

# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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## **SCHOOL MANTRA 2017**

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

Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Dear Parents and Caregivers

### **Welcome back to Term 4**



I hope that the holiday period was enjoyable and that you were able to spend some quality with your children. Thank you for making alternative arrangements for your children on Monday. The staff had a productive day analysing our NAPLAN and assessment data to identify the areas our children are gaining success in and any concepts that require focusing on, in 2018. These concepts will form part of our Annual School Improvement Plan.

The children gain a strong sense of belonging and a sense of pride when they wear our **school uniform** correctly. Thank you for ensuring your children are dressed correctly each day - don't forget that correct school shoes and joggers form part of the school uniform requirements.



There are just 14 more sleeps until the **P&F Afternoon on the Green**. The committee is working feverishly to create a very special community event. It is wonderful when people are able to contribute their time and energy to any P&F event. Please read the section from the committee in the Newsletter and see how you can help out. Thank you for your contribution and support.

### **Uniform Shop Coordinator**

Thank you so much to Illonka Heinzle for how she has gone about her role as Uniform Shop Coordinator. The excellent service, care and commitment has been greatly appreciated by all our parents. Illonka finishes her time in this role and has successfully inducted Simone Douglas as our new Coordinator. Beginning next week. Simone will continue the excellent service provided to our community and I know that everyone will thank Illonka whenever you see her around the school and welcome Simone.



## **DATES FOR NEXT WEEK (WK 2)**

Monday October 16	3A Parish Mass Yr 6 Graduation Photo 9am
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Tuesday October 17	3B Parish Mass
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Wednesday October 18	Yr 6 Dance Practice
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Thursday October 19	6C Parish Mass
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Friday October 20	Mini Marathon PP-Yr 6
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Saturday October 21	9am Reconciliation Week 1
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Sunday October 22	
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## Kindergarten 2019

This week and during the next two weeks I am interviewing for Kindy 2019. The little cherubs are a delight. I am most impressed with how they all pack the toys back into the toy box at the end of the interview ready to visit the Kindy classes and see the playground areas.



## Traffic



A reminder that school is a high traffic area. I ask that parents are aware of the speed limit around and within the school carpark. Please do not park in the disabled spaces unless you have an ACROD sticker and remember to reverse park into the bay. Our main concern is the safety of our students.

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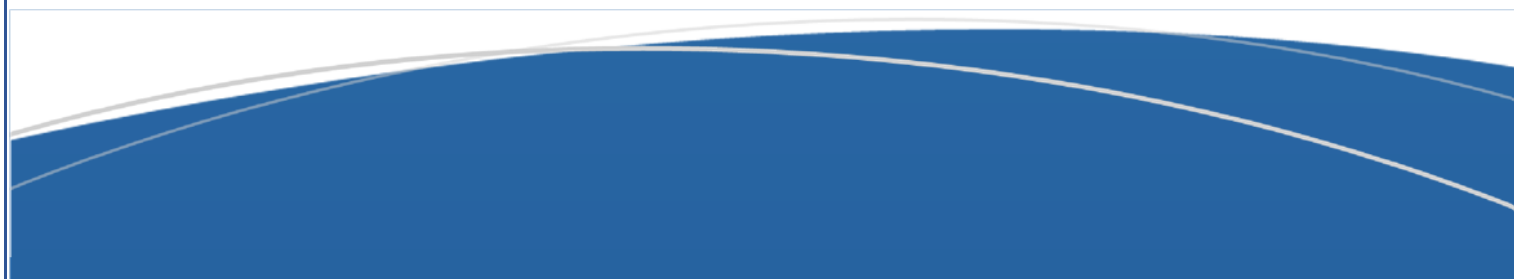


This week the Mater Christi Community warmly welcomes

Tayte Ziegeler 1C  
Annika Upadhyay PPB  
Mikayla Johnson 2A  
Ronan Johnson 5A

Alissa Forward 2A  
Michael Bridle PPB  
Sarah Bridle 2B

*God Bless. Toni Kalat*



## Religious Education

### A Prayer for our Reconciliation Candidates

Loving God, help us to teach our children that you love us totally and unconditionally. Help us to encourage our children to grow in love and to learn how to say sorry, knowing that you always forgive. Give us the courage to pray with our children and to share our faith with them as we journey together. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



### Sacrament of Penance – Rite of Reconciliation



On Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> October, 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> November the children in Year Three will be receiving the Sacrament of Penance – Rite of Reconciliation - for the first time. The children have been preparing to receive this Sacrament for many weeks and I would like to thank the classroom teachers Miss McIntyre, Mr Magry and Mrs O'Donnell for all their efforts. I ask the school community to keep the Year Three students, their families and their teachers in your prayers.

