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"

Sunday's Gospel



"Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life. Jesus said to them, I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." John 6: 24 - 35. The world needs Jesus more than ever. The world at

present according to the sensational news outlets promotes the individual above the collective. We tend to value people with money more than we do people who do so much for the community and are community minded. After Jesus' miracle of the bread and fishes many people flocked to see him. His message was simple. Believe in me and live the good news and there will be no need for material wealth in this world. It is almost as if he was saying earth is a test. In his mind those who pass it are those who care for others and believe in the one God.

Christian Dance Group

It was a special privilege to see our six talented, composed and confident Year Six students perform their Christian Dance routine for all those present at Mercy College Chapel, Koondoola. They were outstanding and we are very proud of them. They of course, were led by the equally talented Mrs Cosnett who gave her time to prepare our girls and enable them to shine brightly yesterday. Thank you so much Mrs Cosnett – now onto the MC Dream Team! Their photos are further in the newsletter, including the relieved but elated performers enjoying eating out at a very fine restaurant (Maccas).

DATES FOR NEXT WEEK (WEEK 4)				
Monday 6 th August	Cockburn City's Hiroshima Day – Tree Planting Ceremony			
Tuesday 7 th August	League Tag Carnival: Santich Park, Spearwood			
	Uniform Shop Open Times: 8:10-10:30am 1:20-3:20pm			
	The Good Cup Café at 8:30- 10:00am			
Wednesday	SRC Meeting at 8:10am			
8 th August	School Banking			
	Mary MacKillop Prayer Service			
	Year 4 Week 3 Holy Communion Practice at 3:30pm (Church)			
Thursday 9 th August	Year 5 Christian Service Learning			
	Year 3C Class Mass			
Friday	9am Assembly (Year 1)			
10 th August	P&F Meeting at 10:30am in MCCC			
Saturday 11 th August	Week 3 First Holy Communion Mass at 6pm			
Sunday 12 th August	Week 3 First Holy Communion Mass at 8am and 10am.			



Holy Communion

This weekend our next three groups of children will be receiving their First Holy Communion at either the 6pm, 10am and 5pm Masses. I will be joining Miss Chamberlain and staff members in support of our children and their families. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.





Good Cup

Next Wednesday the Good Cup will be open again and I hope that many parents will pop in for a cuppa and a chat with other parents, members of the Leadership Team and we warmly welcome our Year 5 teachers who will also enjoy a hot brew! Once you drop off your children, please join us in the Community Centre.

P&F Meeting

Some parents find it difficult to attend evening meetings and have proposed that one or two meetings be held during the day e.g. after an Assembly. Next Friday we will be highly entertained by our Year One children and following the Assembly we will trial of a daytime meeting. Assembly commences at 9am, followed by some coffee time and then down to business at 10:30am. Come and joins us for a coffee before we begin the meeting, let's make this initiative a success with your presence. See you there.

Parents Behaving Beautifully – Is this YOU!

I am always impressed by you our parents who continually choose to do the correct thing and follow the rules/law because 'that is what we do at Mater Christi' and it is for the safety of our children. During the very wet weather and dare I say full moon this week, some very disturbing behaviour has crept into the way people are driving into and around the carpark – namely with a lack of patience, driving 20-30km within the carpark and over speed bumps including some drivers even going over embankments just to bypass cars to a parking spot whilst going in the wrong direction. It is disappointing that a small number of us require 'big brother' to be watching to behave appropriately or think that these rules are for everyone else and not them. We are very fortunate to have so many car bays available, a long drive through and extra parking on the lawn verge area. *Let's show them how it's done Mater Christi! Thank you.*



Feast of Mary MacKillop (Mary of the Cross)

Next Wednesday we celebrate the Feast of Mary MacKillop, Australia's first Saint and the name of our school before it was changed to Mater Christi. Our staff and students will participate in an in-class prayer service during the day. You may like to visit the side chapel in the Church (left side of the altar) to light a candle in her honour and ask Mary MacKillop to pray for your family.

