

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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SCHOOL MANTRA 2019

"Find happiness in making others happy" – Mary MacKillop

Third Sunday of Advent



The last two Sundays have seen the lighting of the Advent candles of hope and peace. This Sunday, we light the third candle, the candle of joy. This should be the easy one because joy is all around us in the children, the lights, the music, the gathering together. But how often do we let our preparations or our memories push joy to the side? Joy is like an underground spring that wells up within us, but joy is also a choice, an attitude. Like a muscle, it needs to be exercised. So, this week, we open ourselves to joy, trusting that God has already planted it in us. All we need to do is give it care and offer it to share.

A Gem from Pope Francis

The true worship of God is always expressed in love of one's neighbour.

Farewell

Yesterday, Year 6 students celebrated their Graduation Day with a Graduation Mass, Awards, and celebration Ceremony in the company of family, friends, and staff. I thank the Year 6 teachers who have spent much time in preparation for the day as well as Fr Joe, Mrs Southwell, Miss Ross, and the Junior Choir. We wish these children well as they journey into High School. Among our Year 6 families are a large number who are leaving our community as their youngest child is progressing to High School. 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.

We sadly say goodbye to Miss Hannah Kolbusz (PPC), Mrs Mann and Ms Perez. These staff have been integral members of our community and have shared their many gifts and talents with so many over the past years. They have touched the lives of so many children. I also thank Mrs Carr and Mrs Rucki (EA's), who will continue as relief staff next year.

End of Year Concert

Can we do any better? The answer – YES, we can. Last night was a testament to the spirit of joy within our community, and as I mentioned last night, it could not have happened without the generosity and dedication of our staff. I want to acknowledge the creativity and awesomeness of Miss Ross and Mrs Pottier, who each year amaze us with their talents. To 'The King' Mr Donnelly; the supportive staff who always put their hand up to help out; Mr Jenkins and Mr Scott who worked tirelessly during the last two days with oval set up, parking and pack up; to the parent volunteers who also assisted with parking – Thank You.

The stars of the show were our students who love to showcase their talents, sing, dance and be on stage. Last night was a wonderful celebration and we have so much to be grateful for and proud of, at Mater Christi.

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Exciting News

Yesterday, Mr John Wilson, The Honourable Member for Fremantle, announced that Mater Christi was successful in receiving a \$20,000 Grant from the Federal Government to assist in the costs for our Nature Playground. 45 Schools in this electorate applied, and the panel pronounced that our 'outstanding application was worthy of the grant'. Congratulations Mater Christi. This grant will help to offset the \$140,000 for the playground.

Reports

With newly minted reports heading home this week, a reminder that children develop in their own time! Parents need to be positive & encouraging. Remember, education is a marathon, not a sprint. It's a journey of successes and failures, but most of all, it's got to be viewed realistically.

Project Update: The Lakes Draft Master Plan

Earlier this year, the City of Cockburn asked for your thoughts on the Reserves around Yangebup and Little Rush Lakes (near Mater Christi School) to help inform the development of a draft Master Plan. You shared your ideas on how they could best enhance recreational amenity while maintaining and protecting the environmental value of these spaces. Thank you for taking the time to share your feedback and being a part of this important community project. The development of a draft Master Plan is now complete, and the City invites you to take a look and share your final comments on the plan. Feedback on the draft plan closes on 7 February 2020. [Click here](#) to read more and share your feedback on the draft plan.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



A school does not exist without everyone working together. This is so evident in all we do here at Mater Christi. I thank our Priests – Father Dat and Father Joe for their presence within our school and Masses celebrated. I thank the staff – what a fantastic group of people. I am fortunate to be working with such a supportive group – we are blessed with such incredible people in our school looking after your children. I thank you, as parents, of our beautiful children – they are a credit to you. Please be proud of them and tell them you love them. I thank you for the confidence which you have in our school, to work with you for the education of your children. 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 the great place that it is.

This year's Award recipients are:

Academic Award

Christianne S and Peter W

Sportsmanship Award

Madison H

Millar R

Arts Award

Ruby D

Science Award

Lincoln C

MacKillop Award

Rhys D

Endeavour Award

Georgia G





Term One Dates

- **Monday 3 February:** Kindy A/C together with PP – Year Six commence the new school year.
- **Tuesday 4 February:** Kindy B/D commence the school year.
- **Wednesday 5 February:** Swimming lessons begin
- **Tuesday 11 February:** Parent/Teacher Information Night and First P&F Meeting

A Note from the Uniform Shop Regarding School Holiday Opening Hours:

- Wednesday 29/01/2020: 9am to 12noon
- Thursday 30/01/2020: 9am to 12noon
- Friday 31/01/2020: 9am to 1pm
- Monday 3/02/2020: 8am to 11am

May the hope of the newborn Christ be with you and your family this Christmas, and may 2020 be a happy and healthy year for you all.

