

# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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## **SCHOOL MANTRA 2019**

*"Find happiness in making others happy" – Mary MacKillop*

Dear Parents and Carers,



### **St Mary of the Cross**

Yesterday, we celebrated the feast day of Saint Mary of the Cross. Mary MacKillop was born in Melbourne in 1842 and died in Sydney on 8 August 1909. She took the religious name Mary of the Cross. Responding to the isolation of colonial families, she pioneered a new form of religious life to provide education for their children. She and her sisters shared the life of the poor offering special care to destitute women and children. She is remembered for her eagerness to discover God's will in all things, for her charity in the face of hardship, and for her abiding trust in God. By remembering St Mary of the Cross, we also keep in mind her many messages that have been passed down to us today. She especially wanted us to love God and not to worry too much about unimportant things because our loving God will always make sure that we have the things we need. Mary truly believed this. Before we were renamed Mater Christi, our school was called Mary MacKillop Catholic Primary School, and that is one of the reasons we hold Mary of the Cross dearly in our hearts.

*Did you know our Library is named MacKillop Library?*

### **BRLA (Bishop's Religion Literacy Assessment)**

This week the Years Three and Five students participated in the BRLA and like NAPLAN, the BRLA gives Catholic Education and our school data on their knowledge of Religious Education content. Well done to all our students.

## **Dates for Next Week (Wk 4) SCIENCE WEEK**

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> August	Year 6 Life Skills Incursion
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> August	League Tag Carnival Santich Park, Spearwood  7pm Board Meeting Christian Drama 6B  School Banking
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	Uniform Shop Open 8:00-10:30am 1:20-3:20pm  3:30-4:30 Holy Communion Practice Week 3 (Church)
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	Feast of the Assumption of Mary Mass (Year 1) at 9am  Year 5 Christian Service Learning
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	First Communion Mass 6pm (Wk 3)
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	First Communion Mass 8am, 10am (Wk 3)

### **Holy Communion**

This is the second weekend of First Holy Communion celebrations. We continue to lift up in prayer the children who will be receiving Jesus for the first time and their families. First Communion helps those of us to reflect on the time when we received celebrated our First Holy Communion and to enter into receiving Jesus as if it was our first time every time.

### **Fremantle Skills Competition**

I feel very confident that because of Mater Christi's presence at Optus Oval last Saturday the Dockers win their game. Well done to all those students that participated in the event and representing themselves and our school. There is detailed information on the results further in the Newsletter.

### **Staff Catholic Day**

In recognition of the additional requirements that staff in Catholic schools are expected to take part in before and after school as well as on weekends a Staff Catholic Day has been chosen for Monday 26 August. This is a pupil free day for all students and a long weekend for everyone.

I know that you also wholeheartedly acknowledge the dedication and generosity of our staff and all that they do for the children.

### **Feast of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven**

You are invited to join us for Mass next Thursday 15th August at 9am to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. This isn't just a random choice of day to have a whole school Mass. In fact, it is one of only two holy days of obligation (outside of Sundays) with the other being Christmas Day that we celebrate in Australia. The Assumption of Mary celebrates Mary being taken into Heaven, body and soul, at the end of her earthly life. We'd love you to join us at Mass.

*God Bless,  
Toni Kalat*

### **Library News**

#### **SAVE THE DATE Book Week Parade**

**This year the parade will be held on Monday the  
28<sup>th</sup> of October.**

**At 9.00am in the Mater Christi Community Centre.**

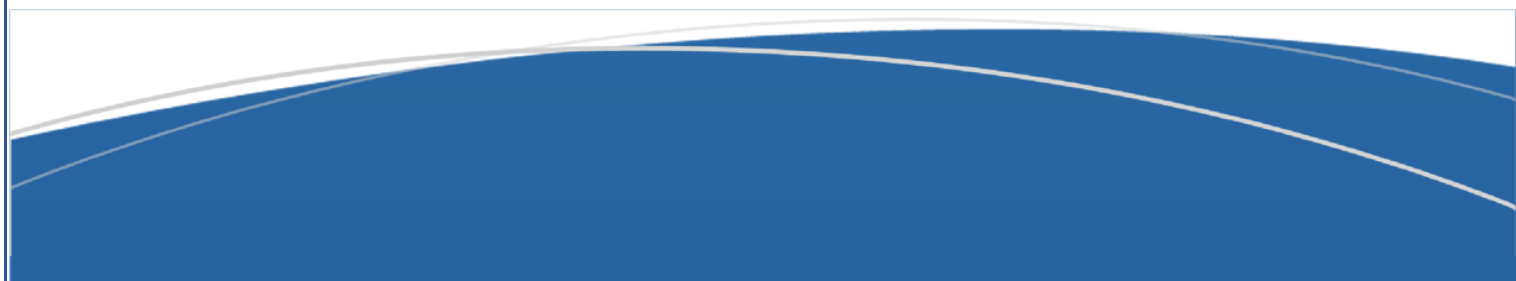
**The Book Fair is scheduled for 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> October.**