## Parish

### Sacramental Program

#### **Reconciliation**

All students receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation should have made an online booking for one of the following dates:

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

All sessions are between 9-10:30am.

Please keep the students, their families and those preparing them in your prayers.



## School News

### Interschool Athletics Training

Interschool Athletics training has commenced.

#### **Relay Times have been amended.**

Below are the details.

Any Year 3-6 student who placed third or fourth in a throwing or jumping event is welcome to come to training so they are ready in case of an injury or sickness. Love to see you there!

DAY	MORNING (8:00 – 8:30am)	LUNCH (12:40 – 12:55pm)	1:15 – 1:30pm	1:30 – 1:45pm
Monday	Throws/Jumps/Running	Leaderball		
Tuesday		Leaderball		
Wednesday	Throws/Jumps/Running		Relays – Yr 5/6	Relays – Yr 3/4

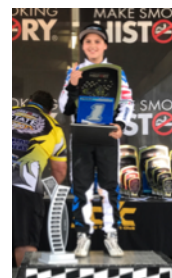
### Athletics Record Breakers

After a huge term of Athletics, we had some students who absolutely blitzed their events and smashed some Mater Christi Records. Here they are:

Student	Year	Event	New Record
Olivia McCay	3B	Turbo Jav	14.18m
Olivia McCay	3B	400m	1:22.23
Olivia McCay	3B	200m	35:59
James Artemis	3C	200m	33:60
Koby Arnold	4B	Shot Put	7.20m
Kuleng Forgol	6A	100m	14:35
Orlando Middleton	3C	400m	1:18.34
Korey Sweetman	4C	Long Jump	3.43m
Nicholas Wilkin	3A	Long Jump	3.45m



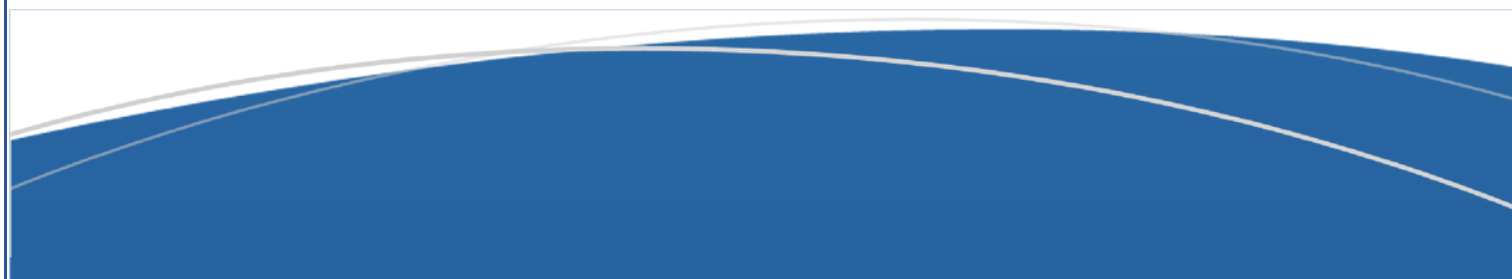
Last weekend, Luca Nici competed in the biggest race meet in WA, the WA State Karting Championship in Albany against 26 of the best drivers in the state. We are very proud to report that Luca is the 2017 WA State Champion. Luca is currently in Queensland competing in an International event. Good luck Luca.



Paige, Julian and Grace (PPA) Blunt welcomed Ava into their family on 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

Ben, Meggie, Kane (4B) and Lucas (2A) Lamothe welcomed Brooklyn into their family on 28<sup>th</sup> September.

No joys on Earth  
★ bring greater Pleasure  
★ ★ ★ than a little Girl  
to Love and Treasure



