# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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#### **SCHOOL MANTRA 2017**

'Never see a need without doing something about it.'

Mary of the Cross MacKillop

#### **Dear Parents and Caregivers**

Today we celebrated the end of term with pyjama day at Mater Christi! Rather than bring in a gold coin donation, students were encouraged to bring in a stationery item or game for orphans in Bali. All items brought in have been donated to the not for profit organisation "Helping Orphans Meet Expenses". Thank you to everyone for your generosity. It is wonderful to see the students putting others first and making such a tremendous effort to assist those less fortunate than themselves.







# DATES FOR NEXT TERM (WK 1)

Monday October 9

Pupil Free Day

Tuesday October 10 Students Commence Term 4



Wednesday October 11 Booklist to be sent home Yr 6 Dance Practice

Thursday October 12

Yr 5 CSL

Friday October 13

Saturday October 14

Sunday October 15

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## **Sports Carnivals**

On Monday, we were blessed with a sunny, beautiful day for our junior sports carnival. Luckily the rain held off for Wednesday, and we were once again fortunate to have fine weather for our senior sports carnival. The enthusiasm and participation from our students on both days was simply outstanding. Congratulations to Honeyeaters on your victory! Congratulations also to all students who put in their best effort on the day, including those who were named our champion boys and girls. It was wonderful to see so many family members and friends on the oval to cheer the children on! Thank you to Ryan Donnelly, all our amazing staff and the parent volunteers, who all ensured that both days ran smoothly.







#### **Staffing**

Congratulations to Danielle McEwen our Year 2C Classroom teacher/Curriculum Leader on her appointment as Assistant Principal of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Hilton for 2018. Danielle has been at Mater Christi for 5 years and has made tremendous contributions to the Mater Christi community. We wish Danielle all the best at her new school, she will be greatly missed.

#### **Pre-Primary Gate**



Just a gentle reminder that our Pre-Primary playground gates close at 3:05pm every afternoon. Please ensure that your children are not still playing in the Pre-Primary playground after this time, as the safety of all children is our utmost priority. Thank you for your co-operation.

#### Maintenance

Over the holidays the interior of the Mater Christi Community Centre and 3 Year Old Kindy will be freshly painted and some maintenance will be done in readiness for our Term Four Assemblies and Year Six Graduation.



#### **Term Four**

Our first day back next term, Monday 9th October is a pupil free day. Staff will attend professional development on this day, spending time analysing our school data. We hope you all have a safe and amazing break, and that everyone returns refreshed and ready for a busy and fun-filled Term Four.



#### Miss Cloutt's Wedding



On Sunday Miss Nicole Cloutt our Assistant Principal will be getting married to Mr Ryan Woodhouse. Two very special people - one special day. On this beautiful and lovely occasion, we wish you showers of love.

In Term Four we will be welcoming back our two newlyweds Mrs Woodhouse and Mrs Gowland.



God Bless.... Courtney Dunsire

Board Newsletter Report September 2017

It has been a very busy Term 3 and there has been lots going on around the School.

# FIRSTLY, THANK YOU'S

#### **Catholic Performing Arts**

Choir, dance performances, drama pieces, music ensembles and choral speeches, you name it and the students at Mater Christi had a chance to be involved. A huge thank you to all the staff for their extra hours to make sure the students enjoyed a wonderful experience.

#### **Sacramental Program**

Again, things have been very busy with the Parish, with the Year 3's participating in their Reconciliation Workshops and Commitment Masses. Thank you to Mrs Dunsire, Mrs Hayward and their team for all their work in preparing our children for the Sacraments.

#### **The Learning Journey**

What a wonderful community event!! Watching parents, siblings, students and fellow teachers all interacting and discussing the learning experiences happening in classrooms is a wonderful initiative that continues to grow each year. Thank you to all the staff and the leadership of Miss Kalat with this event and we look forward to the 2018 version!!

#### **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

The Capital Development Plan Team (CDP) has recently interviewed architects and we can confirm for the school community that Parry & Rosenthal Architects have been selected to oversee the school improvement plan. Over the next few months the CDP will continue to develop a plan that will consider maintenance and future building plans to make sure our children have the very best educational facilities for the future.

#### **OVAL DEVELOPMENT**

We continue to move forward on this project. I appreciate the ongoing discussion within the school community about the school oval and I understand that we want to install new and exciting equipment for all our children. Unfortunately, the oval leasing agreement is not as simple as we would all hope. The leasing agreement must go through numerous stages at council level, then go through the Catholic Education Office, and then the Archbishop must sign off on the agreement before finally returning to council.

