Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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SCHOOL MANTRA 2020

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

Dear Families,

We are at the end of another school year, and 2020 will soon be a memory. For me, the year has passed very



quickly but has been very eventful and, as we have all experienced at times, challenging. This year, parents, the school and the children have had to adjust to a new normal quickly. I would like to acknowledge the tremendous support we continue to receive from the parent community and your ongoing commitment to seeking a Catholic education for your children.

End of Year Concert

The concert last night was a great way to celebrate the end of the year. Thank you to Mrs Pottier and Ms King for the support of staff in creating such a special concert where the children were the focus. All that hard work shone through. How incredible was the Year Six Band? They practiced tirelessly and even on weekends to prepare for the big night. Our young actors and narrators were so confident. The talent in our school is most impressive, and we have much to look forward to watching them develop. A special thank you to Mr Murtagh, who donated much of his time and equipment for the band during the year, preparing for the concert and on the day. I have received such lovely messages from parents acknowledging the hard work and effort by Mrs Pottier and Ms King. They are superstars, and we are blessed to have them.

Farewell Year 6

Yesterday, our Year 6 students celebrated their Graduation Mass and Ceremony in the company of their parents. I thank the Year 6 teachers who have spent much time in preparation for the day. We wish these children well as they journey into High School.

Among our Year 6 families are many who are leaving our community as their youngest child is progressing to High School. Listed further in the Newsletter are leaving families, some who have been associated with our school for well over ten years. We thank them for the beautiful way they have contributed to our school over such a long time, and we wish them every blessing for their future.



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I thank you, as parents, for our wonderful children – they are a credit to you. Please be proud of them and tell them you love them. Thank you for the confidence you have in our school to work with you for your children's education.

And to the children themselves, the reason the staff come to work each day. It is evident that they love our school, and I thank them for wholeheartedly engaging in all we do – they make the school a great place.

May the hope of the newborn Christ be with you and your family this Christmas, and may 2021 be a happy and healthy year for you all. I look forward to seeing you all again in 2021.



Wedding Bells

In early January, Miss Sarah Cooke (1A) will be getting married. We all wish Sarah and Ryan a spectacular celebration and every blessing as newly-weds. When school resumes, Miss Cooke will be known as Mrs Edwards.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Emily P and her family on the recent birth of their baby sister who was born during the week.

We also congratulate Isabella D and her family on the birth of her new sister. May God surround you all with much love, health, sleep and cuddles at this time.

Congratulations to our Year 6 Award Winners

Academic Award – Nithika V MacKillop – Nicholas W Endeavour – Abbev R Science – Miles H Arts – Olivia B Sportsmanship – Olivia M, Xavier Z and Alfie H

-congratulations-

God Bless Toní Kalat

2021 Dates

Uniform Shop Open 25 January (online order collection only), 28 & 29 January – 9am-2pm

Term One: 1 February – 1 April (School Term)

9 February: Monday 1 March: Friday 2 April:

Parent Information Night Labour Day Public Holiday Good Friday

Term 2: 19 April – 2 July (School Term)

Monday 26 April: Friday 4 June: Monday 7 June:

Monday 19 July:

ANZAC DAY – Public Holiday Student Free Day WA Day – Public Holiday

Term 3: 20 July – 24 September (School Term)

Pupil Free Day Friday 24 September: Pupil Free Day

Term 4: 12 October – 10 December (School Term) Pupil Free Day 11 October:



Religious Education

CHANGES REGARDING MASS ATTENDANCE AND COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS As of **Saturday 5th December**, all people attending the church *AT ANY TIME* including Mass celebrations, will be required to have their presence recorded. We will have a **QR Code** specific to our church which you are required to scan if you have a smartphone.

You are required to download the **SafeWA app** onto your phone from either the App Store or GooglePlay Store and load your personal data. When you arrive at the church you will then just need to scan the QR code and complete the very brief question section. *If you do not have a smartphone, you will have the opportunity to have your name and details recorded on a paper register* that will be stored securely in the parish and kept for the mandatory 28 day period (or longer should the need arise). The register will destroyed as per the government directives.



If you have any queries related to this register, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office for clarification.

A Note from the St Vincent de Paul Society



A big thank you to:

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Staff and Students We would like to thank you for your generous annual donation of Christmas Hampers to Vincent De Paul Yangebup Conference for those in need in our area. We thank you again for your support in helping those in need in our area. We would also like to take this opportunity to wish all your staff and students a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New year. Mr Jonny Renelle President, St Vincent De Paul, Yangebup

During the week, our Year 3 students were presented with their Penance Certificates.