*God Bless,
Toni Kalat*

Condolences



We extend our thoughts and prayers to Taj E and Shenae P, as they said farewell to their Grandfather this week. We pray God gives you comfort and peace at this very sad time.



Congratulations

Congratulations to ex-student Maia Clayden for receiving the "All Rounder" award at Santa Maria for Year 7. Well done Maia!

FREE RUNNING CLUB!

KINDY TO YEAR 6

REWARDS!

MATER CHRISTI RUNNING CLUB!

RUN or WALK FOR FUN!

REWARDS FOR REACHING 10km, 25km, 50km and 100km MILESTONES!

RUN OR WALK AS FAR AS YOU CAN (over a term or school year) SET YOUR GOAL AND GO GET IT!

COME ALONG TO THIS P&F SUPPORTED CLUB AND GET FIT WITH FRIENDS STARTING TERM 1 FEB 1st AND EVERY TUESDAY 8am - 8:20am ON THE SCHOOL OVAL. CONTACT SARAH TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFO. SARAHSFITNESS20@gmail.com or 0639960309 PLEASE NOTE: CHILDREN NEED A PARENT PRESENT TO PARTICIPATE



Religious Education

At the conclusion of my first year at Mater Christi I would like to extend my gratitude to the students, staff and out into the wider MCCPS community for your welcome and all that you have assisted me with in 2019. In closing off the year I would like to draw from and reword a small section of the Assistant Principals' farewell message to the Year 6 students.

As the students gather each day within their classrooms, we aspire to establish an environment that is safe, supportive, and hospitable where we make Jesus real in our deeds and in our words. The community of Mater Christi Catholic Primary School is an extension of family and this is evidenced in a myriad of ways on a daily basis. As your child leaves their home for school each day, they know they enter Mater Christi, ready for learning, and recognised as a highly valued member of our community.

This year's school mantra were words from Mary MacKillop; 'Find happiness in making others happy'! Throughout the year, students and staff and wider community, were asked to reflect on these words and live this message. This message could be seen in the smiles, stories and actions we all shared with each other. There was much joy in many of the school events and celebrations and to see each of the students and staff congratulating each other or offering a hand in support, smiling and laughing brought life to our mantra.

Finally, in closing the year as the students move into the summer holidays, I encourage them to remember the word WEST.

- Be **Welcoming** to your parents if they are working while you are playing, greet them at the door with a 'Hello Mum, hello Dad! How was your day?' First before you move into your list of wants...remember to they want to hear about your day as well.
- Be **Encouraging** to those around you, assist with the housework and play fairly with your siblings.
- Say **Sorry** when you have done wrong, this shows your strength of character.
- Say **Thanks** often and to the many people who will do so many things for and with you over the holidays.

Wishing many blessings to all this Christmas and a relaxing, joyous holiday.

Mrs Southwell

(Assistant Principal) Religious Education

Parish News

Children's Nativity Mass

Practice for the Christmas Eve Children's Mass Nativity presentation will be held on Monday 23rd December at 9.30am. Please meet Tina and Louise at the front of the church. If your child would like to be part of the Mass but can't come to practice please email Tina at tina.n.stevens@gmail.com. The Nativity presentation will be presented at the 6pm Christmas Eve Mass.

Hope to see you there.

Christmas Mass times at Mater Christi are as follows:

Tuesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

- 6pm - Children's Mass
- 9pm - Youth Mass

Wednesday, December 25: (Christmas Day)

- 12am – Solemn Midnight Mass
- 8am – Family Mass
- 10am – Family Mass

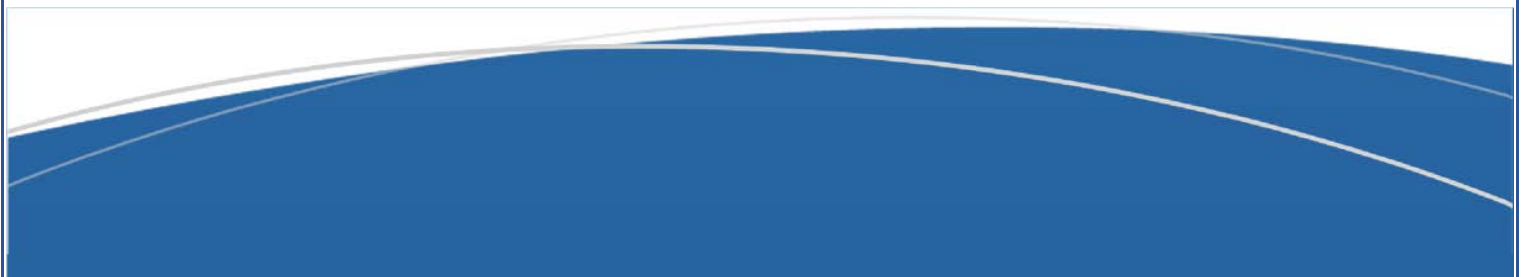


We Say Good –Bye to the Following Families

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.

