

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Caregivers



SCHOOL MANTRA 2018

"Be a voice, not an echo"

Mark 10

⁵² And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

Sunday Gospel Mark 10: 46 – 52

"The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and

followed him on the way."

The story of Bartimaeus being cured of his blindness needs no deep intellectual unpacking from a scriptural point of view. There are no hidden meanings in this story to infer. Pure and simple Bartimaeus had faith that Jesus could heal and did heal him. People like Tony Robbins make massive money in today's world teaching people how to conquer their fears to reach their goals. The basic philosophy behind the 'growth mind set' movement is for people to reach into the depths of their souls for the power of positivity. Imagine our world and what it would be like if we all had Bartimaeus' faith. There would be no poverty and there would be no wars. God would provide all that is required. Again, it is a pretty simple thing being asked of us by God.

Have faith!

Federal Government Funding

The Federal Government after weeks of discussions with representatives of the national Catholic education sector released its new funding arrangements for non-government schools. The new package of measures will significantly improve the funding situation for our Catholic Education system. Though it does not resolve all our concerns, it does provide a firm basis for the future and remedies many of the deficiencies of the 2017 school funding model. Please refer to the Media Statement further in the Newsletter from Dr Debra Sayce, Acting Executive Director, Catholic Education WA.

DATES FOR TERM 4, WEEK 4 Swimming Lessons All Week

Monday
29th October

5C Class Mass

Tuesday
30th October

SRC Meeting at 8:10am

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

Wednesday
31st October

School Banking

Year 6 Dance Rehearsals MCCC
(am)

Family Life Year 5 Parent
Information Evening
6:30-8:00pm

Thursday
1st November

9am Whole School Mass (All
Saints Day) Year 2

Friday
2nd November

9am Assembly

Saturday
3rd November

9:00 -10:30am:
Reconciliation Week 3

Sunday
4th November

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Interschool Spelling Bee

Yesterday the top three spellers across Years 4-6 from five schools came together for the Interschool Spelling Bee finals at Mater Christi. All our students gave it their very best and we are so proud of them all. Thank you to Miss McNally for coordinating this event and for the parents who could come along and support the students. Miss McNally has the results in her section further in the Newsletter.

Year 5 Family Life Parent Information Evening

On Wednesday 31 October 6.30pm – 8.00pm Marissa from Family Life will present the 'I Am Nature's Greatest Miracle' for girls and boys to the Year Five parents. This is a wonderful opportunity to understand the content that their child will be covering during the student sessions the following week.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tomorrow our second group of Year Three students celebrate their Reconciliation. Please keep them all in your prayers.



Afternoon on the Green

*Thank
you!*

The weather could not have put on a more beautiful show for this very special event. I look forward in seeing so many from our community enjoying all the activities that have been organised. None of this would be possible without the overwhelmingly tremendous work by Michelle Hall and the parents who volunteered to help. Without the assistance from parents, events like this would not be possible. If every parent put their hand up for one event, we would only get the call up to assist once every four or five years. That is not a bad ratio. Thank you very much to the parents who volunteer throughout the school in a variety of ways – You are our Mater Christi Heroes.

*God Bless,
Toni Kalat*

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WA

New funding package means families will have affordable schools

Catholic education will continue to thrive as a viable, accessible and affordable education option for Western Australian families under the new schools funding arrangements announced by the Federal Government yesterday.

Catholic Education Western Australia's (CEWA) Acting Executive Director Dr Debra Sayce said the new funding package was a significant step forward in ensuring the accessibility of quality, Christ-centered and affordable education is available for all young Western Australians.

"Catholic Education WA has 162 early learning centres, schools and colleges throughout the State with around 76,000 students," she said.

"The new funding arrangements will not only provide certainty for the many families whose children are in the Catholic education sector, but also our valued and committed staff who deliver a world-class education."

Dr Sayce said the changes were welcome relief after the 2017 funding model, which put at risk the future of WA's low-fee, faith-based schools in remote and high SES areas.