School News



The uniform shop will be open on Monday 25th January for parents of those children going into Kindy in 2021, and also for those who have done online orders and would like to avoid waiting in the long queues of back-to-school trade. Please note there will be no sales on this date, and it will strictly be to collect online orders only.

We have currently sold out of sizes 8 and 10 boys navy formal shorts and certain sizes of both navy and white socks. This is due to the fact that certain factories in both Melbourne and overseas have been shut due to COVID lockdowns and workers being limited due to social distancing. We are working hard to source shorts for back to school and hope the factory in Melbourne will be able to catch up on our sock order before back to school. To make it easier to access uniforms for back to school we have extended our opening hours.

They are as follows:

Thursday 28th January 9am to 2pm Friday 29th January 9am to 2pm Monday 1st February 8am-10.30am and 1.30 to 3pm Wednesday 3rd February 8am-10.30am and 1.30pm to 3pm (as per usual)

Have a great Christmas and New Year Simone Douglas, Perm a Pleat





ut Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in I eart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God hey had heard and seen, as it had been told them.



Reflection

The announcement is made to shepherds. Shepherds were what we would today call poor and disadvantaged. Yet the announcement of Jesus' birth is made to them which tells us right from the very start of Jesus' life, that he came for all people, especially those who were having a hard time.

Prayers of Intercession

share the reading of the se with those gathered.

For the Church and all throughout the world, that as we selebrate Jesus' birth, that together we may grow in holiness, we pray to the Lord.

For all the people, that Jesus' words and values may find a place in their hearts, we pray to the Lord.

celebrate 200 years of Catholic education, grant those releasing 200 years or catholic elocation, grant mose ing and learning, planning and leading and the families ommunity that entrust their young people to Catholic is a love of learning and a willingness to be the face of in the world, we pray to the Lord.

Loving God, In this Christmas season we thank you for the great joy you have sent us in the birth of Jesus.

Each of you might like to share together a joy from this year and hope that the birth of Jesus brings you for 2021.

2020 has been a challenging year for each of us. We h not been able to go to school sometimes, to pray togeth play sport together and visit our infriends and families, sc for long periods of time. What this story reminds us thi Christmas is that there is great joy in the birth of Jesus it brings us hope.

For all families, especially our family gathered together too that we will continue to know the love of our God, we pray to the Lord.

For those who are at work this Christmas, particularly those who have worked so hard in healthcare during this year, we pray to the Lord.

For all those who in have been sick during 2020 and for those who have died, particularly those who have been affected by Covid, we pray to the Lord.

For our own needs, we invite each person to offer their own prayer [at this time each person may like to share something they would like to pray for], we pray to the Lord.

ve gather together, we pray:

Year 6 Teachers versus Students Game



















Christmas Concert































School News

Important Information Regarding Reports

To the Parents/Guardians of students leaving Mater Christi in 2020:

We will be printing your child/ren's report and sending it home in a sealed envelope today.

If you would like to save an electronic copy of past and present reports for your child, it is important that you log into to SEQTA **before Sunday December 13.** Beyond this date these will no longer be available on the SEQTA website. If you are experiencing any problems, please contact one of our administration staff for assistance immediately.

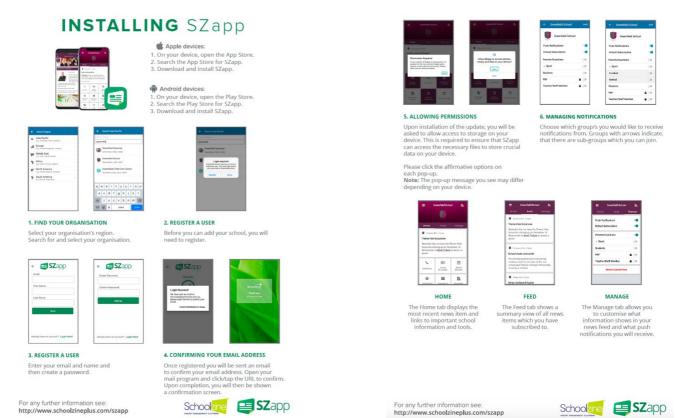
Thank You



A very special thank you to the banking ladies for all the hard work they have put into organising the banking this year. As a school community, we are so grateful for the assistance you have offered the children in helping them with their weekly banking! Thank you!

