

# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Volume 12



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Dear Parents and Caregivers



## **SCHOOL MANTRA 2018**

*"Be a voice, not an echo"*

Dear Parents and Caregivers

**6th Sunday of Easter Gospel** This I command you: "love one another." John 15: 9 – 17.



Jesus spoke to his Disciples and gave them a clear mandate. Go forth as I have chosen you to spread my good news. The greatest commandment is to love one another as I have loved you. It is the simplest yet most powerful words we can hear. Jesus loves us so much that he laid down His life for us.

How can we show our friends and family how much we love them?  
*Be a nice person today, the world currently needs nice people!*

**Welcome back to school for Term Two.** Getting back into routine can be a bit of a shock to the system after being away from the bells and timetables of school life. Nevertheless, when children are supported in setting up and sticking to a consistent home routine involving bed times, home learning time, morning routines and fun times, many barriers to learning are removed. Establishing that routine can be one of the challenges of parenting but persistence pays off, so hang in there! Something else that pays off in developing positive behaviour in children is consistency. The following linked article from Michael Grose puts the idea of consistency in perspective and offers some helpful tips for parents that could prove useful at the beginning of the term:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ZitRExmaJU1mxsrL5OAV1sc9hIw8upOC/view>

## **School Arrival**

Supervision for the children commences at 8.15am. Parents are reminded not to drop your children at school before 8.15am as this potentially places your child at risk. If you need your child to be at school before 8.15am, please use the service of Before School Care which is open from 7am.

## **DATES FOR TERM 2, WEEK 2**

Year 1A/B Excursion to Peninsula Farm	
Monday 7 May	11:30am Emmanuel to visit Year 4
Year 3A Class Mass	
Tuesday 8 May	7pm P&F Meeting
Year 4C Class Mass	
Uniform Shop Open Times: 8:10-10:30am 1:20-3:20pm	
School Banking	
Wednesday 9 May	Year 6 Reconciliation 9-11:30am
Father Peter Whitely visit 6A 2-2:30pm 6B/C 2:30-3pm	
KA/KC Mother's Day Stall	
Thursday	1C Excursion to Peninsula Farm
Mother's Day Stall	
Friday	9am Whole School Mother's Day Mass – presented by Year 3 1:30pm Pre -Primary Mother's Day Spa
Saturday	
Ascension of Jesus into Heaven	
Sunday	Mother's Day

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## School Attendance

School attendance plays a critical role in enhancing the lives of students in schools. Every day of attendance adds to a student's academic achievement and success at school. Parents are essential partners in promoting good attendance because they have the ultimate responsibility to ensure that their child attends school every day arriving punctually. The first bell goes at 8.30am (PP – Year 6) where the children have time to unpack, greet their friends and teacher as well as prepare for the start of the school day at 8.45am.



## School Photos

At the first 2018 P&F Meeting we shared that Mater Christi and a number of Catholic Primary Schools will not be using the services of MSP Photography due to service difficulties and quality of product. Three companies were approached to discuss their quality of service, product and cost. 3P Photography were appointed and their professionalism from the 'back end' of their service has been wonderful. Sometimes, with a change of service provider there may be some teething issues. Thank you to the parents who made contact with the Office regarding a couple of matters. We have discussed these with 3P and they have worked very hard to accommodate our requests. I appreciate that cost is always a factor for parents and in deciding upon the right service provider for Mater Christi, cost was very much a part of our deliberation in making the best choice. It is very pleasing to hear that every single person who has walked into the MCCC has commented on the calmness, friendliness and professionalism of the photographers. We are all looking forward in receiving the photos and I believe we will all be very pleased with the final outcome.

## P&F Meeting

Next Tuesday 8 May everyone is invited to attend our first P&F Meeting for this term. The meeting commences at 7pm and is a nice opportunity to connect with other parents, support the work of the P&F and offer suggestions for future endeavours.



## Mother's Day Mass

Leading up to Mother's Day we will be celebrating all Mothers and the significant women in our lives next Friday with a Mother's Day Mass at 9am organised by the Year 3 teachers. The Pre-Primary students will also be there to give thanks and pray for our mothers. Everyone is most welcome to join in this special celebration.



