

# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Volume 9

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## **School Mantra 2017**

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

*Mary of the Cross MacKillop*

Dear Parents and Carers

## **The Fifth Sunday of Lent**

John 11:1-45

*Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead.*



Sunday's Gospel reading recounts another sign, or miracle, found in John's Gospel, the raising of Lazarus.

Like Lazarus, we should also die with our old self and from our old attitudes so as to live in Him and grow in faith and love. Our dying in Christ will also lead us to rising with Him through our faith, like what Martha and Mary testified when

Jesus met them during the death of Lazarus. