Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents & Caregivers



WHEN YOU THOUGHT I WASN'T LOOKING

Children are always learning from the adults around them.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw you hang my first painting on the refrigerator and I immediately wanted to paint another one.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw you feed a stray cat and I learned that it was good to be kind to animals.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw you make my favourite cake for me and I learned that the little things can be the special things in life.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw you make a meal and take it to a friend who was sick and I learned that we all have to help take care of each other.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw you give of your time and money to help people who had nothing and I learned that those who have something should give to those who don't.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw you take care of our house and everyone in it and I learned we have to take care of what we are given.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw how you handled your responsibilities, even when you didn't feel good and I learned that I would have to be responsible when I grow up.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw tears come from your eyes and I learned that sometimes things hurt, but it's all right to cry.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I saw that you cared and I wanted to be everything that I could be.

When you thought I wasn't looking,

I looked at you and wanted to say, 'Thanks for all the things I saw when you thought I wasn't looking.



Traffic Management: Yesterday I met with the City of Cockburn and Divine Mercy School to discuss the issues in the management of traffic on Yangebup Road before and especially after school. This was a very positive meeting with all of us agreeing that there are definite difficulties. At our next meeting, we will look at proposing immediate (within the next 6-12months) and long-term

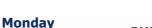
solutions that will require financial consideration by the City of Cockburn and maybe both schools. I would like to congratulate the many parents who use drive thru appropriately at the end day, using the median strip when turning right into drive thru. It also helps that a good number of parents choose to come around 3.15pm to assist in keeping the drive thru moving. Many times patience and courteous driving are required and demonstrated.

Year Six Camp: We all wish the Year Six students and the many staff members a very safe, happy, exciting, challenging and fun filled camp. I'm not sure how much sleep anyone will get over the four-day camp but it will be a most memorable one. It will be very quiet at school without our senior classes and maybe in some households too.

Wishing everyone a restful long weekend God Bless.... Toni Kalat

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Dates for Next Week

PUBLIC HOLIDAY LABOUR DAY

YEAR SIX CAMP

Tuesday 8thMarch

7thMarch

9am Mass (4C)

7pm P&F Meeting

Wednesday 9th March

School Banking

Uniform Shop Open 8am to 10.30am 1.20pm to 3.20pm

Thursday 10th March

9am Mass (2A)

9am-3pm Yr5 Cartoonist Incursion

3.15-4.15pm Jnr After School Sport

Friday 11th March

9am Mass (4B)

Saturday 12th March Sunday 13th March

Confirmation Commitment Mass (all Masses)



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Religious Education

4th Week of Lent – Project Compassion – brings you Evangeline's story

Evangeline is a proud young Ramingining woman living in the small community of Beswick (Wugularr) in the Northern Territory. Like many remote First Australian communities, Beswick faces a range of complex ongoing challenges, and many people in the town feel disempowered by poorly conceived policies and decisions.

When Evangeline left high school after Year 11 she tried a few career options without success and soon felt dispirited. "But by the time I was 22, I really started to think about doing something positive with my life," she says.

So when she was offered a position as an Artsworker at the Djilpin Arts Ghunmarn Culture Centre in Beswick, Evangeline recognised a path to a new future.

The community-owned venture is supported by Caritas Australia's Development of Cultural Enterprise program. It brings together Elders and young people, like Evangeline, so new generations can learn traditional skills and understand cultural knowledge through sharing art, storytelling, dance and song – practices that are central to traditional culture.

In the three years since joining the Centre, Evangeline has truly flourished. "This opportunity has helped me turn my life into something more positive," she says.

Now a Senior Artsworker, Evangeline is committed to helping her community stay connected to its culture. "Culture is our identity and how we understand ourselves," she explains. "It's important for us young people to be able to learn these skills and then we can pass them on when we are old."

Your donation to Caritas Australia's Project Compassion provides support to programs such as the Djilpin Arts Ghunmarn Culture Centre. <u>www.caritas.org.au</u>

Best Wishes Courtney Dunsire Assistant Principal

Parish News

Sacramental Program 2016

Thank you to the students and their families who returned their Sacrament Enrolment Forms. We look forward to continuing to support you and your child in their sacramental journey.

Confirmation Commitment Mass

All **Confirmation candidates**, with their parents, are required to attend a **Commitment Mass** next weekend. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday 12th March at 6:00pm or Sunday 13th March either 8:00am, 10:00am or 5:00pm.