## NAPLAN

This year's NAPLAN assessments will take place for Years 3 and 5 on the following dates (Week 3, Term 2):

Tuesday May 15 Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) and Writing

Wednesday May 16 Reading

Thursday May 17 Numeracy

Friday May 18 will be a makeup day.

Further information about NAPLAN can be found at <http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support>

## PARKING ON THE OVAL

The top oval area is temporarily closed for parking due to the need for regeneration. At this stage, the oval will be closed for parking next week and we will keep you updated.



## CECWA

The Catholic Education Commission of Western Australia (CECWA) has a strategic purpose to ensure that Catholic Education is delivered and managed through the system of Catholic Education Western Australia (CEWA) in a responsible and effective manner, working within the Catholic Mission, appropriate standards and regulations.

The CECWA has commenced the process of developing the strategic direction for Catholic education in Western Australia from 2019 to 2021. This fundamental work will enable the CECWA to consolidate and communicate our key objectives for coming years.

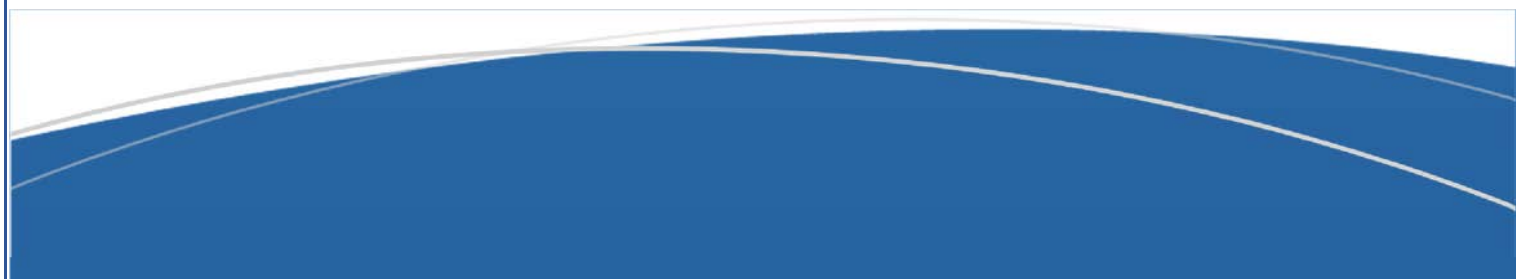
The first phase of this consultation involves gathering feedback from our Catholic Education community that will inform the draft Strategic Directions 2019 - 2021.

We would like to invite you to complete a survey to provide your valued input. Visit <https://connect.cewa.edu.au> to complete the survey, open for participation until Friday, 11 May. There are hard copies available at reception should you wish to complete one.

The CECWA is eager to listen to our community through this important process and I thank you in anticipation for your participation in helping to shape the future direction of Catholic education throughout Western Australia.

*God Bless,*

*Toni Kalat*



## Religious Education

### Lifelink 2018



"Together, we **WILL** make a difference"

Last year, funds raised supported agencies that reached out to help over 34,000 West Australian families and individuals in need. They helped deliver more than \$54 million in caring services and professional programmes throughout WA.

This year the Archbishop has asked all students who attend a Catholic School to create a Lifelink card that will be given to parishioners later in the year when the Archbishop's Annual Christmas Appeal begins. Together with a gold coin donation, the card and the donation will raise awareness of the need to support so many families in Perth who need that extra help and support over the Christmas period. Our students will be busy creating their Lifelink cards with special messages for our parishioners over the next few weeks and then they will gather with a gold coin donation and taken to the Official 2018 Lifelink Launch on Wednesday June 6.

You can find out more about the great work Lifelink does here: [www.lifelink.com.au](http://www.lifelink.com.au)



### MOTHER'S DAY MASS

On Friday May 11 at 9am we will be gathering in the church to celebrate our annual Mother's Day Mass. Friends and family are welcome to attend. At the conclusion of the Mass we will show a slide show of some of the wonderful mums we have in our great school and you are also invited to stay for morning tea which will be held outside the main doors of the church. Please come along to what will be a beautiful celebration.

