

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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SCHOOL MANTRA 2020

"Do small things, with great love". Mother Teresa

Dear Families



This Saturday, 15 August, we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Mary when she was taken into heaven, body and soul. Mary was an ordinary person who was blessed by God, became the mother of Jesus and was always there for him. On this day the church acknowledges God's faithfulness to Mary and the trust she had in God. Her love and devotion supported Jesus throughout his life and is an example for us all. Mary is the Queen of All Saints.

What images or icons of Mary do we have in our homes? What do these tell us about Mary? What hope does this feast bring to our lives as Catholics?

We pray as a community that our faith will be a source of strength for us in the present circumstances that surround our world. We pray especially to our blessed mother Mary to guide us through these times.

The following is a prayer by St Teresa of Avila (1515–1582) which reminds us of Christ's presence within us in all that we do.

Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks compassion on this world,
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,
Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
Yours are the eyes, you are his body.
Christ has no body now but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Ours are the eyes with which he looks compassion on this world
Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

Dates for Next Week (Week 5) Wellness & Science Week

Monday
17th August

Tuesday
18th August

School Banking

Wednesday
19th August

Uniform Shop Open
8:00-10:30am & 1:20-3:20pm

Thursday
20th August

8:45am Good Cup Café/Australia's Biggest
Morning Tea Fundraiser (MCCC)

Friday
21st August

Student Free Day

Saturday
22nd August

Reconciliation 5pm
First Holy Communion 6pm Mass

Sunday
23rd August

First Holy Communion 8am, 10am & 5pm
Masses

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Virtual Assembly

Today, the Virtual Assembly celebrated so many incredible happenings at Mater Christi. These are the daily, beautiful things that occur across the year levels and in specialist classes. A big shout out to the Student Councillors, Mrs Woodhouse, Mrs de Bes, and Mr O'Reilly. The restrictions of COVID has brought out fantastic creativity from our student leadership group. Enjoy viewing and celebrating with us, some of the things that we love about Mater Christi.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Thank you to our classroom and specialist teachers for sharing with parents the children's achievements and any areas for continued consolidation. By listening to many parents and reading your emails, you are also very impressed and appreciative of the work and effort teachers put into their teaching, helping students grow and develop. We are very blessed with the staff we have at our school.

Reconciliation/Holy Communion

The Sacraments



This weekend we again acknowledge the students in Year Three celebrating the Sacrament of Penance on Saturday and the students receiving their First Holy Communion at the Masses this weekend. We join in prayer with their families and the Parish family.

Mrs Cattalini, Ms Collins, Mrs Barker, and Miss Prka will be attending the various Masses in support of the students.

Good Cup Café



The P&F and I look forward to welcoming you to the Biggest Morning Tea at the Good Cup Café at 9am next Thursday. This event is one of our first opportunities in coming together as a parent group sharing a coffee with friends for a very worthwhile cause and one that has, in some way, touched all our lives. Don't forget to bring your gold coins!

Pupil Free Day

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Next Friday, 21 August, is a PUPIL FREE DAY. There is no school on this day and the staff will be offsite for our staff day. Enjoy an extra-long weekend as a conclusion to Wellness Week.

*God Bless,
Toni Kalat*

Music News

The school band will be busking next Monday 17th August from 8:00 – 8:45am outside the Year 2 area.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Tomas M, Alfie H and Shenae R for being offered positions at John Curtin for the Football Specialist Program for 2021. Well done!



2020 All Schools Primary Cross Country Championships

This was held yesterday – Thursday 13th August 2020. The first event started at 10:00am with the Year 4 girls and concluded at 1pm with the Year 6 Boys. There was a total of over 2000 kids competing!

Results:

- Year 3 Girls - Sophie C – 28th out of 169
- Year 4 Girls - Naomi H – 7th out of 285
- Year 5 Girls - Imogen W – 11th out of 309
Shea C – 19th out of 309
- Year 6 Girls – Olivia M – 10th out of 310

Religious Education News



O We keep in our prayers the following students who will be celebrating their First Reconciliation and those receiving their First Holy Communion. *May the peace and love of Jesus surround them and fill their heart with joy!*

Reconciliation Students:

Aiden B, Michael B, Sophia V, Eli M, Jake P

Holy Communion Students:

Saturday 6pm: Grace H, Ryley C, Joseph O

Sunday 8am: Tatye Z

Sunday 10am: Erin M

Sunday 5pm: Brooklyn L, Jordan T



Making Jesus Real – 14 Ways to be a Good Friend

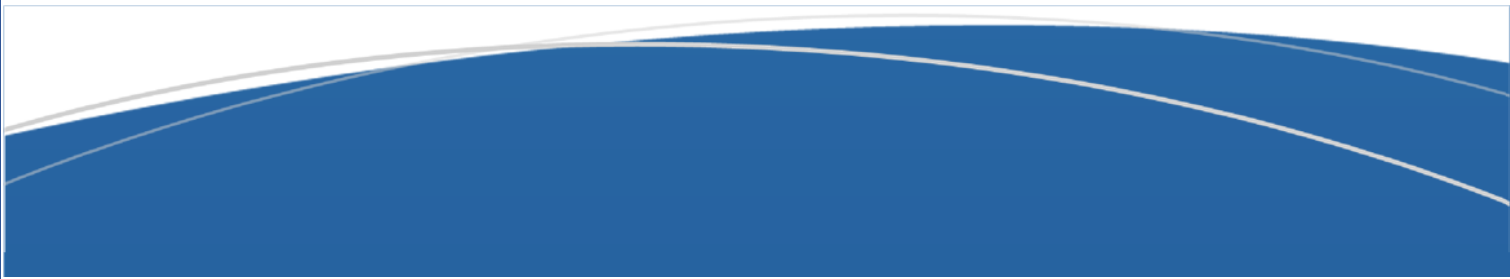
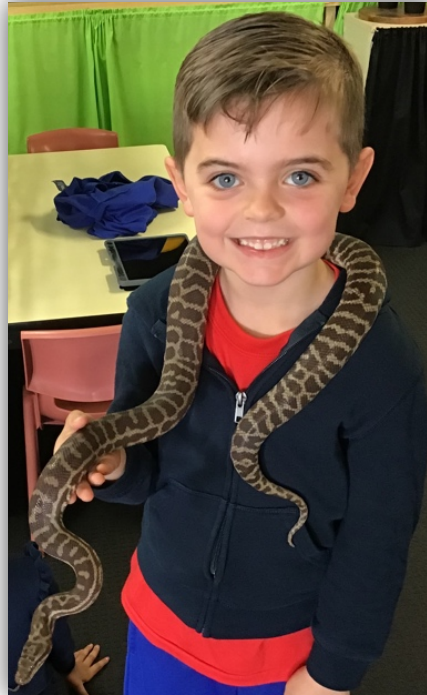
1. Be there for your friends when they need you. It's easy to be around when times are good but only the best of friends are there when the going gets hard.
2. Be honest. Being a true friend means being truthful.
3. Everyone needs help from time to time. Be a helpful friend.
4. If you make a promise, keep it!
5. Respect your friends, their feelings and their possessions.
6. Don't talk about your friends behind their backs unless you are saying something nice.
7. Be a forgiving friend. Everyone makes mistakes from time to time.
8. Be a generous, kind and caring friend.
9. Tell your friends how you feel. Good friends can talk to each other about anything.
10. Involve your friends in your activities and in your life.
11. Be a giver of smiles, pleases, thank yous and encouragement.
12. Interesting people are interested in people.
13. Being able to accept NO from your close friends and parents without sulking.
14. Be positive if your friend decides to play with other people for a change. Don't be jealous.

'Gotcha' Cards



Congratulations to Lucy E, Charlotte C, Elly L and Myles F, all from 1B and Christian D from 2B for receiving Gotcha cards for Making Jesus Real throughout our school this week. Through being kind, giving and friendly you are sharing the Spirit of Jesus.

Kindy Wildlife Incursion



School News

School banking is now on a Tuesday.

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online

Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch

Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and Birth Certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account, they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please come and see the volunteers in the staff room on Tuesday mornings or visit www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

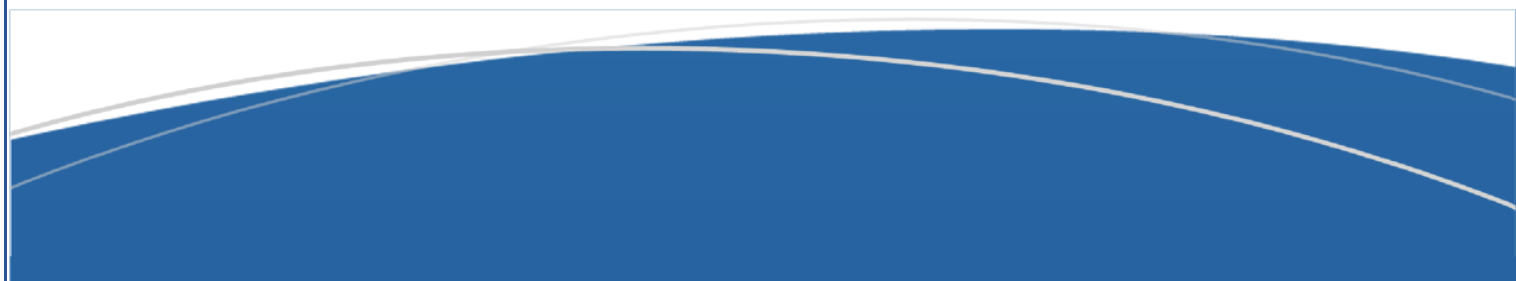
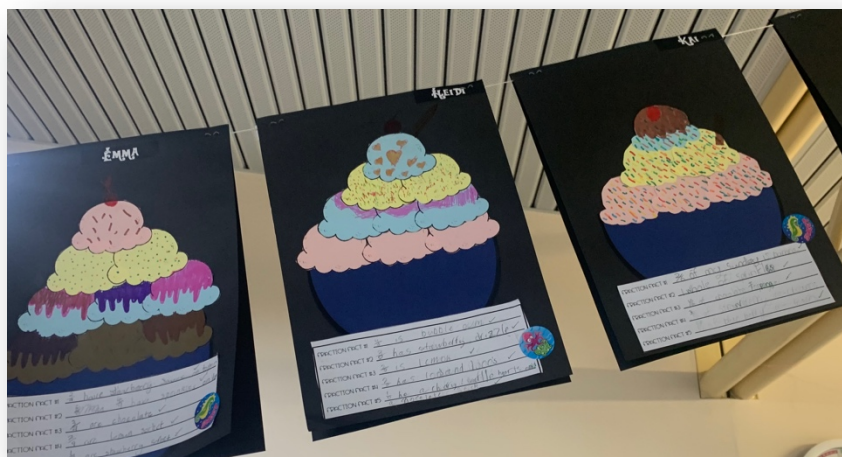
Apologies to the families who deposited on the 28 July 2020. We had some technical issues which resulted in the deposits not being processed until the 4 August 2020. Thank you to the families who had bought this to our attention.

School Banking Co-ordinators

Barbara, Jennifer, Karen, Alissa, Sharon, Melina and Nicole.

What's Happening in Year 3 This Term?

Welcome back to Term Three. We hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday. This term, the Year Three students will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We look forward to the students sharing their experience with the class and exploring the significance of Reconciliation, alongside our topics of 'Baptism' and 'Prayer'. In English the main focus in Writing is procedures and reviews - where the students will be able to write a recipe based on their dream sandwich and follow the procedure to make it. We can't wait to see their delicious creations. In Reading, we will be exploring visual texts focusing on the author Jeanie Baker and her range of textless picture books that use images to convey a story. Our Mathematics topics are fractions, 3D shapes, location and capacity. Students have enjoyed using hands on materials to assist in their mathematical understanding. This term we have introduced Lego Therapy on a weekly basis which focuses on students being able to make compromises, communicate effectively and work as a team. The students have set roles of engineer, supplier and builder to work collaboratively to build a selected Lego challenge. We are excited to see what Term 3 will bring for Year 3.



Interschool League Tag Carnival



The annual C.P.S.S.A Interschool League Tag Carnival was held on Wednesday 12th August. The Mater Christi Maulers through meticulous preparation and sheer determination, again, represented the school with honour. Mater Christi entered two teams. The beguiling Miss Gibb coached the "B" team and yours truly coached the "A" team. Each team had been training intensely three times a week to take on the best. We were ready for action! Here is a brief account of how each team fared.

"A" Team – The A team were drawn against South Coast Baptist for the first game. Whilst nervous, we put on a clinic and dominated the opposition. Slightly wasteful but off to a 2 try win. The next game was against the team that knocked us out of the final race last year, Sacred Heart. We showed no mercy and dispatched them impressively. The third game saw our first real challenge, St. Jerome's. After dominating possession and nearly scoring on multiple occasions it only took a slight lapse in concentration to be scored against. We lost one nil. The last two games of the round robin were solid efforts. Two more wins meant we were ranked second going into the semi-finals.

We met Sacred Heart again in the semi-final. The MC team were ready for battle. With a steely resolve the team played with flair and heart and again showed the opposition their class. It was a comfortable win and meant we had a chance to win the title. We met the very determined Star of the Sea who had upset the highest ranked St. Jerome's in the other Semi. The MC team were revved up for action. They knew anything could happen in a final but were ready to take the game on. Star of the Sea scored first and looked very good. The MC Maulers, however, were able to even the scores shortly after and then dominated field possession for the rest of the game. When the siren sounded it was a drawn game. Five minutes extra time would ensue. With polish and pizzazz, the MC legends were able to manufacture a try and hold Star of the Sea out for the rest of the game. The MC team has won the title!

