# 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"

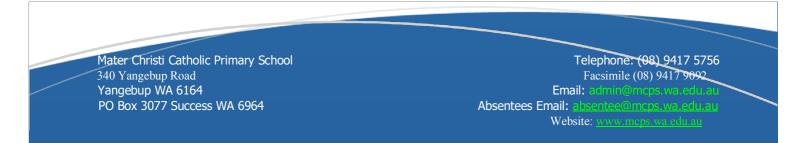
Dear Parents and Caregivers

As we come to the end of Term Two I hope you have the opportunity to enjoy the slower pace of the next fortnight and take time together enjoying each other's company. I would like to make a request to you for these holidays regarding "quality time" activities. Hopefully the weather will be kind enough for outdoor pursuits and that this can be balanced with some "down time", away from the usual running around that is done each week. My request is that you monitor and regulate the amount of time children are spending on technology, or "screen time". I am aware that more and more children are playing computer games that involve playing against other children from school, the local area, or in fact, anywhere around the world. The implications involved with online gaming at this age can be significant and I ask you to be aware of what your child may be playing and how much time they are spending online.

#### Year 3/4 Toilet Refurbishment

Next Monday 2 July work will begin to transform the tired and battle worn middle school toilets into a more light and modern facility. The majority of the noisy and messy work will be done during the school holidays. It is hoped that with no setbacks the toilets will be operational in Week Two of next term. During this time the students will access the Junior Toilets during the school day. It will be very exciting to have one very small part of the Master Plan come into fruition.

DATES FOR NEXT TERM (WEEK 1)				
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Student Free Day			
	Term 2 Starts Students Return			
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	4B Class Mass			
	Life Ed Van begins Parent Session: 8:30-9:00am			
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Uniform Shop Open Times: 8:10-10:30am 1:20-3:20pm			
	School Banking			
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> July				
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	9am: Whole School Mass (Year 2) 10am: Performing Arts Opening Mass (Arts Captains) Year 3-4 Excursion to Emmanuel -Wizard of Oz			
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> July				
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July				



## The Oval

The School Board has worked very hard for many years in trying to acquire the land that forms the oval that the school maintains and uses. This has become a lost cause. For the last three years Mark Clayden (School Board Chair) and I met with the City of Cockburn on many occasions canvassing the upgrade of facilities to the green space that our children use during the school day and many families use after hours. Finally, I am pleased to confirm that the City of Cockburn has approved as part of the 2018/19 budget \$25,000 for the Mater Christi green space Master Plan at the Special Council Meeting on 21 June 2018. Mark and I stressed the point that we as a community be given the opportunity to put forward our vision and ideas for the green space. Of course, as we are not the only ones utilising this space, other community members and groups will also be consulted. I will keep you informed of the process and when this consultation will occur. As you can see, what may seem like a simple request and solution to our needs, takes time.

The Master Plan must be completed by June 2019 and once finalised we will be able to plan and make changes to the green space. Some changes will be made by the City of Cockburn and others by Mater Christi.

Sometimes, it may seem as if nothing is being done regarding an area that we are all passionate about, but I can assure you that the oval has been on the Board Agenda for every meeting and we have been working hard behind the scenes to get to this outcome. I would sincerely like to thank Mark for his work and support with this endeavour as well as Jodi Hampel (Board) and Michelle Hall (P&F President) who were prepared to and present a deputation in favour of the Master Plan proposal. All of us look forward to further good news and the redevelopment of the green space that is significantly utilised by us and the wider community.



#### Library

The Library system has had a much-needed change over to a new system and upgrade (the current old one just stopped wanting to work anymore). Lots of patience was required by everyone and Mrs Gowland has been learning how to use the new system and to make sure that everything is ready to go for the beginning of next term. The children were still able to borrow and use the library during this time. Thank you, Mrs Gowland for making the changeover process as seamless as

possible.

## **Cross Country**



How incredible is this event for our children? We were blessed with the beautiful weather for the PP Cross Country last Friday and the Years 1-6 last Monday. Thank you to all the parents who were able to come along to support the children and cheer them on; to the parent helpers on the Monday – your assistance was greatly appreciated and especially to Mr Donnelly for coordinating another successful sporting event for our children.



## **Pupil Free Day**

Just a reminder that Monday 16 July is a **Pupil Free Day**. School commences on Tuesday 17 July.

**Staff Catholic Day** – will be held on Monday 20 August. This day is in recognition and thanks to all staff in Catholic Schools for the many hours after school, evenings and

during the weekends they contribute to the Faith Life of their school community. This is also a Pupil Free Day and will be a nice long weekend for everyone.

As always, thank you for your support during the term and I look forward to seeing you next term. Have a safe and relaxing holiday.

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God Bless, Toní Kalat

# **Religious Education**

#### Lifelink Free Dress Fundraiser

Thank you to all our cool kids and staff who came dressed in "Old School" free dress for LIFELINK today. We raised \$583.00

#### **Sleeping Bag Drive Reminder**

Next term we will have a special appeal for the homeless. We will be asking our generous Mater Christi Family to donate old or new sleeping bags to our SLEEPING BAG APPEAL.

If you are thinking of replacing and throwing out your old sleeping bags please donate them to us. We will take them in any condition.

If you do not have an old one to donate please consider donating a new sleeping bag. Perhaps you could encourage your child to put a little of their pocket money aside every week and start saving for one or you could join up with another family and buy one together.

The sleeping bag drive starts next term so let's see how many we can collect and help those homeless people on the street have a nice warm night's rest. We plan to fill up a whole trailer load, then with members of the P&F and Staff hand them out to those in need later in the term.

We will be working in partnership with the Holy Spirit of Freedom Community who work closely with the homeless in Perth on this project. Thank you to our school P&F who will also be supporting this drive.





\$29.00 from Kmart Kmart Alpine Hooded Sleeping Bag - Grey & Blue

Be good and have a great 2 week break with your children! God Bless, Mr Hofmeester – Religious Education





## **School News**



#### Life Education Van- Parent Information Session

Life Education is a not-for-profit, preventative health organisation working with schools to deliver a curriculum-based program that empowers children to live a safe and healthy life. By placing preventive education at the core of their work, Life Education aim to instil in children the confidence to make safer and healthier choices now and in the future. Their programs support children, teachers and families to explore a range of health topics including nutrition, body knowledge, resilience, decision making, social skills, physical activity, personal safety, medicines, tobacco, alcohol and cyber-safety.

Next term students will visit the Mobile Learning Centre, during Weeks 1 and 2, where they will meet "Healthy Harold" the giraffe and engage in an interactive learning session. This session is used as a platform to introduce and explore various health topics, which are then consolidated and extended further back in the classroom using comprehensive student and teacher resources.

Parents and care givers are also welcome to visit the Life Education Mobile Learning Centre during an 'Open Van' session from **8:30-9am on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July (Week 1, Term 3).** *Please note, the van will be located at the rear of the school in the staff carpark overflow.* This is an opportunity for you to explore topics your children will be covering during their visit to the Life Education Van, and to meet the Educator for an informal chat. You are very welcome to visit the van at any time during this session.

Thank you, Nicole Woodhouse Assistant Principal

## Farewell

Good luck to the Middleton Family. We wish them all the best for a bright, safe and healthy future as they move to their new city, Melbourne. We also farewell Josh Biju (2B) as he starts his new adventure at Mel Maria Catholic Primary School.



#### Congratulations

Congratulations to the O'Sullivan family on being officially recognised as Australian Citizens.

#### Congratulations

Congratulations are also in order for Liam McAleer (6B). Liam has been accepted into Fremantle High School for 2019, where he will participate in their Approved Specialist Marine Studies Program. We wish him all the best for his future endeavours!



#### **Library News**

Dear Parents,

Scholastic has informed me that due to a technical issue on their end, our Issue 4 orders will not arrive until Week 1, Term 3.

Scholastic and Myself apologise for any inconvenience and thank you in advance for your patience.

Thank you,

Mrs Emily Gowland, Library Officer

## **School News**



#### Enrichment

In Year Five Enrichment this term, students have been learning all about Forensic Science. They have observed a crime scene and examined evidence to decide who committed the crime. Last Friday the students had a visit from Dr Garth Maker, a Forensic Lecturer at Murdoch University. He spoke to us about his speciality – toxicology, which is the study of poisons. They learnt all about how students who are studying forensic science travel to a farm in Margaret River to practice examining evidence. After that, students printed their fingerprints on special paper, dusted a glass for fingerprints and two lucky students, Mitchell and Cristianne even got to dress up in overalls, masks and shoe covers. We thank Dr Garth Marker for the very interesting visit.







