

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Volume 36



7th December 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers



SCHOOL MANTRA 2018

"Be a voice, not an echo"

Sunday Gospel (2nd Sunday of Advent)

This Sunday we begin the second week of Advent and we light the second candle, the candle of peace. We light it knowing full well that peace is elusive and that in some parts of the world, it is almost completely absent. Yet, in this season of Advent, we trust that God is never absent from us. God is always preparing something new. God is present, gently leading us to new possibilities.

*Loving God, in this time of preparation and planning,
We thank you for the hope and peace you unfailingly offer us.
Show us the creative power of hope.
Teach us the peace that comes from justice.
Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you,
That we may walk in the light of Christ.
Amen*



Year Six Graduation

Yesterday, we gave thanks for our Year Six students and their families as their time at Mater Christi comes to an end. Fr Joe really unpacked the Gospel for us and made it so real for all present. It was quite emotional for parents when the time came for everyone to sing the Irish blessing song to the Graduates.



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The Mass was followed by the Presentation of Awards and this year we extended the number of Awards to reflect the whole curriculum at our school. The Award recipients were:



Academic Award

Hannah Chamberlain

Sportsmanship Award

Chloe Cowan

Alisha Wardle

Zachariah Zammit

Arts Award

Tayla Rijaveec

Science Award

Beau Day

MacKillop Award

Hannah Toh

Endeavour Award

Hannah Sheehy



To conclude the Graduation celebration everyone enjoyed a lovely morning in the wonderfully decorated Community Centre where we acknowledged the students, then followed with some ballroom dancing. The Mums and Dads enjoyed all the dances too. It was truly a wonderful celebration of graduating from Mater Christi. All credit to our Year Six Staff, Mr Hofmeester, the Year Six Graduating Committee and the Year Five parents who came to serve for a remarkable Graduation.

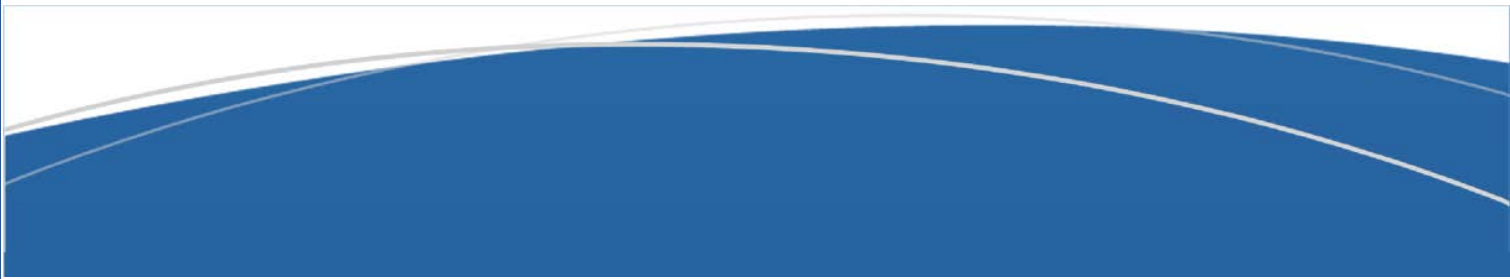
There will be some lawn revitalisation work happening on the oval next week. The oval will not be available during the school holidays for parking and activities.

End of Year Concert & Carols Night

A big thank you to the FABULOUS Ms Ross and Mrs Pottier for a better-than-ever night. All the children performed incredibly well before the concert began, performing all the dance moves throughout the night. The staff also got into the dance groove and of course, our talented actors 'Meghan and Harry' smashed it royally.

Thank you also to Mrs Cosnett for making sure the staff knew their moves and kept in time. All those who attended got into the Christmas spirit and this was a wonderful way to complement our end of year.

Thank You





Congratulations

Congratulations to Mr Hofmeester who this week has been appointed as one of the Assistant Principals at Yidarra Primary School, Bateman. We all wish him the very best as he continues to work in leadership and settles into his new community.

Term One Dates

Monday 4 February: Kindy A/C together with PP – Year Six commence the new school year.

Tuesday 5 February: Kindy B/D commence the school year.

Tuesday 12 February:

Parent Information Evening

Year Six (only one session) 5.15pm – 6pm

5.30pm – 6pm Session One PP – Year 5

6pm – 6.30pm Community Meeting

6.30pm – 7pm Session Two PP – Year 5

Tuesday 19 February: P&F Meeting

Saturday 23 February: Commissioning Mass of Staff, P&F and Board at 6pm.

Monday 4 March -Labour Day Public Holiday

Tuesday 5 March – 8 March Year Six Camp Week

Monday 11 March - Yrs 4-6 Swimming Carnival



On behalf of the staff of Mater Christi I would like to thank everyone for their outstanding support this year. I would especially like to thank the School Board,

P & F Executive and all the class parents for their wonderful work and effort that makes our community so special. I wish everyone a very happy, safe and peaceful Christmas and restful break and look forward to welcoming you back in 2019.

*God Bless,
Toni Kalat*

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will re-open Wednesday 30th and Thursday 31st January 2019 from 9am to 1pm.

Should you wish to place an Online Order to avoid long wait times, I will have a volunteer who will be handing these out separately to avoid having to wait in the normal queue.

You can do an Online order by visiting the school website www.mcps.wa.edu.au and choosing "Our Community" then "Uniform Shop" and following the easy prompts.

Thank you and have a wonderful Christmas.

Simone Douglas, Perm a Pleat

We say Good -Bye to the following Families

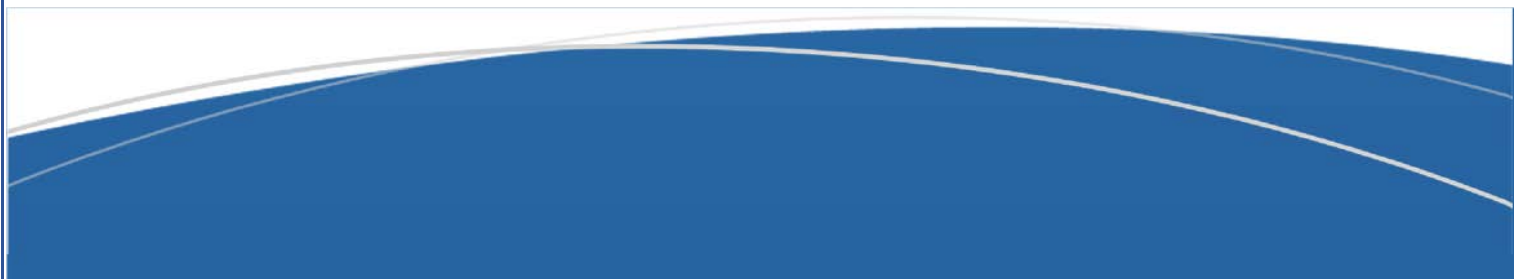
Graduating Families of Mater Christi and thank you for your time with us. Some have been with us for a long time, others a short time. All have contributed to our community and school spirit. These families farewell Mater Christi forever.

18 Years	De Freitas Family,
16 Years	Ayres Family
15 Years	Crews Family, Perez Family,
14 Years	Phillips Family, Sandon Family
13 Years	Wakeling Family, Cocksey Family, Palmela Family
11 Years	Barraclough Family, Philander Family, Fazzino Family,
10 Years	Fiannaca Family, Kennington Family, Ettridge Family, Nici Family, Rich Family, Cammilleri Family, Wardle Family, Battison Family, Rooney Family, Shersby Family
9 Years	Vincent – De Sousa Family, Slater Family
8 Years	Catanzaro Family, Velezmoro Family, Martin Family, Cheong Family, Siljeg Family
7 Years	Bacic Family, Jones Family, Chamberlain Family, Rijavec Family
6 Years	Tan Family,
5 Years	Toh Family, McKenzie Family, Liew Family, Artemis Family
4 Years	Elliott Family, Clothier Family, Sauzier Family
3 Years	Khan Family, Law Family, Daniel Family, Casey Family, Finucane Family
2 Years	Dhal Family,
1 Year	Cowan family, Peterson Family, Joseph Family, Sicuso Family

Children’s Nativity Christmas Eve Mass

Calling all children!! We will be having rehearsal for the Christmas Eve Nativity on Friday 21st December at 9.30am. Please meet us in the Community Hall. The Nativity will be during the Gospel at the 6pm Mass on Christmas Eve at Mater Christi Church. We would like to see children of ALL ages come and be part of this special play. If you would like to be part of the Nativity but can't make it to rehearsal please email me on tina.n.stevens@gmail.com and I will put your name down to participate.

Thanks, Tina Stevens and Louise McEntee



THANK YOU MATER CHRISTI!

Another year done and dusted!!

We would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to everyone for attending the 2018 End of Year Christmas Concert. It was a great night and the kids looked outstanding! It was lovely to see the Mater Christi community come together and celebrate another wonderful school year.

Thank you to the fantastic Concert Committee of Education Assistants and Teachers who made all the fabulous props and costumes. Thank you to the students who danced and sung their little hearts out to every song. You are the reason why we do what we do! Thank you to our team of actors, backstage crew, dancers and singers who blew everyone away with their magnificent talent.

Thank you to Craig from Adasound, Mr Yusof for preparing our Guitar Ensemble and Mrs Cosnett for choreographing the staff dance. Lastly, we would like to thank all the staff and parents for their support over the last couple of weeks preparing for the big day.

We are truly blessed to have such an amazing school community and we are grateful that we get to be a part of it.

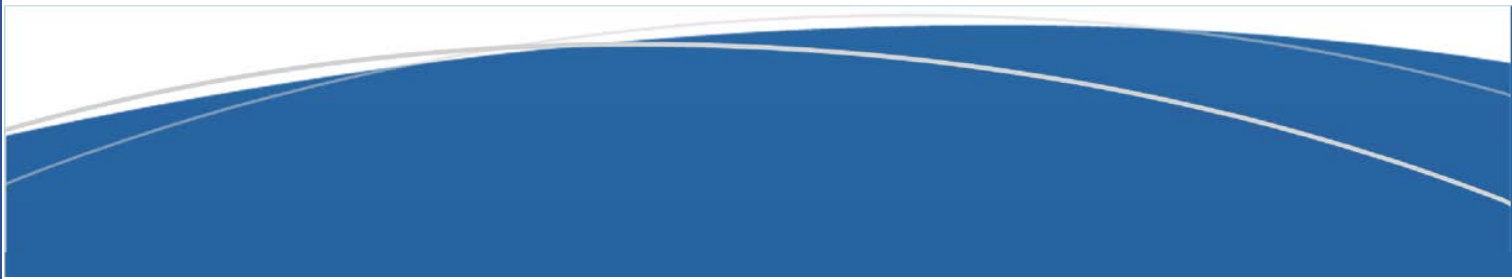
We look forward to doing it all again next year!

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

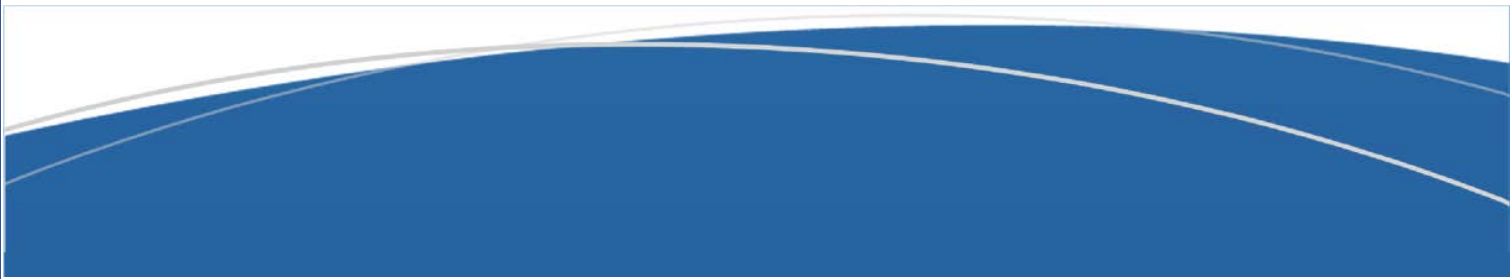
Love to you all!!

Ms Ross & Mrs Pottier

Music & Drama Specialists

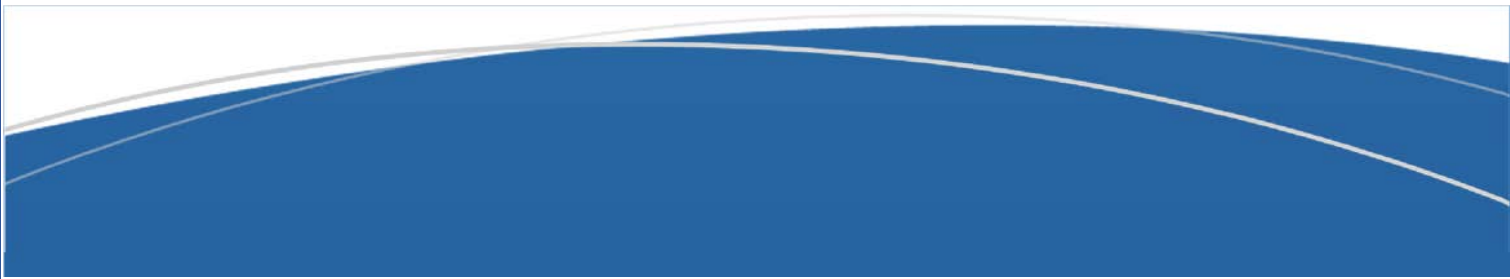


School News





Staff v Students Netball Game





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Instrumental Program 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are now taking enrolments for the Instrumental Program for 2019.

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 2019, please complete the **Instrumental Program Tuition Agreement** and return it to school by **Friday 8th February 2019**.

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 2019.

Lessons will begin in Week 2/3, Term 1 2019. Students will be notified of their lesson day prior to the commencement of lessons.

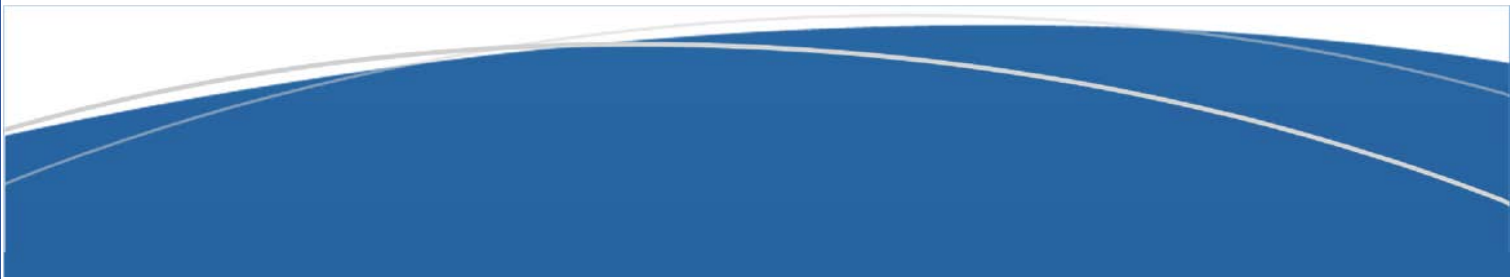
We look forward to working with you and your child.

Kind Regards

Ms Alison Clunies-Ross

Music Specialist

Instrumental Program & Performing Arts Co-ordinator





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Instrumental Program 2019 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 **Vocal or Piano**.

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

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

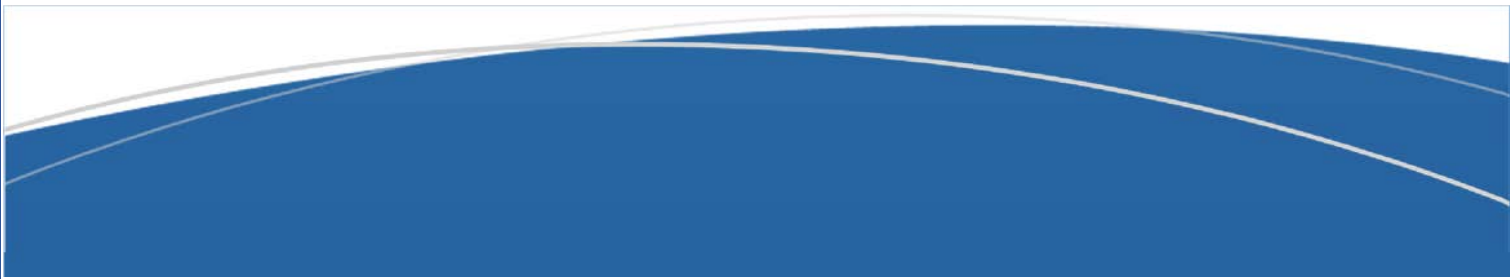
Tutors will specify books that are used for students to learn and practise from. It is the responsibility of the Parent/Guardian to purchase these books as soon as possible. Tutors are aware of costs, and try to keep requests at a minimum.

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

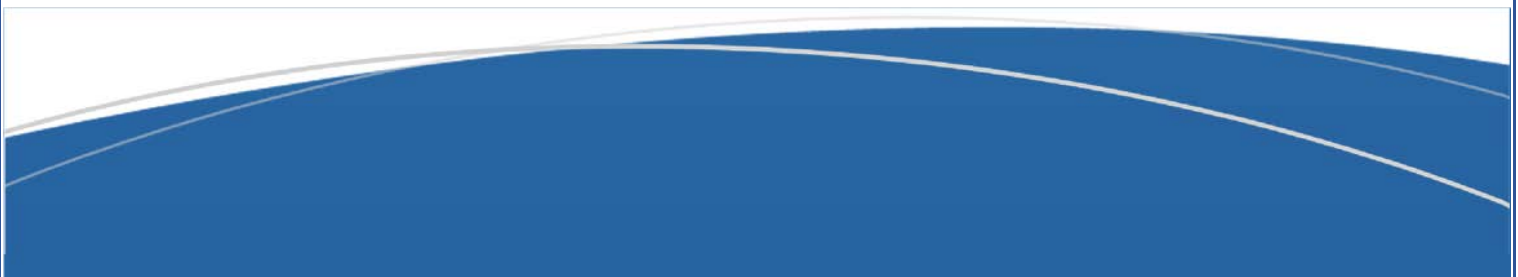
If instrument hire is required, this is to be arranged directly with a hire company. The school does not hire instruments.



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.
- Students will be charged for missed lessons due to illness. As a matter of 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 a 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 5 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 2019



STUDENT NAME: _____ CLASS IN 2019: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME PH: _____ MOBILE: _____

EMAIL: _____

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 vocal & 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/GUARDIAN NAME: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE : _____ DATE: _____

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

School Banking

URGENT - School Banking Helpers Required!

Calling for volunteers – we need your help!

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!



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: _____

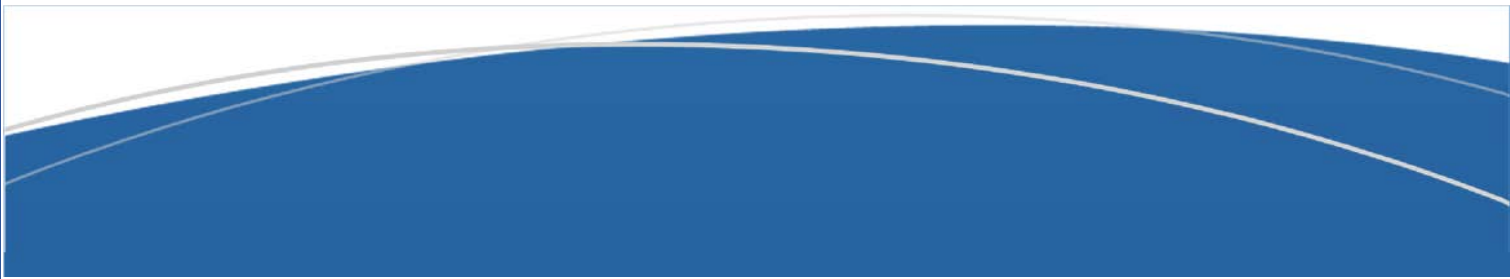
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If your child would like to be involved in the school banking program, more information can be found here: <https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html>



Thank you

Thank you to Vanessa Ettridge (Nicolas, 6C) who has finished her last week as a banking coordinator at Mater Christi. The banking team will miss you and we are so grateful for the many hours help you have provided.