## Mini-Marathon

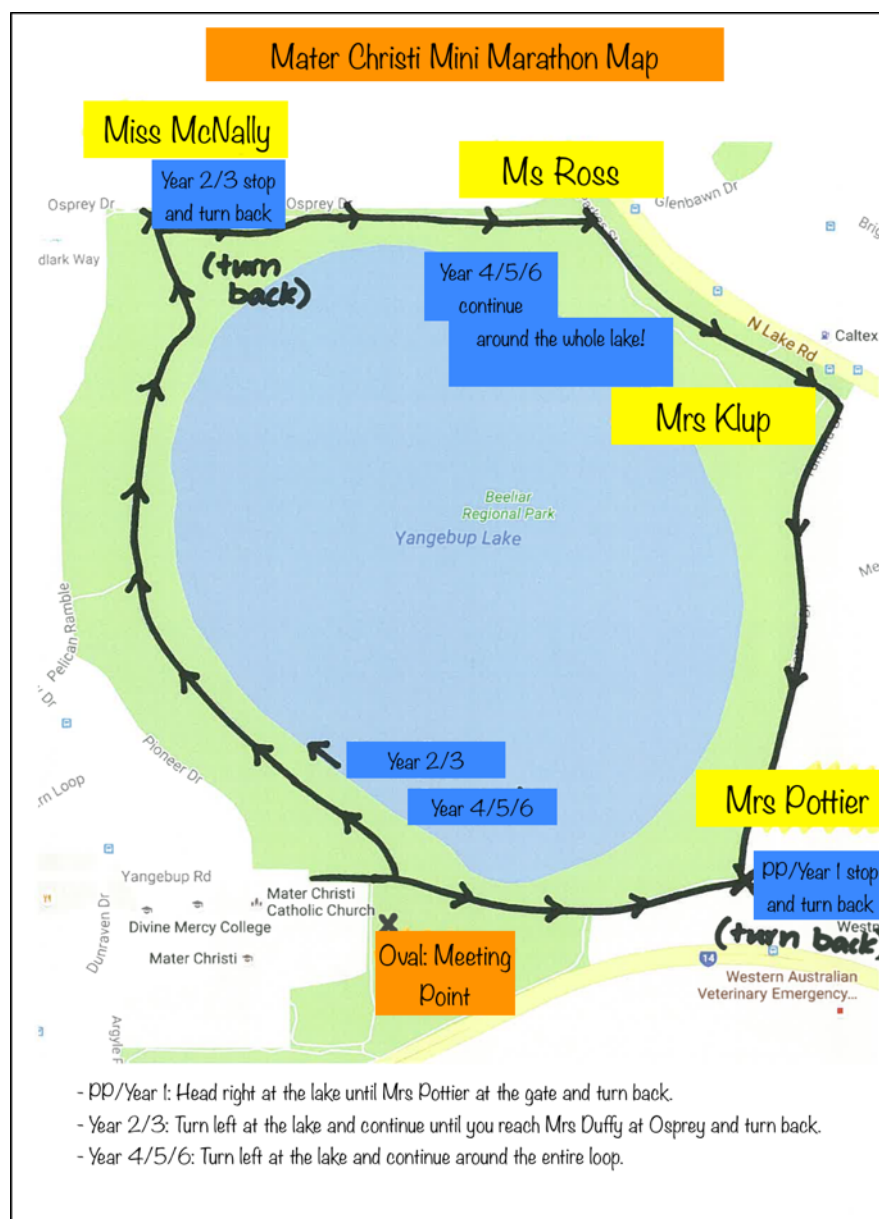
This Friday we will be hosting our annual Mini-Marathon where the children will walk around all, or part of Lake Yangebup. Parents are warmly invited to join us and help with supervision on this walk. Please ensure students are wearing their sports uniform, have applied sunscreen prior to the walk, and are equipped with a full water bottle and hat.

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

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

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

We look forward to seeing many of you for a great walk!







# **BOOK FAIR**

**Wednesday 25 -27 October and Monday 30  
October**

**Before school: 8:00-9:30am**

**After School: 2.30-3.30pm**

(The sale will be closed on Friday afternoon due to the 'Afternoon on the Green')

**Picture Books, Novels, Activity Books, Fiction, Non-Fiction and more!!!**

**Eftpos and cash will be accepted on site.**

**'My Wish List' forms are available for parents that can't make the book fair. Children will be able to view books on sale during their library time. They can fill out their 'Wish list' form to bring home and discuss. Credit Card payments can be made online and then children can bring in the receipt number to collect their purchase.**

***Issue 7 of Book Club will not be handed out to classes as the dates coincide with our Book Fair. If you would still like to order from the issue please come and collect a brochure from Mrs Gowland in the Library. Online orders will be closed on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.***

**Book Fairs are rewarding for our students and our School. It is a great way to celebrate reading and earn valuable resources for our school through the rewards earned from sales.**

The Scholastic logo, consisting of a red rectangular box containing a white book icon and the word 'SCHOLASTIC' in white capital letters.



## P & F News

### An Afternoon on the Green

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

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

### Jar Raffle for Afternoon on the Green

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

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

The list goes on...!

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



### ENTERTAINMENT BOOK REMINDER

If you have not returned your entertainment book or payment, please do so as soon as possible.