God Bless, Toní Kalat



Religious Education

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to our first group of First Holy Communicants last weekend. The boys and girls looked splendid in their beautiful dresses and the boys looked very dapper in their outfits. Father Joseph and Father Dat engaged the congregation with stories of their childhood, linking them to the beauty and importance of this special Sacrament. Thank you to our teachers who do a wonderful job preparing our students in class for the Sacrament. Over the next two weekends more of our Year 4 students will receive the Sacrament and we can continue to support them with our prayers and attending the Sacrament. If you would like to join in the celebration, the Holy Communion Masses for this weekend are at 6pm Saturday, 10am and 5pm on Sunday.

At the request of the Western Australian Bishops, Year 3, Year 5 and Year 9 students in Catholic schools across Western Australia will take part in *The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment* (BRLA). Next week our Year 5 students will be participating in this assessment.

The BRLA provides a 'point in time' snapshot of student performance in RE. Students' knowledge and understanding of the content of the RE curriculum is assessed using a combination of online multiple choice, and short and extended response items. Students' faith is not assessed. The use of the BRLA complements the school-based assessment programs in RE.

We wish our Year 5 students all the best with the assessment.

Sleeping Bag Drive



Thank you to all those families and staff that have donated to our Sleeping Bag Drive. Our trailer has finally arrived and is filling up fast. Amanda Dunlop from the Holy Spirit of Freedom Community will be addressing our school assembly next Friday to share with us the work she and her community do for the homeless in Perth, and how your sleeping bag donation will help those who are currently living on the streets.

God Bless,

Mr Hofmeester – Assistant Principal, Religious Education



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; "**Cyber Safety**" – dealing with how parents can keep their children safe online; and "**Love, Sex and Relationships for Teenagers**" – a

workshop based around the new resource for 2018.

The Child Protection Breakfast is on Tuesday 4 September at 7:30am at the Duxton Hotel. All are invited to attend at \$49 per person or \$350 for a table of 8. In this Year of Youth, we will be launching the new Teenagers Handbook "Love, Sex and Relationships – The Basic Essentials for Catholic Teenagers" which has been developed by the Archdiocese as part of the Safeguarding Project.

The Safeguarding Competition aims to help our children become more aware of needing to feel and to be safe. Students are asked to answer a series of questions which will help adults learn how to make young people feel safe at all times. Prizes will be awarded to the best answers from Kindy to Year 3 and from Year 4 to Year 6 (and from Secondary School) with the overall winner receiving a \$500 gift voucher. Students can pick up an entry form from the office or the Church Foyer. Entries are due by Sunday August 19 and can be handed to a Safeguarding Officer at Mass or to Fr Dat, Fr Joseph or Sr Emmanuel.

The Safeguarding Project is a part of Archbishop Timothy Costello'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.

General School Information

Rainbows

When something significant happens in the family, the whole family is affected. Even though death and divorce appear to be a grown-up problem, it does have a profound effect on the children it touches. Rainbows is a program designed especially for children who are living in single parent

families, or families going through significant transitions. Rainbows fosters emotional healing among children grieving a loss from a life-altering crisis or other significant changes in their life. Rainbows provides a safe, confidential and caring environment for children to sort through their pain and confusion, build self-esteem and learn coping tools to deal with their change, loss and grief. The goal is to assist participants in expressing feelings, understand and talk about these feelings and to learn to let go of them and get on with living. The facilitator assists the participants in expressing feelings. The program consists of twelve weekly sessions conducted during school hours. This year the staff member trained to facilitate the Rainbows Program is Michelle Romano. If you are interested in your child participating, please email <u>admin@mcps.wa.edu.au</u> or speak to your child's classroom teacher.