**Keep your eyes peeled here for more info.**

**Mrs Gladwell  
Library Officer**

### **Photo Required**

To celebrate Father's Day, the Year Five's will be creating a slideshow of photos of our Dads to show at our Whole School Father's Day Mass on the 30th August. If you would like to include a photo of your child/ren with their dad please send it to [admin@mcps.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@mcps.wa.edu.au) by Monday 23rd August, 2019.



## School News

### Condolences

We extend our sincere condolences to the Jeffery family. Mrs Jeffery (Kindy C) lost her mother unexpectedly last week. We pray for you all at this incredibly sad time.



### Congratulations



Congratulations to Mr and Mrs O'Donnell on the birth of their baby girl Sive. Siobhan taught 4A this year and we wish her an abundance of love, joy and sleep at this wonderful time.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Bella M (3B) who was Baptised by Father Dat last weekend. We pray for many blessings over you and your family after receiving this very special Sacrament.

## School News

Congratulations to all who were involved in the Catholic Performing Arts Christian Dance Performance. Led by Mrs Cosnett, Alyssa A, Eilidh M, Maddy S, Grace S, Daisy O, Daisy G and Chelsea C all did a superb job representing Mater Christi. Mater Christi received a Merit Award for their Liturgical Dance.





## Physical Education News

### **Fremantle Skills Competition State Final**

What a weekend! Mater Christi were lucky enough to have a number of legends represent the school before the Dockers v Cats game in the Fremantle Skills Competition State Final. These students had won through to the final of either the Long Bomb, Kwik Kick or Fast Ball Competitions, after performing well in the Semi-finals which were held during the holidays in Cockburn. All students did the school proud on the big stage of Optus Stadium and even managed to win a few State Titles. A massive congratulations to all the competitors and their parents who went along for the ride. The big crew enjoyed themselves and loved watching the Dockers have a brilliant win in their march towards the premiership!

Event	Year	Participants	Place
Kwik Kick	5	Ayvah R and Halle H	Top 5
	5	Lucas C and Taj E	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	6	Kane L and Troy P	4 <sup>th</sup>
Long Bomb	6	Georgia G and Jee Na K	Top 5
	5	Ayvah R	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	6	Georgia G	Top 5
	6	Kane L	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Fast Ball	4	Josh L, Chevy B, Jesse B, Shaun S, Lucas L, Sean M	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	4	Sienna S, Shae C, Sabella Y, Gemma D, Milla M, Emmi M	1 <sup>st</sup>
	5	Ayvah R, Halle H, Stella P, Chloe D, Daisy O	Top 5
	5	Taj E, Joshua B, Lucas C, Flynn M, Diego F, Jenson S	1 <sup>st</sup>
	6	Kane L, Peter W, Troy P, Mitchell B, Ryan L, Xavier C	2 <sup>nd</sup>

### **Champion School Cross Country Event**

Olivia M (5A) and Shae C (4B) will be running their hearts out in the annual Champion Schools Competition to be held on Friday. They will be competing against the cream of the crop from primary schools all around the state. Up to 1700 students will be participating in the 2 – 2.5 km event. Go get them girls!

### **Bledisloe Cup**

Four avid rugby fans will hit Optus Stadium for the sold-out Bledisloe Cup with Mr Donnelly this weekend. Isaac C, Ruari W, Connor W and Steele S will head up to the big game on the train and will march on the ground before the main event as part of the pre-game spectacle. 3000 rugby players from around the state will be marching to celebrate rugby union. Good luck lads and go the Wallabies!

Ryan Donnelly, PE Specialist



KC's Photo from the Big Book of Love and Hope



**Making Jesus Real and the Eucharist**

Saint Augustine teaches that what happens to the bread and wine at Mass also happens to us. As the priest consecrates the bread and wine so that they become the Body and Blood of Jesus, so we who participate in that Eucharist receive and become the Body and Blood of Jesus. That is, we become the presence of Jesus in the world.

