

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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SCHOOL MANTRA 2020

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

Dear Families

Reflection

Last Sunday at Mass, we heard from Matthew's Gospel where Jesus outlines the dual nature of forgiveness; to be forgiven, you must forgive. If we accept that we need to seek forgiveness from time to time, we must also accept that we must again try to forgive.

However, true forgiveness is difficult. Many of us live with unresolved anger or disappointment in the words or actions of others experienced at one stage or another in our lives. It's the struggle to forgive that makes stories of forgiveness so compelling and perhaps challenging to come to terms with.



Some may remember the assassination attempt on Pope John Paul II in 1981. While being driven through the crowds in St Peter's Square in Rome, he was shot four times. Less remembered is John Paul's visit to his would-be assassin's jail cell two years later. Having

recovered from his wounds, the Pope met with Mehmet Ali Agca. During the meeting, he sincerely and unreservedly forgave Agca. A photographer accompanied the Pope, not for the occasion to be a source of an accolade for the Pope, but to set an example for the world. The Pope was determined to undermine a violent fundamentalist response to his shooting and knew that his act of forgiveness was the only way to break a cycle of violence. The late Pope's response still reverberates as a thought-provoking and incredible example.

Catholic Schools Performing Arts Mass

Mrs Southwell, together with Ziba T and Ava R (Year Six students), attended the Catholic Schools Performing Arts Mass. Thank you to Emmanuel College for driving our representatives to and from the event.

Dates for Next Week (Week 10)

Monday 21 st September	School Photos Year 6 Spotlight
Tuesday 22 nd September	School Photos School Banking
Wednesday 23 rd September	School Photos Uniform Shop Open 8:00-10:30am & 1:20-3:20pm
Thursday 24 th September	Free Dress Day (Gold Coin Donation) 1:30pm Whole School Talent Show (MCCC)
Friday 25 th September	STUDENT FREE DAY
Saturday 19 th September	Reconciliation 5pm First Holy Communion 6pm Mass
Sunday 20 th September	First Holy Communion 8am, 10am & 5pm Masses

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RoboCup

Yesterday, the Year Six Extension students participated in a RoboCup Friendly Challenge with Rivergum Primary School. The Year Five Extension students also attended in support, to be inspired, and to learn. The buzz word for the day was 'persistence.' I was very impressed with how our students represented themselves and our School. There were some disappointments and many 'YES' moments.

Assembly

This morning everyone enjoyed the Virtual Assembly lead by our Year Six student leaders. What creative talent from our students and Mrs Woodhouse, Mrs De Bes and Mr O'Reilly. Congratulations to all our Merit Award recipients. Here is the link to today's assembly video. Please note the recording started late and as such, the first couple of items (including Toni's address) were missed from the video. <https://bit.ly/35LjQsk>

Reconciliation/Holy Communion

I would like to acknowledge the students in Year Three celebrating the Sacrament of Penance on Saturday and the students receiving their First Holy Communion at the Masses during this weekend. We join in prayer with their families and the parish family. Mrs Sweeney, Mrs Jeffrey, Mrs Woodhouse, Mrs O'Donnell, and Mrs D'Souza will be attending the various Masses supporting the students.

Staffing

We all wish Jacob O'Reilly and Elise every blessing for their upcoming wedding next weekend.



Mrs Barker goes on parental leave at the end of this term, awaiting the birth of her second child. Hopefully, Laura and Adam can get some sleep and rest before Baby Barker number two comes along.



End of Term

Term Three concludes on Thursday 24 September, with a free dress and gold coin day. Students must wear closed in shoes – sports shoes are the best option.

Term 4 commences on Tuesday, October 13.