Interschool Long Bomb and Kwik Kick Competition



During the school holidays we had some super athletes from Mater Christi head down to the hallowed turf of The Mighty Fremantle Dockers to participate in the State Semi Finals of the Long Bomb, Kwik Kick and Fast Ball competitions. These guys were selected after performing brilliantly at the school level. Our representatives were first class and some of them have even won tickets to the final which will be held at the Dockers v Carlton game in a couple of weeks. All of us here at Mater Christi congratulate you so far and wish you luck for the final. Ryan Donnelly (PE Specialist)

E	vent	Year	Participants	Place
Kwik K	vik Kick	4	Ayvah Rioli and Halle Hall	1 st
		4	Lucas Campeotto and Taj Erceg	2 nd
		5	Miller Rank and Troy Pellicione	9 th
		5	Sofia Bates and Madi Hadley	6 th
		6	Georgia Rooney and Alisha Wardle	-
		6	Seth Basilio and Travis Day	10 th
		4	Ayvah Rioli	1 st
	_ong Bomb	4	Taj Erceg	7 th
		5	Sofia Bates	1 st
2200		5	Peter Wright	7 th
		6	Hayley Cheong	3 rd
		6	Zac Zammit	1 st
Fast Ba	st Ball	4	Rachel Johnston, Ayvah Rioli, Halle Hall, Shanae Rebelo, Olivia McCay, Kayla Sweeney	1 st
		4	Xavier Zammit, Joshua Bradford, Alfie Hewings, Lucas Campeotto, Taj Erceg, James Artemis	1 st
		5	Kane Lamothe, Millar Rank, Lincoln Carradus, Peter Wright, Troy Pellicione, Mitchell Bradford	2 nd
2		5	Zoe Johnston, Madison Hadley, Sofia Bates, Emily McCay, Zoe Johnston, Georgia Galipo	1 st
		6	Zac Zammit, Lucas Artemis, Travis Day, Samuel Jones, Jaxon Hall, Jett Harding	1 st
		6	Hayley Cheong, Olivia Risucci, Georgia Rooney, Alisha Wardle, Jocelyn De Freitas, Madison Hall	2 nd











Merit Awards



Well done to the following students who will be receiving a Merit Award at next week's assembly on Friday, $10^{\rm th}$ August







PPA	Frankie Duggua and Angela Veloso
PPB	Jake Lawrence and Aubrey Moon
PPC	Madylin Djamil, Melissa Tasyurek and Levi Datson
1A	Jack Ternent and Sophie Ladiges
1B	Ava Sturgess and Kai Sagisaka
1C	Harry Farnan and Amalija Manning
2A	Lewis Pianta and Nicolas Piraino
2B	Kingston Gee and Amy D'Arrigo
2C	Henrique Rimis, Ruby Romeo and Ziba Shariat
3 A	Hudson Rank and Theresia Baretto
3B	Kadin Cleaver, Mark Doria and Gemma Djamil
3C	Ivy Clayden, Amber Davey and Sebastian Gosney
4A	Heidi Day, Kieran Treasure and Joel Miguel
4B	Cameron Adams and Jessica-Rose Gibson
4C	Hayley Thompson and Charlie Hegney
5A	Koby Arnold and Hannah Petrovic
5B	Tayla Hearn and Joshua DeAbreu
5C	Javier Da Silva and Indianna Stapley
6A	Beau Day and Owen Phillips
6B	Kashvi Patel and Georgia Rooney
6C	Evander Siljeg







100 Days of Year 1!

Last Friday the Year One children celebrated 100 days of school! To assist us with learning about place value and counting, each day at school the children added one pop stick to a container to help track how many days they have been at school. Every tenth day we made a 'bundle' of ten pop sticks and moved them across to the next place value container until we reached one hundred. Every ten days we had a visit from 'Zero the Hero,' he always left a note and a special treat. To celebrate the 100th day of school, the children completed a variety of activities all involving the number one hundred followed by a tasty sausage sizzle.

We would like to give a big shout out and thank you to the wonderful parent helper volunteers; Paul Bott, Clive Manning, Melissa Collicott and Julian Blunt who cooked a delicious sausage sizzle for all of the Year One children for their lunch. Thank you also to Malone's Butchers for their generous donation of sausages for our event.



School News

P&F

Next P&F Meeting is Friday 10th August 10.30am Thank you, Michell Hall, P&F President





Year PPB Lunch

Date: Friday 10th August at 12pm Where: Berrigans by the Lake RSVP: to Louise McEntee 0431 262 262 by 9/8/18

PPC Class Dinner

Date: Friday 10th August from 7pm Where: The Meatball Bar in Fremantle. RSVP: Please contact Karen Hearn on 0423 857 794 or email <u>kjhearn3@gmail.com</u> by the 7th August. If we have 10 or more attend, there will be a set menu for \$50 per head (which includes entrée, main and a dessert). A discount on drinks will be also be offered.