### CONFIRMATION

Next Wednesday, in preparation for our Year 6 candidates receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, our students will be receiving the Rite of Reconciliation and then a visit from the presiding Priest of the Sacrament Father Peter Whitely. As their special day approaches we pray for them and wish them well.

Should you be aware of anyone looking to explore and learn more about the Catholic Faith, please see below within "Community News" information regarding the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

Be Good.  
Nik Hofmeester



## School News

### Library News

## Book Club

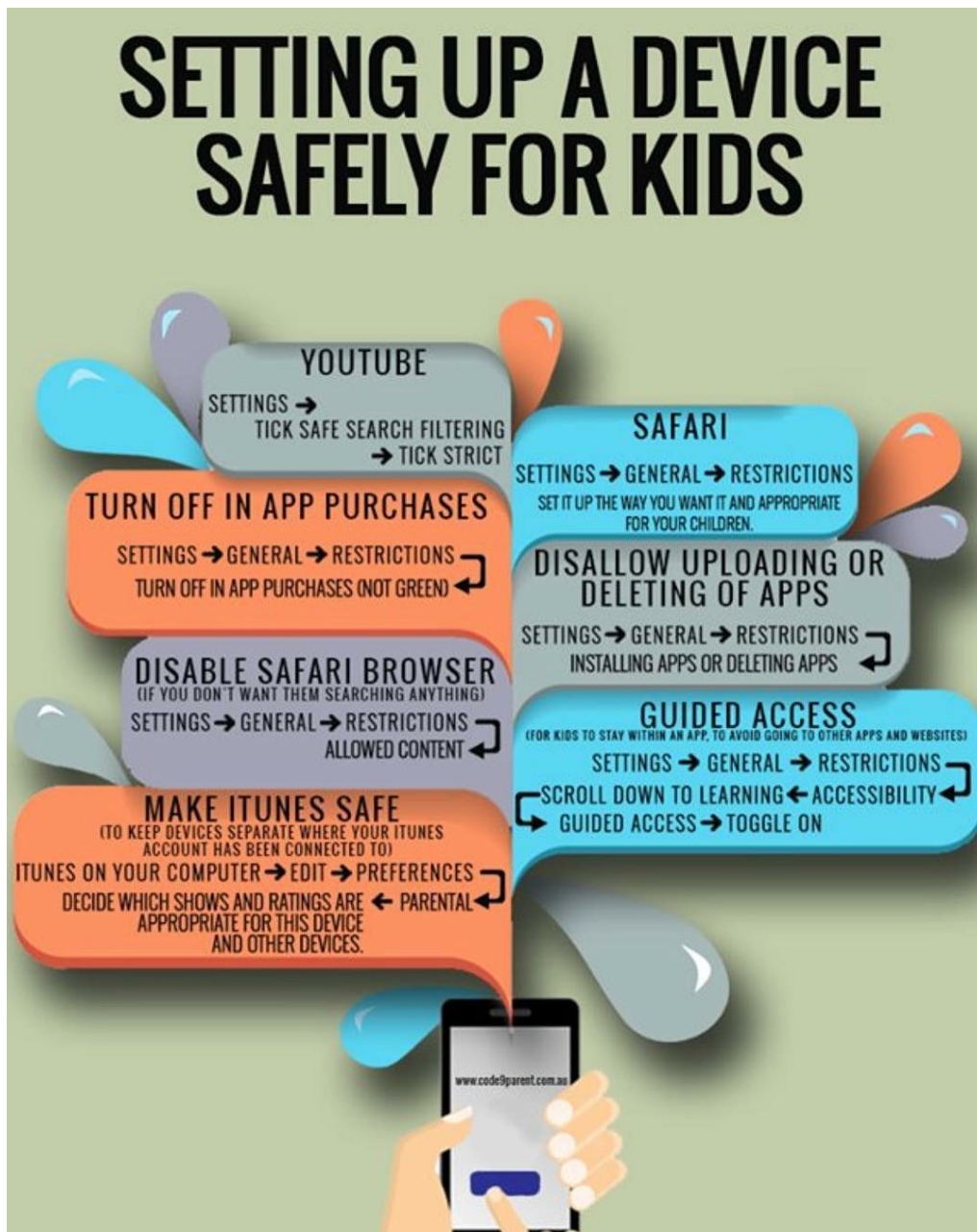


### Book Club is due:

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm

No cash payments or paper orders please. Please use LOOP on scholastic website. Any orders placed after the closing date and time will be charged \$4.99 for home delivery.





