# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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## SCHOOL MANTRA 2020

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

**Dear Families** 



This Sunday, we celebrate the gift of Fathers. Being a parent is a challenging task, and a most rewarding one. Those who are father figures do the best in their role, modelling themselves on their own father figures if appropriate, or other good men that they know.

As a father figure, you may think about the best gift you can give to a child. Many believe that the gift of your time is the

best gift you can give to children. When they are adults, they may not remember a toy that you gave them; hopefully, they remember an activity you shared, or a holiday together, or just spending time reading or playing a board game.

I hope all Dads, and those who take on the role of Dad, have an enjoyable day on Sunday.

#### **Dates for Next Week (Week 8)**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September

Tuesday School Banking 8<sup>th</sup> September Feast of the Birth of Mary

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

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September

Interschool Cross Country at Manning

Park

Year 4 Excursion to Fremantle Prison

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September

11<sup>th</sup> September

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September Reconciliation 5pm First Holy Communion 6pm Mass

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September Father's Day First Holy Communion 8am, 10am & 5pm Masses

Dear God,
Thank you for all the fathers
and father-figures in this world
and the many ways you use them
to lovingly guide others to Your heart.
I ask that you bless them
and give them great joy and peace.
May they see You and know You in new ways.
Show them how much you love them and care about them.
Guide their steps, use their hands,
and make them a blessing to others
as they continue to fulfil their special purpose
throughout their lives. Amen.

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#### **Father's Day Liturgy**

Thank you very much to the Year Five and Six teachers for preparing a very prayerful and joy-filled Liturgy of the Word in acknowledgement of all dads and father figures. The School Band with Ms King lead us in song and music. A fun yet meaningful reflection was created by Mr O'Reilly and some of the Year Six students. Please click on the link below to access the video. Enjoy!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6MRnobN31fo&feature=youtu.be

#### **Reconciliation/Holy Communion**

Our students and families continue celebrating Reconciliation and Holy Communion during Parish Masses, and I acknowledge the students receiving the Sacrament of Penance on Saturday and those receiving their First Holy Communion. We join in prayer with their families and the Parish family. Mrs Harding, Miss Carrello and Miss Kalat will be attending the various Masses supporting the students.

#### **Interschool Cross Country**



Next Wednesday the Years 3-6 students will compete in the Interschool Cross Country at Manning Park. Thank you to Mr Donnelly and Miss McIntyre in providing before school training opportunities for the students. I know that they will continue to demonstrate the Mater Christi spirit in challenging yourself, trying your best and supporting your team and all competitors. It's good to remember that champions are made in practice and that cross country is about where you're going. So, look ahead, believe in yourself and achieve your personal best. In our eyes, you are already champions!

#### 100 Days in Year One

Last Wednesday, we welcomed so many 'senior little people' into the school. The Year One students looked incredible as did the Year One staff. Thank you to all the parents for your artistic and creative efforts. Some students stayed in character for the whole day – using their cane, wearing their looking glasses and even slowly shuffling to specialist classes. We even changed our school name for the day to Mater Christi 'Seniors' School. You will love looking through the photos further in the newsletter.

#### **Picking up Your Children**

Please ensure you communicate to your children where they will be collected from school each day. This will minimise any distress to families at pick up time. Whether they are walking, going to drive through or being collected from the classroom, knowing where to meet each other will contribute to creating responsible young adults.

Please be particularly mindful in reminding your children that when they are in the Mater Christi uniform, they are representing our school. The way they behave and speak to others is a reflection on Mater Christi. It is an expectation that children observe the school rules and are using their manners – particularly when speaking with adults.

#### Parents with Prams Parking

Could the parents using the marked bays out the front of Pre-Primary please ensure their cars sit neatly within the marked lines and aren't backed over the paved area. Having the tail end of the car sitting over the pavement can become hazardous to pedestrians using the footpath.

God Bless,

Toni Kalat

# **Religious Education News**



Reconciliation Students: Sophie C, Annabelle G, Romeo V & Ella D



**Holy Communion Students:** 

Saturday 6pm: Naomi H, Elise T, Tristan C

Sunday 8am: Nathan D

**Sunday 10am:** Conor W, Hamish B **Sunday 5pm:** Ella R, Zavier J

# **Religious Education News**

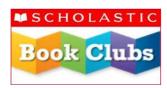
#### **Making Jesus Real**



Making Jesus Real: Humility

Today the students gathered to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word in acknowledging all father's as we lead into Father's Day this weekend. The Gospel read today was one of three parables Jesus told to illustrate God's love and forgiveness. In the parable of the Prodigal Son, Jesus also gives us an example in humility through the actions of the youngest son who turned back to his father and humbly apologised for the disrespect he shows him in placing his wants first over the needs of others. The transformation of the youngest son from

arrogant and selfish at the beginning of the parable to a son willing to be treated as a servant and bed down with the animals is a lesson in humility. To be humble means you have a modest estimate of your importance. A humble person is not an arrogant person who thinks they are better than anyone else. A humble person is a sincere person. They are authentic in their actions. Who is your 'humble role model'?



#### **Library News**

Book Club is Due Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm No cash payments or paper orders. Please use LOOP on the Scholastic website. Any orders placed after the closing date and time will be charged \$4.99 for home delivery.