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| 18 Years | Bartlett Family |
| 17 Years | Wylie-Maher Family |
| 16 Years | Da Silva Family |
| 15 Years | Monteiro Family, |
| 13 Years | Bull Family, Luong Family, Mckenna Family, Coelho Family |
| 12 Years | Cuthbert Family, Galipo Family, Skelton Family, Flanagan Family |
| 11 Years | Goncalves Family, Pymont Family, De Abreu Family, Galipo Family, Garces Family, Hadley Family, Jones Family, Petrovic Family, Sweetman Family, Trolio Family, |
| 10 Years | Hampel Family, Sweeney Family, Bates Family, Kwiatkowski Family, Pendleton Family |
| 8 Years | Ryan Family, Arnold Family, Bayly Family, Johnston Family, Santos Family |
| 7 Years | Carradus Family |
| 6 Years | Zupp Family, Cypelt Family, Collison Family |
| 5 Years | Tay Family, Dias Family |
| 4 Years | Gadsden Family, Dzapata Family, Brown Family, Campbell Family |
| 3 Years | Middleton Family, Edwards Family |
| 2 Years | Catcatan Family, Yan Family, Renji Mathew Family, Kim Family |
| 1 Year | Lee Family |

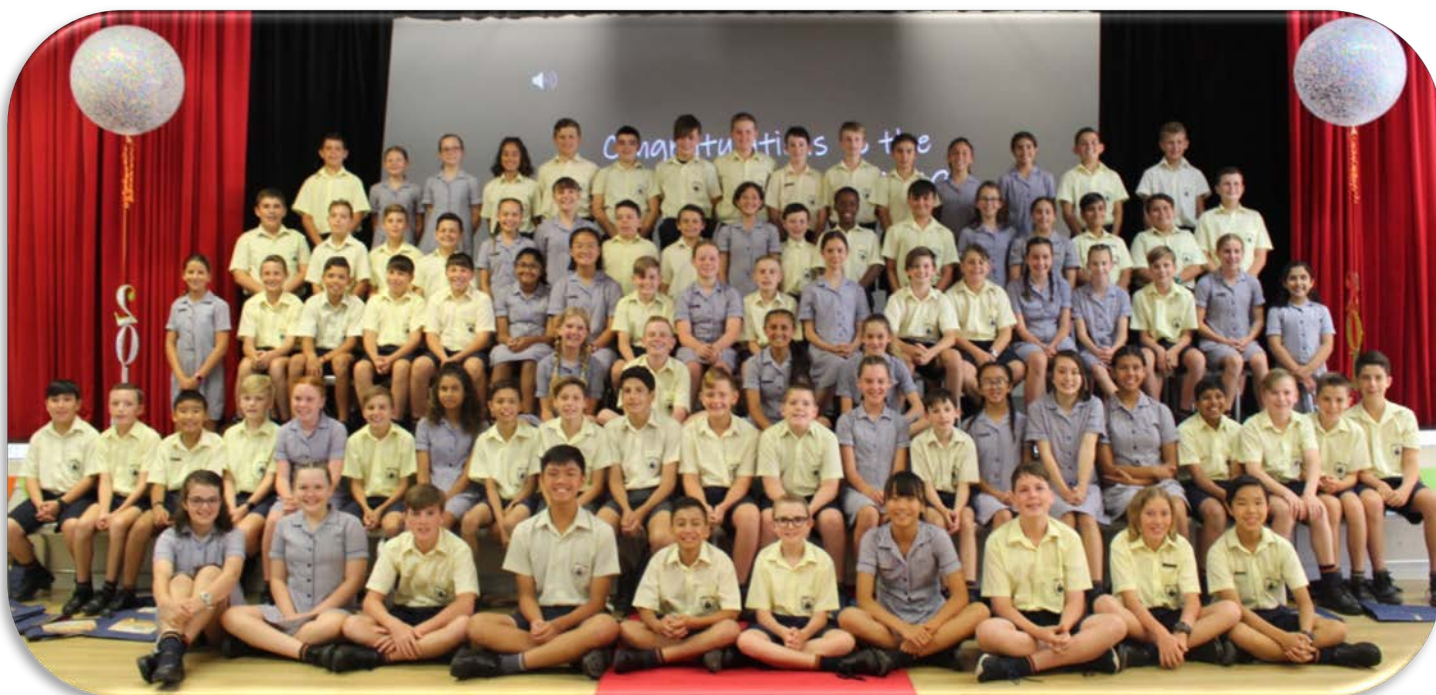
*Good Bye
&
Thank you!*



End of Year Christmas Concert



Year 6 Graduation



Staff Versus Students Handball

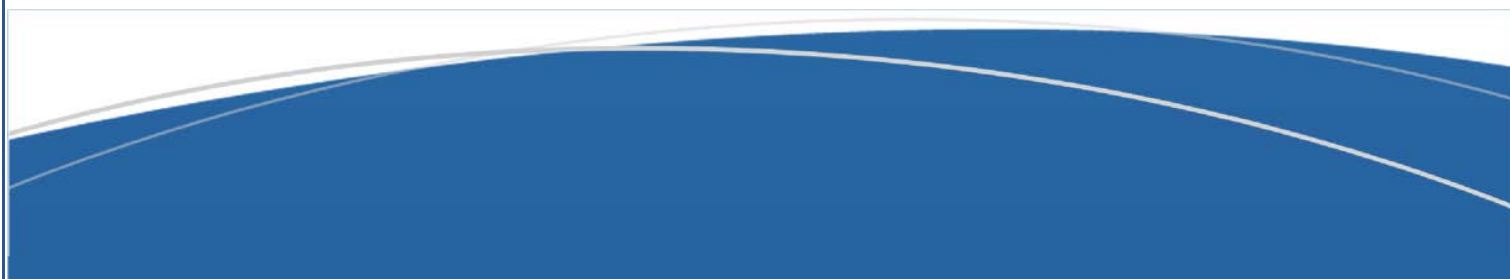


Sustainability News

Congrats

Congratulations to all the Mater Christi community for making 2019 such a successful year for recycling! With the support of the children, parents and staff we recycled a whopping 4500 coffee pods, 4 boxes of bottle lids and 20+ bin bags of soft plastic in just 6 months. We also turned 170kg of fruit and vegetable scraps into worm food.

Well done to everyone who contributed to the recycling program. Let's look to make 2020 even better!
Haylee Klup





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Instrumental Program 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are now taking enrolments for the Instrumental Program for 2020.

The Mater Christi Instrumental Program is offered to students in Pre-Primary to Year 6 who are interested in learning an instrument.

Learning an instrument is both a challenging and rewarding experience. We currently have approximately 100 students enrolled in the program.

Mater Christi is currently offering the choice of the following instruments:

- Piano
- Guitar
- Drums
- Voice

If you would like your child to participate in the Mater Christi Instrumental Program for 2020, please complete the **Instrumental Program Tuition Agreement** and return it to school by **Friday 7th February 2020**.

If your child is currently enrolled and intends to continue next year, a new Instrumental Program Tuition Agreement is required to confirm re-enrolment in 2020.

Lessons will begin in Week 2/3, Term 1 2020. Tutors will notify you of lesson days prior to the commencement of lessons.

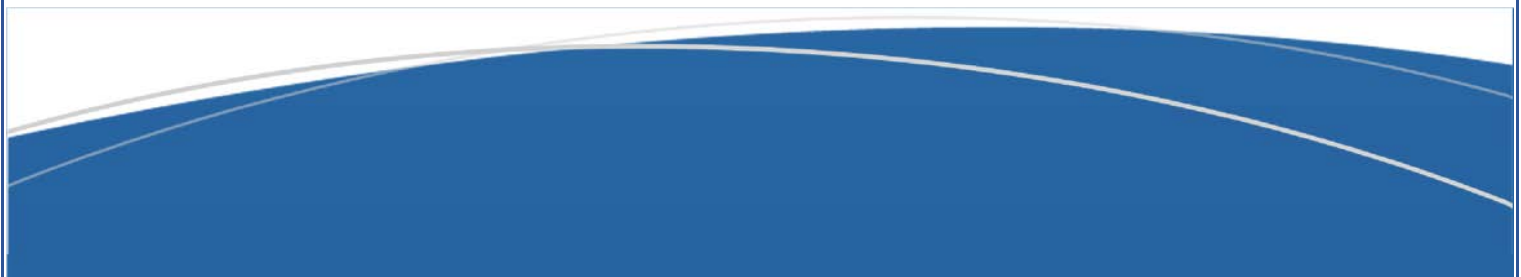
We look forward to working with you and your child.