"CEWA is committed to supporting all families of varying financial means and this new funding package provides a much firmer foundation for this and ensures a bright and positive future for Catholic schools across the State," she said.

Dr Sayce said the Federal Government's new funding arrangements would support low-fee schools, whether independent or Catholic, and deliver a variety of education choices for families.

Nationally, Catholic schools educate more than 765,000 students – or one in five Australian students – in 17 41 schools, the vast majority of which are low-fee schools.

Religious Education

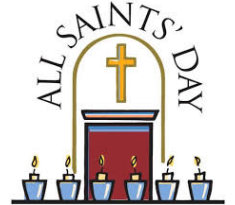
Reconciliation Certificates

This weekend we have our second group of students receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Once children have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation they can collect their certificates in the Church foyer prior to the commencement of Mass over the weekend. Saturday at 6pm, Sunday at 8am, 10am and 5pm. At each of the Masses, Father Dat will formally congratulate the children and the congregation will also acknowledge them. It is important that the Certificate is collected, as this document will be needed to enrol in the First Communion Mass next year.

Mass

This Thursday, 1st November, we are celebrating a Whole School Mass at 9am prepared by the Year Two Group. Families and friends are welcome to attend. We will be celebrating the Feast of All Saints. The Feast of All Saints, is celebrated every year on November 1 and is dedicated to the Saints of the Church.

Be Good,
Nik Hofmeester



Condolences



We would like to extend our deepest condolences to the Campeotto Family (Lucas, 4A), the Nici Family (Gianni, 6B) and the Celenza Family (Nicholas, 4A) on the passing of their beloved Grandparents. We pray for peace and blessings over your families at this difficult time.

New Headphone Policy for 2019

Over the past year, we have had a number of problems with headphones breaking off inside our iPad and MacBook devices. The process of fixing these devices has been both a costly and complicated exercise. We have been lucky enough to negotiate a deal with Sony and JB Hi-Fi to provide students with quality Sony On-Ear Headphones for a greatly reduced price. From 2019, Kindy to Year 1 will have 6 headphones per class, whilst Year 2-6 will have one per student. For your convenience, the cost of these headphones will be included within the 2019 school amenities fee. As a result, parents should disregard the request to provide a set of headphones as noted on the 2019 Booklists. Should you require any further information, please contact the School Administration.

2019 SRC'S

WELL DONE



CLEVER CAT

Congratulations are also in order to the Year 5 Students who have been announced as members of the Student Representative Council (SRC) for 2019. These students will be officially recognised at the final assembly for the year during Week 7 – Friday, 23rd November. We ask that you keep these students in your prayers that they lead well, with strong intentions, following the example of Jesus, making him real in all that they do.

Mitchell Bradford
Gabriel Colborne
Rhys DeSousa
Jeremy Vu
Ryan Pymont

Bianca Dias
Jonathon Luong
Ruby Dobson
Hannah Petrovic
Georgia Galipo

School News



Well done to the following students who will be receiving a Merit Award at next week's assembly. Unfortunately, due to swimming arrangements, some classes will not be at the Week 4 Assembly. These classes will be receiving their Merit Awards at the final school assembly on Friday, 23rd November.