## Class Rep Events

### Year 2

#### High Tea

19<sup>th</sup> November 3pm-5pm

Café at Hyatt

RVSP - ASAP to Class Rep

50% deposit by 31<sup>st</sup> October



### Year 4

#### High Tea

19<sup>th</sup> November 3pm-5pm

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### WA BEACH CLEAN UP

- Saturday 14 October, 9am–2.30pm
- C Y O'Connor Beach—Car park off McTaggart Cove, North Coogee

**What to bring:** Hat, drink bottle and lunch. Please wear long sleeves, long thick pants and enclosed shoes

**Provided on the day:** Morning tea, gloves, high-visibility vests, litter grabbers, rubbish bags, sunscreen and water.

**Register:** <http://tinyurl.com/yahj7szc>  
Or phone 08 9335 2777



### 'The Grand Collective'

Elderly people who would like contact with younger people

Meeting with

Young families who would like to introduce their children to seniors

### *We are seeking volunteer families*

Meet for a few hours each month, one day over the weekend, to interact in a safe and supervised social setting.

First session late October

#### Contacts

Melville Cares: [info@melvillecares.com.au](mailto:info@melvillecares.com.au)  
9319 0900 Volunteer Coordinator Avril or Operations Manager El

Cockburn Community Care: [communitycare@cockburn.wa.gov.au](mailto:communitycare@cockburn.wa.gov.au)  
9411 3780 Deb Social Club Coordinator

An intergenerational initiative of Melville Cares and Cockburn Community Care



# Road Safety around Schools



## Children are vulnerable in traffic:

- They are not all road safety educated like adults.
- They are small, fragile and hard to see between cars.
- They have difficulty in judging speed and distance.
- Their peripheral vision is still developing.
- Their injuries tend to be more severe because of their small size.
- They are easily distracted and can move out into danger without warning.

## We all have a duty of care.

Parents are the key training providers of road safety education for young children and are responsible for teaching them road safety skills and knowledge especially around schools.

**How you behave in road safety is the way your child will learn. Please lead by example.**

## What can you do to keep your children safe?

- Allow yourself sufficient time to drop off / pick up your child. Avoid a last minute rush.
- Whenever possible, park a street or two away and walk your child to school.
- Start road safety awareness early – establish road safety practices and routines at a young age.
- Consider walking or cycling to and from school where possible. Walking to school has many benefits such as helping students to concentrate at school, lessens traffic congestion which means less noise and air pollution. By walking you are helping yourself and the broader environment.
- When out walking, practise the “Stop, Look, Listen and Think” rule every time you cross the road.
- Demonstrate and explain what your children need to look and listen for in traffic. Then have them demonstrate back to you.
- Children aged up to 10 years should always be supervised near traffic.
- If you must drive into the school zone, always drop off and pick up your children on the school side of the road making sure they use the footpath-side door.



**All motorists and parents are reminded to slow down around schools and keep to the 40km/h speed limit when travelling through a school zone.**



## Why restrict parking around schools?

School zone parking restrictions are designed to help all road users **maintain safe lines of vision in busy road environments.**

The restrictions are **fair** because they allow a **turnover of vehicles** where parking space is limited.

Vehicles parked contrary to signs create a serious hazard for young children by reducing their view of approaching traffic.

## Drivers should be familiar with the following street signs, commonly located around schools.



**NO PARKING** signs allow drivers to park for up to two minutes. The driver must stay within three metres of the parked vehicle.

The two minutes/three metres rule allows drivers to park briefly when dropping off or picking up older children. If you need to walk younger children into school, leaving your vehicle unattended, **you must park legally elsewhere.**



**BUS ZONE OR BUS STOP** zones must be kept clear at all indicated times. It is illegal to stop or park in or near a bus zone or bus stop unless you are driving a bus.

**NO STOPPING** zones must be kept clear at all indicated times. Signs are installed at locations such as intersections, pedestrian crossings and school zones to allow critical lines of vision for both pedestrians and drivers.



**A no stopping sign or yellow line means absolutely no stopping.**

Where you see a continuous yellow line or a no stopping sign you are not permitted to stop or park in these zones at any time. Even if you are only stopping to let someone out of the car, and regardless of whether you leave the engine running and stay in the car.



**PLEASE HELP US TO HELP YOU  
KEEP YOUR CHILDREN SAFE.**

*For further information you can contact  
the City's Rangers on 08 9411 3444 or email  
[rangercustomerservice@cockburn.wa.gov.au](mailto:rangercustomerservice@cockburn.wa.gov.au)*

## General Parking offences

**Did you know you can be fined \$100 for any of the following offences:**

- Stopping or parking on a footpath or verge
- Stopping on or across a driveway or right of way
- Disobeying a no parking or no stopping sign
- Stopping at or near a bus zone or bus stop
- Double parking
- Stopping or parking on or adjacent to a median strip
- Stopping or parking on part of a carriage way marked with a continuous yellow line
- Obstructing a carriageway
- Parking against the flow of traffic

All Local Government Rangers are authorised to issue infringements. This can be done at the time of the offence occurring or soon after, with advice then being posted to the vehicle owner.