Kind Regards

Ms Alison Clunies-Ross

Music Specialist

Instrumental Program & Performing Arts Co-ordinator





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Instrumental Program 2020 Information

LESSONS

Students will receive weekly lessons which can be taken individually or through shared lessons of 2-3 students. Lessons are held during school hours and are scheduled on a rotating timetable. Please note that group lessons are not available for **Voice or Piano**.

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| Individual Lessons | 30 mins | 8 lessons per term | \$250 |
| Group Lessons | 30 mins | 8 lessons per term | \$180 |

PAYMENT OF TUITION

Fees for lessons are to be paid at the start of each term. Tutors will invoice and advise when the payment is due. Payments are to be paid directly to the tutor. There are *8 lessons per term*, due to the school's scheduled events and tutor availability.

PRACTICE AND COMMUNICATION BOOK

Each student will be provided with a practice and communication book. Tutors will use this book to communicate with parents regarding homework or any other important information.

PURCHASING OF MATERIALS/TEXT

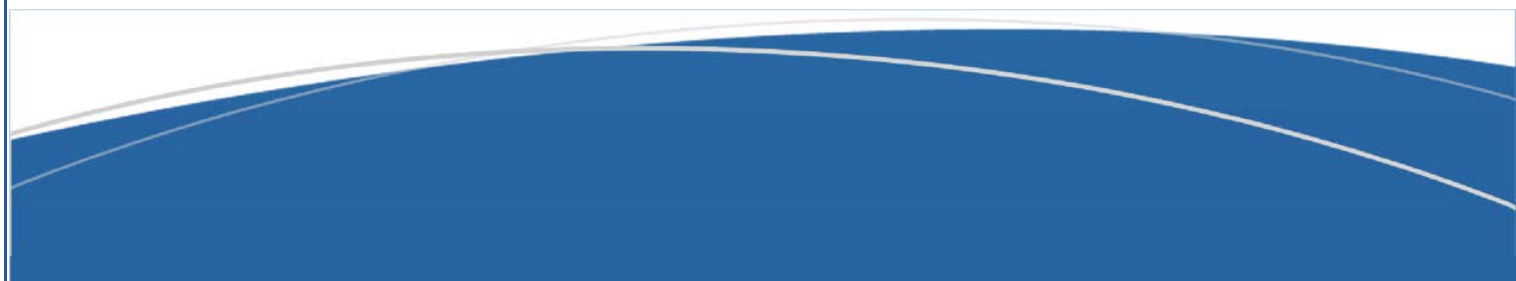
Tutors will specify books that are used for students to learn and practise from. It is the responsibility of the Parent/Guardian to purchase these books as soon as possible. Tutors are aware of costs and try to keep requests at a minimum.

WITHDRAWAL OF LESSONS

If your child wishes to withdraw from the Instrumental Program, it is required that both the Instrumental Tutor and the Instrumental Coordinator are informed of this by Week 5 of that term.

INSTRUMENT HIRE

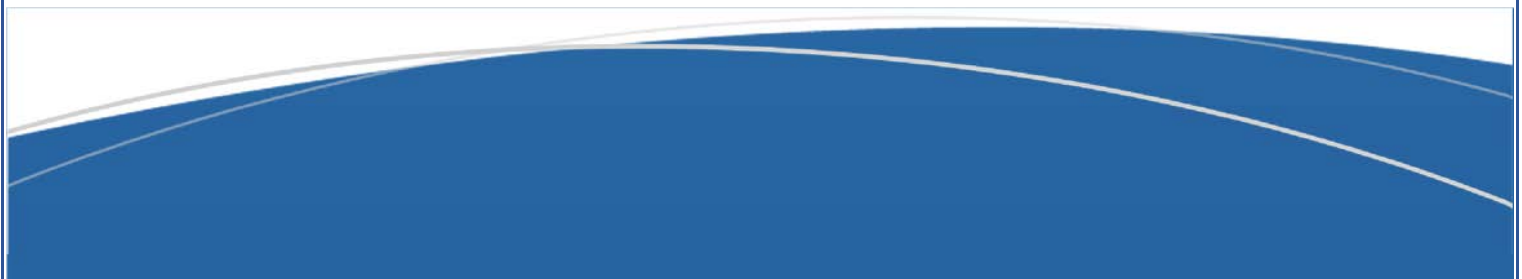
If instrument hire is required, this is to be arranged directly with a hire company. The school does not hire instruments.