PPA	Soffeah Brown, Braxton Conolly-Caroll, Sofia Espinola, Zeneen Pillay, Zac Rheinberger, Sienna Thurston, Ruari Walsh and Jessica Zanki
PPB	Tiago de Oliveira, James Dobson, Eva Grace Jacquiewicz, Lily Martin, Sienna Mather and Tristan Toh
PPC	Isla Bebek, Milly Triplett, Sophia Pow, Dylan Krcmar and Mason Piccaro
1A	Isaac Forzatti, Alex Madriaga, Connor McKinnell, Taya Clarson, Milena Duca and Ella Da Silva Faria
1B	Alexa De Oliveira, Annika Upadhyay, Ziana DeSouza, Charlie Stapley, Jayden Brown and Michael Bridle
1C	Camden Mollica, Tyler Yates, Gianluca Pascuzzi, Sophie Correia, Lauren Halliday, Isla Murtagh, Alyssa Nair and Saffoura Shariat
2A	Bella McGreavy, Hamish Burleigh, Karla Baretto, Thomas Zuvela, Jack Moss and Kirrily Pulford.
3B	Isla Lang, Lachlan Davies, Ned Patmore and Alissa Eaton
4A	Chloe D'Arrigo, Sianna Egan, Taj Erceg, Miranda Lavery, Porsche Lyon, Rhys Millington, Tameka Novelli, Chloe Trimboli and Jason Walker
4B	Flynn Murtagh, Ayvah Rioli, Timothy Liew, Serena Duffn, Zabrina Pillay, Katherine Torres and Halle Hall.
5B	Nathan Long, Shay McKenna, Cayden Carroll and Tiara Kutty
6A	Montana Crews, Benjamin Gosney, Sienna La Macchia, Jocelyn De Freitas, Venice Fazzino, Alanna Cucevic and Travis Day
6B	Lexi Peterson, Alisha Wardle, Sam Jones, Nicolas Velezmoro, Isaac Slater and Charlotte Sargent
6C	Cassandra Rivera, Noah Sandon, Nicholas Ettridge, Angela Fiannaca, Seth Basilio and Ronan Johnson

After School Sport

The **Sporting Schools** program will commence in Week 5 of Term 4 and run for four sessions. Basketball will be the terms focus for both Junior and Senior sessions.

Years 1-3 3:15-4:15pm	Years 4-6 3:15-4:15pm
Monday 5 th November (Week 5)	Wednesday 7 th November (Week 5)
Monday 12 th November (Week 6)	Wednesday 14 th November (Week 6)
Monday 19 th November (Week 7)	Wednesday 21 st November (Week 7)
Monday 26 th November (Week 8)	Wednesday 28 th November (Week 8)

There is no cost for this program as it is fully funded by the Federal Government. Before each activity children will meet the supervising teacher on the grassed area outside the library at 3:10pm where the roll will be taken. Parents are to collect their child from the **school oval at 4:15pm. Please be on time.** Student are required to bring a drink bottle, hat, joggers and sports clothing. Inclement weather **will not** force the cancellations of the session, as it will be held in the Mater Christi Community Centre in those circumstances.



Permission notes are to be returned to **Mrs Hills in 4C** before 3:05pm on 31st October. Please do not return notes to your child's classroom teacher or the office. Students who expressed an interest in participating have received a permission form today. If you would like your child to take part and they did not receive a permission form, please ask your child's classroom teacher or myself for a copy.

As numbers are capped, it will be "first in first served" so please make sure your child's permission form is returned as soon as possible if you are interested in your child taking part in the program this term. Students who are successful in gaining a place will be notified by Thursday 1st November and receive an acceptance note to take home. An ongoing commitment is expected for all four sessions from all those who participate. It is imperative that parents arrange for their child to be picked up at 4:15pm on their given day.

Kind regards,

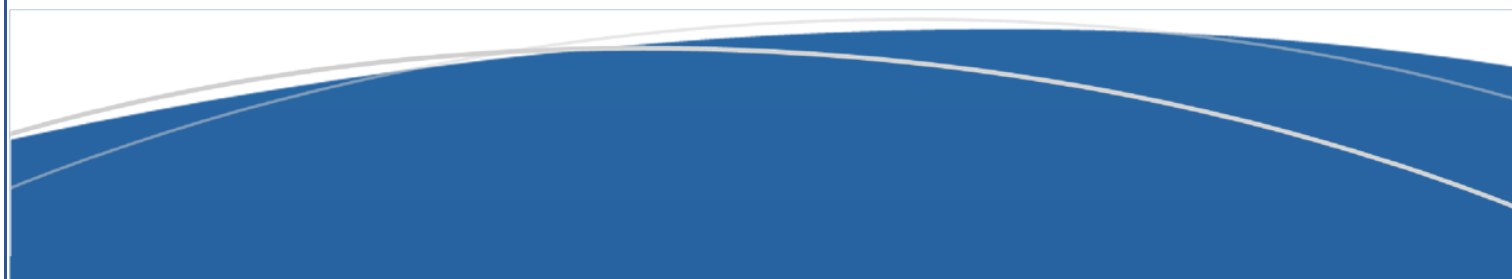
Sally Hills
Sporting Schools Coordinator

HELP WANTED!