If we are trying to "Make Jesus Real" in our lives, the Eucharist is the secret ingredient! We must connect with Jesus if we are going to model ourselves on him. We need to go training with the greatest coach of all – Jesus himself. Just as Jesus gave his life for us on the cross, so Jesus still gives himself to us in the Eucharist as nourishment, strength and inspiration to live life to the full (John 10:10). The Eucharist is food for the journey of life and love.

### Confirmation Photos Are Available

The Confirmation photographs are now available online.

To view and order the Confirmation photos, go to:

[www.Prophotobooth.com.au/](http://www.Prophotobooth.com.au/)

The password for all of the Mater Christi Confirmation Masses is: mc659

You will need to click on:

- view/order pictures
- Communion and Confirmation 2019
- Select the date you wish to order from
  - Enter the password

ProBooth are available for any queries on 0428 754 559

### ***Sacramental Program: First Holy Communion***

#### **Week 2**

This weekend, the Year 4 students will be receiving the Eucharist for the first time. Across three Masses the students will be making their First Holy Communion. We hold in our hearts prayers for the students as they continue to be nourished in their faith. We also thank the following staff who, alongside their families, will also be supporting the students this weekend: Mrs Nuttall, Mrs Southwell, Miss Hunter, Miss Kalat and supporting staff.

#### **Week 3**

The following students will be receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on the weekend of 17/18 August.

Lachlan D  
Yuriel D  
Mateo B  
Alleira R  
Thomas S  
Jacob L  
Amber D  
Nathan H

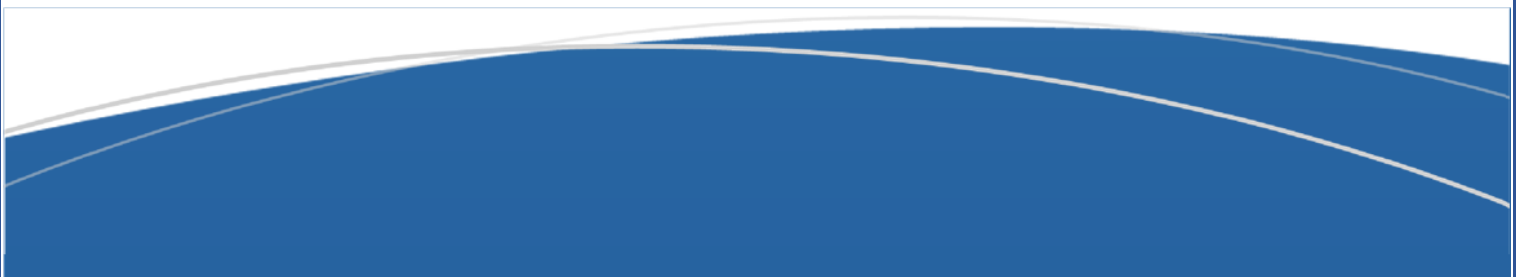
Isabella D  
Ava D  
Harvey G  
Ivey C  
Theresia B  
Ned P  
Alex R  
Luca P

Sean M  
Maylea M  
Kayla T  
Kadin C  
Chevy B  
Rachel J

The practice for these students will be this Wednesday 7 August at 3:30pm. Parents are to collect students at the end of the school day at 3:05pm and proceed to the Church. Please wait outside the front of the church until collected by Marina at 3:30pm. Parents are expected to supervise **ALL** of their children from 3:05pm.

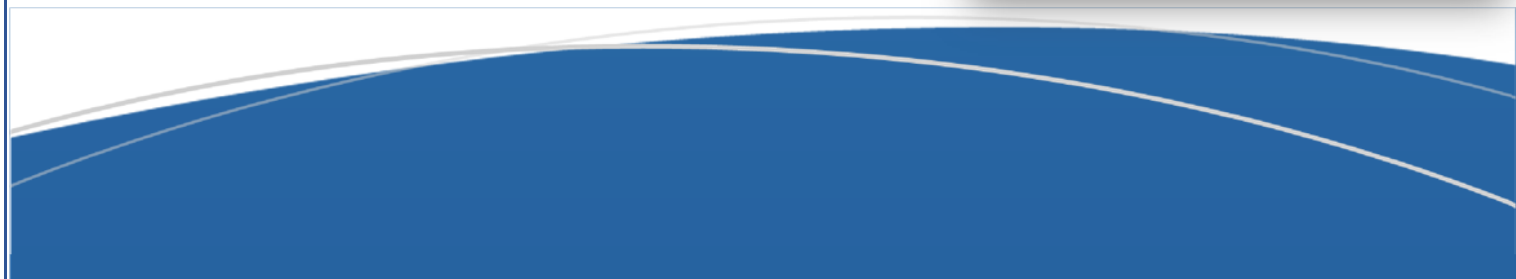
Thank you.