The Board has accepted the leasing agreement mid-way through this term and now we wait for the process to take place. Our goal is for the Cockburn Council and Mater Christ Primary school to form a working partnership in providing the best facilities for the school community and the local Yangebup residents. As the oval is council owned, all strategic planning in relation to facility upgrades or maintenance must be council approved. I can assure you that the Board is working hard to develop this partnership with the council, as we share the same wish as the extended community to upgrade the oval facilities.

I am very happy to discuss the oval with anyone that has concerns about the process and timeline. I would welcome members of our school community to communicate with me personally so that all members have the correct information as we continue to move forward with this project. Please email the school with a subject heading "Oval Enquiry for School Board" or come over for a chat during pickups most afternoons.

Have a great school holidays, enjoy quality time with your children and see you back in Term 4.

Mark Clayden Chair of School Board

# **Religious Education**

## **Free Dress Day**

Today all of our students were encouraged to wear pyjamas and donate a stationery item or game. All items brought to school over the past few weeks, will go towards a not for profit organisation helping orphans in Bali, "Helping Orphans Meet Expenses". We thank you for your support!

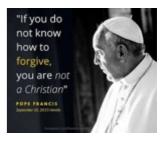






#### <u>Sacrament of Penance – Rite of Reconciliation</u>

Early in Term Four the children in Year Three will be receiving the Sacrament of Penance – Rite of Reconciliation, for the first time. The children have been preparing to receive this Sacrament for many weeks. Please keep the Year Three students, their families and their teachers in your prayers.



# **Parish**

#### **Sacramental Program**

#### **Reconciliation Bookings**

Online bookings for Reconciliation open at **6am on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September**. The following dates are available:

- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October
- Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October
- Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November
- Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November

All sessions are between 9-10:30am. For log-in details please refer to the Parish website: http://www.materchristiparish.com



## **School News**

#### **Mini Marathon**

On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October, we will be hosting our annual Mini-Marathon where the children will walk around all, or part of Lake Yangebup. Parents are warmly invited to join us and help with supervision on this walk.



The Mini-Marathon involves ALL children from K-6. Junior classes (PP/Yr 1) will do a return walk to and from the fence at the end of Cooper Road (15-20mins) and Year 2/3 will walk along the left side of the lake to where the path veers from the lakeside towards Osprey Drive (30mins). Senior classes will walk the track around the lake (50-60mins). Kindy children will do a walk around the school grounds.



Sponsorship forms have been sent home. Your support in gaining donations/sponsorship from family and friends is encouraged. Please accompany your child on any visit to gain donations or sponsorship and feel free to take the form along to your workplace. The money raised will be used to subsidise costs incurred by the graduating Year 6 students next year. At some stage, all children in the school will benefit from this fundraising.

Following the completion of the Mini-Marathon event, sponsorship forms and money should be returned to the office in a clearly labelled envelope, before the 1<sup>st</sup> November.

Thank you, Nicole Cloutt

#### **Swimming Lessons**



An early reminder that our 2017 Swimming Lessons will be held during Weeks 7 and 8 of Term 4 at the Riverton Leisureplex. Timetables and medical forms will be distributed at the beginning of Term 4 in preparation. This will be our final booking at Riverton as we transition across to the Cockburn ARC in 2018.



Thank you, Nicole Cloutt

#### **Uniform News**

In Term Four the Summer Uniform will be worn from the first day of Term Four (10<sup>th</sup> October). Please ensure that you purchase your uniforms in time as the Uniform Shop will not be open in the school holidays. Uniform Shop will be open every Wednesday from 8am - 10:30am and from 1:30pm - 3:20pm.

Kind Regards Ilonka Heinzle Uniform Shop Manager, Perm-a-Pleat

#### **ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

Our Annual Athletics Carnivals were held earlier this week. Both carnivals were held in glorious conditions. What a turn out! It was great to see the high level of participation and the fantastic spirit that all events were contested in. Both Junior and Senior students competed in a plethora of challenging team game events. On top of all this action we witnessed the students run like mad in all the varied sprint and relay races. It was a massive programme and everyone should be proud of their efforts. I can imagine that all students and teachers had no trouble going asleep after their carnivals.

After two days of intense competition, everyone had given their all. But at the end of the day there can be only one. The results were as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> - HONEYEATERS (822 pts)

2<sup>nd</sup> - BANDICOOTS (712 pts)

3<sup>rd</sup> - MAGPIES (711 pts)

4<sup>th</sup> - BOBTAILS (692 pts)

The most co-operative team winner was the MAGPIES.

