection on Stations of the Cross. Thank you very much to Mrs Pottier in preparing the children so beautifully. Tonight, the church will be open for the washing of the feet. This will be followed by Good Friday where we take part in the veneration of

the cross. Easter Sunday, the greatest day of all represents Jesus' victory over death. He is alive. Alleluia!



As Easter People we will be celebrating the essence of our faith. Together with God the Father and the Holy Spirit we are witnesses to the very core of our beliefs as Catholic/Christian People. It is these events that have shaped us for hundreds of years and as confident as we are in what we believe and who we believe in there are still times when

we may be shocked by the realism that occurs. This is very similar to the surprise that the women experienced when they went to the tomb on that Sunday morning and found it empty. Enjoy reading an extract from Pope Francis'.

"We can imagine their feelings as they make their way to the tomb: a certain sadness, sorrow that Jesus had left them, he had died, his life had come to an end. Life would now go on as before. Yet the women continued to feel love, the love for Jesus which now led them to his tomb. But at this point, something completely new and unexpected happens, something which upsets their hearts and their plans, something which will upset their whole life: they see the stone removed from before

the tomb, they draw near and they do not find the Lord's body. It is an event which leaves them perplexed, hesitant, full of questions: "What happened?", "What is the meaning of all this?" (cf. Lk 24:4). Doesn't the same thing also happen to us when something completely new occurs in our everyday life? We stop short, we don't understand, we don't know what to do. Newness often makes us fearful, including the newness which God brings us, the newness which God asks of us. We are like the Apostles in the Gospel: often we would prefer to hold on to our own security, to stand in front of a tomb, to think about someone who has died, someone who ultimately lives on only as a memory, like the great historical figures from the past. Are we afraid of God's surprises?"

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	DATES FOR NEXT WEEK (WK 10)			
	Monday April 2	Easter Monday		
he ver	Tuesday April 3	Easter Tuesday (PUPIL FREE DAY)		
	Wednesday April 4	Uniform Shop Open School Banking		
ur ve as ed at	Thursday April 5	9:00am 4A Class Mass 2:15pm Edu-Dance Concert "C" Classes		
en se ng	Friday April 6	9:00am 2B Class Mass		
ain nd. for	Saturday April 7			
for ew ns,	Sunday April 8			

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Absentees Email: <u>absentee@mcps.wa.edu.a</u> Website: <u>www.mcps.wa.edu.a</u> Best wishes to Mrs O'Donnell as she sets off to Ireland for her brother's wedding and will be away from school for the last two weeks of this term with Mrs Ridley stepping into Year 4A. Mr Donnelly will be taking some Long Service Leave from Friday 6 April until the end of term. Mr Gibson and Mrs Williamson will be responsible for sport. We look forward in welcoming them back to Term Two.

I wish all our Mater Christi families a very Happy and Blessed Easter. May the Risen Christ deepen the love and peace within our hearts, families and community.





Recording of Edu-Dance Concerts



This year as a trial, the school has approached a professional recording company Muse Media to record our Edu-Dance concerts and make the videos available for parents to purchase on DVD or USB. Each session will be recorded separately and the cost to parents will be \$20 per DVD or \$25 per USB device with a discount for those families who have children in 2 or more concerts. A separate email will be sent with details of how to pre order your copy and view the offers. Parents will also be given the opportunity to purchase a copy by completing an order form on the day of the concerts.

This P&F initiative will enable parents to sit back and fully enjoy their child/ren's concerts knowing that a memory of the event has been captured for them. It is hoped that if there is a good response to this initiative that it may be considered for future events.

The Edu-Dance Concerts will be held in the Community Centre on the following dates:

"C" Classes – 2:15pm Thursday 5th April

- "A" Classes 2:15pm Monday 9th April
- "B" Classes 2:15pm Wednesday 11th April





God Bless, Toní Kalat

Religious Education

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



What a week for Jesus. "Today's the day!" the people of Jerusalem shouted. Jesus, the great prophet, the Messiah, the long-awaited King of the Jews has come to the city. He would spend only one week there, his last week on earth. How things changed so quickly for him.

Today we were able to see and walk in the footsteps of Jesus and his disciples in the last hours of his life when our Year 4's presented their rendition of the Stations of the Cross. Father Joseph set the scene and asked

us to open your hearts and be closer to Jesus during the performance. He asked us to witness the pain, suffering and sacrifice that Jesus endured for us. He also pointed out that at the end of all this suffering and sacrifice that we share with Jesus during Lent and Holy Week, that we must remember that we are always "Easter people". Easter is about new beginnings, a reminder that the light of a new day, is the time to resurrect our lives, with love, hope and happiness, to share with the world.

I hope you have a wonderful Easter long weekend with your family and friends and let's remember when we are opening our chocolate eggs that we also open our hearts to Jesus a little more on Easter Sunday.

Be Good. Nik Hofmeester



Parish News

Holy Week at Mater Christi Catholic Parish



THURSDAY	29 th March	HOLY THURS	DAY Mass of the Lord's Supper
FRIDAY	30 th March	GOOD FRIDAY 10.00am 3.00pm	f Stations of the Cross Solemn Liturgy of the Passion
SATURDAY	31 st March	HOLY SATUR 5.00-5:30pm 6.00pm	DAY Reconciliation Solemn Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter
SUNDAY	1 st April	EASTER SUN Easter Masses	DAY 8 8.00am, 10.00am, 5.00pm 9:30am @ Hammond Park Catholic Primary School



Physical Education

Swimming Carnival

Thank you, once again, to Mr Ryan Donnelly, all the staff, parents and helpers for all their hard work to create such a successful day for the school.