God Bless, Mrs Southwell (Assistant Principal)





## First Holy Communion



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### Safeguarding Matters

**Child Protection Week** is in the first week of September. During that week, the Safeguarding Team will run workshops at various parishes covering the topics:

"Protecting God's Children" a workshop for parents on how to use the Parent Handbook and "Cyber Safety" – dealing with how parents can keep their children safe online.

**The Child Protection Breakfast** is on Thursday 5 September at 7:30am at the Duxton Hotel. All are invited to attend at \$55 per person. The Keynote Speaker will be Dr Debra Sayce, Executive Director, Catholic Education WA.

**The Safeguarding Competition** aims to highlight the role of adults in helping children stay safe. Children are asked to draw or write about a person, school, parish or youth group who helps them thrive. Prizes will be awarded to the best entries from Kindy to Year 3, from Year 4 to Year 6 and from Secondary School with the overall winner receiving a \$500 gift voucher. Entries are due by Wednesday August 21 and can be handed into one of the Safeguarding Officers or to Fr Dat, Fr Joseph or Sr Emmanuel. Entry forms are available in the Church Foyer or from the school.

**The Safeguarding Project** is a part of Archbishop Timothy Costelloe's response to the Royal Commission into Institutional Child Abuse. All Parishes now have Safeguarding Officers who maintain a presence in the Parish and are trained as a first point of contact for children and vulnerable adults who are experiencing abuse or have concerns along these lines. Officers are also responsible for overseeing Parish activities to keep our children safe.

## RCIA News

Would you or someone you know like to know more about becoming Catholic?

Mater Christi is about to start a new RCIA program for adults who would like to become Catholic. Please contact Gary at [rcia.mc@westnet.com.au](mailto:rcia.mc@westnet.com.au) for more details.



## P&F Quiz Night Saturday 24 August, 7.30pm



Thank you to everyone who attended this morning's P & F Meeting, attending these meetings gives you a chance to have a say and to hear of the wonderful things we are planning.



The P&F quiz night is fast approaching on Saturday 24th August and tables are selling out fast, if you haven't already you need to book your table (\$80 for 8-10 people) [www.stickytickets.com.au/86763](http://www.stickytickets.com.au/86763).

Fancy a night away from the kids? The Esplanade Hotel Fremantle have generously donated a **One Night stay for Two** to our Quiz Night.

Thank you to the many businesses and families within the school who have donated already - Lidia Basilio Pretty Woman Beauty Clinic, Enza Reale BellaDonna's Sweet Treats, Kris McEntee Can Do Cabinets, Rebecca and Karl Foster HiCalibre Storage Solutions, Sarah Morris Rodan and Fields, Sandra McGreavy Cleaning Service plus **MORE!!** We are continuing to accept donations of any size. Please contact Vicky on 0409 113 027 if you have a donation.

**Good Cup Cafe-** The P&F is seeking volunteers to help with our next Good Cup Cafe on Wednesday 21st August. If you are able to spare an hour or two please email Adele on [adelemurphy4@gmail.com](mailto:adelemurphy4@gmail.com)

### **Volunteers Needed for Father's Day Breakfast – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August.**

If you can help set up/ or clean up (or both) please contact Oscar D'Souza: [oscar@bopm.com.au](mailto:oscar@bopm.com.au) or 0419 929 383