#### **Banking 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

Please note that under the current circumstances, delivery of prizes is taking anywhere from 3 to 6 weeks. School Banking Co-ordinators,

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

# **School News**

# 100 Days in Year One!



























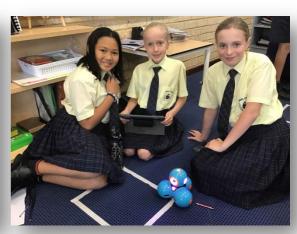
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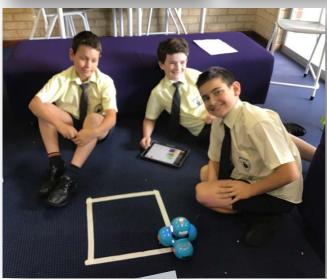
## What's Happening in Year 5?

Welcome to the end of Week 7! The years 5's have been busy these last few weeks, polishing up on their digital technology and mathematics skills. With the help of their very talented I.T. teacher, Mrs de Bes, all students have been exploring the wonderful world of robotics and coding. This has created an environment for students to demonstrate the powerful sense of collaboration and hands-on learning which Dash, our robot offers. In addition to this, the year 5's have sharpened their photography skills, and are using these talents to dream up new adventures and characters, while developing life-long skills and competencies.

















#### **P&F News**

#### **A Letter from the President**

Well, here we are at the end of Week 7! Where has the term gone?

We, as a school community, continue to be affected by the restrictions surrounding COVID-19. Unfortunately, this means we are unable to celebrate our Dads this Friday as a group. I hope that all families are instead able to spend time together on Sunday celebrating the men in their lives – whether it be Dad, Stepdad, Grandad, Uncle, or significant others. I'm sure the children are excited about the weekend regardless.

Thank you to Michelle Hall, Adele Hugo, Vicky Hartill, Jennifer Cotton, Barbara Thurston, Louise McEntee, Helen Kruh, Alisa Fazio and all others who were able to assist in the lead up to, and on the day of the Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. I hear the morning was a great success. What a wonderful opportunity for parents to come together and fundraise for a worthwhile cause

Leah Rheinberger and her helpers have been working hard on the 30th Anniversary Cookbook! I look forward to hearing all about the progress. I can't wait to see the finished result.

Moving forward, our next big event is the Cake Stall at both the Junior and Senior Athletics Carnivals in Term 4. Thank you Guilia Orlando for coordinating this event. I am sure you will have many willing hands to make the workload lighter. A volunteer is needed to supervise the stall on Thursday 15th October.

Jennifer Cotton has worked hard on the budget for 2020 and into 2021, especially with the School Fair being organised to be held in Term 1 next year. So, although this year has been quiet in terms of events, the P&F have worked within the constraints of government and Catholic Education WA restrictions. We look forward to being able to resume a little more of what we are used to next year.

As we move through the second half of the school year, I would like to remind everyone that we have one more General Meeting in October, before the Annual General Meeting in November. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of the Executive - Louise McEntee, Vicky Hartill, and Jennifer Cotton, as well as all of the General Committee members who have made time to attend the meetings as well as volunteer time and energy towards the events and fundraisers this year.

Please take the time to consider joining the P&F committee in 2021, either as a position holder or general committee member. All positions are open for nomination. Please email if you have any questions.

All the best for the last few weeks of term!

Stephanie Gill, President

#### **Sports Carnival Cake Stalls 2020**

#### Junior Sports Carnival Thursday 15th October. Senior Sports Carnival Friday 16th October.

Can you make a donation of cakes, cookies or baked goods? Donations are welcomed (please no cream and custard items as we cannot keep these cold). All food items must be provided with a list of ingredients and can be dropped off on the day to the P&F marguee on the oval.

We will also need help - so if you are available please contact me direct to let me know.

Unfortunately, I won't be available on Thursday so if anyone can help out with setting up it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me on 0403489252 or <a href="mailto:dancingjewels7@hotmail.com">dancingjewels7@hotmail.com</a>

Giulia Orlando, Food Co-Ordinator



#### **P&F News**



#### Wine fundraiser

This fundraiser will be closing soon so get your orders in quickly!

Please go to <a href="https://wisewine.com.au/mater-christi/">https://wisewine.com.au/mater-christi/</a> for all information on what is available and how to order

#### **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 20th October, 7pm, Staff Room

AGM - 18th November 2020

#### **Community Fair**

Next year in March we will be holding the Mater Christi Community Fair and we are seeking expressions of interest to help organise the fair and be part of the committee. If you are interested in helping with this fun family event then please email Sarah Lentz at <a href="mailto:sarah@sarahkatephotography.com.au">sarah@sarahkatephotography.com.au</a>. Any help big or small is appreciated!



#### **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.



#### **PPC Mum's Dinner and Drinks**

When: Saturday 19th September at 7pm

**Where:** Harbourside, Fremantle.

RSVP: Please contact Emily Russell by 7th September on 0432 951 859



#### **1A Parent's Morning Coffee**

**When:** Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 9am **Where:** Maltia Café, Spearwood.

**RSVP:** Please contact Kelly Hulme on 0435 114 990 by the 9<sup>th</sup> September.



#### **2C Mum's Dinner**

When: Friday, 25th September at 7pm

Where: The Vale

**RSVP:** Please RSVP to Renae Datson by the 18<sup>th</sup> September on 0417 697 208.



#### **4A Parent's Dinner**

**When:** Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> 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

# **Community News**



#### Spring has arrived and so has cricket!

Cricket is a great outdoor and non-contact sport that can be played by everyone. Please know we are working hard to ensure you are back playing the game you love this season in a safe environment.

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