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<u>SCHOOL MANTRA 2017</u>

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

Mary of the Cross MacKillop

A message from the Board Chair – Mr Mark Clayden Board Newsletter Report

Well we are almost half way through 2017 and there was plenty to discuss at this month's board meeting.

Sacramental Program

A huge thank you to all the Mater Christi staff who have been working hard in preparing the students for the various stages in their faith formation. The school sacramental program establishes a vital connection to our parish community. It has been a busy few weeks with the Confirmation Masses on Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 June and now the Year 4 Communion Commitment Masses will be held this weekend. So once again a huge thank you to all the staff involved and especially Mrs Dunsire and Mrs Hayward for coordinating these events.

Oval Development

The Board has recently met with members of the Cockburn Council to review the ongoing maintenance and leasing arrangement of the oval. The discussions were very positive and both parties are hoping that we can work with each other to formalise an arrangement where the Mater Christi and Yangebup community are better serviced by the facility. We now have an opportunity to continue an open dialogue about what is needed for the future. Hopefully we will have some regular updates in relation to the outcomes of these discussions.

School Improvement Plan

The Board has established a Capital Development Working Team to oversee the school improvement plan. This process will require multiple steps to consolidate all the great work that has been completed around the school over the last few years. It will then form the foundation of how do we best use funds to offer our students and teachers the best facilities.

Principal Review

Over the last term, the Board as with other members of the school community have been involved in the data collection phase of our school's principal review. In term 3 this process will be finalised with CEWA and I will then share these findings with the school community.

Mark Clayden Board Chair

Dates for Next Week	
Monday June 26	NAIDOC Incursion Yr 2 & Yr 4
Tuesday June 27	NAIDOC Incursion Yr 2 & Yr 4
Wednesday June 28	8.10am SRC Meeting Cross Country Carnival School Banking Uniform Shop Open
Thursday June 29	6C Parish Mass
Friday June 30	9am Assembly Merit Awards Aussie of the Month "C" Classes 1.15pm Whole School Cleanup Free Dress Day Last Day Term 2
Saturday July 1	
Sunday July 2	



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Dear Parents and Caregivers



NAIDOC Week is celebrated in the first week of July but as we will be on school holidays we will be celebrating it at Mater Christi in Week 10 with an incursion for the Year 2 & 4 classes next Monday and Tuesday and hold a special Assembly next Friday 30 June where we will have performers from the Booyi Cultural Program share with us a Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony, followed by a some storytelling and dance. The aim of the week is to celebrate and promote a greater understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and culture. This year's theme – Our Languages Matter, aims to emphasise and celebrate the unique and essential role that Indigenous languages play in

cultural identity, linking people to their land and water and in the transmission of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, spirituality and rites, through story and song.

Whole School Mass & Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

This morning we joined together as a community to give thanks to God for this term, for the gift of Jesus' immense love for us and to pray a blessing on Mrs Kelly, Mrs Trimble, Mrs Williamson, Mrs Ziegelaar and Mrs Romano as each of them set off for new horizons and adventures.

Thank you very much to the Year Two teachers and their children in preparing our Liturgy and helping us reflect on Jesus' love for us, and how we are invited to share that love with others. Thank you also to Fr Cyprian Shiakoti, who is with our community while Fr Dat is on seven weeks leave for celebrating the Mass for us.



Following the Mass, many walked the short journey to the Mater Christi Community Centre for our annual **Biggest Morning Tea**. I am not sure how she does it, but Karen Simons with such wonderful support from within and outside the community made it an even bigger

event for all that attended. We were also pleased to welcome back an ex- Mater Christi student and now a member of the female Fremantle

Dockers Team – Beatrice Devlyn to join us for this important cause that in some way, small or significant, touches all of us. A heartfelt thank you to Karen and her team of helpers who made this community occasion a very memorable and important event on our annual school calendar.



Year Six Spotlight Night



First there was the likelihood of 80% rain and then 100% rain! In the end all went remarkably well for the Year Six teachers and students as they celebrated a great semester of learning and hard work. I know that parents and our children appreciate all that our staff do, not only during school time but also the opportunities they provide for our children after hours too. Thank you to Miss Edmondson, Miss Gibb, Miss McMahon and Mrs Williamson for organising and taking time out to be with their children for a very fun night. A TREMENDOUS THANK YOU to Malone's Butchers for donating the sausage rolls to feed the very hungry Spotlighters.

Congratulations to Daniel Nicholson 6B on receiving a Year 7 Academic Scholarship next year to Emmanuel College. Olivia Chamberlain is currently in Melbourne on a two week camp with the Australian Girls Choir we are very proud of both of these students.



Please keep in your prayers one of our PPB parents, Caroline Gillett who is recovering in hospital following surgery.

God Bless Toni Kalat

Religious Education

Winter Food Appeal

Thank you to all the families who brought in food over the past few weeks in support of the Winter Food Drive. The St Vincent de Paul Society is an essential element of our community, who provides much needed assistance to many families. It is important that our children are aware of those who are less fortunate in our community and the outstanding efforts of the St Vincent de Paul Society. All food donations received on Giving Fridays are distributed to families by the St Vincent de Paul members. Sincere thanks to all involved.









