

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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SCHOOL MANTRA 2017

'Never see a need without doing something about it.'

Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Dear Parents and Carers

5th Sunday of Easter

Gospel Reading

John 14:1-12 Jesus tells his disciples, "I am the way and the truth and the life."

This Sunday we will hear the message in the Gospel that tells us that Jesus is the way to the Father. We will read the words "I am the way, the truth and the life." It is these words that suggest to us that Jesus is the source of life and truth. Our challenge is to be led by these words and follow in His ways. As the Easter season continues we can connect with our children at home. Some parents say that a good place to have meaningful conversation with their children is in the car on routine trips. Others mention that when they travel they say a prayer for a safe journey. What is your experience of family travels? How do you make best use of the routine car trip?

MOTHER'S DAY

A blessing for all mothers, grandmothers and carers...

God, our Father, we ask you to bless all the mothers in our school community, together with those others who, in various ways, fulfil a mother's role.

Give them your love that they may love those entrusted to them
with the love which only they as mothers can give.

Give them your strength that they may never weary of the demanding role that
is theirs,
always ready to support, advise, encourage and sustain those who are so
precious to them.

Give them your warmth that they may radiate to their children
the human and divine qualities of compassion, understanding, patience and
kindness.

Above all, give them your joy and peace that they may always know the special
place they have in your heart.

May these women who give so much to others, so unselfishly and generously,
know that you are with them always.

"Her children arise and
call her blessed"

Amen.



Dates for Next Week

Monday May 15	3B Parish Mass
Tuesday May 16	5C Parish Mass 7pm Board Meeting
Wednesday May 17	8.10am SRC Meeting School Banking Uniform Shop Open
Thursday May 18	5A Parish Mass
Friday May 19	9am Assembly (Yr6)
Saturday May 20	
Sunday May 21	6 th Sunday of Easter

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I hope Sunday will be a Happy Mothers' Day for all our Mothers, Grandmothers and significant women in the lives of our children. I'm sure they appreciate all that you do. Enjoy your day on Sunday - I hope that your children really spoil you. I came across the following reflection on Mothers that I would like to share with you:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GHvjTLOtq0U>

My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual and physical education I received from her. George Washington

MOTHER'S DAY MASS AND STALL

Our church today was full of many of our children sitting with their mother's for a lovely Mother's Day Mass. The children sang beautifully and the reflection revealed the very special relationship that our children have with their mothers and grandmothers. Thank you to Mrs Trimble, Miss Kolbusz and Miss Paino for organising an inspiring liturgy.



Thank you to Karen Simons and a band of generous helpers who spent many hours wrapping and selling Mother's Day gifts. It was terrific to have a group of Dads helping out at the stall. I hope all gifts got home safely.

SENSORY TOOLS - FIDGET SPINNERS

I have spoken with the children about Fidget Spinners. Some children have been using them as toys on the playground. Toys are not allowed at school for many reasons – they cause arguments, they become lost to just name a few.

I believe that Fidget Spinners were developed initially as sensory tools. A sensory tool is a tool that aids children's learning and helps children to concentrate. A number of children at our school use sensory tools to help them concentrate. If Fidget Spinners distract from learning, then I have advised the teachers to ask the children to take them home.

Thank you for your support with this.

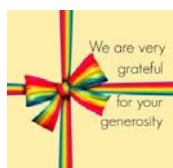
YEAR SIX ASSEMBLY

Next Friday the Year Six students and teachers will present their item for all of us. This is their final assembly performance so I hope that many parents will be able to attend.

At this assembly we will have a very special visitor to our school and we will also showcase the incredible Staff Team Building day that we had at the end of last term. Please bring your tissues with you!

NAPLAN

Well done to all our Year Three and Five students on completing all the NAPLAN assessments this week. Thank you also to their classroom teachers and all the staff who assisted in supporting the students during this time. A great effort by everyone.