P&F News

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your support and participation in the events which the P&F have run throughout 2018. From the Sundowner in Term 1 to the Afternoon on the Green in Term 4, we have very successful events throughout the year, with fantastic attendance from Mater Christi families. These events require ongoing assistance from the parents within the community to continue to run - can you help in 2019? At the AGM we welcomed some new and old faces to the P&F Committee for 2018. All parents are encouraged to contribute to the P&F where possible, by doing "*just one thing*" for your children's school community in 2019.

I hope all families can take a moment to enjoy a fun and fabulous summer break, whether you get a holiday or just a few days together at Christmas.

Stay safe and have fun,

Michelle Hall

P&F President

P&F Committee 2019

President: Michelle Hall

Vice President: Louise McEntee

Treasurer: Rebecca Exham

Secretary: Leah Rheinberger

P&F Rep to the School Board: Leonie Jones

Class Rep Coordinator: Deb Horton

Sunsmart Coordinator: Kate Godwin-Johnston

Parish Rep: Helen Kruh

PFFWA Rep: Marina Howard

Mater Christi Dad's/General Committee Member: Corey Gaidzionis

Newsletter and Information Coordinator *VACANT*

Save the Date 2019

P&F Meeting Tuesday 19th Feb 7pm

Welcome Sundowner Friday 22nd Feb

NaturePlay WA guest speaker Griffin Longley Tuesday 12th March 7pm

Dads and Kids Campout date to be advised.

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.



BACKYARD BLITZ COMPETITION

The Staff of Mater Christi would like to offer one lucky family the opportunity to have their front and/or backyard spruced up in April 2019 as part of our Staff Team Building Day Initiative.

The competition is extended to all members of the Mater Christi Community and their family and friends. Please submit your entry with a photo of your back or frontyard with a short spiel about yourself or someone that you feel deserves our help with a mini garden makeover and why (approx 100 words or less) to admin@mcps.wa.edu.au. The competition closes on Thursday 7th December, 2018 and the winner will be notified on Thursday 13th December, 2018. All enquiries to 9417 5756 or the above email.

* HOMEOWNERS ONLY NO RENTALS PLEASE

Please find below your list of Parent Class Representatives for 2019.

Class	Teacher	Parent Rep 2019
KINDY A	Mrs Ward	Nakita Tuffin
KINDY B	Mrs Ward	Kylie Galipo
KINDY C	Mrs Mandy Jeffrey	Lesley Pascuzzi
KINDY D	Ms Houdek	Kate Pow
PPA	Miss Gileno	Sarah Lentz
PPB	Mrs April Stewart	Michelle Pozzi
PPC	Miss Hannah Kolbusz	Jennifer Cotton
1A	Miss Megan Hardy	Jess Hicks
1B	Miss Natalie Fardella	Sarah Morris
1C	Miss Cooke	Corey Neira
2A	Mrs Mortimer	Kristie Ainsworth
2B	Miss Paino	Tanya Forzatti
2C	Mrs Cosnett	Louise Amsuss
3A	Miss McIntyre	Loretta Formato / Clare Yakas
3B	Miss Prka	Catherine Richards
3C	Mrs Hills	Mel Babich
4A	Mrs O'Donnell	Kelly Hulme
4B	Mrs Nuttall	Lucy De Aguiar
4C	Mr Magry	Karen Simons
5A	Mrs Barker/Miss McNally	Andrea Hegney
5B	Miss McMahon	Linda Miguel
5C	Mrs Sita	Rachel Millington
6A	Mr O'Reilly	Tina Stevens
6B	Miss Edmonston	Michele Cuthbert
6C	Miss Gibbs	Bev Sweetman

Community News

Holiday Soccer Program – South Zone @ St Emilie’s CPS, Canning Vale (Mon 7th – Wed 9th January 2019)

All Kindy to Year 3 children are invited to attend our Holiday Soccer Program @ St Emilie’s starting Monday 7th to Wednesday 9th January 2019 (9am – 11am).

