

# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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## **SCHOOL MANTRA 2020**

*"Do small things, with great love". Mother Teresa*

Dear Families

Well, we have survived Term 2! We have arrived at the end of what has been a very challenging term for our school community. Everyone, children, parents and staff have had to make many adjustments throughout this time to make the children's learning, whether at home or school, run as smoothly as possible. Many of these adjustments were made very quickly as there was an abrupt end to learning late last term and a move to learning using a variety of methods, including the online platforms. Although it was for a significant period of time, I must acknowledge the positive way staff and parents responded to the challenge, supported the children, and adhered to the restrictions placed on us.

Thank you for your continued support this term, in all aspects of the school community. I also take this time to thank the MC staff for their consistent hard work, commitment and dedication.

## **Term Three Calendar**

The Term Three Calendar and Canteen Menu will be available with the Newsletter. Parents, please check the calendar carefully and diarise events in preparation for next term.



Monday 20 July – Staff Development Day (Student Free Day)

Tuesday 21 July – School Resumes

Friday 21 August – Staff PD (Pupil Free Day)

Thursday 24 September – Last day of Term Three

Friday 25 September – Staff Catholic Day (Student Free Day)

## **Semester One Reports**



On Wednesday you were given access to your child's Semester One report. Due to changes created by Covid-19, the usual format of student reports has been altered. This semester report will provide information in Religious Education, English, and Mathematics. Please take the time to peruse the report in light of these factors thoroughly.

I also encourage you to talk constructively and positively with your child on his / her success and challenges outlined in the report. Parent/Teacher Interviews Parents will

take place in Week Four of Term Three.

I sincerely thank the teachers for their continued commitment to building a relationship with their students, knowing their strengths and areas requiring support and consolidation, and the time and effort given to writing the reports.

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## Cross Country



The weather was picture perfect! The event was even more special due to the attendance of so many families. The students were ready for their big day, and everyone gave their very best. As always, the competitors gave their all, celebrated everyone's success, and encouraged each other. Thank you to Mr Donnelly for organising the carnival, the Sports Captains, and all the staff in supporting the students during training and on the day. Congratulations to all the students. You are all CHAMPIONS!

## MC School Band

Everyone was welcomed to school this morning, with music flowing through the school. The MC School Band entertained the community with their repertoire of songs, and they were truly incredible. There was a great community feel with everyone present enjoying the performance of these talented musicians and acknowledging that it was awesome to start the day and finish the term. Big shout out to Mrs King and the MC Band! *We are all so proud of you!*



## Message from an MC Parent:

*I just wanted to write to tell you how impressed I was this morning!*

*I had tears in my eyes watching the amazing school band and seeing all of the kids (and teachers) laughing and playing in their pyjamas! I had an overwhelming sense of belonging and community and I left with a huge smile on my face.*

*Thank you for creating such a unique environment, I am SO glad we chose Mater Christi for our family.*

## Parent Helpers

From the beginning of next term, parent and family helpers will recommence in Kindy, PP classrooms, and other areas of the school as required. Physical distancing of 2m is required between adults.

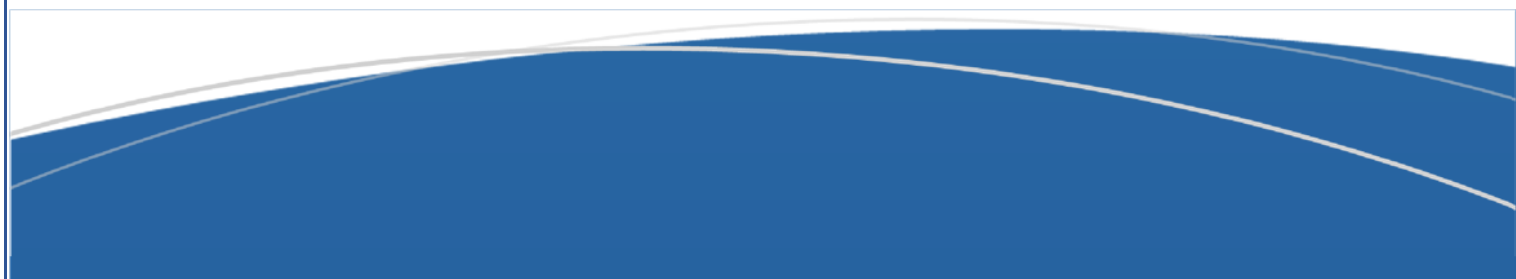
## Kiss and Drop

Our parents have done a wonderful job throughout this term concerning the pick-up routine. We appreciate your efforts in ensuring we have a safe and orderly pick-up compliant with various COVID-19 restrictions. Continuing next term, parents can enter school grounds to drop off and pick up their children and attend scheduled meetings with staff and school events. Before 8.30am, students from Years 1-6 will be supervised in the undercover area. Following 8.30am, students go directly to their classrooms.