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- **A minimum of five weeks written notice (this does not include holiday periods) is required from parents if you wish to withdraw your child from the Instrumental Program.** Lessons will not be cancelled until written confirmation is received from parents. Please send an email to alison.clunies-ross@cewa.edu.au and inform the Music Tutor.
- **You will be charged for missed lessons due to student illness.** As a matter courtesy, please call or send a message to your child's Music Tutor so that they are aware of your child's absence. It may be possible to reschedule the lesson, although this cannot be guaranteed.
- Music Tutors must be notified **1 week in advance** if a student cannot attend a lesson for reasons such as school camp, excursion or school related event.
- Parents must give a **minimum of 3 weeks' notice to Music Tutors if they intend on taking holidays** during this time. If sufficient notice is NOT received the students will be charged for lessons.
- Fees are on a per term basis. **All scheduled lessons must be paid for.** Missed lessons will not be re-scheduled unless at the fault of the tutor. **Students will receive 1 lesson per week, or 8 lessons per term.**
- **Fees are to be paid directly to the Music Tutors upon receipt of the invoice.**
- Students will be given a **communication diary** at the commencement of the year which is to be brought to all lessons. This is the communication between parents and the Music Tutors regarding your child's schedule lessons, homework and issues requiring attention.
- Parents are expected to encourage regular home practice, check and sign the communication book on a weekly basis.
- Where rental of an instrument is necessary the cost is to be paid by the parent/guardian directly to the hire company.

****Please note that commencement of tuition implies agreement with all conditions stated.***



INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM TUITION AGREEMENT 2020



STUDENT NAME: _____ CLASS IN 2020: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

HOME PH: _____ MOBILE: _____

PLEASE TICK:

☐ NEW STUDENT

☐ ONGOING STUDENT

INSTRUMENT PREFERENCE

Please tick adjacent to the instrument you would like your child to learn

☐ PIANO ☐ GUITAR

☐ DRUMS/PERCUSSION ☐ VOICE

TUITION FEES

A flat rate is charged per term as follows- please tick your preference.

☐ PRIVATE LESSON 30 MINS \$250.00 PER TERM

☐ GROUP LESSON 30 MINS \$180.00 PER TERM

*PLEASE NOTE: Group lessons are **not available for Voice & Piano**.

STUDENT AGREEMENT:

I agree to take responsibility for the following:

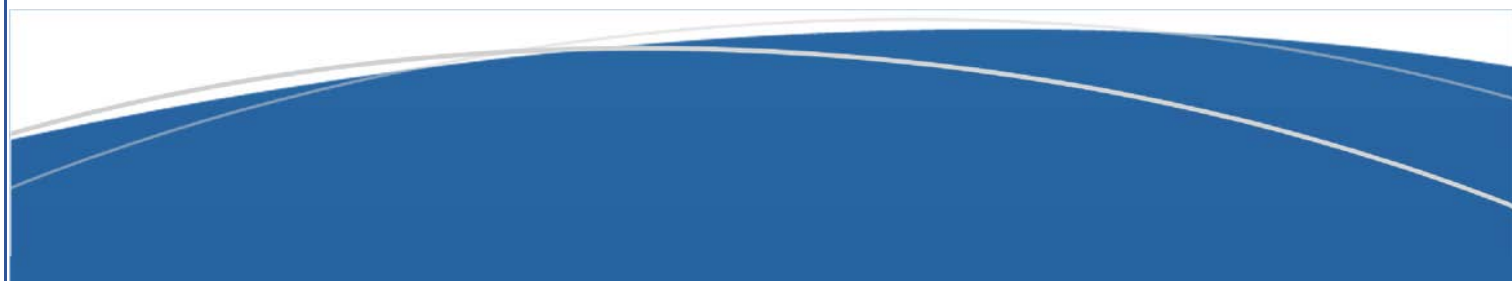
- Remember to bring my music, instrument and communication book to all lessons.
- Regular practice as indicated by tutor.

PARENT AGREEMENT:

- I have read and agree to the **Terms and Conditions** in the attached information sheet.
- I am aware there is a **five-week notice** charge for cancellation of lessons.
- I am aware that **failure to inform tutors of absence** due to holidays or sickness will **result in lessons being forfeited**.

PARENT SIGNATURE : _____ DATE: _____

STUDENT SIGNATURE : _____ DATE: _____



P&F News

Dear Parents,

Thank you to our wonderful community for embracing the events the P&F have hosted for you this year, a lot of hard work goes into co-ordinating, setting up and packing away amongst many other things. We appreciate the help that has been given from the parents within the school throughout the year and we hope to continue this sense of community and working together into 2020. Can you find your '*just one thing*'?

