

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

I recently came across the reflection below and so I share it with you. I believe it has a powerful message.

Love is something that you do

A 43-year-old woman was reflecting on the importance of her relationship with her mother in establishing self-image. She vividly remembered when she was five while playing with her toys in the living-room – a place she had been cautioned about because her mother had placed there a large and beautiful vase, it was a family heirloom.

As she was playing she bumped the stand the vase sat on. It shook and the vase tumbled to the wooden floor with a very loud crash and broke into many pieces. The child was very frightened and cried out – not only out of her fear but because she knew the importance of the vase to her mother.

When she screamed her mother ran into the room, saw what had happened and immediately hugged the child. Her mother soothed her and the first words were: "I am so glad you are all right. When you screamed I was afraid you were hurt." Now at the age of 43, looking back on that story, the woman who is now herself a mother said: "I learned that day that I was the family treasure."



We Are God's Family Treasures



Many of us grew up in families where parents showed each of us were treasured beyond words, that each of us is a family treasure. People outside the family also showed us that unconditional, seeking, accepting, grace-filled love. And that is the way it should be. That is part of our role as Christ's community – to show that love for each person.

In our families we learn these truths: You are loved, you are cherished, you are a treasure, you are meant for great things, you are a child of God. As a child of God, we have an incredible inheritance. God wants to give us that inheritance. God has great hopes and dreams in store for us. How privileged we are!

DATES FOR NEXT WEEK (WK 6)

Monday
November 13

5A Parish Mass

Tuesday
November 14

PPC Parish Mass
2018 Kindergarten
Info Night (MCCC)

Wednesday
November 15

Yr 6 Dance practice
School Disco
PP-Yr3 (5.30-6.30pm)
Yr 4-6 (7.00-8.30pm)

Thursday
November 16

1A/1C Parish Mass

Friday
November 17

9am Assembly (2018
Student Leaders, Sofia
Scholarship, Merit
Awards)

Saturday
November 18

Sunday
November 19

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Kindergarten 2018 Information Evening

Next Tuesday 14 November we will welcome our newest parent members of our school community at the Kindy Information Evening held in the Mater Christi Community Centre at 6pm.

The parents and carers will hear from a number of staff about what happens at Mater Christi and how they can assist their children with being prepared for school. On Monday 4 December, we will welcome the new little people for next year's Kindy classes. These children will be our Year 6 Class of 2025!



Final Assembly – 2018 Student Leaders and Sofia Memorial

Everyone is invited to our final assembly on Friday 17 November at 9am in the Mater Christi Community Centre where we will acknowledge the current Leadership group and introduce the 2018 Leadership Team and the Sofia Memorial Scholarship recipient.

Year Six Graduation

On Thursday 7 December, we will begin the Year Six Graduation with a Thanksgiving Mass at 9am followed by presentations, Morning Tea and Dance. Extended families and siblings are very welcome to attend the Mass. The events in the Community Centre are for parents only as we have limited space and are only able to cater for the parents and Year Six students. I am aware of having blended families in Year Six. This has been organised with the Year Six teachers. I am also aware that sometimes a grandparent comes in place of a parent that is unable to attend. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this situation.

