Mater Christi Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents & Caregivers

Dates for Next Week

PALM SUNDAY



We are now entering what is called **HOLY WEEK.** The Gospel on Sunday is the story of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Next Thursday we remember the Last Supper; on Friday we commemorate the Passion and Death of Jesus, and on Saturday evening Jesus' Resurrection.

We must take care though to let our reflections go beyond what Jesus suffered. Our primary consideration must be to see all the ways in which Christ is suffering and being crucified in our world today.

In the face of the Christ who is crucified, we can be like Pilate and wash our hands of the problem, we can be like the silent onlookers, we can be like the disciples who can't face the crucified Christ and make themselves scarce, or we can be like those who stood with Jesus and be identified with the crucified. We can make a choice about where we want to stand.



Tonight at 6pm in the Church the Year 5A students with some extra cast members will lead the Parish in a Holy Week reflection. Everyone is most welcome to join us in prayer. Thank you to the students who accepted the invitation to lead the reflection and to Mrs Pottier for working with and preparing our students.

Congratulations to everyone on a very successful Swimming Carnival last Wednesday. A very big thank you to Mr Donnelly for his work in preparing this event. It takes many hours of hard work to organise a carnival and with the support of the staff, parents and students, everyone had an enjoyable day. Well done to all the swimmers, team captains and cheerers – you are all winners.

What an awesome achievement by the Bandicoots – they are the swimming champions for 2016.

Drive through reminders:

- Please ensure that children exit from the left of the vehicle when dropping them off in the mornings.
- Show patience in the queue and do not overtake other vehicles dropping off children.

Monday 21stMarch

Harmony Day

9am Mass (6C)

Yr3 Easter Craft Afternoon

Tuesday 22ndMarch

9-10am Scitech Enrichment Incursion

Wednesday 23rdMarch

School Banking

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

Thursday 24^h March

9am Whole School Holy Week Reflection

Friday 25th March

GOOD FRIDAY

Saturday 26th March

Sunday 27th March EASTER SUNDAY

God Bless.... Toni Kalat

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Religious Education

6th Week of Lent – Project Compassion – brings you Dhaniram's story



Dhaniram lives with his family in a region of Central India known locally as the Tribal Belt. For generations, the tribes people have been marginalised and discriminated against. Today, they're amongst the poorest of the poor in India.

Until recently, people in Dhaniram's village were unaware of the Government's social security schemes that are offered to support India's most vulnerable communities. "There is a low rate of literacy in my village and a low level of awareness of our own rights and entitlements," he explains.

So when Dhaniram heard about the Hamara Haq ('Our Rights') project, he saw the potential to create real change.

Through this project, run by Caritas India and supported by Caritas Australia, Dhaniram learnt about Human Rights, local governance and leadership. He was so inspired by his learnings he persuaded many community members to join local government planning meetings, so they can direct the development of their own communities.

Already, Dhaniram has helped to bring electricity to his village and restart a stalled government housing project that will deliver 84 new homes for his village.

Your donation to Caritas Australia's Project Compassion provides support to programs such as the Hamara Haq ('Our Rights') project. www.caritas.org.au

Holy Week Reflection

On **Thursday 24th March** at **9am** we will be gathering in the Church to reflect on Holy Week and the Lenten season by focusing on the Stations of the Cross. Friends and family are welcome to attend.

Giving Day - Food Appeal

Thank you for all the donations of non-perishable food items brought in throughout the term. Every Friday at Mater Christi is giving day and we really appreciate your ongoing support. We look forward to your continued support throughout the year.

Best Wishes Courtney Dunsire Assistant Principal

Parish News

Confirmation Commitment Mass

Thank you to all the Confirmation candidates and their parents who attended a Commitment Mass last week weekend. Thank you for your support and co-operation to ensure that your child's Sacramental preparation is truly a special time. We look forward to seeing you at the Confirmation Parent/Child workshops.

Confirmation Parent/Child Workshops

Online booking for Confirmation Masses is now available. Online booking for four Confirmation Parent/Child Workshops choices are available:

- ❖ Tuesday 5th April April 3:30pm OR 5pm
- **❖ Wednesday 6th April** − 5pm **OR** 6:30pm

All children with (at least) one parent are required to attend the workshop.



Year Five CSL











P&F News

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

On behalf of the P&F, Karen Simons is organising this year's 'Australia's Biggest Morning Tea' at Mater Christi for Friday 10th June (Term 2). Please contact Karen on 0400 859 091 or at tassie47@hotmail.com if you can help with donations for raffle prizes.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Are you wanting to have your car seats checked or installed by a professional installer?