The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment

At the request of the Western Australian Bishops, Year Three and Year Five students will take part in *The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment* program during the week commencing Monday, 31st July 2017 (Term 3, Week 3). For extra details please refer to the letter sent home this week.

Please contact your child's teacher or myself, if you have any concerns or inquiries regarding the administration of *The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment* 2017.

Parish

Confirmation Photos

All professional photos from Confirmation are now available online at:

www.prophotobooth.com.au password: mc3721

Any enquiries must be made directly to ProPhotoBooth on 9249 3043.

First Holy Communion Commitment Masses

First Holy Communion Commitment Masses are this weekend the **24th and 25th June.** We look forward to seeing you at either the **6pm or 10am** Mass.

First Holy Communion Workshops

Online bookings for Communion Parent/Child Workshops and Masses are open. For log-in details please refer to the Parish website: <u>http://www.materchristiparish.com</u>

The online booking system will be open for two weeks.

Year 5 Christian Service



MERIT AWARDS For June 30

	A set a s	
PPA	Miguel De Freitas Rocha, Jai Stokes	
PPB	Adrien Langbid, Jessica Gordon	
PPC	Maddison Thompson, Jack Pritchard	
1A	Kiara Artemis, Nicolas Piraino	
1B	Arlia Bebek, Patrick Day	
1C	Conor Walsh, Lily Jameson	
2A	Ivy Clayden, Oliver Hulme	
2B	Hudson Rank, Vesna Andelic	
2C	Tatum Goodman, Rachel Johnston, Zechariah Yeo, Daniel Lazzaro, Mayela McDougall	
3A	Abbey Boatwright, Lucas Campeotto	
3B	Eilidh Milne, Nicholas Celenza, Georgia Farnan	
3C	Zavier Langlois, Joel Miguel	
4A	Sienna Middleton, Zane Larner, Jack Manning, Kate Stevens	
4B	Dylan Flanagan, Bianca Dias, Shay McKenna	
4C	Gabriel Colborne, Harrison Zupp, Joshua Femia, Sophie Weeks	
5A	Grace Portwood, Thomas Rich	
5B	Seth Basilio, Grace Barraclough	
5C	Lucas Artemis, Leila Martin	
6A	James Ford, Massimo Kwiatkowski	
6B	Daniel D'Aurizio, Mary Vu	
6C	Charlie Clarke, Samuel Petrovic	
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CLASS REP EVENTS

CLASS REP EVENT – KINDY B

June 26 Parents Dinner All welcome RSVP – Leah or Cherie



CLASS REP EVENT - KINDY C

June 24, 10 am onwards Playdate Venue – Cockburn ARC Bandicoots indoor play area RSVP – Brooke



<u>NetSetGO Netball – Term 3</u>

The NetSetGO skills-based netball program is running again in Term 3. Registrations are online at the links provided below. Please note the following key information:

- 8 sessions, 3:15 4:15 pm Mondays on the netball courts adjacent to 1C.
- Start date: 24 July End date: 11 September
- There will be a parent roster for the provision of cut fruit from 3:05 3:15 pm.
- Participants need to wear sports shoes and attire, and bring a hat and water bottle.
- Participants are required to have a spectating parent/carer present at each session.
- Cost: \$40 for those registering for their second term in 2017
 - \$70 for new participants (*not \$76 as it might state online). New participants receive a NetSetGo netball and T-shirt.
- Payment: Registration is considered a commitment to pay. Fee payment is to be made at the school office by eftpos/cash and is required prior to the commencement of the program.

Links for registration:Yr_1_linkYr_2_linkYr_3_link

Note: The correct program will be pre-selected if the correct link is used.

As usual places in the program are limited, as participant numbers are capped according to the number of coaches we have. We'd be happy to have another coach join us to enable more participants to be catered for.

Please make contact should you have any questions.

Rebecca Wright MCCPS NetSetGo Centre Coordinator 0408 905 770 bec.abe.wright@gmail.com

We need your help! Little Legends Club completion

RAC are asking schools and families to give our children the best start when it comes to road safety by encouraging us to sign them up to their **free** "Little Legends Club". This club includes fun and interactive road safety games; however, greatest of all, **the two schools with the highest percentage of student registrations** will receive **\$5000 for the school to spend on resources**! PLUS sign up before 25th June to automatically go in the draw to win 1 of 4 family passes to the 2017 Kids Wonderland (Cedric St, Stirling). To sign up, simply visit <u>https://littlelegends.rac.com.au/registration</u> and include our school's name.

Thank you for your help in this exciting opportunity!

Nicole Cloutt Assistant Principal







23 June 2017

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Following the announcement of the Federal education funding reform policy late last night, I am writing to all families in Catholic schools across Western Australia to provide my assurance that Catholic Education Western Australia (CEWA) will maintain a laser focus on affordability, to ensure accessibility for every family seeking a Catholic education.

Our current federal funding arrangements will remain in place for 2018. As a system we are committed to ensuring fees are as low as possible on a school by school basis. The next 12 months will also provide CEWA with the time to consider how the additional funding provided by the Federal Government will be distributed across the system, meeting the needs of our students.

Yours sincerely

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