"B" Team – The B team were super impressive. The aim was to go back to back. The first two games were similar to the A team. The well drilled MC Maulers cut through the opposition and came away with two excellent wins. Again the St. Jerome's team proved to be a thorn in our side. While we were the better team, the opposition had two stand out athletes that were able to score. It gave us something to think about for the upcoming games. The players regrouped and continued on their winning way for the rest of the round robin. The B team was also ranked second going into the semi-finals.

Mater Christi was drawn against St. Bernadette's in the Semi-Final. This was the last team we played in the round robin and a team we beat four nil. This meant the players were pretty confident. The team played well and passed the ball beautifully. Unfortunately, the team made two mistakes and those mistakes were jumped on by the opposition leading to two tries. We battled ferociously until the end but couldn't penetrate for a score. The gang were disappointed to lose but could hold their head high after a very successful tournament.

Everyone involved had a ball and performed sensationally. Well done to all team members and all the supporters that came down and enjoyed the day. A special thank you to Miss Gibb who did a magnificent job coaching her team. Awesome job!
Ryan Donnelly (PE Specialist)

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea in the MCCC



GOLD COIN DONATION
for a cuppa and cake
Event is outdoors with
standing room
Raffles drawn on the day
QR code for donations only
Thurs 20th August
at 8.45am



Australia's Biggest Morning Tea in the MCCC

Thursday 20th August 9am

Due to Covid 19 restrictions still in place, this year's Australia's Biggest Morning Tea will still take place, just on a smaller scale in the Mater Christi Community Centre.

Things to know:

- ✓**Yes**, you can still purchase raffle tickets to win one of the amazing prizes, available to purchase each morning in the junior courtyard.
- ✓**Yes**, you can still enjoy a hot drink as the Good Cup Cafe will be open, gold coin donation.
- ✓**Yes**, you can still attend to enjoy a sweet or savoury treat.
- ✓**Yes**, you can still support this amazing charity and raise awareness, we all know someone who has been touched by cancer.

The event this year will be less formal than previous years, but our goal remains the same.

Raffle tickets will be available in the junior courtyard before school each day,

Raffle tickets \$2 each of 3 for \$5.

DIAMOND NECKLACE kindly donated by Solid Gold Diamonds \$10/ticket, with 100% of the proceeds going to The Cancer Council. Raffle donations are still welcome. Please drop to the front office.

Food donations would be much appreciated - please email if you are able to supply a sweet or savoury item materchristipandf@cewa.edu.au

Wine fundraiser

This fundraiser can be shared with all of your adult family and friends. All orders placed through the link will go towards the 20% we will receive directly back from Wise Wines when the promotional period ends. Please go to <https://wisewine.com.au/mater-christi/> for all information on what is available and how to order. Thank you as always for your support of the Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Parents and Friends Association.

Entertainment Books

Entertainment Books are now available all year round, valid for 12 months and only in digital format. For new purchases, go online to entertainment.com.au, select 'Become a Member Today' and follow the prompts. At the Fundraiser page, please select 'Mater Christi...' to aid fundraising for our school. Thank you as always for your support of the Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Parents and Friends Association.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 1st September, 7pm, Staff Room

SOLID GOLD DIAMONDS

Perth's premier diamond jeweller, is proud to support the Mater Christi community in their Biggest Morning Tea fundraiser event with the donation of a handmade diamond set pendant.

A limited number of tickets will be available to purchase prior to the event at school in the junior courtyard.



SOLID GOLD
DIAMONDS

Parent Social Events



Kindy A Parent's Dinner

When: Saturday 12th September at 7:00pm

Where: Nic & Kolo, Applecross. Please note new start time of 7pm.

RSVP: Please contact Brooke Velterop brookevelterop@bigpond.com or via Facebook by 4th September.



Pre-Primary A Parent's Dinner

When: Friday, 4th September at 7pm

Where: Cabin 401, Bibra Lake

RSVP: Please contact Sinèad Chidlow on 0424 120 440 by Thursday the 27th August.



2C Mum's Dinner

When: Friday, 25th September at 7pm

Where: The Vale

RSVP: Please RSVP to Renae Datson by the 18th September on 0417 697 208.