Thank you to the exiting committee of 2019, you all did an amazing job and the feedback from parents around the school has been fantastic. A special mention to Michelle Hall, Leah Rheinberger and Rebecca Exham, all of whom have been executive P&F members for a number of years and have volunteered numerous hours to provide the best to our school community. Thank you, ladies.

We are pleased to announce that Stephanie Gill has nominated for the position of President for 2020 and Louise McEntee will fill the role of Vice President.

The P&F Office Bearers for 2020 are:

- President: Stephanie Gill
- Vice-President: Louise McEntee
- Treasure: Jennifer Cotton
- Secretary: Vicky Hartill
- Board P & F Rep: Michelle Hall
- Class Re Coordinator: Kristie Ainsworth
- Food Coordinator: Giulia Orlando
- Sun Smart Rep: Kate Godwin-Johnston
- Parish Rep: Helen Kruh
- CSPWA Rep: Marina Hayward

General Committee Members: Alissa Fazio, Linda Corlett, Rebecca Exham, Leah Rheinberger

Class Representatives

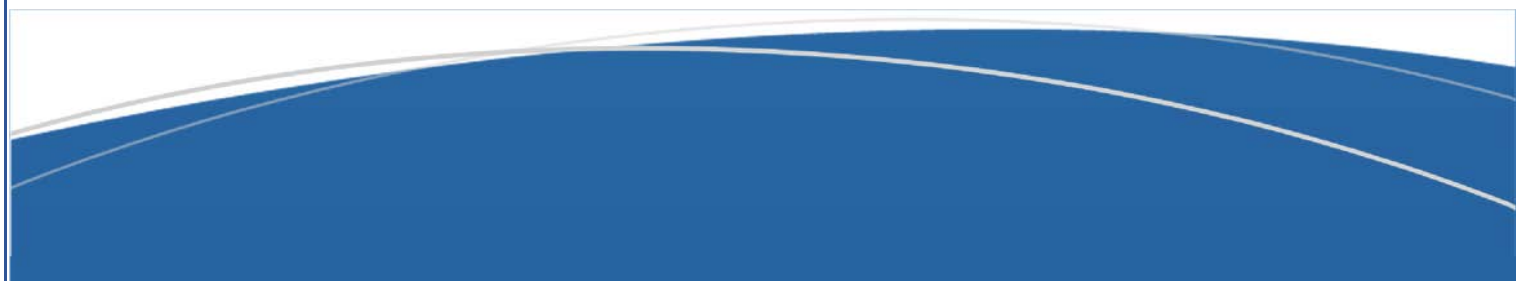
There are still a couple of classes without a class representative nomination. If you have a child in **1A, 3A, 3C** or **5C** next year are you able to be class representative? Please email Kristie Ainsworth with your name, which class, your child's name, your email address and phone number. kristie.meiers@yahoo.com

Save The Date for 2020:

- First P&F Meeting – 11th Feb at 7pm.
- Saturday 22nd February 2020 - 7pm - Parents sundowner
- Thursday 27th February 2020 - Time TBC - Guest speaker Karen Young - Australian author 'Hey Warrior' a recently published book for children to help them understand anxiety and how to be brave.
- March 2020 - Dad and Kids Camp Out - Exact date will be sent out early in Term 1 2020

We would like to wish you all a safe and Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you all again in 2020.

Louise McEntee
Vice President



Community News

What's Happening in Cockburn These Holidays:

Click on the link below for City of Cockburn Summer Holiday Activities!

<http://bit.ly/cockburnholidayactivities>

Government of Western Australia
Department of Health
Dental Health Services



DT 46


This centre will be closed
From 20.12.2019 To 3.2.2020

Emergency dental treatment is available at the
Mt Henry Dental Therapy Centre
43 Mt Henry Road, Salter Point
PHONE: 9313 0555
Between the hours of 8:15 am & 4.30 pm
Monday - Friday excluding public holidays

Emergency dental treatment is available at
PIARA WATERS 28.1.2020
PIARA WATERS 31.1.2020
INCLUSIVE

After hours emergency
The School Dental Service does not provide **after hours** emergency treatment.
In the **metropolitan area** - please contact your local private dental practitioner or if eligible, the **after hours** emergency service on 1800 098 818.
In a **country area** - please contact your local private practitioner

  **HealthyWA**
Health. Prevention. Wellbeing.


CBC
FREMANTLE

CBC Fremantle invites parents
to a special presentation by

DR ARNE RUBINSTEIN

Wednesday 29 January 2020
from 6:00pm to 7:30pm
at CBC Fremantle

Dr Arne Rubinstein is the author of *The Making of Men* and an internationally recognised expert on Rites of Passage and adolescent development. He has been running Rites of Passage programmes for teens and delivering in Australia and internationally for more than 20 years.