Parents with Kindy and Pre-Primary children will continue to drop off and collect their child at the classroom door.



At this point, drink fountains will remain closed for the start of next term; please ensure that students return to school with a labeled drink bottle.



## Best Wishes



Today is Mrs Sally Hills' last day, beginning parental leave. I wish Sally and Luke every blessing as they await the birth of their first child in early September.

We also said farewell to Mrs Webb in the Office who assisted Mr Giles the Finance Office for this semester. I wish Evangeline every success and opportunity for the future.

Congratulations to Grace S (6A) on being awarded a full academic scholarship for her high school education at Iona! Well done Grace, we are all so proud of you.

Please also keep in your prayers Mr Jenkins who will be undergoing surgery next week. I wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to welcoming him back mid next term and back into looking after our school grounds.

We also lift in prayer, Mrs Natala Alford, grandmother of Jessica S. (Kindy A), who is having surgery today and treatment in the coming weeks.

Thank you to The Martins family (KB) for the wonderful morning tea you catered for our staff this morning. It was such a beautiful gesture of thanks, celebrating the additional workload caused by COVID-19 restrictions. We certainly appreciated the amazing delicious food provided. Thanks!

I believe it is safe to presume that all of us have experienced a level of physical and emotional fatigue that is 'out of the norm.' I know that is true for our staff and many students. May the holidays bring peace of mind and rest for bodies to all of our Mater Christi Community.

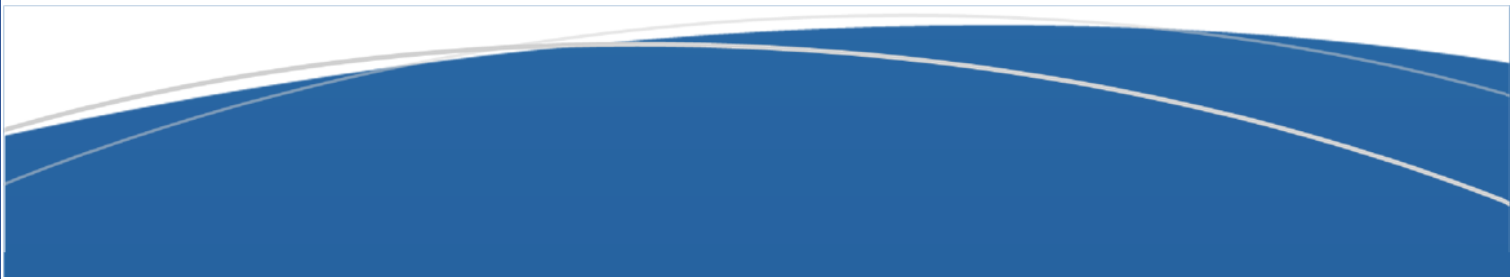
Thank you for your support and encouragement throughout the semester. Your gracious emails, phone calls and treats always seemed to come at the right moment.

*Enjoy the holidays!*

God Bless,  
Toni Kalat



# We love Pyjama Day!



### Lifelink 2020



Today we had a pyjama day to raise money for the Archbishop's Lifelink Winter Appeal. Through the generosity of the students, we have raised a total of \$999.05 towards Lifelink. This money will be donated to support the many charities that operate under the Lifelink banner.

### Making Jesus Real

Well done to the following students who were awarded with Making Jesus Real cards this week. It is so wonderful to see the kind, loving nature displayed by our students, doing 'small things with great love'. We love celebrating students at our school who capture the spirit of Jesus in all they do. Congratulations to Sophie B (1C), Seth H (2B), Poppy M (4B), Mia J (4B), Steele S (5A), Dhaniel B (5A), Jessica G (6A), Hudson A (6B), Gemma W (6B).

### Sacramental Program

Please read the letter below from the Mater Christi Parish regarding the Sacramental Program.

Dear Parents

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time of uncertainty regarding whether we would be able to confer any Sacraments for our children this year.