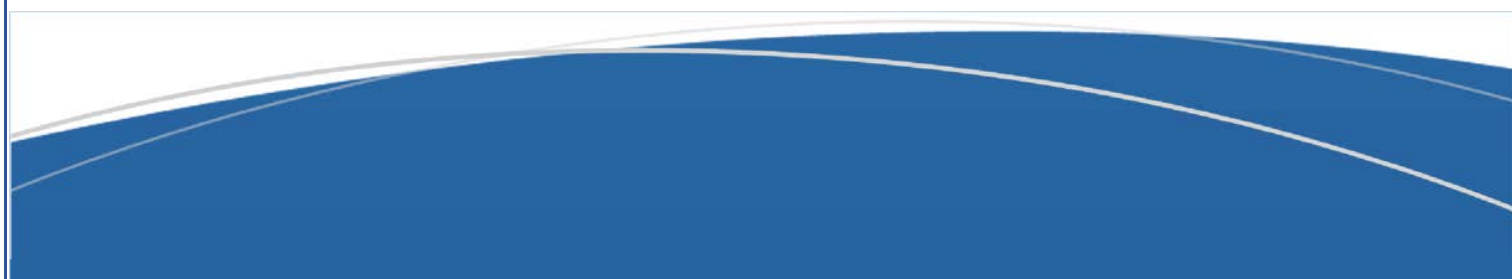


To our FANTASTIC P&F – a very huge thank you for your continued support in all that we do at Mater Christi. At last Tuesday night's P&F meeting the 2017 Wish List from the teachers for classroom resources, specialist subjects and indoor/outdoor play resources was approved to the value of \$23, 335.27. The first instalment of \$10,000 was given to the school and the remainder will be presented at a later date. The staff are very appreciative of the P&F's support and generosity of funds. Some of the items to be purchased are: trikes, construction play resources, Numero packs, headphones, scales, microscopes, Bee Bots, Lego EV3 Space set, keyboards, shakers, hand drums as well as role play toys and equipment.



God Bless

Toni Kalat



Religious Education

Life Link



All mission money collected this term will be donated to LifeLink in order to support thousands of people in need throughout Western Australia each year. This year Life Link Day will be officially launched on Wednesday June 7.

Students are invited to make a gold coin donation for LifeLink Day. All students will be given a 'LifeLink Day Heart' to represent their generous support. The students will write a personal message or draw a picture on the heart, for people in need within our community.

For more information about Life Link Day, visit their website <http://www.lifelink.com.au>

Mother's Day Mass

Thank you to our Year One teachers and students for preparing the beautiful Mass this morning. We hope all the wonderful Mums in our community have a special day on Sunday.



Parish

Sacramental Program

Confirmation Meeting

This meeting will take place in the Mater Christi Church on Wednesday, June 7 at 3.30pm. All Confirmation candidates must attend.

Confirmation Practice

Confirmation candidates and their sponsors are required to attend a practice in the Church. Please check your Confirmation Mass to ensure you attend the correct practice. Please check details below.

Confirmation Time	Practice Time
Saturday, June 10 at 6pm	Wednesday, June 7 at 6:30pm
Sunday, June 11 at 10am	Wednesday, June 7 at 7:30pm
Sunday, June 11 at 3pm	Thursday, June 8 at 6:30pm



Mother's Day Mass



MERIT AWARDS FOR MAY 19

Congratulations!

PPA	Billie Larkins, Griffin Jones
PPB	Sofia Manfriani Collazos, Liam Thomas
PPC	Blake Gaidzionis, Olivia Zammit, Andrew Xiao Ze
1A	Nathan De Sousa, Brianna Rodden, Alivia Yakas
1B	Lilly Sauzier , Michael Raffaele
1C	Violet Cripps, Rishi Maregouni
2A	Alissa Eaton, Theresia Baretto
2B	Steele Simons, Tiana Basilio
2C	Tynan Leeming, Emmi Musulin, Nicholas Catanzaro
3A	Abbey Boatwright, Nicholas Wilkin, Katherine Torres
3B	Ethan Learmont, Halle Hall, Sianna Egan
3C	James Artemis, Charlie Hegney, Miranda Lavery
4A	Kade Pelosi, Georgia Galipo, Rhys De Souza
4B	Daisy Gadsden, Jorge DeOliveira and Javier DaSilva
4C	Nathan Long, Lily Cuthbert, Korey Sweetman
5A	Asher Leeming, Tayla Rijavec
5B	Zoe Kennington, Taj Quinlivan
5C	Aston Clothier, Nicolas Velezmoro
6A	Ella Forster, Nicholas Goodin and Zoe Pendleton
6B	Nicholas Cutri, Max Gadsden
6C	Jacob O'Brien, Melanie Friessbourg, Celena Trolio

Interschool Basketball Carnival

Training is progressing well and the troops are looking forward to the challenge.



There has been a change of date.