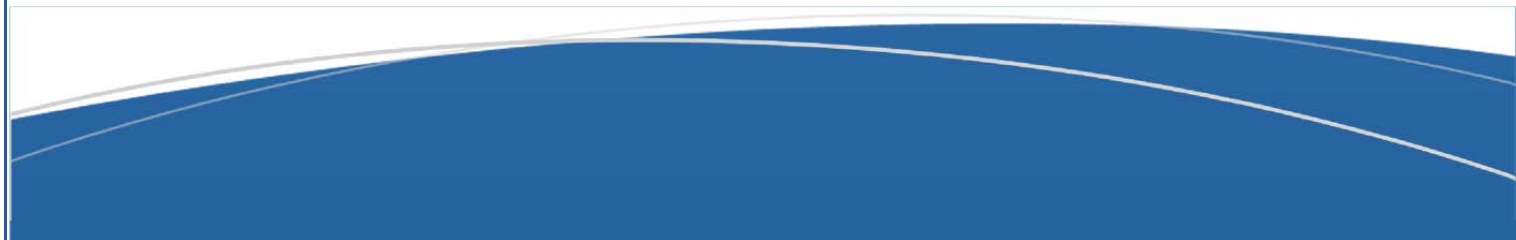
Sr Emmanuel

We have been waiting knowing that one day, Sr Emmanuel will be retiring from Mater Christi. Sadly, that time is upon us now. Sr Emmanuel will finish at the end of this year after 27 years of service at Mater Christi Catholic Primary School. Although we will say thank you to Sister Em it is not goodbye, as she will be just across the car park in the Parish and will regularly walk across to join us for a cuppa. I have already booked her to come and help out in the Office on the first two days of 2018.

Save the following date so that you can come and join us in our final School Mass on Friday 1 December at 9am where we will give thanks for Sr Em, Mrs Dunsire and those staff leaving Mater Christi at the end of this year. There will be lots of tissue boxes on hand.



God Bless. Toni Kalat



Religious Education

Reconciliation

Congratulations to all our students that have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation over the past three weekends, and those who will be receiving it on Saturday.



The Sacrament of Reconciliation is God's gift to us. In the story of the Prodigal Son, Jesus tries to tell us that God is simply waiting for us to "come home." In the story, the father is not only waiting, he is out by the road longing for the wayward son to return. And when the son begins to give his practiced speech of repentance, the father interrupts him and shouts orders to begin the celebration. Jesus is telling us that this is how God feels about our Reconciliation. It isn't about us having to shame ourselves or face being scolded. It is all about letting ourselves receive the merciful and healing love and peace that only God's love can give us.

Christmas Food Appeal

Each class has been allocated a family in need within our community, who they are responsible for making a special Christmas hamper. Within class the children will begin discussing the important items their allocated family will require this Christmas and each child is responsible for bringing in one non-perishable item. **If you would like to contribute more than your item, please do so.** The children will then put together the Christmas hamper for their assigned family.



We thank you for supporting this wonderful cause. All hampers will be collected to give to St Vincent de Paul for delivery by **Friday, 1st December (Week 8).**

Grandparents Lunch

Thank you to all the Grandparents who were able to join their grandchildren for lunch today. It was such a wonderful afternoon and it was great to see so many happy families.



Parish

Sacrament of Penance – Rite of Reconciliation

This weekend we have our final group of students receiving the Sacrament of Penance. Please keep the children receiving this Sacrament in your prayers at this special time.



Dates	Times
Saturday, 11 th November	9-10:30am

Reconciliation Certificates

Children receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation can collect their certificate in the Church foyer prior to the commencement of Mass over the weekend – Sat @ 6pm, Sun @ 8am, 10am & 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.

P & F AGM

Wednesday 22nd November at 7pm, Mater Christi Community Centre

Our P & F thrives on the support from our School community. The P & F Executive, Committee Members and Classroom representative positions become vacant at the end of each year.

We hope to fill all positions on the evening of the AGM. Please consider nominating to support the P & F and School Community.

Nominations are acknowledged at the AGM. If more than one candidate is put forward for any position, an election will take place.

More information about the P & F roles is available from the P & F Secretary – pandf@mcps.wa.edu.au

If you would like to nominate for a position please complete the form below and return it to the office by Friday 17th November.