**Next P&F Meeting Tuesday 10th September 7pm - Staff Room**

## Parent Social Events



### Kindy C Parent's Breakfast

**Where:** Roar Fitness Bar & Grill, Bibra Lake

**When:** 6<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**Time:** 9:15am

**Contact Lesley Pascuzzi on 0409 913 545 for further information.**

### 1A Parent's Dinner

**Where:** The Vale Bar & Brasserie, Yangebup

**When:** Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> August

**Time:** 7pm

**RSVP: by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August to Hayley Lynch on 0426 173 722**



### 1C Parent's Catch up

**Where:** Sweetwater Rooftop Bar

**When:** Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> August

**Time:** 7:30pm

**RSVP: by Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August to Corey Neira on 0422 529 884**



### 2A Parent's Lunch

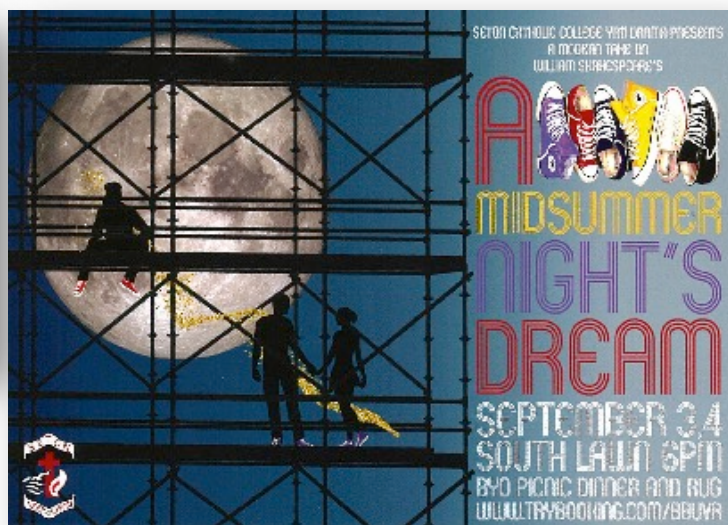
**Where:** Roar Bar & Grill

**When:** Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September

**Time:** 1:30pm

**Please contact Kristie Ainsworth on 0408 934 399 for further information.**

## Community News



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### Emmanuel Catholic College Enrolments

Applications for **Year 7 2022** (current Year 4 students) are now due. Please submit your applications as soon as possible. Year 4 Reports can be submitted at the end of the year. Interviews for Year 7 2022 commence early next year. Applications for Enrolment are available on our website [www.emmanuel.wa.edu.au](http://www.emmanuel.wa.edu.au). For further details, please call Mrs Kelly Lister on 9414 4055 or email [enrolments@emmanuel.wa.edu.au](mailto:enrolments@emmanuel.wa.edu.au). Our next **College Tour is on Tuesday 27 August 2019 at 4pm**. Please RSVP via the College website or the following link: [RSVP HERE](#)



### After-School Soccer Coaching Clinics (Term 3)

All Kindy to Year 2 children were given a registration form for an After-School Soccer Coaching Clinic starting Monday the 12th of August (3.20pm – 4.20pm).

We will conduct it on the school grounds. The activity is coordinated and run by Physical Education and/or Soccer Specialists; all with their Working with Children Checks. The Clinic focuses on **Maximum Participation** during **Organised** and **Fun** 8 x 1 Hour sessions. The cost for the clinic is \$80.00 per child.

If you are interested in letting your child learn and play this World Game in fun sessions and you have not yet registered, then please register online at [www.play4life.com.au](http://www.play4life.com.au) by Sunday 11th August or complete the registration form and return it to reception by Friday 9th August. (Spare registration forms are available at reception). If you have any queries, please call Jacob Aquino on 6162 0932.



### Children with ASD at school: Inclusion, Integration, and Improvement

The Curtin University Autism Research Group (CARG) and Telethon Kids Institute Autism Research Team are pleased to invite you to a free public lecture "Children with ASD at school: Inclusion, integration, and improvement" presented by Professor Connie Kasari from the University of California, Los Angeles. Professor Kasari's presentation will discuss several studies of interventions aimed at helping children to become more socially included at school. Current school programs in place to assist children with ASD often fall short of achieving complete social integration, and the presentation will also include suggestions for parents to best help their children.

Light refreshments will be provided, please RSVP for catering purposes.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/autism-public-lecture-for-parents-children-with-asd-at-school-inclusion-integration-and-improvement-tickets-65763362989#tickets>

### RE-VIEWING WOMEN AND THE BIBLE: A JEWISH PERSPECTIVE

The Council for Australian Catholic Women (Perth) invite women to join us and Rabbi Sheryl Nosan to "re-view" women and the Bible. The roles of women in the scriptures are varied and complex and include women as challengers, change agents, and as inspiration for those working towards greater understanding and equality of ministry.

Wednesday 21 August 2019, 6-9pm in the Staff Room Trinity College, 2 Trinity Ave, Perth. Light refreshments will be served from 6.00-6.30pm. Parking is available and the Red & Yellow CAT buses travel to Hale Street. RSVP by 18 August: Email [kerrymacfarlane2@gmail.com](mailto:kerrymacfarlane2@gmail.com) phone 08 93975988 SMS 0400 886 835