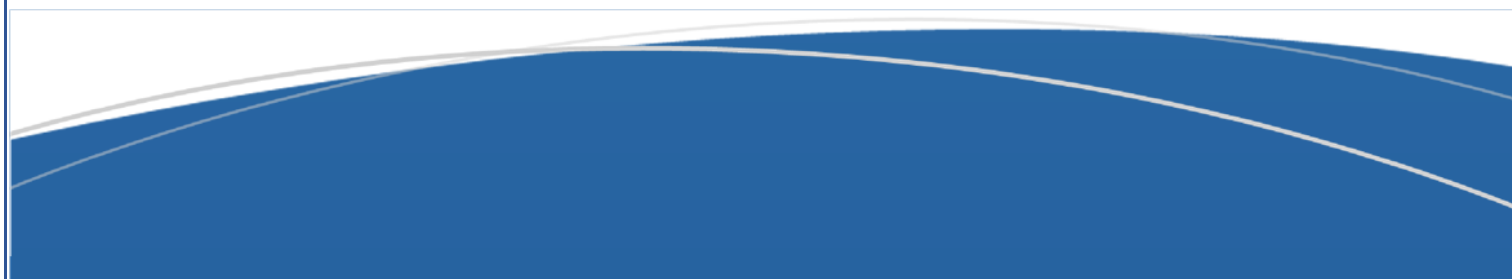
School Holiday Upgrades



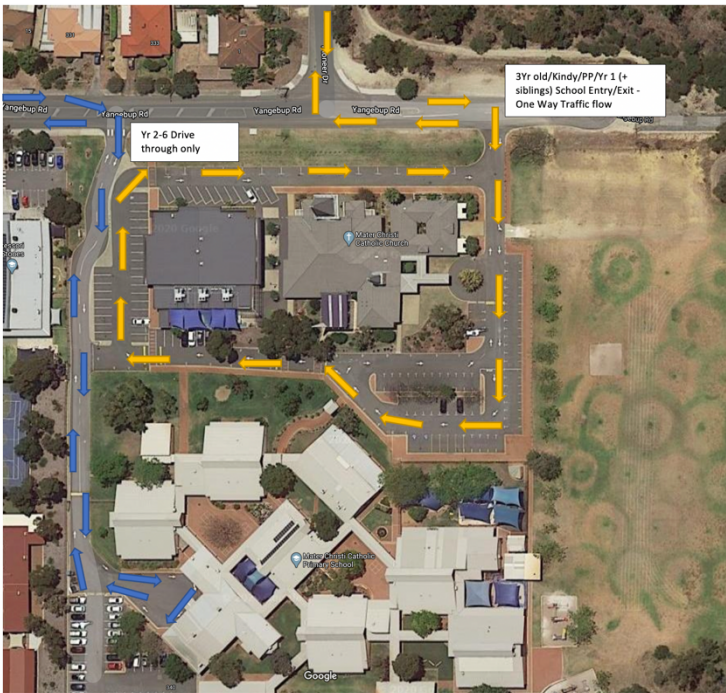
During these holidays, the following maintenance/capital work will be completed:

- Drama and Music rooms are to be re-carpeted
- New drink fountain installed outside Science with water bottle refill
- New sink installed outside Science - to create another outdoor classroom space and provide a workspace for the Science Captains
- Two new freezers and a fridge in the canteen to replace the current very old models
- Replace air conditioners in canteen and 6C

*God Bless,
Toni Kalat*



Evacuation Procedures in Case of School Closure



In the likelihood of school closure due to COVID or evacuation, the following pick up procedures will apply. We have had much practice during the year, and everyone will be familiar with the guidelines.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN in **Kindy, Pre-Primary and Year One:**

- Turn into Pelican Ramble from Osprey Drive then on to Pioneer Drive and left into Yangebup Road
- Enter main car park of the school
- Drive past Pre-Primary and Administration Office
- Pick up child/ren from grassed area outside of the Year Six classrooms
- This will be conducted as per our normal drive through with children directed to pick up points 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 marked by orange cones. A staff member will be at each cone.
- Once children are collected, drive around the Community Centre and out the front gate
- Turn right into Pioneer Drive

Siblings of children in Kindy, PP and/or Year One will also assemble for pickup on the grassed area outside the Year 6 classrooms.

Please be advised that access to Osprey Rd directly via Yangebup Rd will not be possible during these times.

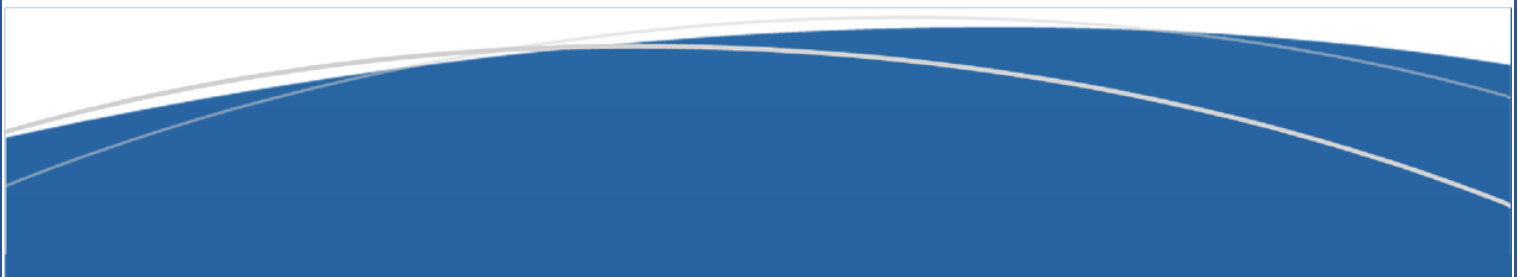
If it is raining, the procedure above will be adjusted for pick up to occur outside the Community Centre as children will be assembled inside the Centre. Cars are to continue around to the front of the Community Centre and collect your child/ren from pickup points 1,2,3,4,5 and 6 marked by orange cones.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN in **Years 2-6 ONLY** will be asked to use the normal drive through as follows:

- Enter Yangebup Road
- Turn right into Drive Through (normal drive through procedure)
- Exit drive through onto Yangebup Road

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN in **3-Year-Old Kindy (Tuesdays ONLY):**

- Turn into Pelican Ramble from Osprey Drive then on to Pioneer Drive and left into Yangebup Road
- Enter main car park of the school
- Drive past Pre-Primary
- Park outside the Pre-Primary **on the Church side**
- Walking across to drop off/collect their child from the gate at 3-Year-Old Kindy
- Parents remember to maintain social distancing
- Exit main carpark
- Turn right into Pioneer Drive



Religious Education News



Reconciliation Students:

Liam T, Madison R, Leeyo R

Holy Communion Students:

Saturday 6pm: Amira M and Jacob M

Sunday 8am: Michael R

Sunday 10am: Alivia Y, Catia L, Miguel R, Milla S

Sunday 5pm: Nicolas P



Gotcha Cards Congratulations to Charlotte C & Isabella D from 1B, Eve W & Evelyn T from 2B and Madeline De Sousa from 2C 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.

Making Jesus Real:

The Sower... Luke 8:5-15

"A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell on the path and was trampled on, and the birds of the air ate it up. Some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered for lack of moisture. Some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. Some fell into good soil, and when it grew, it produced a hundredfold." As he said this, he called out, "Let anyone with ears to hear listen!"

Jesus was saying that we are like the seed when parents, teachers, coaches or friends try to help us with the different problems we have. Some of us are like the seed that falls on the rocky ground – we start off growing but it doesn't last. Some of us fall amongst the weeds – we grow for a while, but we are eventually choked. Some of us are like the seed that lands on the good soil – we spring up and keep growing well.

Jesus' main point was about listening and learning from mistakes in life. Everyone makes mistakes but it is how we learn from these mistakes that makes us better people.

Mater Christi was represented by Ziba T and Ava R at the Catholic Performing Arts Liturgy of the Word yesterday.



What's Happening in Kindy This Term

In Kindy this term we have been so happy to once again welcome our Kindy parents back into the classroom for parent help. The focus for a large part of this term has been Australian animals. We had an incursion from West Oz Wildlife, and we were able to pat a koala and a dingo. We even held a snake around our neck!! We created Australian animals using different mediums and the 'WOW' walls are looking very special.

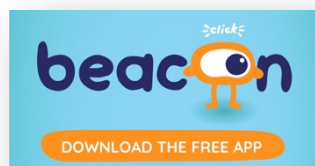
In Religious Education we have looked at how we have grown and changed. We played 'Guess Who the Baby Is?' with photos the children brought in from home. The 'Keeping Safe Program' continues to focus on identifying warning signs and what they mean. We identified five people who we can talk to when we are worried.

Going to the library is one of our highlights each week and we enjoy borrowing a new book. Role playing in the pretend school area has encouraged reinforcement of our learning. The other dramatic play area this term has been a camping area. This has increased our belief that the Kindy children will be asking to go camping with their families very soon!!

Once again, our partnership with Emmanuel Catholic College childcare students was a big hit. The Emmanuel students made number games and visited the Kindy for the morning, teaching the children all about numbers. We look forward to a busy and productive Term Four.



Cybersafety Resources for Families



Beacon- A new Cybersafety educational App for parents and carers.

Developed by the Telethon Institute, Beacon is designed specifically for parents as a personalised, one-stop-shop for reliable information about the online world. It arms parents and carers with the knowledge they need to confidently help navigate their children's digital behaviour and reduce harms we know are associated with being online.