## Congratulations



A special mention to Bella McGreavey who has been chosen as an extra in an upcoming Australian Feature Film "Go Karts" to be released in 2019. Well done Bella!





### Year 1

This week, our Year One students celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> day at school this year by dressing in 1950's attire.

### Written by the Year One Students:

*"On May the first, I went to school and we saw Zero the Hero run by our class. And he left a delicious snack. After lunch we made a watch."*

*"On my 50<sup>th</sup> day of school I first got dressed in 50s clothes. Secondly, we saw Zero the Hero and then we had a fantastic recess. Next, I made a bracelet with all my friends. Then I danced to 50s songs. Then I made milkshakes they tasted amazing. That was the best day of my LIFE!"*

*"Yesterday the year one's had a party in 50's clothes. In our classroom I did bunny hops, twists and I did hula hooping. When we went to 1A we read a book about the milkman and had a milkshake. Next, we went to 1B and we made a bracelet and played 'race to 50' game. It was fun. We went back to our class and danced to some music and learnt some moves. At recess we had a party with food. I really like the first day back because my teachers look good."*





# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School

## 2019 ENROLMENTS

Applications for enrolment into Mater Christi Catholic Primary for 2019 are now due.

Interviews have commenced, please submit your application now to avoid missing out on a place. This is especially important for any families who have siblings at school now.

Applications can be downloaded from our website [www.mcps.wa.edu.au](http://www.mcps.wa.edu.au) or come into the front Office.

If you know of any families interested in applying, please encourage them to do so straight away.





### Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is fast approaching. This will be celebrated in Wellness Week – on Wednesday, May 30 at 9am in the Mater Christi Community Centre.

Volunteers are needed to help the P&F coordinate this event and raise funds for cancer research. Please email Vanessa at [martins.vanessa81@yahoo.com](mailto:martins.vanessa81@yahoo.com) if you can assist.

Should you wish to contribute towards this fantastic cause, we would greatly appreciate any prize donations from parents and/or family businesses. This is a fantastic opportunity to promote local business and create an abundant prize for the raffle.

Donations can be dropped off to the front office by Friday, May 25 at the latest.

If you are unable to donate a prize, but would still like to participate, we warmly welcome all Mater Christi parents to join us at the morning tea!



### Mother's Day Stall

This year's Mother's Day stall will be held on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> May. I am looking for volunteers to help run the stall, especially any Dads that are available. Gifts will range from \$1-\$5 and a small selection of \$10 gifts. Children will be able to purchase one item and then return at lunch to make an additional purchase with the remaining unsold gifts. Kindy A & C children will be visited by a P&F representative on the Wednesday to purchase their presents. If you can help out on Friday, please email [tina.n.stevens@gmail.com](mailto:tina.n.stevens@gmail.com).

### P&F Meeting

All parents are invited to attend the next P&F Meeting on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm in the staff room.

The minutes from the previous P&F Meeting are on the school website.



### Entertainment Book 2018

The 2018 Entertainment Book is being launched this weekend and Mater Christi will be selling them to raise funds for our school. Further information will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Thank you,  
Deb Horton



### P&F SURVEY

The P&F Survey will close on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 10pm. Please take 5 minutes to complete the survey, so the P&F can be better informed to represent the parents at Mater Christi. The P&F is a parent body to provide a voice and support to the parents, friends and children at Mater Christi.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GF2JMS9>.

Dads who attended the campout can still complete the survey for that event if they haven't yet done so

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RZ2FVMD>

### Parent's Business Directory

This will be updated again at the end of term 2. If you are a parent who owns a business and would like to include your business information in the business directory, please return the following form to Admin (or simply email your business information that you would like included in the directory, along with a PNG or JPEG image to [michellehall080@gmail.com](mailto:michellehall080@gmail.com)).

Suggestions, feedback and ask questions are welcome via email to [mcpandf@outlook.com](mailto:mcpandf@outlook.com).