We have some wonderful news for our families of children receiving their **Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) for the first time and Eucharist (First Holy Communion)**.

As of the **first weekend in August** we will be able to commence children receiving these two Sacraments. All along once the enormity of the impact of COVID-19 became apparent, we knew that Sacraments, if we were going to be able to have them at all, would look different this year.

Next week the Trybooking code will be sent to all families with an indication of when bookings will open for you to go online and book in your child to receive their Sacrament.

Due to the government restrictions of physical distancing and the '2 square meter rule' we will only be able to accommodate 200 people in the church for each of the Masses which will limit the number of children able to receive their Sacrament at any one time.

#### **Reconciliation**

There will be a maximum of **6 children each week**.

Commencing **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August** and every Saturday at 5pm until 28 November.

#### **Eucharist**

Commencing **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August** there will be a maximum of 4 children per Mass every weekend (**16 children each weekend**) who will be able to receive their First Holy Communion. *At this stage* given the restrictions of numbers allowed in the church, each child will be allowed a maximum of 9 people to join them for Mass. Instructions will be forward to you for the logistics of booking in your family/friends coming with you. If we are able to open this further, of course we will do so and notify you accordingly.

#### **Confirmation**

Confirmation for school-aged children remains **temporarily suspended**, except for those in danger of death. This temporary suspension will be reviewed ahead of the commencement of Phase 5 of Western Australian Government's COVID-19 roadmap which is scheduled to commence on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2020.

We are hopeful that a date can be set towards the end of the year for the children to receive this Sacrament – as soon as practical we will notify you of a plan to make this happen for the children.

Again, thank you for your understanding, please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any queries.

Kind regards

*Marina Hayward*

Mater Christi Parish  
Sacramental Co-Ordinator



### Sustainability Snippets

The 1<sup>st</sup> July marked the beginning of Plastic Free July, a campaign aimed at reducing the amount of plastic (particularly single-use items) we use in our lives. It is a great time to think about any simple swaps that can be made in our households to reduce the impact we have on the environment. Some ideas for swaps or positive choices include:



- Using a reusable water bottle and takeaway coffee mug
- Buying one larger tub of yoghurt, instead of lots of smaller ones
- Switching to a bar of soap
- Taking a cloth bag to the shops

This Plastic Free July I am committing to using beeswax wraps instead of cling wrap? Will you take the challenge?

Haylee Klup, Science Specialist



### School Banking

School Banking is back!

School Banking at our school will recommence from Term 3, with **banking now on a Tuesday**. With the first Banking day starting on the Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup> of July 2020.

For every deposit made at school, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens, they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their regular savings habits.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

If your child has lost their book, please contact your School Banking Co-ordinator for a replacement. We are located in the staffroom or you can visit any CommBank Branch.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please visit:

<https://www.commbank.com.au/banking/school-banking.html>

School Banking Co-ordinators

Barbara, Jennifer, Karen, Alissa, Sharon, Melina and Nicole.

#### 2020 Treetop Savers Rewards

We're excited to share that the new School Banking theme for 2020 is Treetop Savers. We've developed a new range of rewards designed to appeal to all ages. In response to your feedback in the Customer Experience Surveys, we've made this year's rewards more eco-friendly and sustainable. All rewards are reusable and packaged using sustainably sourced paper.

- Terry Denton's Activity Book – Term 1
- Mini Soccer Ball – Term 1
- Treetop Stationery Set – Term 2
- Treetop Handball – Term 2
- Tomato Seed Kit – Term 3
- Magic Mist Drink Bottle – Term 3
- Emoji Wallet – Term 4
- Snakes & Ladders Game – Term 4



## School News

### Here's What's Been Keeping our Year 2's Busy!

This term although different, has been fun filled. Firstly, a massive thank you to all the Year 2 parents for their effort when completing the Home Learning Program. All classes have spent time refamiliarizing students with school routines and expectations, to ensure we all have safe and positive learning experiences. The Year 2 classes have a shared SOJ (Spirt of Jesus) Moments Wall. When students do small things with great love their names are added to the wall. So far Eve, Indie and Chloe from 2B and Jake, Archie, Mason D and Braxton from 2A have made it onto the wall. In English, we have learnt about narrative and persuasive writing structures, to celebrate our efforts we held a fairy tale dress up day. In Mathematics, we have learnt about multiplication, division and 3D shapes. We have also been looking at mapping and reading coordinates, to put this learning into practice students created their own maps. In Investigations, students worked in small teams to design a rural or urban community ensuring it included relevant services and buildings. We are all looking forward to starting Term 3 and continuing our social emotional and academic learning journey.