Beacon will shine a light on the online world with:

- Articles and videos backed by the latest research
- Tailored content and alerts, unique to your family needs
- Create your own family agreement
- Help and services that are available to you and your family

The app is free to download in the app store. For more information head to <https://beacon.telethonkids.org.au/>

Student Incursions for Term 4



On Thursday 22nd October, Students in Years 3-6 will be involved in a 1hr Cybersafety Incursion early next term run by the company 'ySafe'. The 'helpful resources' section of their website is regularly updated with recommendations for families. Click on the website below for more information:

<https://www.ysafe.com.au/tool.html>

Year 4-6 Spelling Bee

The 2020 Interschool Spelling Bee will be held on **Thursday 29th October (Term 4, Week 3)** at St Patrick's Catholic Primary School.

Are you ready for the challenge?

The Mater Christi Spelling Bee Competition is for Years Four to Six and will be held in **Week 1 of Term 4**. With the classroom teachers as judges, the top three from each year level will be invited to compete in the interschool competition. This is for teachers and students only. Further instructions regarding parent attendance at the Interschool Spelling Bee will be communicated at a later day.

Those students who have expressed interest have collected a 'Book of Words' from their teacher today that contains the words that will be in the competition. Students will need to use this booklet to practise pronouncing and spelling the words correctly.

If your child is interested and has not collected a booklet, please encourage your child to see their classroom teacher as they will have extra copies. I will visit the classrooms in Week 10 to answer any questions. We look forward to seeing as many participants as possible!

Mrs de Bes





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2021 BULK ORDERING

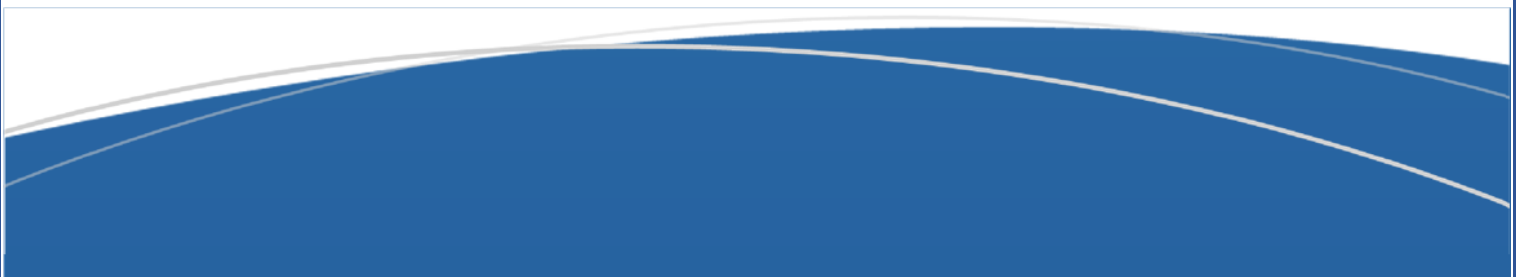
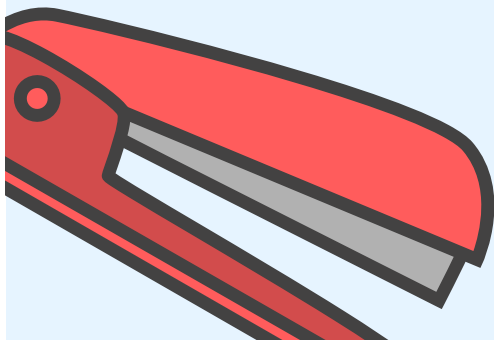
AN END TO INDIVIDUAL BOOKLISTS

In 2021, bulk stationery orders in Kindy - Year 2 will be rolled out across the whole school to Year 6.

Bulk ordering enables teachers to receive and prepare items prior to Day 1 of the upcoming school year. For families, bulk ordering results in cheaper booklists!

Teachers will begin finalising these orders in the coming weeks with any associated costs being included within the 2021 school fees.