Here are some wonderful moments as captured by Jazz Sargeant (Charlotte 6B) and her father.















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Condolences

Our sincere condolences go out to the Phoebe family (Lucas, 4A) on the recent passing of Leanne's father. We pray for peace and blessings at this difficult time.

Easter Celebrations!

Our Kindy students have been working very hard creating eggciting Easter craft!



Look who came to visit Kindy! It's the Easter Bunny!







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Drama

Easter Reflection

On Friday Evening, the Year 4A students had the honour of performing the Easter Reflection for the Parish. It was a beautiful experience to perform it at night.

The students have worked very hard to create a dramatization of the journey of Jesus. Hopefully an experience that is meaningful not only for them but for those who were part of the audience.

A special mention must go to the beautiful singers, Ruby Dobson (Yr. 5), Brielle Siljeg (Yr.3) and Sabella Yakas(Yr.3) who sang like angels and set the scene. The Readers, Olivia Babich, Grace Sheehy and Daisy O'Sullivan who were eloquent and helped to guide us through each step that Jesus made. The actors who held their freeze to create each scene are to be commended. With special mention to Cole Clayden who played the role of Jesus.

I consider the final scene to be the most moving moment of the performance. A moment where somehow Year Four boys have been transformed into the Apostles carrying Jesus to his tomb. A poignant moment that.... Makes Jesus Real.

Pat Pottier Drama Specialist.











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2019 ENROLMENTS

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

Interviews have commenced, 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 <u>www.mcps.wa.edu.au</u> or come into the front Office.

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



P&F News

P&F Survey

We are asking parents to complete a quick survey to help the P&F represent all parents at the school. <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GF2JMS9</u>

The role of the P&F is to provide an opportunity for parents to interact and discuss matter of interest with the principal, teachers, parish and school board. We hold many events during the year to build a positive school community and assist by providing resources and facilities for the school through the levy and fundraising. We are keen to see some new members join the P&F and have parents attend meetings. The next P&F meeting is Tuesday 10th April, 7pm in the staff room.

Colouring-In Competition

The winners of the Easter Colouring in Competition, sponsored by Tanya Forzatti (Year 1 Parent) from Semple Property Group are listed below. Each winner received a prize pack including Easter eggs, a bag and some stationery. Well done to all the children who made an effort to submit an entry





HAPPY EASTER!

CONGRATULATIONS

Kindy	Eva Long (Kindy C)
Pre-Primary	Millie Hegney (PPB)
Year 1	Romeo Vost (1A)
Year 2	Josh Biju (2B)
Year 3	Luca Pritchard (3A)
Year 4	Riley Gadzionis (4C)
Year 5	Katia DeAbreu (5A)
Year 6	Hannah Chamberlain (6B)

AARREN HEDERE



P&F News



Easter Raffle

The lucky winners of the free P&F Easter Raffle are also listed below. Each winner received a milk chocolate bunny. Thanks to Teresa Lawson for her assistance in purchasing the prizes. The P&F would like to wish everyone a very happy and relaxing Easter.







Kindy A	Preston Gee	Cooper Stewart
Kindy B	Elektra Biancuzzo	Chloe Pellicione
Kindy C	Jai Kolkman	Oliver Cotton
Kindy D	Onyx Caygill	Tia Caruana
PPA	Harrison Hicks	Archie Manning
PPB	Sienna Raffaele	Aubrey Moon
PPC	Madeline DeSousa	Levi Datson
1A	Seraphina Hudspeth	Mercedes Lyon
1B	Jayden Brown	Michael Bridle
1C	Eli McGivern	Alani-Rose Egan
2A	Thomas Zuvela	Bella McGreavey
2B	Genevieve Emmitt	Andrew Nokes
2C	Charlotte Cheong	Breanna East
3A	Oliver Hulme	Krystof Colborne
3B	Esta Oteri	Ned Patmore
3C	Nathan Hall	Zechariah Yeo
4A	Rhys Millington	Kieran Treasure
4B	Katherine Torres	Taylor French
4C	Zara Formato	Girik Sahni
5A	Ruby Dobson	Kade Pelosi
5B	Joshua DeAbreu	Xavier Correia
5C	Ella Shields	Jesse Jodd
6A	Liam Elliott	Boadicea Hudspeth
6B	Liam McAleer	Isabella Finucane
6C	Alyssa Hearn	Ronan Johnson

Kindy D

Playground Catch-Up

Saturday, April 28th 9:30am at the Playground at Lakefront Avenue, Beeliar No need to RSVP!

Please phone Class Representative, Rachel Rawlins: 0421 706 767 for enquiries.



Community News



Government of Western Australia Triple P Seminars
Child and Adolescent Health Service

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program will help you with practical, positive and effective ways to deal with common behaviour problems and ways to help your child achieve their best at school and for the future. There are three Triple P Seminars to choose from:

- 1. Children's behaviour the tough part of parenting
- 2. Raising confident children
- 3. Raising emotionally resilient children

The next FREE 3-week Triple P Seminar Series is: When: Thurs 22, 29 May & 5 June 2018 Location: Blue Gum Community Centre, Brentwood Bookings: Please book online at www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/parentgroups

If unable to book online, please contact the Child Health Booking System on 1300 749 869





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