#### Year 5 Market Day

Market Day was a huge success despite the weather! The total funds raised reached a total of \$835. It was a huge effort by all children to work together, compromise and then try and sell their products. The money will go towards the hiring of buses to visit Frank Prendergast House in Success. All children in Year Five visit this nursing home as part of their Christian Service Learning Program.

Thank you for your support, The Year Five Group



# **Physical Education**

#### Long-Bomb Competition

During week six of school over 120 students put their hand up and participated in the Fremantle Dockers Long Bomb Competition. Each student had three attempts at kicking the leather off the ball. **It was evident that the Fremantle supporters were kicking it much further than the Eagles supporters.** The competition was very close with some massive kicks being launched. The final results were:

DIVISION	WINNER	
Year 4 Girls	Ayvah Rioli	
Year 4 Boys	Taj Erceg	
Year 5 Girls	Sofia Bates	
Year 5 Boys	Peter Wright	
Year 6 Girls	Hayley Cheong	
Year 6 Boys	Zach Zammit	

All the winners will soon be notified about a State Semi-final competition that will take place at Legacy Park (opposite Cockburn ARC) during the holidays.

There will also be some lucky competitors chosen for the Freo Fast Ball and Kwik Kick Competitions.

A big thank you must go to the Year 6 Captains who did a great job running the competition.

#### **Interschool Lightning Carnival**

Volleyball A

Volleyball B

Netball B MC Blue

Netball B MC Gold

Netball A

Netball C

On Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> of June, all the intrepid Year 6's and a few lucky Year 5's headed off to participate in the CPSSA Interschool Lightning Carnival.

The students had the choice of participating in football, soccer, netball or volleyball.

It was extremely fresh in the morning and we had some rain, but the sun was out in all its glory for large periods. We had been training all term and were confident of being very competitive. After a fun filled day of thrills, spills and brilliant skills the Mater Christi students had done the school proud.

A big thank you must go out to the teachers involved namely Miss Edmondson, Miss McMahon, Miss Gibb and Mr O'Reilly. We also had some Notre Dame Practice teachers Miss Reeve, Miss Richard and Miss Tabin help out on the day as well. I would also like to thank those parents that came along on the day to help and support the crew. Mater Christi acquitted themselves extremely well. The results are below.

SPORT	PLACE
Football (Year 6)	5 <sup>th</sup>
Football (Year 5)	6 <sup>th</sup>
Soccer A	1 <sup>st</sup>
Soccer B	3 <sup>rd</sup>

6<sup>th</sup>

2<sup>nd</sup>

4<sup>th</sup>

2<sup>nd</sup>

3<sup>rd</sup>

**G**th



So, we came home with one piece of silverware, but there were some awesome performances. Again, well done to all participants!

Can all students who borrowed an interschool shirt or footy jumper bring them in as soon as possible? **Mr Donnelly (PE Specialist)** 

# **Physical Education**

#### **Cross Country Carnival**

The annual Cross Country Carnival was held during the week 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 and those who assisted as marshalls for the senior races.

#### $1^{ST}$ – HONEYEATERS $2^{ND}$ – BANDICOOTS $3^{RD}$ – MAGPIES $4^{TH}$ – BOBTAILS Best Class (Golden Runner Trophy) – 1A