## School News

### LifeLink Day Activities

Thank you to the Murtagh family, from Guitar World, for the generous donation of the band equipment that was used during the Band's first official performance together. Guitar World provided the electrical guitar and some musical equipment. The band were outstanding – as you will see from the video link below. The group busked together, raising \$105.05 towards Lifelink. Well done guys!

<https://bit.ly/2YVSNGZ>



# MATER CHRISTI's GOT TALENT!!!



Can you sing?



Can you dance?



Can you do magic tricks?



Can you play an instrument?



...Or do something else???

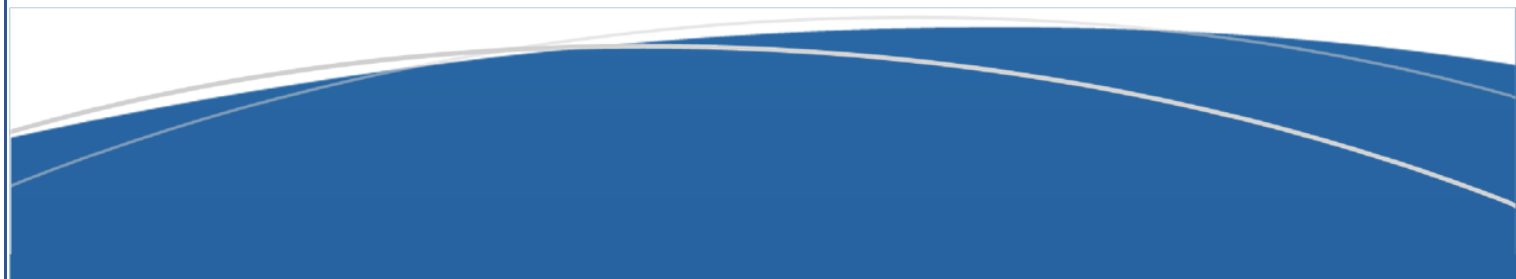
## TERM 3 MATER CHRISTI'S GOT TALENT!

- Week 5: Students wanting to participate let Ms King know by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August (individual or group entries). It is NOT compulsory.
- Week 6 & 7: Students perform their acts during MUSIC classes.
- Week 10: Showcase some of these acts to the school.



## Cross Country Highlights

Thanks to the wonderful photography skills of Mr Bravo (Father from PPB), we are able to showcase some wonderful snippets from the Cross Country yesterday.





## Cross Country Highlights

### CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

The annual Cross Country Carnival was held on Thursday in magnificent conditions. The Carnival proved to be a great success with all the students putting on a great show in front of a record crowd. In fact, all the runners must be congratulated for putting in a sensational effort. It's hard yakka running that far. Thanks to all the parents that came down to cheer on our champions. A big thank you must also go to my awesome parent helpers.

In a big upset the Bobtails have been able to knock off the Honeyeaters for the first time in four years.

The results are as follows:

#### **FINAL RESULTS**

**1<sup>ST</sup> – BOBTAILS**

**2<sup>ND</sup> – HONEYEATERS**

**3<sup>RD</sup> – BANDICOOTS**

**4<sup>TH</sup> – MAGPIES**

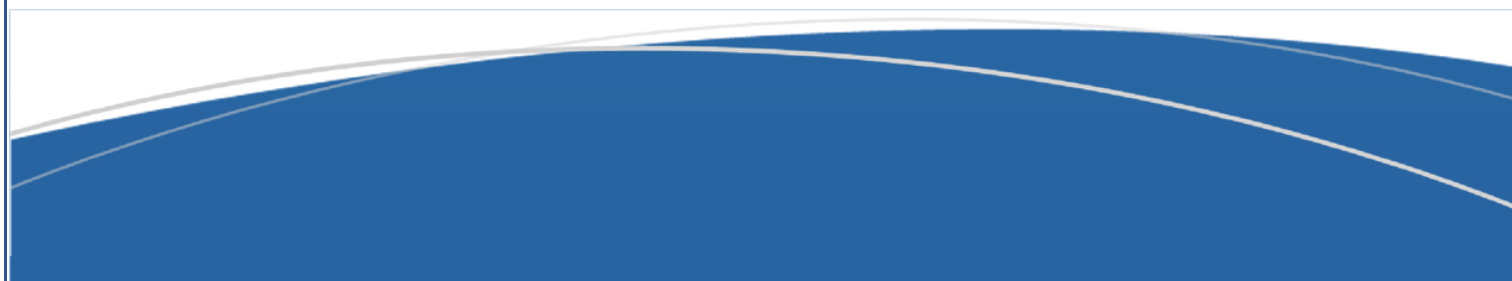
**Best Class (Golden Runner Trophy) – 2A**