The P&F will be hosting Kidsafe on the 5th & 6th April 2016.

Bookings are essential and can be made at http://www.trybooking.com/186597



YEAR SIX GRADUATION

Year Six Parents, you are invited to attend the Year Six Graduation Meeting on Wednesday 23rd March at 7.30pm to 8.30pm in the MCCC. It is very important to come along to find out relevant information so as to plan this exciting and important event in your child's life.

Committees will be formed for the various tasks and we will be asking for a Head of each committee and volunteers. Lists will be available on the night to put your name down.

Please contact your class rep if you would like to volunteer but are unable to attend on the night or need more information.

Sandy Petkovic 6A Christina Meerton 6B Arlene Soares 6C

Leonie Jones Class Representative Coordinator

P&F News continued

CLASS REP EVENTS

- 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 Friday 1st April 7pm**Quarie, 2 Macquarie Bld, Hammond Park RSVP to your Class Rep by Wed 30th March
- PPB Tuesday 22nd March 7pm
 Coffee Catch up, San Churros, Gateway
 RSVP to your class rep
- PPC Tuesday 22nd March 9.30am
 Coffee Catch up, Dome Cockburn Central
 RSVP to your class rep by 18th March
- 1A Friday 18th March 7pm
 Last Drop Beeliar. RSVP to your Class Rep
- 2B Saturday 2nd April 7pm All Parents welcome, Glen Iris Bar and Bistro RSVP to your Class Reps by 20th March
- 2C Wednesday 23rd March –
 Coffee at Dome Cockburn
 RSVP to your Class Rep by 20th March
- Yr4 Thursday 31st March 7pm
 Parents Dinner, The Quarie, Hammond Park
 RSVP to your Class Reps
- **6A Friday 1st April 7pm**RSVP to your Class Reps by 24th March

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



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!

Ther are still places available
for the next weekend
8-10 April 2016 (Swanleigh,
Middle Swan)

Contact for bookings

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



Mater Christi Canteen Easter Colouring In Competition

Sections

Pre Primary to Year Two - Happy Easter Basket

Year Three and Year Four – Surprise Easter / Find The Bunny

Year Five and Six - From the Cross To Resurrection / Find the Bunny

Condition of Entries

You can use textas, crayons or coloured pencils.

All Entries to be handed into the office by Friday 18th March and a selection will be displayed near the canteen.

The Judges will be Mrs Mann, Mrs Perez and Miss Kalat.

Winners will be notified Thursday 24th March.

Prizes

Three prizes given in each section

First prize – Free lunch and easter egg

Second Prize – Free ice cream of your choice and easter egg.

Third Prize – Free icy pole and easter egg

Canteen

The Canteen will be having Easter Fun Food Days on both Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th with Easter hot cross buns and other easter treats available for sale.

Urgent

If you; have not returned your Family Information forms to the office, Please sign the form and return to the office **ASAP**

FREE, FUN PROGRAM



DO YOU HAVE CHILDREN 7 TO 13 YEARS OLD? ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT THEIR WEIGHT?

The Better Health Program is a fun, interactive 10 week healthy lifestyle program for families. In a supportive and friendly environment, the program covers information about healthy eating and includes an hour of physical activity at every session!

NEXT FREE PROGRAM RUNNING AT:

Cockburn Youth Centre

25 Wentworth Pde, Success

Start date: 27th April 2016, for 10 weeks

Mondays & Wednesdays Days:

4.00pm - 6.00pm Time:

PLACES ARE LIMITED! REGISTER

NOW:

Call us: 1300 822 953

Text us: 0409 745 645

www.betterhealthprogram.org





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PROCEEDINGS & SPEAKERS

Acknowledgement of Country and Welcome

Annual address: Dr Tim McDonald Executive Director, Catholic Education WA

Year of Mercy Presentation

AGM: Tabling of Federation rep of Minutes / Address motions f motions / Election of Council

Keynote Speaker Peter Bell - Former Captain Fremantle Dockers and broadcaster

"The value of leadership, teamwork and overcoming obstacles"

Information Session - Elevate Education

"Practical tips for parents to support their children with learning effective study skills"

aunch of the online induction resource for chool parent associations

Forum and panel discussion with Peter Collier MLC, Minister for Education and Sue Ellery MLC, Shadow Minister for Education



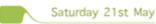




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