We have had an influx of new books in our Library and they need to be covered. If you are able to help out please come and see Mrs Gowland in the Library.

Thank you,
Mrs Gowland
Library Officer



Interschool Spelling Bee

On Wednesday Mater Christi hosted our Annual Interschool Spelling Bee with St Jerome's, St Vincent's, St Bernadette's and Star of the Sea Catholic Primary Schools.

Our top nine spellers in Years Four, Five and Six competed in what was a tough competition with some incredibly tricky words. It was a fantastic effort from all the students, with excellent sportsmanship, composure and resilience shown by all. Thank you to the parents and classes that came down to watch and Miss Kalat for presenting the medals on the day.

Congratulations to:

Christianne Santos – Second Place in the Year Five Spelling Bee (Taking home a second medal after receiving first place last year!)

Gemma Wright- First Place in the Year Four Spelling Bee

Thank you to all who participated in the Year Level and Interschool Spelling Bee Competitions. We look forward to the re match next year!

Katie McNally, Class 5A & Enrichment Teacher | IT Coordinator



Banking News

URGENT - School Banking Helpers Required!

This year two long serving banking helpers leave Mater Christi so we urgently need volunteers in order to offer school banking to our students. Without volunteers this program cannot run!

Calling for volunteers – we need your help!



Our students really enjoy participating in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program and to keep this program running we need your help.

We collect satchels from the classrooms at 8:45am and process the deposits. You will be rostered on every 2-3 weeks when it suits you. Your help with the program will greatly benefit students as they develop vital saving skills and help our school with fundraising.

School Banking day is Wednesday.

If you are interested in volunteering for this great program, please fill in the tear off the section below and return it to the office.

Yes, I would like to help with School Banking!

Name: _____

Mobile: _____

Availability: _____

School Banking

If your child would like to be involved in the school banking program, more information can be found here: <https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html>



END OF YEAR CHRISTMAS CONCERT: BOXES NEEDED!!

We need LARGE TV/FRIDGE size boxes to make props for the Christmas concert. If you have any unwanted boxes of this size, please send them to the Music Room ☺
THANK YOU!!

Ms Alison Ross
Music Specialist



P&F News

Good Cup Café 14th Nov 8.30-10am

Special Meeting to Adopt new P&F Constitution and P&F/School Board AGM Wed 21st Nov 7pm
A Special Meeting will be held in the Mater Christi Community Centre, 340 Yangebup Road, Yangebup, Western Australia to vote on amendments to the Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Parents and Friends' Constitution.

Below are the relevant links:

Current Constitution

<http://www.mcps.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/MCCPS-Constitution-PF.pdf>

Proposed Constitution

<http://www.mcps.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/MCPS-Proposed-PF-Constitution-Oct-2018.pdf>



Mater Christi Dads and Father Figures. We're going out!!!

When: Tuesday 30th October, 6:30pm

Where: Harvest Lakes BBQ Chinese Restaurant

What: Banquet Meal

Cost: \$31

RSVP: Greg gregfarnsy@gmail.com

Come along and meet with other dads from the school for a social evening and hear about some of the ideas for fun activities for the year ahead.