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>	Soffeah Brown	Avery Neira
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Siena Burleigh	Christian Fazio
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Isla Chidlow	Braxton Connolly-Carroll
PPB 1 <sup>st</sup>		Eva Grace Jackiewicz	Ethan Morris
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Aubrey Moon	Jake Lawrence
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sienna Mather	Lachlan Dicker-Lee
PPC	1 <sup>st</sup>	Millie Triplett	Kobe Bray
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Avayah Payne	Cooper Kinsella
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Indiana Moutinho	Connor Velterop
1	1 <sup>st</sup>	Sophie Correia	Liam Barber
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Charlotte Douglas	Isaac Forzatti
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Asha Wade	Hudson Amsuss
2	1 <sup>st</sup>	Naomi Hamilton	Patrick Day
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kiara Artemis	Hamish Burleigh
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sophia Middleton	Austin Hall
3	1 <sup>st</sup>	Shea Correia	Jesse Barron
2 <sup>nd</sup>		Ella Quinlan	Josh Long
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sabella Yakas	Adam Lipscombe
4	1 <sup>st</sup>	Olivia McCay	James Artemis
-	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ava Rioli	Alfie Hewings
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Charlotte Swann	Orlando Middleton
5	1 <sup>st</sup>	Madison Hadley	Nathan Long
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hannah Petrovic	Shay McKenna
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Emily McCay	Liam Montiero
6	1 <sup>st</sup>	Alisha Wardle	Zach Zammit
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Brooke Battison	Nicholas Ettridge
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Chloe Cowan	Nicholas Velezmoro

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 (Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> August)



Ryan Donnelly (PE Specialist)

### **P&F** News

The P&F has been busy in Term 2, organising parents to assist with school photos and running the Mother's Day Stall in Week 1, which was a much-loved opportunity for children to purchase some lovely gifts for their mothers and grandmothers. The Good Cup Cafe has opened twice with a great turnout each morning, and the P&F has organised morning teas to be provided for the Mother's Day Mass and the Year 1 and 3 Masses this term. Another very successful Australia's Biggest Morning Tea was held in May, which ran a little differently to previous years. It was well attended and the feedback we have had has been very positive. Many enjoyed the sit-down event. Thank you to the many parents who donated items for the raffles, and congratulations to all of the winners on the day. We raised around \$2700 for the Cancer Council.

The P&F are seeking parents who are interested in going on the committees to organise the Father's Day Breakfast and Afternoon on the Green events later in the year. If you would like to go on the Father's Day Breakfast Committee (event will be on Friday 31st August), please contact Tina Stevens (<u>tina.n.stevens@gmail.com</u> or 0405 332 597) If you would like to be on the committee for the Afternoon on the Green (Friday 26th October), please contact Michelle Hall (<u>michellehall080@gmail.com</u> or 0417 909 535)

Please join us for wine and cheese at the next P&F meeting, on Tuesday 24th July at 7pm. Due to popular demand, we will be trialling a daytime meeting in Term 3 - please add 10.30am Friday 10th August to your diary if you would like to attend a morning P&F meeting, which will be held after the Assembly.

I hope everyone enjoys their school holidays and finds some outdoor fun to keep the kids entertained in the cooler weather. Michelle Hall, P&F President

## Net Set Go – Term 3

The NetSetGO skills-based netball program will be running at Mater Christi again in Term 3. This national program incorporates skills, learning activity and introductory game play. Further information can be found at <a href="http://netsetgo.asn.au/parents/fag/">http://netsetgo.asn.au/parents/fag/</a>.



We currently have **2 x spots available** for the combined Year 2 & 3's for Term 3. The program runs every Monday commencing on  $23^{rd}$  July through to  $17^{th}$  September from 3.00pm to 4.30pm. Participants will gather at the Basketball courts for afternoon fruit from 3.00pm – 3.20pm. A parent roster will follow. Warm Up 3.20pm – 3.30pm. Skills training and

small games from 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

Cost is \$70.00 and is to be paid through the office at a later stage next term. The \$70.00 gets you NetSetGo pack which gets sent to your postal address (the pack includes a netball and shirt and the end of Term 3 wind-up).

For those who have participated in Term 2, the Term 3 is offered at a discounted rate.

Feel free to contact me with any questions. Leearna Rodden, MCCPS NetSetGO Centre Coordinator 0427 145 121 or <u>admin@um-aus.com</u>

# **Class Social Events**

Year Kindy A Parents Dinner and Drinks

Date: Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm Where: The Vale, Beeliar Drive, Beeliar RSVP: to Laura Anchor ASAP by 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018

**Year 1B Mum's Dinner** Date: Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm Where: Last Drop, Beeliar RSVP: to Kristie Ainsworth on 0408934 379 by the 27<sup>th</sup> June.

## Year 2A Class Playdate

Date: Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July from 2:00pm-4:00pm Where: Venue to be confirmed RSVP: Please contact Jessica Burleigh on 0405 600 011





# **Community News**