Arne has won multiple awards for his work, including being nominated in 2008 for Australian of the Year for his groundbreaking work with youth.

An engaging and insightful speaker, Arne will cover topics including:

- Parenting in the age of Technology,
- Thriving Teenagers,
- Rites of Passage,
- Powerful Women, and
- the Role of Good Men.

At CBC Fremantle, we embark on a shared journey with the families of the College in the development of your sons from today's boys into the gentlemen of tomorrow.

The CBC journey commences at enrolment and is carefully planned to foster a sense of belonging in our young men until they graduate and beyond.

Our Year 9 Rites of Passage programme is pivotal in the transition and supports our boys as they dare to be different and seek better ways to express themselves on their journey to manhood.

Dr Arne Rubinstein has provided invaluable vision in the delivery of this programme, and the College is delighted to be able to offer you the chance to attend an evening that could change your life.

RSVP is essential at the Events page at www.cbcfremantle.wa.edu.au.

CBC FREMANTLE | 51 ELLEN STREET, FREMANTLE 6160 | T 9336 2700



Waabiny OSHC BOOK NOW!

Our vacation care program caters for all school age children. It is fun, exciting, and provides the perfect environment for play based learning during the school holidays. The program is available to all families in the surrounding areas, and bookings are essential. To find out more information, or to make a booking, please contact Jason or Erin on the details below:

Email: info@mss.edu.au

Ph: 08 9417 1800

Montessori Stepping Stones & Waabiny OSHC are proudly supported by our community partners



MONDAY 16th Dec
Incursion - Roaming Reptiles
Hands-on educational showcase of our amazing Australian reptiles

TUESDAY 17th Dec
Make magical reindeer food while learning new cooking skills

WEDNESDAY 18th Dec
Excursion - Bike ride around the scenic Yangebup Lake

THURSDAY 19th Dec
Festive Christmas placemat making

FRIDAY 20th Dec
Craft day - Making stick Christmas trees

MONDAY 6th Jan
Incursion - Bubble Bash Soccer is exciting and develops social skills & coordination

TUESDAY 7th Jan
Arts - Painting Van Gogh sunflowers

WEDNESDAY 8th Jan
Incursion - Junior basketball sessions run by Play4Life

THURSDAY 9th Jan
Water Day - Bring your bathers & towel for some fun & research about being Water Wise!

FRIDAY 10th Jan
Excursion - Bike ride around the scenic Yangebup Lake

www.mss.edu.au



EFK STEM HOLIDAY CAMPS



Register by 7th DEC and save 5%! Code: EFK5
Additional 5% off for group buy 3+ kids or booking more than 3 programs! Contact us for discount code!!!

**NEW CENTRE
OPENING SOON!**

| December Drop off your kids & get your Christmas shopping done | | January | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| VEX IQ Robotics: Fundamental Level | Game based Coding Academy I | Jr. Robotics: Wild Animals | VEX IQ Robotics: Advanced Level | Game based Coding Academy II |
| \$375 \$356 full program | \$299 \$284 full program | \$375 \$356 full program | \$375 \$356 full program | \$375 \$356 full program |
| 7 yrs + 9:00am-4:00pm 20 th , 21 st , 22 nd , 23 rd Dec Book NOW: Full: efkids.com.au/classes/1609/ Half: efkids.com.au/classes/1611/ | 7 yrs + 9:00am-4:00pm 27 th , 30 th , 31 st Dec Book NOW: efkids.com.au/classes/1612/ efkids.com.au/classes/1613/ | 4-8 yrs 9:00am-4:00pm 6 th , 7 th , 8 th , 9 th Jan Book NOW: efkids.com.au/classes/1614/ efkids.com.au/classes/1616/ | 7 yrs + 9:00am-4:00pm 13 th , 14 th , 15 th , 16 th Jan Book NOW: efkids.com.au/classes/1617/ efkids.com.au/classes/1618/ | 7 yrs + 9:00am-4:00pm 20 th , 21 st , 22 nd , 23 rd Jan Book NOW: efkids.com.au/classes/1619/ efkids.com.au/classes/1620/ |



EFK STEM INVENTOR Centre (Cockburn)
Unit 1, 439 Yangebup Road, Cockburn Central WA6164



REGISTER NOW: <https://efkids.com.au/classes/>

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cockburn@engineeringforkids.net

Engineering For Kids Cockburn

Engineering For Kids Cockburn



1. Ask



2. Brainstorm



3. Design



4. Build



5. Test



6. Improve