Year 2B Class Dinner

Date: Friday 10th August from 7pm Where: The Vale, Beeliar RSVP: Please contact Adele Hugo on 0404 040 189 by August 2nd



FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY + Hosted by the P&F

Community News

LAKE GWELUP RESERVE PLANTING DAY

Join us for our annual community bushland

planting morning at Lake Gwelup Reserve

Sunday 12th August Planting: 8.45am - 11am

Lunch: 11.30am - 1pm Meeting Point: Lake Gwelup Reserve, Wanstead Street Entrance (where March Street turns into Wanstead street)

What to Bring: A bottle of water, a raincoat, enthusiasm and all the volunteers you can wrangle.

The City of Stirling will supply sunscreen, work gloves, trowels, first aid kit, toilet facilities and insect repellent. Lunch will be provided by the city at the Henderson Environmental Centre, located at the end of Graat Strete in North Beach. Show bags and native plants will also be given to participants and you and your family will also be able to enjoy an up close encounter with native wildlife provided by Native Animal Rescue



Clean Schools Workshop

Start planning now for a Clean School with this whole school program presented to you by Keep Australia Beautiful.

> Monday 20 August 2018 1-4pm **Emmanuel Catholic College**

122 Hammond Road

Success WA 6164

The professional learning is suitable for teachers, principals, administrators and parents. It includes:

• planning a litter prevention program in your school

· case studies and examples of what other schools have done

· loads of resources to take back to your school · information about laws relating to litter, social and environmental

impacts and littering behaviour curriculum materials linked to the Australian Curriculum for in-class

use. These FREE professional learning sessions provides a step-by-step guide on how to run a whole school litter prevention campaign.

> For more information, email samantha.culbertson@kabc.wa.gov.au or call 6364 6632.



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Register here



Positive Partnerships is coming to a location near you!

Join us for a day of learning with other parents and carers of school aged children on the autism spectrum, designed to help you foster productive school, family and community relationships to provide the best kind of support for your child. Our workshops are for parents, carers and grandparents wanting to understand more about autism and learn practical strategies using evidence based resources to help maximise their young person's learning.

What will you gain by attending this workshop?

- An increased understanding of the impact of autism
- Further knowledge about how to develop effective partnerships with your school Information to help you access further support both inside and outside of school
- An opportunity to be part of a support network where you can share strategies and experiences with other parents/carers
- An understanding of a planning tool that can be used to share key information related to your child

Workshop details

Whaleback Golf Course Whaleback Avenue Parkwood WA 6147
Wednesday 5 September 2018 9.15 am – 3.00 pm (Registration from 8.30 am)
Morning tea and lunch is provided. Please advise any dietary requirements upon registration.
www.positivepartnerships.com.au Registrations open on 27 June 2018 and close one business day prior to the workshop. Register early as places are limited!
If you are not able to register online please call the Positive Partnerships Infoline : 1300 881 971 or email <u>parentcarer@autismspectrum.org.au</u>

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COLLEGE TOUR

5 September - 4PM

Register Online: www.emmanuel.wa.edu.au

Enrolment Enquiries 9414 4055

Applications for Year 7, 2021 are now due.

Community News





Understanding tears and tantrums:

Presented by: Cockburn Parenting Service A workshop for parents/carers to develop understanding of children's behavior and emotions. In this interactive four week parenting group, we look at the causes of children's tantrums. You will learn tools that will assist you to encourage children's positive behaviour and cooperation. Make connections with other parents, and learn skills that will help you throughout your parenting journey. This group is geared toward parents/ caregivers of children 0-8 years.

When	Thursday 30 th August, 6 th Sept, 13 th Sept, and the 20 th September
Where	South Lake Ottey Centre, 2A South Lake Drive, South Lake
Crèche	Available
Time	10am -12 noon
Cost	\$20 for literature (Can be negotiated if there is hardship)
	To register contact Cockburn Parenting Service on 94113855