Mater Christi P&F

# PARENT'S BUSINESS DIRECTORY

To assist our school families to support each other, the Mater Christi Catholic Primary School P&F Association is producing a FREE MCPS Parents Business Directory which will provide free advertising for any school families wishing to promote their business or services.

## How it works

The Directory will be a downloadable PDF file available on the P&F link on the MCCPS website: <http://www.mcps.wa.edu.au> and available in the Parent Resources section of the library. You can include your business details in the directory by returning this form at the end of any school term.



## Advertisement Booking Form

Fill out the details you would like to appear in the MCCPS P&F Parents Business Directory.

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Parent's Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Index Category (select from list below): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: . \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Please also supply up to three (3) brief bullet points promoting your business.

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

This Directory is an initiative of the MCCPS P&F Association.

If you wish to have your advertisement removed from the register, please email to [michellehall080@gmail.com](mailto:michellehall080@gmail.com)



### Categories

- Architects
- Banks
- Builders
- Business Consultants
- Catering
- Cleaning
- Computers
- Construction & Industrial
- Dance Studio & Lessons
- Design & Print
- Equipment Hire
- Financial Services
- Food
- Health & Wellbeing
- Home and Garden
- Marketing
- Media Systems
- Merchandise
- Photography
- Real Estate
- Telecommunications
- Travel Agencies
- Trades
- Tuition



**Make your booking**

Please return your completed Booking Form to school admin, post it to the School at PO BOX 40 Success WA 6164 or email the information to: [michellehall080@gmail.com](mailto:michellehall080@gmail.com)



### Thinking About Becoming Catholic? Come and See What Catholic's Believe.

Christian Initiation is a personal journey of deepening your relationship with Christ within a supportive community of faith.

#### Cathy's story...

##### What led you to becoming Catholic?

*My husband was Catholic and we had agreed to raise our children as Catholic. The children were in the Catholic Education System and I regularly attended Mass with my family.*

*Being raised with strong Christian principles it seemed the natural thing to do, and subconsciously I knew it was the right thing to do.*

*Through the children's Baptism Preparation, lovely parishioners visited to share their joy in our baby's birth.*

##### How did you find the process of becoming Catholic?

*Enlightening and very supportive since there were others going through the same journey as me.*

*The hospitality made me feel welcome and relaxed and any points of confusion were discussed. There was openness in relationship with Christ and a heartfelt response to the invitation by Christ.*

##### How has your life changed since you became catholic?

*My Parish is very welcoming and I have met many wonderful people, so it was natural that I grew more involved in Parish life. The Parish community has become part of our family life and through making new friends and the parish opportunities I have had, I have personally grown.*

**"...subconsciously I knew it was the right thing to do."**

#### What is R.C.I.A?

It's the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults...a process for preparing and welcoming new members into the Catholic Church.

**A Community Journey** that leads to transformation of mind and spirit through sharing prayer and worship with the church community.

**A Personal Journey** which allows enquirers to examine their own relationship with God in an environment of Catholics sharing their own living faith and guided by the Gospel values.

#### How does it work?

The process of becoming a Catholic Christian is a journey in faith made in the company of other enquirers, catechists, sponsors and priests.

The enquirer journeys through up to four periods of formation involving discussion and sharing of the Gospel stories of Jesus Christ and what it means to be a follower of Jesus.

Enquirers are welcome and are free to journey for as long as they wish.

#### How do I start?

Make contact with your local Catholic parish priest or R.C.I.A. team member. You may also make contact with either of the phone numbers shown over the page.

#### How long will it take?

It will depend where you are starting from. In most parish groups, people will commence mid-year and journey to the following Easter and conclude at the time of Pentecost.

It is important to understand that each person's faith journey is unique and the RCIA's intention is to appreciate that this, and share the deepening uniqueness of their relationship with Jesus Christ.

#### What are the Sacraments of Initiation?

These are the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion, received by unbaptised people as they become members of the Catholic Church.

The Catholic Church recognises the Baptism received by Christians from a number of other Christian churches. In these cases, the people entering the Catholic Church are welcomed into full Communion with the Catholic Church and would receive the sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion.