Thank you very much for your continued support

Teresa lawson
P & F President

MATER CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL 2018

P&F ASSOCIATION

Nomination Form

I wish to nominate for election to the P&F Association Committee

Name: _____

Mob: _____

Signature: _____

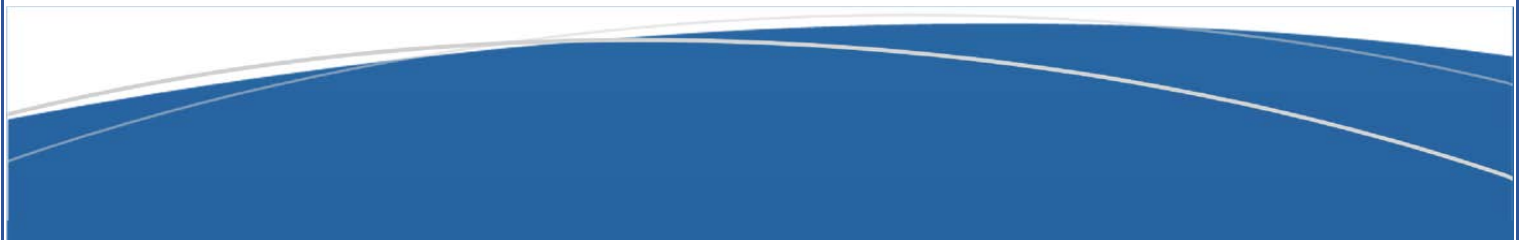
Position Nominating For:

<input type="checkbox"/> President	<input type="checkbox"/> Vice President
<input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/> Secretary
<input type="checkbox"/> P&F Board Rep	<input type="checkbox"/> Class Rep Coordinator
<input type="checkbox"/> Parish Rep	<input type="checkbox"/> PFFWA Rep
<input type="checkbox"/> Sunsmart Rep	<input type="checkbox"/> Food Coordinator
<input type="checkbox"/> News & Information Coordinator	
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Appreciation Officer	
<input type="checkbox"/> General Committee Member	

Reason for nomination: _____

Seconded by: _____ Signature _____

Please return to school office by 3pm Friday 17th November 2017



School AGM

On Wednesday 22nd November, we will hold our annual School Board and P & F AGM at 7pm in the Mater Christi Community Centre.

During the AGM we will share highlights from the year, hear from our School Architects the progress with our Masterplan and be able to meet some of the new teaching staff.

This year we farewell three Board Members and will look to induct two new Board Members for 2018.

Please consider nominating for the School Board where you work alongside other Board Members in an advisory capacity to the Principal and the School Executive.

Those nominating for the Board will need to speak at the AGM to share a little about themselves and how they are able to support the School and work with the other Members of the Board.

If more than two candidates are put forward for any position, a vote will take place.

Following is the Criteria for Board Membership

Criteria for Board Membership

As per the Catholic School Board Constitution the following are criteria for Board membership:

- a) Possession of special skills that will be an asset to the Board;
- b) A deep interest in the welfare of all students and staff;
- c) A desire to give service to the Catholic School Community;
- d) A keenness to promote Catholic schooling;
- e) An ability to work cooperatively and constructively with all other members of the Board; and
- f) A sufficiency of time to devote to Board duties.

The Board meets on the third Tuesday of the Month at 7pm.

MATER CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY 2017 SCHOOL BOARD

Nomination Form

I wish to nominate for election to the School Board

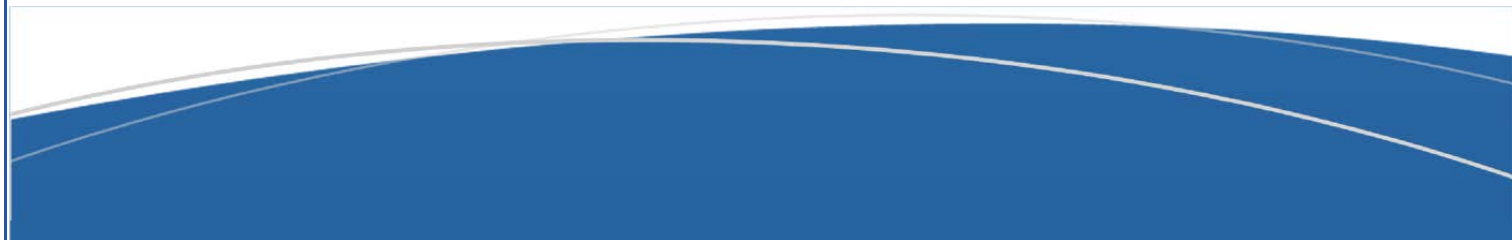
Name _____

Tel: _____ Mob: _____

Signature: _____

Reason for Nomination: _____

**Please return to school office by 3pm
Wednesday 15th November, 2017**



MERIT AWARDS for November 17

Congratulations!

PPA	Abigail Siah, Amaliya Manning
PPB	Alexander Madriaga, Michael Bridle
PPC	Orlando Ponce, Sienna Lorenzo
1A	Nathan DeSousa, Jennifer Yang
1B	Connor Cox, Sienna Jamieson
1C	Tim Li, Thomas Boatwright
2A	Ava Collison, Alissa Forward
2B	Xandar Novelli, Sarah Bridle
2C	Jacinta Lawrence
3A	Samuel Hopkins, Olivia Babich
3B	
3C	
4A	Dylan Ierino, Jayella Goncalves
4B	Mason Bull
4C	Jayden Dzapata
5A	Aron Doria, Allowyn Riseley
5B	Ava Daniel, Liam McAleer
5C	Isaac Liew, Evander Siljeg
6A	Kuleng Forgol, Thomas Weeks
6B	Zac Hampel, Jack Hunter
6C	Isaiah Sapienza, Liam Haskins

Mini Marathon

A big thank you to those families who have already collected and handed in their Mini Marathon sponsorship money to the front office. Whilst we are very grateful to the community for the \$6,500 we have already raised, this is a fair way off the \$10,300 collected last year. A reminder that every dollar counts in making our 2018 graduates final year one that is filled with wonderful opportunities and special memories.

Thank you



MATER CHRISTI SCHOOL DISCO!

Wednesday 15th November

JUNIOR: 5:30-6:30PM

SENIOR: 7:00-8:30PM



In the MCCC

*Cost: \$2 per person or
\$5 per family!*

Uniform Shop Notice

The Uniform shop will be open on Tuesday 5th December, INSTEAD of Wednesday 6th December.

Any orders received Online will still be processed and delivered to classes on the Wednesday morning. Anything received after those dates will be processed when the Uniform shop re-opens in the new school year. **The Uniform shop will be open on 29th and 30th January 2018 from 9am to 1pm prior to school going back on the 31st January.**

Many thanks for your understanding

Simone Douglas
Perm-a-Pleat
Uniform Shop Manager



Congratulations

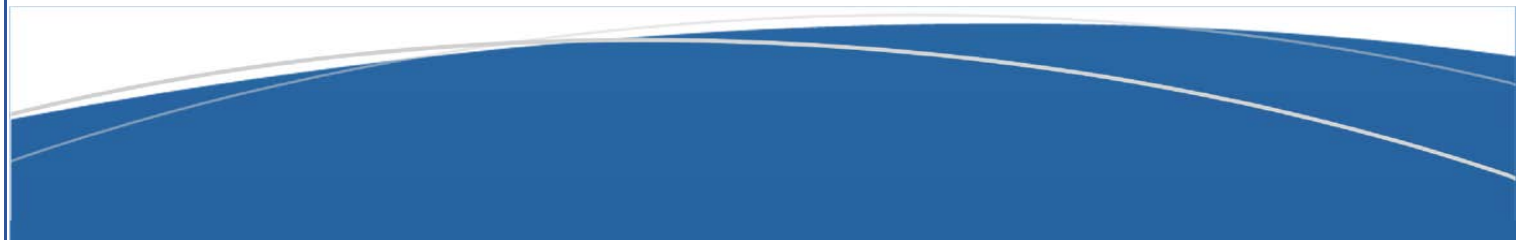
Lakeside Lightning recently conducted trials for entry into the State Championships to be held over 3 weekends in November and December 2017. With over 300 children trying out for places in 4 age groups, 8 children from Mater Christi competed. All 8 have made teams for Lakeside Lightning State Championships!

