

# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Caregivers



## **SCHOOL MANTRA 2018**

*"Be a voice, not an echo"*

**DADS ARE LIKE CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES;**  
they may have chips or be totally nutty, but they are sweet and make the world a better place.

HILLARY LITTLE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Celebrating endeavour, achievement, fun and excellence continues to be a daily event at Mater Christi. Our students have absolutely excelled at the Performing Arts this year. You can read the various awards received further in the Newsletter. Thank you to all the Staff for continually providing opportunities for our children. It is not a given that these events happen but rather our passionate, dedicated and hard-working staff generously give of their time and talent. Thank you also to the many parents who came to the various venues to support the children and teachers. It was terrific to hear the louder claps and cheers and see the proud smiles on parent's faces. Thank you also to the many parents who have thanked their child's teacher or sent in an email of appreciation.

Below is a lovely email from one parent:

*Thank you*

*"I've been thinking about last Friday night's amazing MC DREAM TEAM performance all week, and even though I have already thanked Alison Ross and Kate Cosnett personally, I just wanted to let you know just how amazing these*

*two lovely ladies are. Talented, organised and generous with their skills and their time, all whilst teaching their own class, preparing for Learning Journey and looking after their own little families. I was blown away at the performance, as I was last year, and the more I think about it, makes me appreciate the enormous effort that was put in. We are so lucky to have these committed and giving Teachers who are so invested in our school community.*

*I just wanted to let you know how appreciative I am that my daughter is able to have opportunities such as this."*

## **DATES FOR NEXT WEEK (WEEK 8)**

Monday 3 September	1B Class Mass
Tuesday 4 September	Interschool Cross Country: Manning Park, Spearwood Uniform Shop Open Times: 8:10-10:30am 1:20-3:20pm
Wednesday 5 September	School Banking 8:10am SRC Meeting The Good Cup Café 8:30-10:30am Year 6 A, B & C Mass
Thursday 6 September	5:00-7:00pm Learning Journey <b>SAUSAGE SIZZLE FOR DINNER!!</b>
Friday 7 September	5C Class Mass
Saturday 8 September	
Sunday 9 September	

Today we came together to celebrate our Dads and the special men in our lives. We had a terrific turn out for the Father's Day Mass prepared by our Year Five teachers and led by Fr Dat. It was lovely to see the beautiful connection that Dads and their child/ren have. Our celebration of Faith was followed by a scrumptious breakfast in the Community Centre funded and organised by the P&F. A big 'shout out' to Tina Galipo-Stevens for brilliantly coordinating this event and to the parents who volunteered to help. Without you this would not have been possible. Thank you.



## Mini Olympics

The Pre-Primary Dad's stayed on for the Mini-Olympics which was held on the oval – so after a lovely breakfast, Dads and children had bundles of energy to take part in all the gruelling events. Thank you to our PP staff for organising a wonderful opportunity for all the Dads and the children. Following is a lovely message of thanks from one of our PP parents.

*"The Mass was lovely this morning, the breakfast was fabulous and my husband thoroughly enjoyed the Pre-Primary Mini Olympics. Thank you to everyone for a fantastic morning."*

## Learning Journey Night



The Learning Journey is one of the ways we report to parents on their child's learning and progress. With the children taking the leading role on the night. It is a great opportunity for your child to share with you, their learning experiences during this term. The role of adults in this situation is to ask relevant questions of your child, discuss their learning and be encouraging of their progress by providing supportive feedback. Your child may also act as the 'teacher,' by guiding you through any activities that you may need to complete. The students and staff have worked very hard in preparing the learning experiences, setting up their classrooms and displays as well as the children preparing to lead you, their parents through their own Learning Journey. This is a most enjoyable sharing and learning opportunity for all involved.

Families with children in PP – Year 6 can come any time between 5.00pm and 7pm.