After School Sports Crosswalk Etiquette What a great start to the Sporting School Club! Crosswalks are designed to keep pedestrians together The senior sessions have been impressing with their hoop where they can be seen by motorists, and where they can cross most safely across the flow of vehicular traffic. skills, and the junior team have showed their ability to adapt and learn a new game. Well done to both teams. When the children's crossing guard extends the flags, you must stop before the stop line if there is one and wait until There have been a few changes to session dates. Please see below the revised session times. the flags are removed before driving on. You must not enter a children's crossing if the road beyond Senior Sessions Session Three: 29/02/2016 it is blocked by traffic. Session Four: 01/03/2016 (This is a Tuesday) You must give way to all pedestrians on a pedestrian Junior Session crossina. Session Three: 03/03/2016 Session Four: 10/03/2016 If we are all on the same page and using common sense Session Five: 17/03/2016 (due to coach not attending then it goes a long way to keeping our students safe. first session)





Year Five CSL



What did our Staff Get Up To During Wellness Week?

Over the past two Wednesdays, some of the Mater Christi Staff have had the opportunity to participate in some yoga classes. Yoga is a great way to challenge both your mind and body and has many benefits including improved posture, flexibility, strength and concentration as well as providing an enhanced feeling of well-being. Check out our staff in action!



P&F News

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Please come along to our next meeting on Tuesday 8th March, 7pm in the staff room. We would love to have input from as many people as possible. Prior to the meeting you can view the minutes of the last meeting and agenda for the upcoming meeting agenda meeting at http://portal.mcps.wa.edu.au/

Use the drop-down menu of the 'MC Parents & Friends' button to access P&F Meeting Info (for the agenda) and P&F Minutes.

CLASS REP EVENTS

- KA Friday 11th March 9 am onwards Catch up Chipmunks Play Centre,
- KA Wednesday 23rd March 1pm Meet up, Coffee Club, Gateways
- KA Tuesday 5th April 7.30pm Parents Dinner, Sorano Restaurant, Lyon Road Aubin Grove . RSVP to your Class Reps
- KC Wednesday 9th March 9.30am Dome Cockburn, RSVP to your Class Rep
- 1B Monday 14th March TBA RSVP to your Class Reps
- 1C Monday 14th March 12pm Lunch, Fitzy's Lakeside, Berrigan Drive, South Lake RSVP to your Class Rep by Friday 11^h March
- 2A Wednesday 9th March 9.30am Dome Cockburn. RSVP to your Class Rep
- Yr3 Thursday 17th March 6.30pm Dinner, The Quarie, Hammond Park RSVP to your Class Rep by Friday 11th March
- Yr4 Thursday 31st March 7pm Parents Dinner, The Quarie, Hammond Park RSVP to your Class Reps



P&F News continued



Save the Date! PFFWA Conference and AGM 2016 "Congratulations! We Hear You're Engaged!" The Parents and Friends Federation of WA are excited to be putting the last touches to our conference program for this year. As usual the conference opening dinner will be held on Friday evening 20th May at Crown Perth. The conference will commence the following morning and go through until 5.00pm. Refreshments including morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea are provided on the day of the conference, along with great speakers, interactive sessions and the usual fantastic networking opportunities. With both Federal and State elections on the horizon, PFFWA have invited politicians from the major parties to attend and you will have the opportunity to hear what their vision is for education in Western Australia in the foreseeable future. Dates for your diary – 20th & 21st May 2016 At Crown Perth

For more information, please keep an eye on the PFFWA website and our Facebook page or contact admin@pff.wa.edu.au tel 9271 5909 https://www.facebook.com/pffwa www.pff.wa.edu.au

The P&F office bearers for 2016 are:

Teresa Lawson (President), Karen Simons (Vice President and Board Rep), Belinda Weeks (Secretary), Belinda Stokes (Treasurer), 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

Swimming Carnival 2016

SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2016 (Year Four - Six) **Important Reminders** Date – Wednesday 16th of March 2016 Venue – Warnbro Aqua Jetty, Time – 9:45am to 2:30pm.

• STUDENTS NEED TO BE AT SCHOOL AT 8:30am. BUSES WILL LEAVE AT 8:45am SHARP!

- Spectators are \$2.00. All students need a swim cap that can be purchased for \$3.00
- Parents please join in the fun and support your team. Students would love to share lunch with you!
- All events have been pinned up in the undercover area. Please check it out and make sure your children have too. They need to know what races they are in.
- Please ensure children wear their sports uniform on top of their bathers and have warm clothing available.
- Children should have a towel or two, swimming cap, water, healthy snacks for lunch, sun screen and a hat.
- Important Children should listen to the teachers in the bay carefully so they don't miss their races.
 - Parents please stay in the spectator area. No parents should be near the finishing line.
 - The chief judges decision is final.
 - The swimming carnival is a normal school day. No one should leave until after the presentations unless permission has been sought.
 - If you are collecting your child please inform your child/s class teachers after the carnival.

Uniform

Winter Uniforms

PLEASE NOTE!!! From the first day of term two we will be wearing Winter Uniforms, so make sure you purchase your uniform on time. All year one girls and new families with girls will be required to wear the winter skirt with the yellow shirt. Both boys and girls wear the same School jumper. Boys can still wear the formal shorts or trousers.

Uniform Shop is open on a Wednesday from 8-10:30am and 1:30-3:20pm.

You could do an online order by following the uniform shop link on the school web site http://materchristicps.permapleat.com.au/shop/ and your order will be processed on a Tuesday or Wednesday.

Please encourage your children to be proud of their uniforms and to tuck in their yellow shirts. It looks so much nicer and sends a real message of respect to everyone, especially to the general public who see the uniform outside of school.

Thank you Ilonka Heinzle

Would your child like to learn Violin?

In **Week Six of Term One**, Mr Richard Price our Violin Tutor will be offering a four week '*Introduction to the Violin'* class.

The cost of the introductory class will be **\$36.00 for four weeks**. Each lesson will go for **30 minutes**.

Mr Price will provide each student with a Violin to use during the lesson.

If your child is interested in this introductory class, please fill out an Instrumental form from the office and label the top of the form with 'Introduction to Violin' and hand it in to the office.

This is a great opportunity for students to try the instrument out and see if they would like to continue in the future.

If you have any questions, please feel free to come and see me!

Ms Alison Clunies-Ross Music Specialist

Community Health Nurse

Child and Adolescent Community Health (CACH) recently launched the '**Parent and Family Network'**, an exciting new initiative to involve parents and carers in the planning and delivery of services.

The **Parent and Family Network** is an email network for parents and carers with children aged 0-18yrs in the Perth metro area, to provide ongoing input, ideas and feedback on our services (i.e. child health nurses, school health nurses, speech therapy, physiotherapy). All Network members will receive:

- Bi-monthly e-bulletins
- Invitations to share ideas and feedback on our services (i.e. surveys and focus groups).
- Invitations to special Network member events

Parents/carers can join by registering directly online at www.health.wa.gov.au/cachnetwork. For further information please email

cachconsumernetwork@health.wa.gov.au.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** is a *Marriage Enrichment* experience for married couples – set in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset....your Marriage!

Weekend of Discovery.... A Lifetime of Love! **2016 Weekend Dates** 8-10 April 2016 (Swanleigh, Middle Swan) 19-21 August 2016 (Dongara,) 21-23 October 2015 (Swanleigh, Middle Swan)



Contact for bookings Max & Annie Mayes Mobile Number: 0424 220 625 Email: mayes@bigpond.net.au Web: www.wwme.org.au



CBC Fremantle invites you to attend our

Open Day on Tuesday 15 March 2016

Tours commence at 2.00pm and 4.00pm and provide a unique opportunity to see the College and meet some of the staff and students.

To register visit the College website and click on the Open Day Quick Link Enquiries: events@cbcfremantle.wa.edu.au 51 Ellen Street, Fremantle WA 6160

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OPEN DAY 14 March (Mon) 9.30 - 11.30am



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CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE TOUR DAYS 2016



TUESDAY 15 MARCH 2016 • 9.00am-11.30am

Your tour will begin with an informative presentation by the Principal, Mrs Caroline Payne at 9.15am sharp (9.00am arrival) in the College Hall, (map attached) followed with a guided tour of the campus by our Year 10 students and ending with a lovely morning tea where you can meet other parents of present and future students of the College.

If you have any questions regarding the TOUR DAYS, please direct them to <u>communications@corpus.wa.edu.au</u>

For directions and location of parking areas, please see our College Map



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