#### **Our Champion Boy and Girl Results**

Year	Place	Boys	Girls
3	1 <sup>st</sup>	James Artemis	Olivia McCay
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nicholas Wilkin	Ayvah Rioli
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Orlando Middleton	Halle Hall/Alexis Triplett
4	1 <sup>st</sup>	Miller Rank	Madison Hadley
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	CJ Murray-Smith	Emily McCay
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nathan Long	Hannah Petrovic
5	1 <sup>st</sup>	Zachariah Zammit	Maia Clayden/Alisha Wardle
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nicholas Velezmoro	-
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lucas Artemis	Madison Hall
6	1 <sup>st</sup>	Jacob O'Brien/Tim Fong	Kuleng Forgol
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	-	Alicia Savy
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Liam Haskins	Sofia De Bernardis

Thank you to the parents who have helped out in anyway. You were sensational. Congratulations must also go out to the intrepid teachers and the awesome captains. Without everyone's help the carnival would not be such a spectacle. Well Done!

Students who will be required for Interschool duties will been notified very soon. Check your notes for training times.

Bring on the Interschool Challengers!

#### Ryan Donnelly (PE Specialist)









#### P & F News

#### **SunSmart Update**

Spring is in the air and it's that time of year to encourage our children to apply sunscreen every day. Children are required to have a hat on for outdoor play all year round and sunscreen is to be applied before school. Sunscreen pumps are provided by the P&F for children to access in each classroom. It is recommended that you encourage your children to independently apply their own sunscreen before school and staff will direct children to reapply sunscreen at the end of recess, which ensures it has been applied in sufficient time before the lunch break.



Michelle Hall SunSmart Representative,

#### An Afternoon on the Green

Get ready for a fun filled afternoon on Friday 27th October, from 3-7pm. Drawing and colouring competition pages have been sent home with children this week and can be returned to admin before Friday 20th October. Market stalls are filling fast. If you haven't yet booked a spot but would like one please email <a href="mailto:michellehall080@qmail.com">michellehall080@qmail.com</a> ASAP!

Volunteers needed! We will need help on the afternoon with various things- setup, parking, assisting with manning the P&F stall, crazy hair and snow cone sales. If you can spare on hour to assist, please email <a href="mailto:pandf@mcps.wa.edu.au">pandf@mcps.wa.edu.au</a> or contact Michelle Hall on 0417 909 535. High school students who would like to complete community service hours are welcomed to contact us to volunteer for some of the afternoon.

#### Jar Raffle for Afternoon on the Green

We are seeking donations of jars or bottles filled with items for our lucky jar raffle. If anyone could donate a jar or bottle filled with items it will be much appreciated. Some examples could be:



Hair accessories	Stationary	Small Toys
Bottle of Bubble bath	Balloons	Craft items
Glow sticks	Drinks	Jar of Jam/nutella etc
Shampoo	Marbles	Skipping rope
Playdough	Balls	Jewellery

The list goes on...!

Please place your donations in the marked box in the office before Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017. Your help is much appreciated.





#### **Community News**

# Singing for Kids



- . Is your child shy and lacking in confidence?
- . Does your child sing all the time and drive you crazy?
- · Does your child struggle to express themselves socially?
- . Are you looking for more opportunities for your child to sing?

Choirs4kids run fun, relaxed, community singing groups for kids in an open, inclusive and supportive environment.

Classes in Melville, Yangebup and Baldivis!



WWW.CHOIRS4KIDS.COM.AU Find us on facebook: choirs4kids

SUE@CHOIRS4KIDS.COM.AU CALL: 0414 205919

WORLD SINGING DAY OCT 21st BLUE GUM- come and sing together





CAR BOOT SALE When: Saturday October 21st 2017
Garage Sale Trail weekend
Time: Gates open 8am till 12noon.
Location: St Jerome's Primary School Oval



Save the Date, Come along and bag yourself a Bargain. Reuse, Find Treasure, Meet the Locals

## REQUEST A STALL



St Jerome's Car Boot Sale has been registered or

Turn your unwanted items into cash.



#### Only \$15 per bay, limited bays available.

rchased by completing the form below and dropping into the School office OR accessing the following trybooking link; https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?embed&eid=310322

Closing date for stall registration is the 29th September 2017. Gates open for stall setup at 7am Stall holders will be emailed a confirmation pack. Please cote, no powered stals available.

All proceeds raised by sale of staffs returned to the St. Jerome's Primary School.



Enclosed: | §

What's happening at your stall;



# CELEBRATE THE DATE



St. Bernadette's Catholic Primary School, Port Kennedy

cordially invites

All Past and Present Students, Families and Staff to a celebration 25 years of Catholic Education.

Festivities will be held on:

Friday 25th May 2018 and Saturday 26th May 2018.

Memorabilia Display

We are collecting memorabilia for a display in the school. If you have any special items that you think would be of interest, please contact us. Photos of all school events that you or your child or your class participated in would be greatly appreciated.

RSVP: Email: admin@stbernadettes.wa.edu.au or Phone: 08 95934066