#### Who are Sponsors?

They are practising Catholics who offer special support and encouragement by walking the journey with the enquirer and providing a personal link between the candidate and the Church community.

#### Who are Catechists?

They are practicing Catholics who take on the responsibility to share the Gospel teachings of Jesus Christ; encourage understanding of community faith, worship and prayer; and instruct enquires in foundational belief of the Catholic faith.

#### Helpers on the Way..

Sponsors, Catechists and other team members work to establish a welcoming and sincere atmosphere to help candidates overcome early uncertainties.

The parish priest is available for personal, spiritual or pastoral advice if requested.

The whole parish community is encouraged to offer support through prayer and friendly interest.

*'Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.'*

*Matthew 28:19*



## 5-Aside Football (soccer)

**Interested in playing social 5-aside football at the Cockburn ARC?**

Some Mater Christi Dads are looking to get together every couple of weeks or so for a weekday evening game of 5-aside football, if this interests you please give **Allen** a call or text on 0404 280126 for more information.

### **NetSetGO Netball 2018 at MCCPS**



The NetSetGO skills-based netball program will be running at Mater Christi again in Terms 2 & 3. This national program incorporates skills, learning activity and introductory game play. Further information can be found at <http://netsetgo.asn.au/parents/faq/>.

We currently have 2 x spots available for the combined year 2 & 3's.

The program runs every Monday commencing on 7 May 2018 through to 25 June 2018 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 [admin@um-aus.com](mailto:admin@um-aus.com)



Dear Parents, Past and Present Staff, Past Students,



*Please join us as we celebrate  
25 Years of Catholic Education  
at*

*St. Bernadette's Catholic Primary School  
on  
Friday 25th May 2018  
and  
Saturday 26th May 2018.*

Friday 25th May 2018

- 9am - Celebration Mass
- 10:15 - Burying of the time capsule, Blessing of Memorial and Tree Planting
- 10:30 - Morning Tea (in the School Library)
- 4 - 6pm - School Open - Sausage Sizzle/School Choir/Scottish Country Dancers

Saturday 26th May 2018 - Ticket purchase required for this evening event

- 6 - 7pm - School Open
- 6:30pm - Bar Open (no BYO)
- 7 pm - Pre-dinner appetisers
- 7:15pm - Welcome and Prayer
- 7:30 - 9:30pm - Dinner (\$55.00 per head) - Ticket purchase essential - Catering by Prestige Catering

If you are attending our celebration Mass and morning tea on Friday 25th, please contact the school by email: [admin@stbernadettes.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@stbernadettes.wa.edu.au) or telephone: (08) 95934066, by Friday 18th May 2018.

Tickets for Saturday evening purchased through TryBooking. Please use the following address when purchasing tickets.  
<https://www.trybooking.com/UPTU> or <https://www.trybooking.com/362174>

Numbers are limited so booking is essential. Bookings for the Saturday evening will close on Friday 11th May 2018.





## NATURE PLAY MUDDERS DAY

Mother's Day Sunday 13 May | 10am-3pm | FREE

Manning Park, Azelia Road, Hamilton Hill

Bookings essential, visit [trybooking.com/SZSQ](https://trybooking.com/SZSQ) or call Nicole McNamara at Nature Play 08 9389 4056

Nature Play WA and City of Cockburn are excited to present Mudder's Day, a free day of messy, family fun celebrating outdoor play with the most important woman in the world. This enormously FUN and interactive event provides families with the opportunity to spend time together in nature. There will be lots of challenges to get involved in all things muddy, including:

- Mud kitchens
- Mud sculpting
- Muddy puddles
- Mud-stacle course and slide
- Mud Masks for mum or dad
- Muddy treasure hunt!

This is a self-guided event. Parents and caregivers are responsible for their children at all times.



**SATURDAY  
5 MAY  
10AM-MIDDAY**

**Cockburn Gateway Shopping City,  
Amphitheatre, Beeliar Drive,  
Success**

- ♿ Accessible event, contact us for details
- 🚭 Smoke-free event

Join us for lots of free activities for the whole family including:

- Henna painting
- Kids physical health activities
- Crossfit trials
- Live music
- Informative stalls for seniors
- Plus get professional health advice from onsite dietitian.