Social Events

Class: Kindy A Catch Up

When: Saturday, 17th November

Time: 10am

Where: Woodman's Point – BYO food and drink

RSVP: to Laura Anchor of 0422 970 557

Class: 1A Family Event

When: Sunday, 28th October

Time: 11:30am

Where: King Road Brewery, 796 King Road, Oldbury

RSVP: By the 27th October to Tanya Forzatti on 0417 181 841

Class: Year 2 Mum's Night Out

When: Friday, 2nd November

Where: Café Royal, Cockburn Central

Time: 7:30pm

RSVP: Please let your Class Representative know if you can make it – Jessica Burleigh (0405 600 011)/Jessica Boatwright or Adele Hugo

Class: Year 2 Playdate

When: Sunday, 18th November

Where: Woodman's Point Playground

Time: 10am

RSVP: Please let your Class Representative know if you can make it – Jessica Burleigh (0405 600 011)/Jessica Boatwright or Adele Hugo

YEAR 6 GRADUATION PARENT LUNCH

JOIN US FOR LUNCH AFTER THE
GRADUATION CEREMONY

THURSDAY 6TH DECEMBER
12:30PM

PLEASE RSVP TO YOUR CLASS
REP BY FRI 23RD NOV

6A • RENAE • 0422 231 646
6B • JESAMINE • 0402 009 767
6C • NICOLETTA • 0416 074 450



OSHC CLUB - YANGETUP



Teddy Bear Corner, Child Care, Yangebup – now taking Term 4 bookings for before and after school.

Phone 9337 3538 or visit www.teddybearcorner.com.au

Rock and Water

Physical exercises are constantly linked with mental and social skills. The Rock and Water Program leads from simple self-defence, boundary and communication exercises to a strong notion of self-confidence. The program offers a framework of exercises and ideas to assist boys and girls aged between 8 and 14 years to become aware of the purpose and motivation in their life.

The following topics are discussed:

- Bullying
- Life goals
- Developing a positive self-image
- Communication skills
- Personal boundaries

The course teaches the following:

- Practical anti-bullying strategies
- Self-confidence, self-awareness and self-control
- An introduction to basic self-defence skills
- Communication skills and interpretation of body language cues
- Alternatives to aggressive verbal and physical responses to fear and doubt
- Thinking and being in control through grounding, centeredness and mental focus
- Boundary awareness

Facilitated by Craig Van Waardenburg (credited Rock and Water trainer) this family activity based program builds on the complementary strengths of 'the rock' and 'the water'. One is firm and assertive, while the other is flexible and willing to cooperate.

Note: Due to the nature of the activities, there is only room for one child per adult attending.

Where: WEST LEEDERVILLE - Level 1, 22 Southport Street
When: Saturday 10 November
Time: 8.30am - 12.30pm
Cost: \$70 per pair

Bookings are required. Please phone 6164 0200 to enrol.

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

Relationships Australia.

PARENTING

West Leederville Nov/Dec 2018

Relationships Australia, are proud to offer the following parenting workshops to the community of West Leederville and surrounds!

Partners to Parents Sat 10 Nov 10am-12.30pm \$30 p/person

To assist couples manage the transition from being a couple to becoming parents.

Parent-Teen Connection

Sat 17 Nov 9.30am-4.30pm \$50pp/\$75pcouple

Parenting after Separation

Wed 5 Dec 6.30-9.00pm \$30 p/person

Dads Raising Teen Girls

Wed 5 Dec 6.30-9.00pm \$30 p/person

Dads Raising Boys

Mon 10 Dec 6.30-9.00pm \$30 p/person

Survival Kit for Separating Dad

Wed 12 Dec 6.30-9.00pm \$30 p/person

Separation presents many challenges for men especially fathers. If you are going through a separation or divorce this course will provide a supportive place to acknowledge the challenges you are experiencing through this process. We will assist you to identify some practical coping strategies so that you can feel more positive about yourself and your future.

(We strongly recommend all separating dads attend this course prior to any other course, particularly parenting courses.)

Successful Single Parenting

Wed 12 Dec 6.30-9.00pm \$30 p/person

Places are limited - please contact (08) 6164 0200 to register today!

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

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