

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers



School Mantra 2017

'Never see a need without doing something about it.' Mary, of the Cross MacKillop

This mantra is based on St Matthew's Gospel 5:1-14

My thanks to all the parents who were able to attend the important Parent Information Sessions held last Tuesday.

It was fabulous to see the attendance of so many families

and your support was very much appreciated by the teachers and the Leadership Team. Our school mantra, Board Priorities, Educational Priorities and The Code of Conduct were explained at the Community Information Meeting. Parents were given handouts explaining the strategies that students, teachers and the Leadership Team will be adopting this year to achieve our school goals. Every parent also received a copy of the Parent Handbook (which is also available on our School Website) that includes all the general information parents need to be aware of. If you were unable to make the Community Meeting Session, a copy of these handouts is available from the Office.

Thank you also to the Year Level Teachers for their informative sessions, handouts and powerpoints, which all contributed to everyone being well informed and better able to support their child/ren.

Parent Information nights also emphasise the fact that the relationship between home and school is a tremendously important one and Mater Christi parents are very much valued as the primary educators of their children.

Thank you very much for your feedback regarding the Community Information Session. As we reflect on these we will be able to tweak some of the little things and definitely build upon the good work and the open, informed communication already begun.

Kindy Morning & Afternoon Tea On Monday 20 February at 9.15am and Tuesday 21 February at 2.00pm (in the staffroom) Kindy parents are able to gain very valuable information about how best to support their child's learning, and the work that the Occupational and Speech Therapists can provide. It is also a nice opportunity to gather together and meet other parents too.

Dates for Next Week

Monday 20th February	9am Mass (3A) 9.15 Kindy M/Tea G&T Testing (Yr4) & New Yr 5/6 students
Tuesday 21st February	9am Mass (3B) 2pm Kindy A/Tea 7pm Board Meeting
Wednesday 22nd February	7pm General Sacramental meeting (MCCC) School Banking Uniform Shop Open 8am to 10.30am 1.20pm to 3.20pm
Thursday 23rd February	9am Mass (2A)
Friday 24th February	9am Item Assembly (Yr 4)
Saturday 25th February	Return Sacramental Enrolment Forms
Sunday 26th February	Return Sacramental Enrolment Forms

School Assembly Next Friday the Year Four classes will host our first Assembly for 2017 with their special assembly item and our Merit Award recipients will be acknowledged. We are all looking forward to our very first whole school gathering and will be welcoming our Pre Primary children to their first Assembly.

Commissioning Mass On Saturday 18 February at the 6pm Mass, Fr Dat will commission the Mater Christi Staff, School Board and P&F Executive. Many families will also be attending as part of their child's enrolment into the Sacramental Program. I look forward in seeing many of you there.

God bless
Toni Kalat

Religious Education

Ash Wednesday

This year Lent begins on **Wednesday 1st March**. Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self denial and helping others. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. On Ash Wednesday, we will celebrate Mass, be marked with a cross of ashes and be reminded to "turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel." This reminder is also an invitation to reflect on how we might live Lent this year. Mass will be celebrated at Mater Christi Church at 9am. All are most welcome.



Best Wishes
Courtney Dunsire
Assistant Principal

Parish News

Sacramental Dates for 2017

All children wishing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation, in our parish will need to **collect an enrolment form** at either 6pm or 10am Mass this weekend. It is imperative that the children are enrolled at the commencement of the year so their Sacramental preparation can be full and complete.

We look forward to seeing you on **Saturday 18th February at 6:00pm OR Sunday 19th February at 10:00am**.



Parking

Thank you for remembering to reverse park! It is the safest option.

Parking information is on the school website. If you have a towbar, please try to reverse park short of the brick paving on the oval side, so that walkers can get safely past your vehicle. Please do **not** park on the grass or paving around the school.

Please be mindful of the signs at the end of the cul du sac asking you **not to park in front of the gates entering the reserve** and remember to park only in designated parking bays

2nd P&F Meeting 2017

When: Tuesday 14th March 7.00pm

Where: Mater Christi Staffroom

Join us have your say and see what the P&F is doing for your community.

Merit Awards 24th February 2017

PPA	Angel Malik, Mason Rank
PPB	Mercedes Lyon, Isabella Basilio
PPC	Imogen Duffin, Ethan Lambert
Year 1A	Jennifer Yang, Andrew Nokes
Year 1B	Ryley Connolly-Carroll, Kara Terribile
Year 1C	Lime Jang, Josh Biju
Year 2A	Kasey McKenzie, Shraddha Tiwari
Year 2B	Kayla Trolie, Josh Long
Year 2C	Mark Doria, Isabelle Swann, Jamesina Hudspeth
Year 3A	Lucas Phoebe, Daisy O'Sullivan
Year 3B	Tanha Bebek, Zabrina Pillay
Year 3C	Alfie Hewings, Hayley East, Tomas McAleer
Year 4A	Cayden Carroll, Ella Shields
Year 4B	Medha Tiwari, Riley Skelton
Year 4C	Liam Bayly, Christianne Santos
Year 5A	Declan Philander, Noah Sandon
Year 5B	Maia Clayden, Blake Martin
Year 5C	Hannah Sheehy, Jessica Wakeling
Year 6A	Gabriel Barros, Hannah Collins
Year 6B	Sofia De Bernardis, Stanley Brown
Year 6C	Denzel Ncube, Alicia Trolie

KINDY MORNING & AFTERNOON TEA

When:
Monday 20th February
9.15am
Tuesday 21st February
2.00pm

Where: Mater Christi Staffroom

Come and join us for an informal information session, what to expect from Kindy, how am I involved and guest speakers on Speech and Occupational Therapy.