U11 Girls ~ Isabelle Swann, Ayvah Rioli, Charlotte Swann, Emily Swann
U11 Boys ~ Kieran Treasure
U13 Girls ~ Grace Swann
U13 Boys ~ Braydon Treasure, Jonah Palelei



We would also like to acknowledge those players who are also trialing for State Champs from other local clubs such as Cockburn, Willetton and Kalamunda.

Congratulations also to 2 of our graduating students Grace and Braydon who have been selected into the basketball program at Darling Range Sports College under esteemed Wildcats coach Alan Black.



Class Rep Events

Year 2's

High Tea

19th November 3pm-5pm
Café at Hyatt
RVSP - ASAP to Class Rep
50% deposit by 31st October



Year 4's

High Tea

19th November 3pm-5pm
Café at Hyatt
RVSP - ASAP to Class Rep
50% deposit by 31st October



Kindy A & Kindy C

Combined Playdate
17th November 9.30am
John Graham Reserve Playground
RSVP – Class Rep



Year 1C

Playdate
18th November 9.00am
Bibra Lake Regional Playground
RSVP – Class Rep



Year 1's

Parents Lunch
1st December 12.00noon
The Vale Beeliar
RSVP – 24th Nov - Class Rep



Year 3

Family Picnic
19th Nov 11am
John Graham Reserve
Woodman Point
RSVP – Class Rep



Kindy A

Mum's Night out
2nd December 7pm
The Quarie Hammond Park
RSVP – 21st Nov – Jessica



Pre-Primary A

Morning Coffee/Breakfast
24th Nov 9.15am
Bib & Tucker North Freo
RSVP – 22nd Nov - Class Rep



CLASS REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2018

Are you interested in being a Class Representative in 2018?

Nominations open on Monday 27th November and close on Monday 4th December at 9am. Class representative positions for 2018 will be finalised on 4th December 2017. Please email the newly appointed Class Representative Coordinator who will be decided at the AGM on 22nd November 2017 and announced in that week's newsletter. Please include your phone number, email, your child's name and current class.

All classes are open for nomination. If there is a single nomination for the class, the role will go to that person. If there are multiple nominations the decision will be made by "name in the hat draw" by one of the staff.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or would like more information on what's involved in being a Class representative. Thank you for your support.

Leonie Jones
Class Representative Coordinator

P and F News

The P&F would like to extend a thank you to the Risucci family who donated the sound equipment for the Afternoon on the Green. We apologise for this omission and sincerely thank Dom and Rachael for their time, expertise and the great sound we had for our musicians on the day.

Community News

Rental Sought

A new Mater Christi family is looking for a rental within walking distance to School. 3 or 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, pet friendly (2 small dogs). The family is relocating from the country and would like to move during December.

If you can help please contact the School office on 9417 5756.



OPEN DAY

Saturday 18th November 10am-12pm

Corpus Christi College will be hosting an open day this term.

We would like to invite prospective families and students to join us by registering your attendance at www.corpus.wa.edu.au/opendays.

The day will begin with an informative presentation by our Principal Mrs Caroline Payne at 10am (please arrive by 9.45am), followed by a guided tour of the college by our students and ending with a lovely morning tea where you are able to meet other parents of present and future students.



Mercedes College



Early in 2018, Mercedes College will commence interviewing Year Five students who are due to start Year Seven in 2020. If you are considering enrolling your daughter at Mercedes and have not yet requested an information pack, please contact Mrs Julie Lamb on 9323 1340 as soon as possible. Further information about enrolments is available on our website, www.mercedes.wa.edu.au.