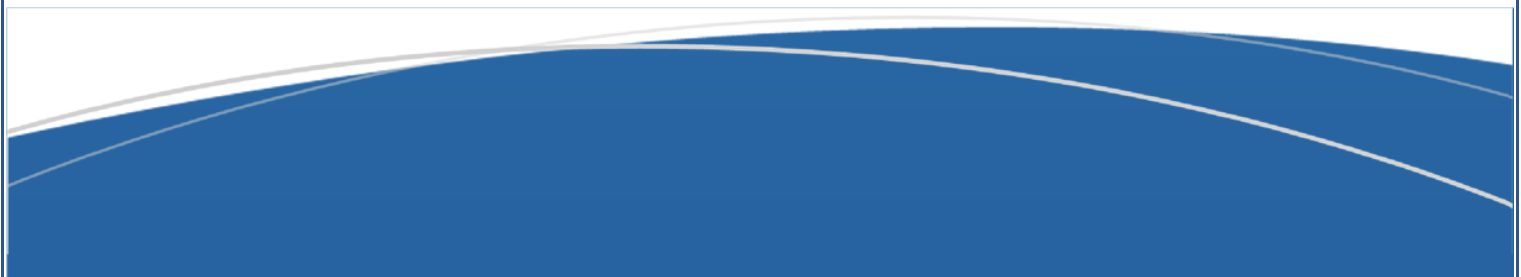
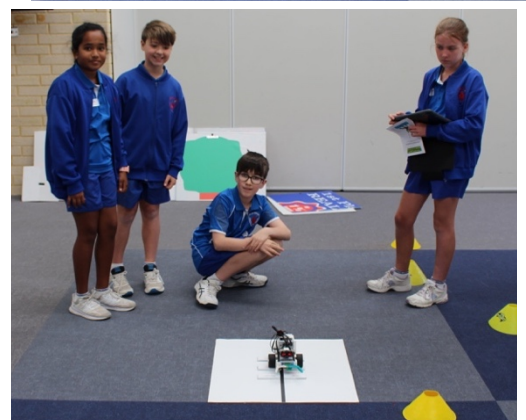
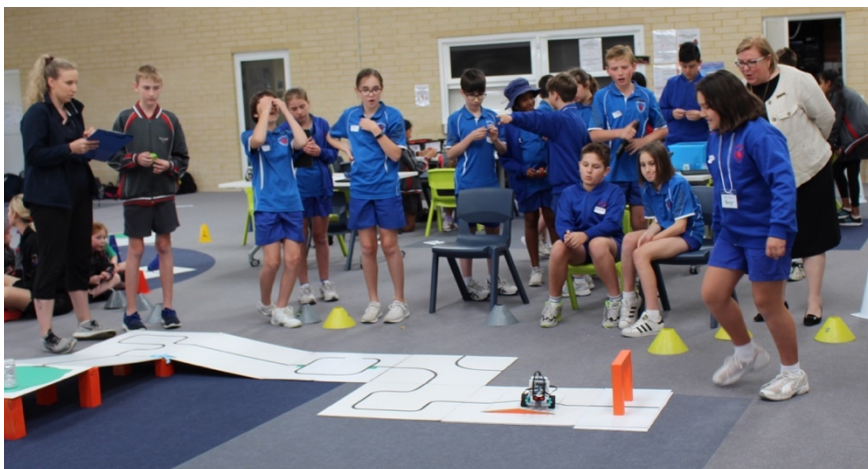
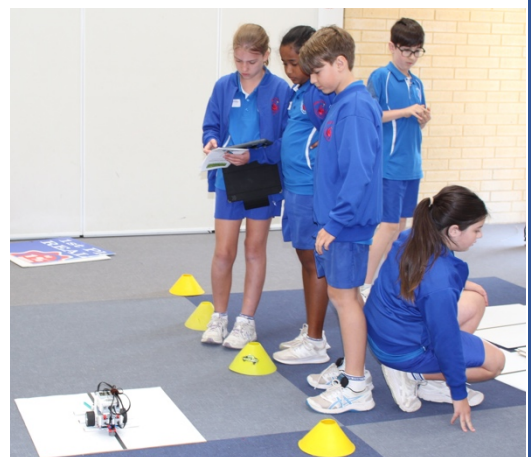
Thank you!



Enrichment News

Year 6 Enrichment RoboCup Competition

On Thursday the Year Five and Six Enrichment students travelled to Rivergums Primary School for the annual RoboCup competition. The Year Six students have been working hard all year to prepare for the Rescue Line Competition. In this competition, teams must build and program their robot to autonomously follow a line, going around obstacles with the final goal of reaching the 'spill zone' where they need to rescue the person from the toxic zone. This challenge put the team's problem solving and perseverance to the test as they had to adjust their robot to overcome the different obstacles on the day. All teams had great success on the day and after five rounds two of our teams placed second and third. Well done to all those involved.



Physical Education News



Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all national championships in 2020 were cancelled. While this is still the case, School Sport WA has given permission for the State Schoolboys AFL 12 Years & Under officials to go ahead to run a trial process to select a team in name only. The young men selected will be given the opportunity to participate in a number of training sessions and play a scratch match against our 2021 team. We are the only sport that is taking up this opportunity.

Our trials start during the second week of the upcoming school holidays. I would very much appreciate you supplying the below information to any boy who you believe may enjoy the opportunity to test his footy talents against some of the best juniors in the state. They must be turning 12 years or under during 2020 to be eligible to trial for our team. All information regarding the trial can be found on the School Sport WA website –www.schoolsportwa.com.au. Alternatively, they can use the below link to go straight to the nomination page:

<https://www.schoolsportwa.com.au/product/afl-boys-12s-interstate-nomination-form/>

If you have any queries in regard to this information, please don't hesitate in making contact with me.

Alex McLennan, Team Manager (State Schoolboys AFL 12 Years & Under Team) School Sport WA
0438 937 078

Library News

Our book week parade will be held on the 6th of November 2020. The theme for this year is Curious Creatures, Wild Minds. So, start getting your favourite book character ready. This will be followed by the Book Fair on Monday the 9th of November, through to 11th of November. Keep watching this space for more details, including hints on our special visitor.

Thank you,

Mrs Deborah Gladwell Library Officer



MATER CHRISTI'S

30TH ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK

A collection of community favourites



Pre Sale 16th-24th September \$25

Regular Price \$30

Bank transfer or cash sales available

before and after school in junior courtyard

pre-order forms will be sent home in satchels

enquiries to

materchristipandf@cewa.edu.au

P&F News

'Colour Explosion' Fun Run 30 October 2020

It's happening! Fundraising forms will be sent home in the last week of Term 3. Rally your friends and family to support our school.

Dad's Group

Expressions of Interest: Are there any Dad's within our community that would like to be the 'Voice of the MC Dad's'? This opportunity will allow you as a group to attend P&F meetings and discuss any ideas you, as a fathering group, would like to see or achieve. You would help in the organisation and co-ordination of the 'Dad and Kids Camp Out', an event that will not be able to go ahead if volunteers are not available. If you are interested, it can be an individual or a group, then please send an email to materchristipandf@cewa.edu.au and one of the current committee will be in touch with you.

Sports Carnival Cake Stalls 2020



Thursday 15th October (Junior) & Friday 16th October (Senior)

Can you make a donation of cakes, cookies or baked goods? Please no cream & custard items as we can't keep these items cold. All food items must be provided with a list of ingredients & can be dropped-off on the day to the P&F marquee on the oval. We will also need help with

serving, so if you can help it would be appreciated. Unfortunately, I will not be available on Thursday to help with serving, so if anyone can help out please let me know. The cake stall may not go ahead for the Junior carnival if there are no volunteers. Only cash will be used at the cake stall. Please contact me on 0403 489 252 or dancingjewels7@hotmail.com
Giulia Orlando, Food Co-Ordinator

Wine fundraiser

This fundraiser will be closing soon so get your orders in quickly For all information on what is available and how to order please visit: <https://wisewine.com.au/mater-christi/>

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.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 20th October, 7pm, Staff Room

AGM - 18th November 2020: All executive positions become vacant and are open for nomination, please consider if you are able to be part of your 2021 P & F.

Parent Social Events



PPA Holiday Playdate

When: Thursday 8th October at 9:30am

Where: Dr Seuss Playground, Kitchener Road, Melville

RSVP: No need to RSVP. For further information please contact Sinead Chidlow on 0424 120 440



PPB Mum's Catch Up

When: 16 October 2020 at 6:15pm

Where: Tonic & Ginger Fremantle

RSVP: Trish Piccaro on 0419 865 504



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



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.



SOUTH LAKE DOLPHINS SWIMMING CLUB



QUIZ NIGHT 2020

Join us for a evening of
trivia, fun, games and
laughs!

**Saturday 17th October,
7pm - late
Jandakot Hall**

Contact James on 0447 416718 to book
your table

BYO food

STRICTLY no BYO
alcohol

Beer, wine and soft
drinks available for
purchase

Raffle

Great prizes

Over 16's only

Tables of 8 players
\$100

Limited tables

COVID aware event



Starfish NIPPERS

Coming to Fremantle Surf Life Saving Club for the
2020-2021 season

Starfish Nippers is a modified nipper program for children
6 and above with special needs

Activities include:

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| .Beach Games | .Swimming |
| .Flags | .Boards |
| .Wading | .Surf life saving skills |

Please Forward Expressions of interest ASAP to:
Dee Purcell, accounts@fremantlesurfclub.com.au,

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