We had some stand out performers during the day. Here are the first three home from each year:

Year	Place	Girls	Boys
PPA	1 <sup>st</sup>	Leah J	Liam C
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Evie M	Clinton V
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Juliette E	James G
PPB	1 <sup>st</sup>	Eliana C	Dylan M
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ava A	Lucas D
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lucy L	Arthur R
PPC	1 <sup>st</sup>	Devyn B	Finn T
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Isabelle B	Connor O
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ariella S	Levi P
1	1 <sup>st</sup>	Alia D	Cooper S
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Abigail Bs	Aiden R
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Zara A	Hudson R
2	1 <sup>st</sup>	Millie T	Jack A
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jenna F	Kobe B
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Isla C	Cooper K
3	1 <sup>st</sup>	Sophie C	Isaac F
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Imogen D	Romeo V
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Isla M	Hudson A
4	1 <sup>st</sup>	Naomi H	Connor D
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Zoe E	Hamish B
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Milla S	Joseph O
5	1 <sup>st</sup>	Shea C	Josh L
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Isabelle S	Oisín O
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mila M	Jayden P
6	1 <sup>st</sup>	Olivia M	Alfie H
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Shenae R	Tomas M
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mia S	Nic C

The first five place getters in each year (Year 3 – 6) will now look forward to the Interschool Cross Country Championships that will be held towards the end of Term 3. Notes will go out to those who are involved.

**Next Event: Interschool League Tag Carnival (Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August)**





## Lifelink Day 2020





## Parent Social Events

### PPA Playground Catch Up

**When:** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 9:30am (second week of school holidays)

**Where:** Woodman Point Playground (near the Kiosk)

**RSVP:** No need to RSVP – for further information contact Sinèad Chidlow on 0424 120 440

### Kindy A Coffee Catchup

**When:** Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 9am

**Where:** Location to Be Advised (please see the class Facebook page for further updates)

**RSVP:** via class Facebook group. For further queries, please call Brooke Velterop on 0408 910 691.



### Kindy B Class Playdate

**When:** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 9:30am (second week of school holidays)

**Where:** Lollipops Jandakot

**RSVP:** Please RSVP to Rachel Rawlins on 0436 861 911 by 9<sup>th</sup> July or via the Kindy B Facebook Group

### Kindy C Mum's Night Out

**When:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm

**Where:** The Vale

**RSVP:** Please RSVP to Taryn Martin on 0412 034 171.



## MATER CHRISTI'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK

### WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE RECIPE?

To all our students, families, staff and friends, we would love to include your favourite recipe in our special Mater Christi 30th Anniversary Cookbook.

Think sweet, savoury, healthy and not-so-healthy treats!

Cookbooks will be available for purchase in Term 3.

**SUBMIT YOUR RECIPE ON THE WEBSITE BELOW  
BY FRIDAY 31 JULY  
[WWW.PUBLISHEDAUTHORS.COM.AU](http://WWW.PUBLISHEDAUTHORS.COM.AU)**

For advertising or general enquiries, please contact Leah from Mater Christi's P&F on [leahrheinberger@hotmail.com](mailto:leahrheinberger@hotmail.com)



MATER CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY  
SCHOOL P&F FUNDRAISER

## Wine Fundraiser

We are inviting family and friends to support our P&F by purchasing wine through Wise Wine, a 5 star James Halliday rated winery in Margaret River. Buy any dozen bottles of wine and your order will be delivered for free and 20% of the sales will go to Mater Christi CPS P&F. Order yours today using the web address below.



<https://wisewine.com.au/mater-christi/>





### **Mater Christi's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cookbook**

As part of our 30<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration, the P&F are professionally publishing our very own Mater Christi Cookbook.