“Ideal for Football (Soccer) players wanting to learn the Basic Skills for the World Game”
Our ‘Holiday Soccer’ program focuses on developing and improving basic soccer skills in Active, Exciting & Motivating Fun Sessions. All with Maximum Participation Activities, for children from Kindy to Year 3.

The program and activities are coordinated and run by Physical Education and/or Soccer Specialists; all with their Working with Children Checks. The cost for the holiday soccer program (all 3 days) is \$60.00 per child. Online discounts are available for children who participated in any of our After-School Programs in 2018.

If you are interested in letting your child learn and play this World Game in fun sessions and you have not yet registered, then please register online at www.play4life.com.au. If you have any queries, please call Jacob Aquino on 6162 0932.



[School Physical Activity Specialists](#)

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[Play 4 Life](#)

P.O. Box 860, Canning Bridge, Applecross WA 6153

P: (08) 6162 0932 E: play4life@optusnet.com.au

W: play4life.com.au

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 or KidsSportForLife Email: paul@kidsportforlife.com.au

XMAS PARTY COLOUR RUN

Gold Coin Donation
8th December 2018 (Saturday)
 Botany Reserve, Hammond Park
11am (race starting at 11.15am)
 Sausage Sizzle Available

SPECIAL Birthday Party Programs available! ENQUIRE NOW!

JANUARY

School Holiday Program
 Week 1: 21 Jan - 25 Jan (Mon - Fri)
 Week 2: 28 Jan - 1 Feb (Mon - Fri)
 Venue: **Success Primary School**

Year Group	Time	Cost per day
3 year olds	9am - 10.45am	\$20
4 year olds and up	9am - 12.00pm	\$39
5 year olds and up	9am - 3.00pm	\$59

★ **FREE One Day** with Four BOOKED Days
 Parents can arrange for extended pick up, contact me to enquire and enrol.

TERM 1, 2019 1 hr session Cost per class \$17

3 - 5 year olds

Day	Location	Time
Monday	Aubin Grove	9.15am
Tuesday	expression of interest	9.15am
Wednesday	Location to be confirmed	9.15am
Thursday	Hammond Park Botany Reserve	9.15am
Friday	Success Primary School	9.15am
Saturday	Success Primary School	8.30am

Kindy to Year 6 (We can collect kids from their class)

Day	Location	Time
Monday	Atwell Primary School	3.20pm
Tuesday	Harmony Primary School	2.45pm
Wednesday	Success Primary School	3.30pm
Thursday	Meller Park Bora Lake	3.30pm
Friday	Hammond Park Catholic School	3.20pm
Saturday	Success Primary School	8.30am

Coach Paul

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MON 17TH - FRI 21ST
DECEMBER - 9AM - 3PM

1-5 DAY CAMP
 DAY OPTIONS \$60

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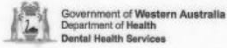
<http://bit.ly/caugarcampdec> FOR MORE INFORMATION: OPERATIONS@COCKBURNCOUGARS.COM OR 8335 9101

Community News

Click here to see The City of Cockburn's most recent community news!

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South Lake DTC | Dental Health Services



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This centre will be closed

From 21.12.2018 To 28.12.2019
INCLUSIVE

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

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Mater Christi Catholic
Primary School - Yangebup

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BOOK NOW!

Our vacation care program caters for all children from ages 4 – 12 years. 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. Further information and enrolment forms can be found on our website at www.mss.edu.au

Please direct any enquiries to 08 9417 1800, or email info@mss.edu.au



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Year 7, 2020 Academic & General Excellence
Year 10, 2020 General Excellence
2020 Music Scholarships

For further information please go to
www.iona.wa.edu.au/scholarships

Applications close
Sunday 24 February 2019

PERTH SCORCHERS HOLIDAY PROGRAM

New to cricket
and looking for
school holiday fun?

We're running school holiday programs this January for boys and girls of all abilities from 5-10 years old.

- Learn new skills through fun game-based activities
- All equipment provided
- Fun and safe environment
- Get a Woolworths Cricket Blast Pack that includes ball, drink bottle and drawstring bag

The program is 2-days (3-hours per day) and costs \$75. There's programs all across Perth so check out the one closest to you.

perthscorchers.com.au/holiday-programs