Changes to the Newsletter in 2021

We are excited to reveal that in 2021 Mater Christi will be transitioning to a fresh new look e-Newsletter! To communicate school news to our parents in a mobile device friendly format, we will be using the Schoolzine app (SZapp). This will replace the current Skoolbag app. This app is used for notifying the school of a student's absence and contains other important links to school information such as the Term Calendar, Online Canteen ordering and School Uniform ordering. We strongly encourage parents to download the SZapp (instructions provided below) in readiness for 2021. By subscribing to the SZapp, you will have the option to join one or more groups (i.e. Yr One, Yr Six) that pertain to your child/s year. The app's information is secured by a four-digit passcode that you will receive at the beginning of 2021 via email.



We say Good –Bye to the following Families

Graduating Families of Mater Christi and thank you for your time with us. Some have been with us for a long time, others a short time. All have contributed to our community and school spirit. These families farewell Mater Christi forever.

15 Years	La Macchia Family
14 Years	French Family, Wilkin Family
13 Years	Piotrowski Family
12 Years	Quinlivan Family, McAleer Family, Lavery Family, Rebelo Family
11 Years	Torres Family, Gibson Family, Hopkin Family, Treasure Family, Rivett Family, Campeotto Family, Hall Family
10 Years	Sheehy Family, Sargent Family, Rasmussen Family, Ager Family, Bradford Family, Haley Family
9 Years	McCay Family, Wright Family, Risucci Family
8 Years	Patel Family, O'Neill Family, de Bernardis Family, Fernandes Family, Milne Family, Smith Family
7 Years	Hewing Family, Crookes Family, Learmont Family, Millington Family
6 Years	Harding Family, Walker Family, O'Sullivan Family
5 Years	Acquado Family
4 Years	De Sousa Family, Day Family, Phoebe Family
3 Years	Flores Family, Elder Family, Rivera Family
2 Years	Lewis Family, Brown Family, Vivekanandan Family



P&F News

2020 P&F Committee

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who took time to attend meetings throughout the year and all the parents within our community who volunteered time, their goods and services. It was a tumultuous year to say the least but we as a community stood together and still managed to create a wonderful year for the students.

Thank you to all the Mater Christi staff for continuously supporting us with events, we know how much time and energy you give, and we truly do appreciate it.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas, and please stay safe, we look forward to a fantastic 2021.

President: Stephanie Gill *(outgoing)* Vice President: Louise McEntee *(outgoing)* Secretary: Vicky Hartill Treasurer: Jennifer Cotton And all the other 2020 committee members.

Only 1 P&F Position is now Vacant!

President - Lesley Pascuzzi Vice President -Kristie Ainsworth Secretary - Vicky Hartill Treasurer - Jennifer Cotton Parent rep to the board - *VACANT* Parish Council Rep - Helen Kruh Food Co-Ordinator – Tracey Richardson Class Rep Co-Ordinator - Stephanie Gill Sunsmart Rep - Linda Corlett PFFWA Rep - Marina Hayward Dads Rep - Damien Amsuss If you wish to discuss or nominate for any of the vacant positions, please send an email to materchristipandf@cewa.edu.au and one of our members will get back to you.

30 Years and Still Cooking

Thank you to all those who have already purchased their books, I know we can't wait to test out some of the recipes during the school holidays.

Books will be available for purchase from admin in 2021, so don't worry if you missed out on buying one this term, they will be available next year.



Entertainment Books

Entertainment Books are available all year round, they are 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. On the Fundraiser page, please select 'Mater Christi...' to aid fundraising for our school.

P&F News

2021 Class Representatives

Pre Kindy - Lesley Pascuzzi KA - Tracy Shaw KB - Kylie Di Donato KC - Laura Anchor KD - Nadine Gillett

PPA - Kristie Ainsworth PPB - Dimity Kuzmic PPC - Rebecca Kinsella

1A - Amanda McKinnell 1B - Liliane Torres 1C - Lesley Pascuzzi

2A - *Vacant* 2B - Michelle Pozzi 2C - Rebecca Bates

3A - **Vacant**

3B - Jodie Seethal 3C - Andrea Hegney

4A - Nicole Murtagh

4B - *Vacant*

4C - Mandy Kolkman

5A - Linda Miguel

5B - *Vacant*

5C - Rebecca Exham

6A - Louise McEntee 6B - Tina Stevens 6C - Simone Douglas



Thank you everyone for volunteering. If you can fill one of the vacancies, please email <u>stephaniegill82@hotmail.com</u> or text <u>0419942073</u> if you can help. Your role would be to start a Facebook group for your class (I can help you do this), share P&F information when asked (usually only once a week), and occasionally organize a class parent/family event at a date and time which suits you. Thank you in advance,

Stephanie Gill, Class Rep Coordinator 2021, Mater Christi P&F

30 Years and Still Cooking

All books have been collected! The last opportunity to purchase a book this term is at the Christmas Concert. Eftpos will be available. Books can be ordered via P&F email: <u>materchristipandf@cewa.edu.au</u> over the Christmas break, however, collection won't be available until Term One of 2021.

Community News









Journey back through time

School Holiday Wednesdays 10am-1pm. History Mystery Family open days & activity sheets. \$2 per head entry. No need to book.

The museum is located on Azelia Rd, Manning Park, Hamilton Hill.



T 08 9411 3340 | E museum@cockburn.wa.gov.au history.cockburn.wa.gov.au/Azelia-Ley-Museum

MONDAY 25 JANUARY

n Valley Lasercorps ing Shoes, sports clothes, water bottle X » Lunch Hot dogs provided » Drop offs H 3:30pm | B 3:45pm | S 4pm

THESDAY 26 JANUARY

Public Holiday

WEDNESDAY 27 JANUARY

Archery Clinic / Beach Hangout Learn from the master of the bow and be the first to get a bullseye. In the afternoon we head to Coogee beach for lunch and swimming. » Bring Shoes essential, appropriate clothing

Lunch Supplied at Youth Centre or BYO Drop offs S 3pm | B 3:15pm | H 3:30pm

THURSDAY 28 JANUARY

- Bring Warm clothes, closed shoes, and money for snacks, bathers
- Lunch Sandwiches supplied. Tuck shop on site
 Drop offs H 4pm | B 4:15pm | S 4:30pm

FRIDAY 29 JANUARY

st / YC Dodge Ball

- Last chance to conquer the obstacle at Ninjawest! The second half of the day sees us back at the Youth Centre for a Dodgeball play off. Can you create a team to win? * Bring Sports clothes, warm dry clothes * Lunch BBQ supplied or BYO * Drop offs S 3pm | B 3:15pm | H 3:30pm

Bookings and more info

Registrations online: https://bit.ly/outragejan21

Steve Atherton, Youth Development Officer T 08 9411 3888 | E satherton@cockburn.wa.gov.au

Appropriate clothing / shoes for weather and activity

X



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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Is lunch included?

Pick up & drop off location

Bus departs: 9.30am.

15 minutes for traffic condition

CHECK LIST

My child is not quite 12, can he/she still enrol?

Why do you need my Medicare number?

Yes, the target age for OUTRAGE is 12–16 yrs but we do accept enrolments from those who are turning 12 this

In the unlikely event that your child needs urgent medical attention, the provision of their Medicare number will assist in their prompt treatment.

Due to the coronavirus and for the health and safety of attendees, we ask that lunches and snacks be brought from home or from a food provider. We recommend bringing \$10-\$15 to purchase lunch.

S | Cockburn Youth Centre, 25 Wentworth Parade, Success. Bus departs: 9am

B | Beeliar Community Hall, Lakefront Ave, Beeliar. Bus departs: 9.15am

H | Café Mint & Chilli nr Memorial Hall, Cnr Rockingham Rd & Carrington St, Hamilton Hill.

Drop-off times are estimated. Please allow up to

O Pick up and drop-off times

t is important that everyone is aware of what is acceptable behaviour to ensure the enjoyment a wellbeing of all participants. nt and

m Rules

ticipants must comply with the program rules that ted online when booking. Please read the rules r young person as they cover language, behaviour meral program expectations. Our rules ensure that m runs safely and that all participants e

Doronavirus (COVID-19) With the outbreak of COVID-19, the City's greatest priority is the health and safety of its community. For all butrage events: If your child feels ill prior to the event, please cancel their stondance at youth@cockburn.wa.gov.au or health and the set of the set o

- all 9411 3888
- Hand sanitiser and/or wipes will be available if in stock (please bring your own if possible)
- Numbers per event will be a maximum of 30 attendees
- actenders inches and snacks are preferred to be brought from me. There will be a limited food provided. These build not be shared between participants Inform your child of the need for social distancing

fe encourage all attendees to practice good hygi nd to follow the guidelines released from the var overnment authorities. For more information on pronavirus visit the WA Department of Health we

Registrations online: https://bit.ly/outragejan21

Cockburn Youth Centre, 25 Wentworth Pde, Success cockburn.wa.gov.au/youthservices | 08 9411 3888

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cockburn.wa.gov.au/youthservices

Cockburn Youth Centre

Jimmy's Tennis

2020-21 School Holiday Indoor Camps Samson Rec Centre, McCombe Ave, Samson

> 21 -23 December, 2020 4 - 6 January, 2021 9 - 11am



The cost is \$100 for each 3 day camp, or \$35 per day

Spaces are limited, so

contact Jim now

at jimguilfoile@gmail.com, or on 0403 743 147