We would love every Mater Christi family to get involved! So, dig up your favourite recipes – be they sweet, savoury, family secrets or your lunchbox favourites. You may even want to test them out first – especially if they are sweets! Then send them in on the [www.PublishedAuthors.com.au](http://www.PublishedAuthors.com.au) "Submit your recipe Here" button. We encourage you to submit more than one recipe, as we may delete duplicate recipes. We will do our best to include every recipe.

***Recipe submissions will close on Friday 31 July 2020 (end of Week 2 Term 3).***

We are also seeking advertising from our P&F Business Directory, so if you are interested in advertising in our Cookbook, please contact [leahrheinberger@hotmail.com](mailto:leahrheinberger@hotmail.com) for advertising rates and enquiries.

For any other enquiries, please contact [leahrheinberger@hotmail.com](mailto:leahrheinberger@hotmail.com)

Happy cooking!

### **Australia's Biggest Morning Tea**

We will celebrate Australia's Biggest Morning Tea at the next 'Good Cup Cafe' with all proceeds going to Australia's Biggest Morning Tea.

**Save the Date: Thursday 20th August 2020, 8.45am**

We will have a raffle on the day with tickets available to purchase, if you are able to, we are asking for some raffle donations, if you would like to donate please deliver these items to the admin office and a member of the P&F will collect from there. Every little bit helps so we really appreciate your donations.

### **Wine fundraiser**

This fundraiser can be shared with all of your Adult family and friends. All orders placed through the link will go towards the 20% we will receive directly back from Wise Wines when the promotional period ends.

Please go to <https://wisewine.com.au/mater-christi/> for all information on what is available and how to order.

Thank you as always for your support of the Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Parents and Friends Association.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday 4th August, 7pm, Staff Room**

### **Parent's Business Directory**

Did you know we have a directory supporting businesses? It is available upon request or via the school website under the Parents and Friends tab. If you are a parent and wish to promote your business, we want to hear from you by 15th July.

Details to include:

Your name:

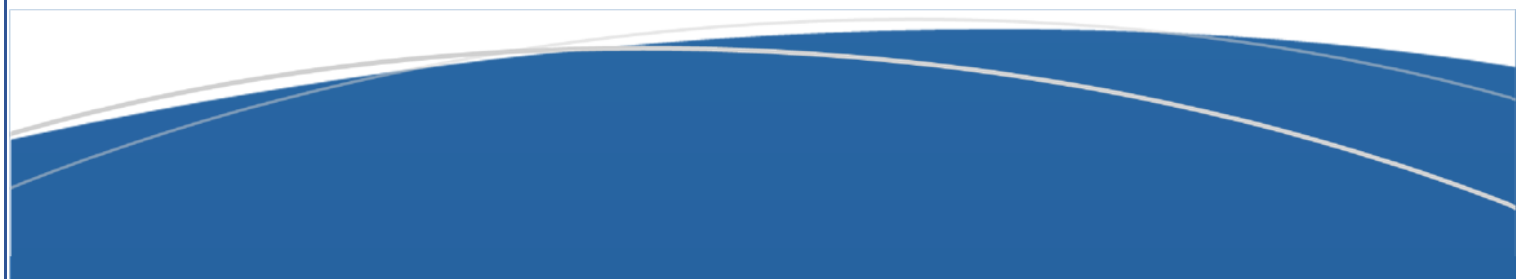
Company Name

Company contact details: address, contact number, email, website, Facebook (whichever contact methods you prefer)

Logo (jpeg or png file)

Short blurb about the services offered

Email these details to the P&F by 15th July: [materchristipandf@cewa.edu.au](mailto:materchristipandf@cewa.edu.au)



## Community News

### After-School Soccer Coaching Clinics (Term 3)

All Kindy to Year 2 children were given a registration form for an After-School Soccer Coaching Clinic starting from Week 2. We will conduct it on the school grounds. The activity is coordinated and run by Physical Education and/or Soccer Specialists; all with their Working with Children Checks. The Clinic focuses on **Maximum Participation** during **Organised** and **Fun** 4 x 1 Hour sessions. The cost for the clinic is \$40.00 per child.

If you are interested in letting your child learn and play this World Game in fun sessions and you have not yet registered, then please register online at [www.play4life.com.au](http://www.play4life.com.au) by Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July or complete the registration form and return it to reception by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July. (Spare registration forms are available at reception). If you have any queries, please call Jacob Aquino on 6162 0932.



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Please click on the following link to view exciting activities on offer from the City of Cockburn over the Term 2 School Holidays! <https://bit.ly/2ZwIMiC>