3A Coffee Catch Up

When: Thursday 18th August, after morning drop off

Where: Surfing Lizard Café

RSVP: Simone Douglas on 0421 518 615

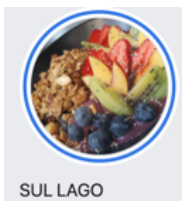


4A Parent's Dinner

When: Thursday 10th September at 6pm

Where: The Vale Bar & Brasserie

RSVP: Please RSVP to Liliane Torres by the 1st September on 0405 132 775 or via Facebook



4C Catch Up

When: Monday 24th August at 12pm

Where: Sul Lago, Beeliar

RSVP: Please RSVP to Giulia Orlando on 0403 489 252



Year 5 Catch-Up

When: Friday 28th August at 6:30pm

Where: The Brewhouse

RSVP: Please RSVP to your class representative – either Louise McEntee, Natalie Brown or Leah Rheinberger. Via Facebook or email.

PARENTING COURSES

Term 3 2020

West Leederville Branch

Parent Teen Connection Sat 22 & 29 Aug 9.30-1pm \$50 pp/\$75 couple

We know that adolescence can be a time of turmoil and change – for both children and their parents. There are plenty of things you can do to maintain a strong relationship and stay connected with your teen. This 2 week course will provide you with a practical 'how-to' guide to help you understand their behaviour and offer you some skills to manage their behaviour effectively.

Parent Child Connection Mon 31 Aug-21 Sep 6.30-9pm \$50 pp/\$75 couple

Parenting doesn't come with a guidebook but we do know what helps create a strong parent-child connection – security, warmth, positive attention and good communication, plus boundaries and fair rules. This practical 4 week course will help you understand your child's development and behaviour and give you some tools so you can parent with confidence and enjoy your kids.

Understanding Stepfamily Relationships Sat 5 Sep 9.30-4.30pm \$100 couple

Stepfamilies present a whole array of challenges that are different to those found in a biological family. It is a huge juggling act! This one day workshop is based on research that highlights some of the more helpful ways of forming and living in this new family, be it a stepfamily or a blended family.

Partners to Parents Mon 21 Sep 6.30-9pm \$45 couple

This one night session will assist couples move from being a couple to becoming parents. There are many joys and delights in becoming new parents and also many challenges. Managing the transition well and preparing your relationship for the change will help you build your strengths as a couple and help you manage all that lies ahead of you.

Dads Raising Boys Tue 22 Sep 6.30-9pm \$30 person

For a boy, a close relationship with his father is like gold. A father can be an anchor for a son. A Dad models behaviours that shape who they become as an adult. This workshop for Dads will assist in building their son's self-esteem, healthy identity and resilience as well as managing challenging behaviours.

Mums Raising Boys Thu 24 Sep 6.30-9pm \$30 person

Mothers, who are usually their son's primary female role model, play a vital part in developing their son's identity, including their ability to be nurturing. This session includes building confidence and competence in sons and setting boundaries.

Places are limited – please contact (08) 6164 0239 to register today

For more information about our courses and workshops, please click [here](#) or visit www.relationshipswa.org.au

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Online Parenting Workshops & Courses

Term 3 2020

Supporting Your Anxious Child Monday 10 August 9.30am-12noon

Are you concerned that your child seems overly anxious? Do they often complain of stomach pains or feeling sick? Do they often seem irritable, regularly having emotional outbursts? They may be experiencing anxiety. This workshop explores anxiety in an easy to understand format and gives you strategies to support your anxious child.

Fathering after Separation Thursday 13 August 6.30pm-9pm

It's important for fathers to distinguish between their parenting role and the relationship break-up. This workshop, held in a male-friendly environment, will help you develop parenting skills that are responsive to your children's needs as they find their way through the family separation.

Mums Raising Teen Girls Tuesday 18 August 6.30pm-9pm

The passage from girl to young woman can be challenging, not only for her, but also for you as her mother. The aim of this interactive session is to help you stay connected with your teenage daughter while recognising the reality of her world.

Bringing up Great Kids Thurs 20 Aug-17 Sept 9.30am-12noon

A loving, safe relationship with a parent is the best relationship a child can have. This course is for parents and carers who want to understand their child's behaviour and through self-reflection, gain helpful insights into their own parenting. We will also help you identify the important messages you want to pass onto your child and how to do this. This is an inter-active 5 week course which will support you to:

- Reflect on the origins of your parenting style and how it can be more effective
- Learn about your children's developing brain and understand how to meet their growing needs
- Examine the messages you pass on to your children through your behaviour and reactions
- Understand the underlying messages in children's behaviour and how to respond helpfully
- Overcome some of the obstacles getting in the way of being the kind of parent you would like to be.

Workshop Cost: \$30 per person
Please phone 6164 0200 to enrol.

Bookings, registrations and payment prior to the session are required

Online sessions are interactive and the minimum requirement to attend will be a Computer/Laptop/Tablet with webcam and microphone (smart phones are not suitable).
Times are Western Standard Time WST