P&F News

The P&F office bearers for 2017 are:

Teresa Lawson (President)
Marina Hayward (Vice President)
Leah Rheinberger (Secretary)
Rebecca Exham (Treasurer)
Tina Stevens (Food Co ordinator)
Deborah Horton (Communication Coordinator)
Leonie Jones (Class Rep Coord)
Michelle Hall (Sun Smart Rep)
Marina Hayward (Parish Rep)
Any comments, suggestions or queries are warmly welcome.

Please contact us on: pandf@mcps.wa.edu.au

Class Rep Event

- Year KB – Tuesday 28th February**
Morning Tea
Dome Café Cockburn, Beeliar Road, Success
RSVP Class Rep by 27/2
- Year KC – Saturday 18th February**
Meet n Greet / Playdate
Playground near Surfing Lizard Café, Coogee
RSVP Class Rep by 17/2
- Year 2A – Monday 27th February**
Coffee Catch up after school drop off
Moomba Café, Cockburn Central
RSVP Class Rep
- Year 6 – Sunday 12th March**
Lunch
Raffles Hotel, Canning Beach Road, Applecross
RSVP Class Rep by 3 March

EASTER RAFFLE

Each Student will be entered
into the Easter Raffle

Two prizes drawn per class

Thursday 6th April



Get involved in the School Banking program.

Mater Christi is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2017 are:

- Cyber Handball
- Colour Change Markers
- 3D Chalk Set
- Tablet Case
- Smiley Emoji Keyring
- Volt Handball
- Pencil + Tech Case
- Epic Earphones



School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives \$5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit).

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online

Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch

Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is **WEDNESDAY**. Each week you need to have your child place their Dollarmites deposit wallet in the grey banking satchel in their classroom. One of our helpers will come around and collect the satchels after the second bell.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2017 School Banking program information pack from our banking helpers on Wednesday mornings (you can usually find us around Admin or in the staff room) or visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Charity Collection

My name is Linda Marriott.

I am a parent at the school and I have created a not for profit initiative to provide help and give hope to children in desperate situations overseas .

I am collecting used shoes & clothing in good condition, age ranges 2-12 that can be re-used. If you have anything that you would like to donate a red bin will be placed outside the administration block in which the items can be dropped off from the 13th-24th of February 2017.

Thanking you all in anticipation for your support.
Warm regards Linda

Good Morning and Welcome to the New School Year!

The Occupational Therapist who attends Mater Christi this year is Stephanie Aylmore from Total Health Cockburn.

Stephanie will be at the school Mondays and Tuesdays, for both individual and small group therapy.

As an Occupational Therapist, Stephanie will work together with teachers and parents to determine if your child may benefit from Occupational Therapy.

An Occupational Therapist can help your child, if they are having any difficulties in the following areas:

- Getting motivated to get up and ready for school
- Following a morning routine to get ready for school on time
- Dressing, including tops, pants/shorts/skirts, socks and shoes (and tying laces)
- Playing with friends or making new friends
- Joining in on recess and lunch time activities
- Participating in class
- Paying attention in class
- Following instructions
- Holding a pencil appropriately
- Hand writing
- Fine motor skills (playing with small items, doing up buttons)
- Fine and gross motor strength
- Eating (including difficulty with hand-eye coordination and fussy eaters)
- Gross motor skills (including running, jumping, hopping, throwing and catching a ball)

Please don't hesitate to contact Stephanie if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child. She is able to be contacted on 9494 3760 or totalhealth.ot@outlook.com. Alternatively, have a chat to your child's teacher about your concerns, and the teacher can pass it on to Stephanie.

Stephanie is a registered provider with Medicare, Better Start, DSS and My Way/NDIS, along with private funding.

I hope you and your child have had a lovely start to the new school year!

Stephanie Aylmore
Occupational Therapist



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OPEN DAY 15 MARCH 2017

9.10AM - 10.40AM & 4.20PM - 6.00PM

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WHEN

Thursday 9 March 2017 Tuesday 14 March 2017

TIME

9.00am arrival and registration: 9.15am start

WHERE

The James Nestor Performing Arts Centre
 Following an opening address from the Principal, Mrs Caroline Payne, Year 10 students will conduct guided tours of the College and grounds. Morning tea will be provided at 11.00am outside the Mater Christi Centre.

PARKING

Top carpark, entrance from Murdoch Drive

REGISTRATION

To register your attendance, please visit the following site:
www.trybooking.com/OTMI

We invite you to join our community!



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OPEN MORNING 14 March 9am – 12noon

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FREE COME AND TRY CLINICS

An opportunity for girls in pre-primary through to year 12 to try football in a fun and safe environment!

22 FEBRUARY 4:30 - 6:30PM

Scott Reserve, High Wycombe

23 FEBRUARY 4:30 - 6:30PM

Ellenbrook District Open Space

27 FEBRUARY 4:00 - 5:30PM

Rushton Park, Dower St Mandurah

1 MARCH 4:30 - 6:00PM

Burrendah Park, Albatross Pass

7 MARCH 4:00 - 5:30PM

Rushton Park, Dower St Mandurah

1 MARCH 5:30 - 7:30PM

Anning Park, South Lake

7 MARCH 4:30 - 6:00PM

HBF Arena, Joondalup

15 MARCH 5:00 - 6:30PM

Pat Goodridge Reserve, Floreat

Meet the players from the Fremantle Dockers Women's Team



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MANNING PARK TRAIL RUN 2017

9AM SUNDAY 21ST MAY MANNING PARK AZELEA RD SPEARWOOD

Choose to run/walk the 5km or 10km lake, stairs and bush track or a family and disability friendly 5km run/walk around the lake.

Join the fun Scan the QR code or visit the website to register now!

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

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Sunday, 12 March 2017
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- Kidzone with bouncy castle, face painting, \$5 brekky bag and icecream van

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