**Kindy A & C classes will be able to view their classrooms from 5pm – 6pm**

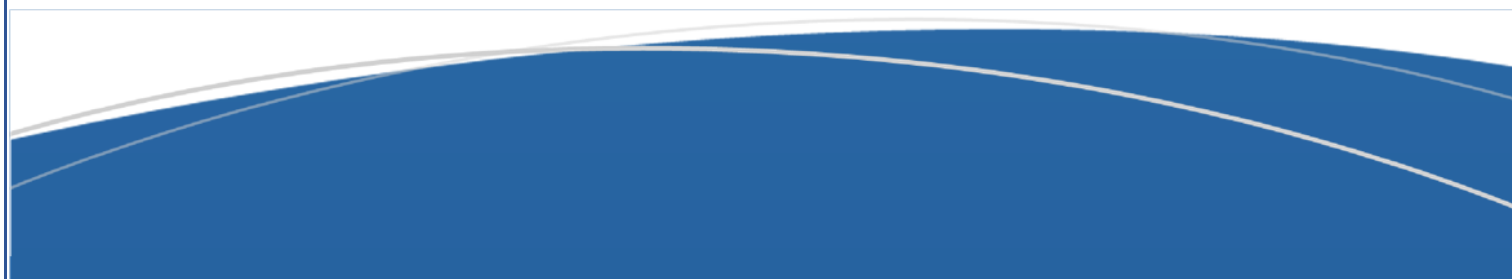
**Kindy B & D are to attend from 6pm – 7pm. This will ensure that the rooms are not overcrowded and everyone can fully participate in the activities.**

You are very welcome to also walk through any other classrooms and the oval will be available for parking. A sausage sizzle and drinks will be sold on the night. Everyone is looking forward to a very special night.

*I wish all our Dads, Step Dads, Grandads, Uncles and significant men in our lives the happiest of days on Sunday as you celebrate Father's Day with the most important people in your life.*

*God Bless.*

*Toni Kalat*



## Religious Education

### Father's Day Mass and Breakfast

Today's Mass was a beautiful celebration of our Fathers, Grandfathers, Step fathers and the like. Thank you to the Year 5 teachers, students and parents for preparing such a wonderful Mass. The readers did a beautiful job. The Mass was followed by a special breakfast put on by the P&F group. Thank you to all the organisers and volunteers who participated, your assistance made the morning a wonderful success. The bacon and egg brioche buns were a hit!

Wishing all the Fathers a fantastic celebration this Sunday. We all pray for good weather, good memories and special time with our Dads.

Be Good,  
Mr Hofmeester – Assistant Principal, Religious Education

## School News

### Past Student News

Tijan McKenna an ex-student of Mater Christi has been selected to represent Australia as a member of the Westfield Junior Matilda Squad playing in central Asia next month. We wish Tijan every success in her journey.



*Congratulations*



### Performing Arts Festival

Well done to Mater Christi's Drama group. They have been awarded the Catholic Church Insurances Shield Award for Primary Drama and Mime. Congratulations all on such a wonderful achievement! We are so proud of you all.

**Help Wanted!** Volunteers are needed to help Mrs Maraffa with covering some reading books. If you are able to assist, please see Mrs Gowland in the library before school. Thank you so much for your help!





### Performing Arts Festival – Choral Speech

Congratulations to all our students who have participated in Choral Speech over the last couple of weeks. Thank you, parents, for coming to support our students. A great job by all!

Well done to 1A, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 6A and 6B for receiving Outstanding Awards for their performances. Top efforts everyone!



### Year 5 and 6 Performing Arts - Dance

Congratulations to the Mater Christi Year 5 and 6 "Dream Team" for their efforts at the Perth Convention Centre last Friday night for the Performing Arts Festival. It was such a brilliant performance – we are all so proud of your efforts.



You're invited to the

# Mater Christi Learning Journey

THURSDAY 6TH  
SEPTEMBER  
5-7PM

Guest Wifi will be available on the night to view interactive learning pieces. Parents are encouraged to bring a device that has a QR reader app installed.