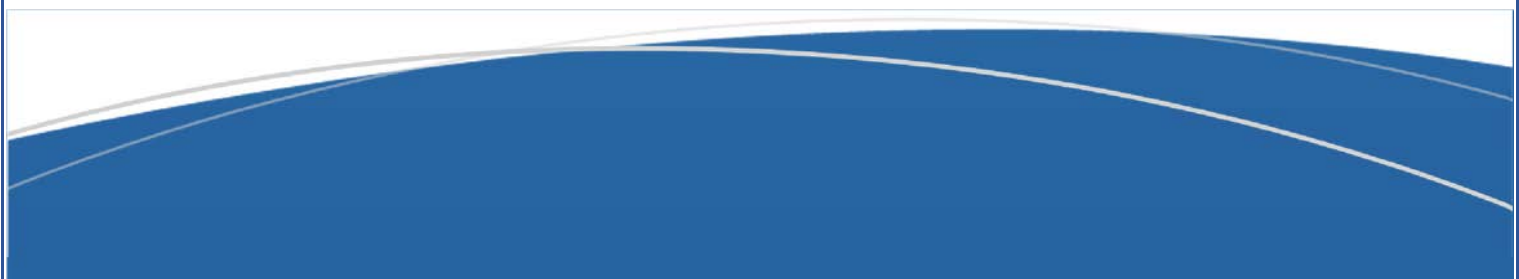
The carnival will now take place on Monday May 22 instead of Tuesday May 23 as previously stated.



SCHOOL BANKING

Next Wednesday May 17, Cred from the Dollarmites gang will be coming to Mater Christi to help collect the school banking satchels. Also look out for Cred in the Junior Courtyard before school!

Mariana from the Commonwealth Bank will also be in the Junior Courtyard to assist any with opening Youth Saver accounts or any other queries you may have.





Media Statement

9 May 2017

NAPLAN testing aligns with CEWA focus on data

As students across the state prepare to participate in the annual NAPLAN (National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy) testing this week, Catholic Education Western Australia (CEWA) has highlighted the benefits of using data to inform the best possible learning opportunities and outcomes for students.

Dr Tim McDonald, CEWA Executive Director, said NAPLAN testing was one of many tools Catholic schools used to chart the development of students.

"NAPLAN aligns with an increasing focus by CEWA on data analysis to deliver improvements in teaching and learning practices. NAPLAN testing is not intended to fully measure all aspects of students' learning, but it does provide students across the country with an opportunity to demonstrate their learning in numeracy and literacy on the same day, in the same test," he said.

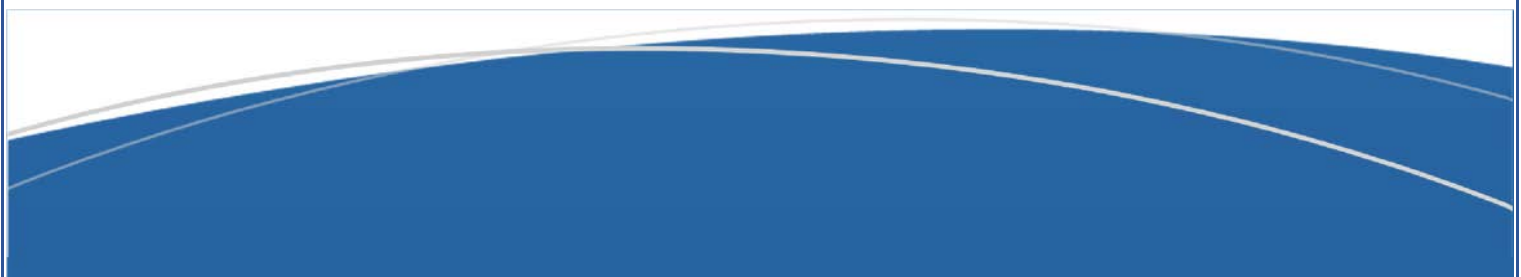
"CEWA assists schools with analysis of NAPLAN results to ensure each school is able to make the most of this data, including trends in results they may want to focus on,"

"While NAPLAN provides data on literacy and numeracy, CEWA is implementing data analysis to deliver benefits in a variety of ways in our system. This includes a new digital learning platform, that enables educators and students to benefit from analytics on learning content in their classrooms, as well as work by our Teaching and Learning Team to analyse a variety of data on schools across the system provided by school staff," Dr McDonald said.

Catholic schools have shown sustained improvement in student outcomes in recent years, which Dr McDonald attributed both to this use of data in decision-making, as well as schools promoting cultures where each staff member is responsible for the success of each individual student.

"We have terrific staff working in schools throughout WA who are committed to delivering a Catholic education that supports students in their spiritual, intellectual, social and emotional, physical and creative development," he said.

"CEWA schools aim to prepare students to thrive in our rapidly changing world. Preparing students to be confidently literate and numerate is an important part of this development, and NAPLAN testing is one way in which Catholic schools meet this need."



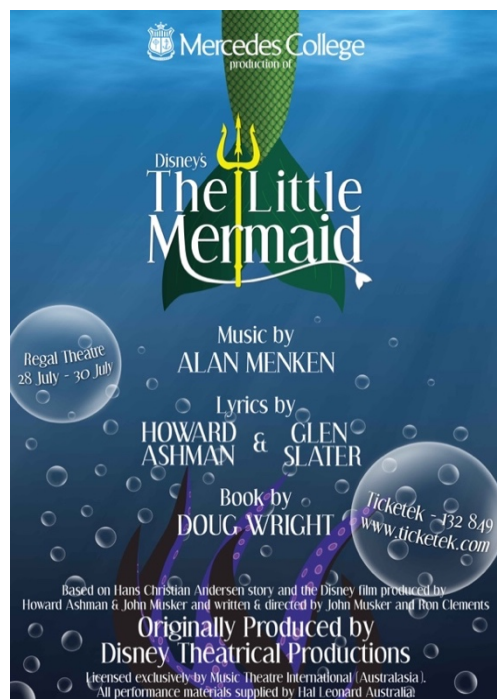
WHERE: Meet at
West and Fresh
Seafood Carpark,
next to Tony Ale's
Fruit and Vegetable
Market, 66
Hammond Rd



TIME: Meet at
7.50am for an
8.00am departure

WHAT TO WEAR: Sports
Uniform, school
hat and
sunscreens.

Friday 26th May 2017
(In celebration of Wellness Week)



RELATIONSHIPS AUSTRALIA – West Leederville

PARENTING COURSES

- Parent-Child Connection 4 x weeks
[Read](#) Tues 6-27 June
- Parent-Teen Connection (DAYTIME)
[Read](#) Sat 10 June
- Kids and Technology
[Read](#) Thurs 22 June
- All About Anger – for Parents of Teens
[Read](#) Wed 28 June

Go to www.relationshipswa.org.au or
ring 6164 0200 to enrol



Relationships Australia.
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

CLASS REP EVENTS

CLASS REP EVENT –2B

May 22, After drop off
Coffee/Breakfast catch up
Zephyr's Café, East Fremantle



CLASS REP EVENT –1A

June 9, 12 Noon
Lunch at The Quarrie
Hammond Park
RSVP – Clare, June 2



CLASS REP EVENT –KINDY A

June 17
Parents Dinner
Venue to be confirmed
Please contact class rep for
more info
RSVP – Jessica Burleigh



CLASS REP EVENT –KINDY B

June 26
Parents Dinner
All welcome
RSVP – Leah or Cherie



keep your kids **SAFE** online



Cybersafety parent forum

An eSafety expert from the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner will be delivering a **FREE** workshop on how you can help keep young people safe online.

Learn how:

- » Young people are using social media and technology
- » To make a complaint about cyberbullying
- » The Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner can help remove serious cyberbullying material

Light refreshments are included, for more information contact the Cockburn Support Service Coordinator on 9411 3859.

For parents/carers of young people aged 7 – 18 years.

EVENT DETAILS


Wednesday 31 May,
5.30pm – 7.30pm

Cockburn Health &
Community Facility,
Level 1, 11 Wentworth
Parade, Success


RSVP essential by
Monday 24 May
on 9411 3444



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Are you a young coding n00b or a language leet?



CoderDojo

@ Coolbellup Library

Young ninjas can develop their coding skills by crafting fun games and projects. Mentors will be on hand to guide and support ninjas as they test and create.

Coderdojo @ Coolbellup will focus on creating projects in **Scratch**, though other programs can be used depending on ninja expertise. Each Dojo session will let kids explore and create on their own terms, with the awarding of coloured 'belts' at the end of the ten weeks.

Bookings are essential. Please bring your own laptop.

For children aged 8+

Coderdojo @ Coolbellup begins Tuesday 23rd May.

Sessions run 3:30-5pm for ten weeks at Coolbellup Library.

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