# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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#### SCHOOL MANTRA 2020

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

**Dear Families** 

#### Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)



At all weekend Masses, we will celebrate the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, where we specifically look at the celebration of the Eucharist. We are now in the age of fast food and eating on the go, and often families find that they are not eating meals together at the dinner table as often as they did in the past. However, in the Bible, meals were a very important occasion. Meals were seen as much more than a means to satisfy a physical need. The Hebrew people viewed

eating a meal as a way of expressing and strengthening their relationship to one another. Similarly, it is no coincidence that meals are often the setting of Jesus' teaching and miracles in the Gospels. Jesus' ministry was a giving of himself for others which came to a climax on the cross. The Last Supper is strategically placed in the gospel narrative of the summation of Jesus' ministry and the anticipation of his self-giving on the cross. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our own self-giving.

Loving God,
Every day reminds us of your love and care.
May we come closer to you and each other through our participation in each Eucharist.
Amen.

#### **P&F Meeting**

Thank you to the parents who were able to come along to the first P&F Meeting of this term. It has been a while since we have been able to come together and meet.

#### Kindergarten 2021 & 2022

Interviews for Kindy 2021 have been completed and all Kindy classes for 2021 are full and have commenced a waitlist. As current parents, you are the best marketers we have for our school. Thank you very much for your continued support and acknowledging our school in a most positive manner throughout the wider community. If you have a sibling ready for Kindergarten 2022, or if you know of families with a child ready to commence Kindergarten in 2022, please let them know of our school, complete the Enrolment Form and submit it with the relevant documents to the School Office.

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#### **Semester One Reports**

This Semester has been unique with learning experiences both at school and through home-based learning due to COVID-19. The Federal Education Minister, Dan Tehan, has approved changes to the regulation for Semester 1, 2020 Reports. Schools are not required to report as they have in previous years and the Semester One Reports will be different. We usually use a 5-point scaled (AE), where we place your child's learning on this scale for every Key Learning Area. This semester, A-E will not be used. Teachers will state the content covered in Religion, English, and Maths, provide a General Comment, and identify students Personal and Social Development.

#### **School Assembly**

Next Friday, we will host our first Teams Virtual Assembly. The SRC is organising the event and all classes will be able to view the Assembly in the classrooms. The Leadership Team will visit the classrooms to present the Merit Awards. All award recipients are listed later in the newsletter. Whilst it would be great if parents, grandparents and friends could join us onsite for the Assembly, this is not possible at the moment.

#### **School Calendar**

We are looking at what events are able to go ahead for the remainder of the year, given the health advice from government on the size of gatherings. Some events that were planned for 2020 may be able to be rescheduled, however, some may not be able to be rescheduled. I recognise that this may be a cause of disappointment for some. I will keep you updated as more information comes to hand. The Term Three Calendar will be available by the end of this term.

#### Morning Drop off and Afternoon pick up

Thank you for your continued support at morning drop off and afternoon pick up times. Having your 'family name card' visible, makes the process more efficient. If you require another one for a second car or for a relative, please let the school office know.

#### **Sick Children**

If your children are displaying flu-like symptoms, or is sick in any other way, please do not send them to school. If your child becomes ill at school, we will contact you and ask that you come and collect your child as soon as you can and take them home. If your child or a member of your family is required to be tested for COVID-19 we ask that you notify the school and keep all children home until the results have been confirmed. I appreciate your cooperation.

God Bless, Toni Kalat

### In Our Prayers

The school community extends their condolences to Chloe (PPA) Niamh (1B) and Isla (5B) on the recent passing of their Great Grandmother. We pray God provides peace and comfort to you all at this difficult time.



#### **School News**

#### **Sacramental Program**

Further information regarding reception of the Sacraments this year will be forthcoming over the next couple of weeks. The Parish is currently working through the logistics of making this happen for our students in the Sacramental years. Your patience regarding the occurrence of the Sacraments is appreciated.

#### **Year Two Fairytale Dress Up Day**

On Wednesday the Year Two children had a Fairy Tale Dress Up Day to celebrate learning how to write narratives. In the morning the children wrote a narrative to showcase everything they have been learning. The character they were dressed up as had to be the main character in the story. After recess, the children visited the library and listened to different fairy tales. For lunch, the children had a royal banquet (pizza) and then watched Shrek that included lots of different fairy tale characters. Throughout the day children were given opportunities to act as their character and play with other characters. It was a fun day! The fairy godmothers also got to share some fairy dust with the Pre-primary and Kindy classes which was very exciting.









#### **School News**

#### What's Happening in Kindy This Term?

Finally, we are all together again enjoying each other's company. The children have transitioned well into the routines of the Kindergarten. Focus Areas for this term are 'Creepie Crawlies' and 'The Water Cycle'. Due to the change in circumstances, social and emotional development are a priority, including the development of independence and resiliency. In addition, we are also focusing on the concepts: Making Jesus Real, learning about initial sounds, developing vocabulary and speaking in short sentences, continuing our Peggy Lego prompts, concepts of print, subitising skills, counting with one to one correspondence to ten and patterning. What fun we've had with our friends! Here's a snapshot of our learning.









#### Do you Have Special or Exciting News to Share?

If you ever have news to share with the school community, please email Mrs D'Souza on rebekah.dsouza@cewa.edu.au

#### **Book Club is due**

Wednesday 17th June at 3pm

No cash payments or paper orders. Please use LOOP on Scholastic website.

Any orders placed after the closing date and time will be charged \$4.99 for home delivery.



# Cross Country - 2020



## PROGRAMME OF EVENTS (Monday 29th June)

EVENT	YEAR GROUP	START TIME (Approx.)
EVENT 1:	YEAR 1 GIRLS (2 Laps)	9:00AM
EVENT 2:	YEAR 1 BOYS	9:10AM
EVENT 3:	YEAR 2 GIRLS (2 Laps)	9:20AM
EVENT 4:	YEAR 2 BOYS	9:30AM
EVENT 5:	YEAR 3 GIRLS (Bush/Oval 1	km) 9:45AM
EVENT 6:	YEAR 3 BOYS	10:00AM
EVENT 7:	YEAR 4 GIRLS (1.5km)	11:10AM
EVENT 8:	YEAR 4 BOYS	11:25AM
EVENT 9:	YEAR 5 GIRLS	11:40AM
EVENT 10:	YEAR 5 BOYS	11:55AM
EVENT 11:	YEAR 6 GIRLS (2km)	1:25PM
EVENT 12:	YEAR 6 BOYS	1:40PM
ANNOUNCEMENTS (over P.A)		3:00PM (If Time)
PRESENTATION OF SHIELD		<b>NEXT ASSEMBLY</b>

Pre-primary Classes will run their race in Week 9 Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June during PE Class. The start time is to be confirmed.

At this stage there will be no parent spectators, except those volunteering.

This may change in accordance with restriction easing.

Volunteers are required for two time slots on Monday 29th June:

- 11:00am 12:15pm
  - 1:20 2:00pm

Please contact Mr. Donnelly if you can help out.

The Cross Country will only be cancelled in severe weather.

#### **School News**

#### **World Environment Day**





Earth day is a birthday! Just like we have a special time to celebrate ourselves and our many strengths and flaws, we use this day to improve the environment and our society. Many citizens take advantage of our luxuries, polluting the Earth and destroying the Ozone layer that protects us from the Sun's lethal rays. Earth day can change the life of many people and animals. Earth Day is very important, it could be the turning point for energy, efficiency and a lot more renewable energy, which is healthy for all creatures!

With the help of Ms Hartill, we were able to help our Earth by planting many new lush plants and scavenging for mass amounts of litter. A variety of students from each class came together and gained experience to learn what Earth day was all about. We mastered the art of planting and became more familiar with our Earth and the horrendous predicament we have put it in. Earth day is a day where you can help to heal the earth by picking up rubbish from your surroundings. We were able to acquire more litter than what we could carry from the area surrounding where we were planting. Our concerns still stand for how much garbage could be lurking around the wilderness affecting other animals and for our world.



#### **RUNNING CLUB (Kindy-Year 6)**

Great news! MCRC is starting up again next week, Tuesday June 16th at 8am! So come along and have a run or a walk around the oval before school and start accumulating your km's to earn milestone rewards! First timers, just turn up and start running! See you on the school oval every Tuesday 8am - 8:20am.

Contact Sarah for more information at <u>sarahsfitness20@gmail.com</u> Join the FB Group to keep up to date <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/139615543754849/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/139615543754849/</a>