## Sausage Sizzle

On Thursday, 6th September, Mum and Dad can take a night off from cooking as the Admin Team will be selling mouth-watering sausages during our Learning Journey evening. Follow the smell to the Admin verandah to enjoy a sausage in a bun from 5:00pm onwards.

Sausage in a bun \$3.00

With or without onions

Water \$1.00

Juice Box \$1.00







**A Scholastic Book Fair is a fun event at your school that will enable a hands-on experience where children can discover a love of books and ignite a life-long passion for reading. After all, children read more, understand more, and are more likely to continue reading when they have access to many books, and have the opportunity to choose what they read.**

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September**  
**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September**  
**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September**  
**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September (before school only)**

**Before school: 8:00-9:30am**

**After School: 2.30-3.30pm**

**Picture Books, Novels, Activity Books, Fiction, Non-Fiction and more!!!**  
**Eftpos and cash will be accepted on site.**

**'My Wish List' forms are available for parents that can't make the book fair. Children will be able to view books on sale during their library time. They can fill out their 'Wish list' form to bring home and discuss. Credit Card payments can be made online and then children can bring in the receipt number to collect their purchase.**

***Issue 6 of Book Club will not be handed out to classes as the dates coincide with our Book Fair. If you would still like to order from the issue please do so online. Orders will be processed on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.***

**Book Fairs are rewarding for our students and our School. It is a great way to celebrate reading and earn valuable resources for our school through the rewards earned from sales.**

SCHOLASTIC  **Book Fairs**

## P&F News

### P&F Meeting

Next P&F meeting is on Tuesday 11th September 7pm in the Staff Room. The proposed updates to the P&F Constitution have undergone a round of review, and as such this will not be voted on until the following meeting in October. The current constitution and proposed constitutions will be available to all parents via email and the school website.

### Father's Day Breakfast

What a turnout! Thank you to the huge effort by Tina Galipo-Stevens who coordinated the breakfast, the P&F Committee and many volunteers who made the morning possible.

### Afternoon on the Green

We are still seeking interest from parents who are able to assist on the day, even for a short time. Please email Michelle Hall [michellehall080@gmail.com](mailto:michellehall080@gmail.com) or the P&F if you can help [mcpandf@outlook.com.au](mailto:mcpandf@outlook.com.au).

### The Good Cup Café

We are seeking volunteers to join our committee to continue this great initiative. Please contact the P&F if you are able to spare some time to assist.



### The Fathering Project

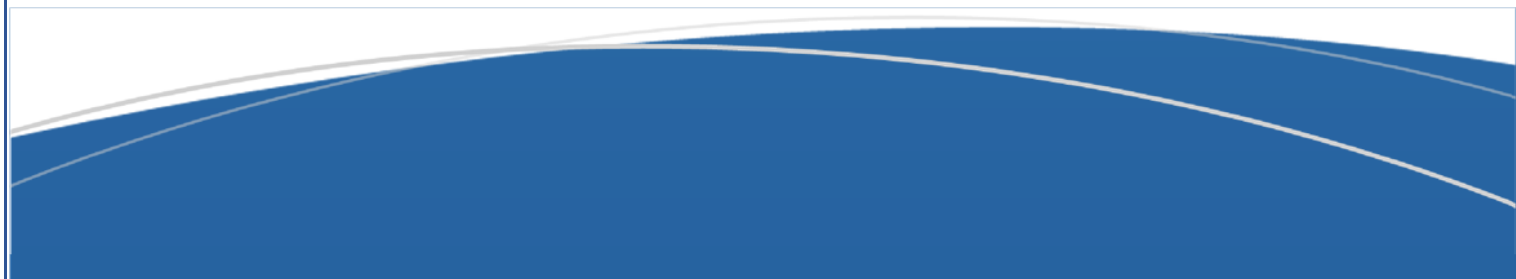


Some brave Dads (31 of us) left the comfort and warmth of home to attend the first "The Fathering Project" presentation on Wednesday evening. Beer and pizza were on hand to warm everybody up after fighting the wind and rain to get to the school.

Steven Rushforth from The Fathering Project gave a thoughtful and insightful presentation on how important dads are in the lives of our developing children and certainly gave us much to think about. For example, Dads are often out of the house working so, one on one Dad dates, even if its... 15minutes? 1/week? is worthwhile.

There was general interest in organizing some dads and kids' events for the future, so together with the P&F we will work towards this.

If you would like to be part of the committee to organise or require more information feel free to contact [allen.duffin@yahoo.com.au](mailto:allen.duffin@yahoo.com.au) or [www.thefatheringproject.org](http://www.thefatheringproject.org)





**Kindy A Playdate Catch Up**

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

**Where:** Crocs Playcentre, Armadale Road.

**Time:** 9:00am

**No need to RSVP.** All queries to Laura Anchor on 0422 970 557



**Kindy B Dinner**

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

**Where:** The Vale, Beeliar

**Time:** 6:30pm

**RSVP:** September 5 to Kelly & Niamh on 0435 114 990



**Pre-Primary A Catch Up**

**When:** 9<sup>th</sup> September

**Where:** Last Drop Beeliar

**Time:** 1:00pm

**No need to RSVP.** All queries to Jessica Corey on 0425 741 598



**1B Catch Up**

**When:** 3<sup>rd</sup> September

**Where:** Crocs Jandakot

**Time:** 9:00am

**RSVP:** August 30 to Kristie Ainsworth on 0408 934 399.



**2C Dinner**

**When:** 4<sup>th</sup> September

**Where:** Dragon Palace Gateways

**Time:** 7pm

**RSVP:** As soon as possible to Jess Boatwright on 0421 695 195



**2C Coffee After Assembly**

**When:** 14<sup>th</sup> September

**Where:** Sul Lago, Beeliar

**Time:** 10:30am

**RSVP:** As soon as possible to Jess Boatwright on 0421 695 195



**Year 4 Dinner**

**When:** 14<sup>th</sup> September

**Where:** Majestic Indian

**Time:** 7pm

**RSVP:** To your class rep, or Nicole Murtagh on 0403 253 179

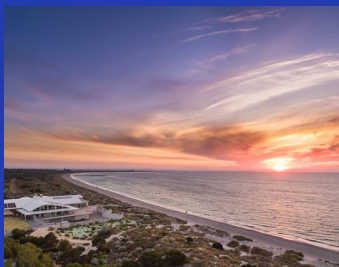




# Coogee Beach SLSC Open Day



Sunday 16th September  
9.30 am to 11.30am



### Get Involved!

Club Member Registration or Register online

Bouncy Castle | Meet our Sponsors | Interactive Activities

View our Venue | Restaurant & Bar Open from 11am

Sunday Session from 12pm

Contact us 9494 1433 or [clubadministrator@cbslsc.com.au](mailto:clubadministrator@cbslsc.com.au)

# bibra lake funrun

Sunday 16 September

free event  
All ages welcome

## 6km course

### Registrations

Open Wednesday 1 August

Timed registrations are limited and close  
Friday 7 September or once all spots are filled.

Runners wishing to be timed and be in with a  
chance to win a prize must register online.

Visit the City website to register.

### Race starts 9am

Corner Gwilliam & Progress Drive

### Categories

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|--------------|----------------------|
| 12 & Under   | Largest Sports Group |
| 17 & Under   | Largest School       |
| 18 & Over    | Largest Corp. Team   |
| 55 and older |                      |

[cockburn.wa.gov.au/bibrallakefunrun](http://cockburn.wa.gov.au/bibrallakefunrun) | 08 9411 3444



Accessible  
event

Information available  
in alternative formats

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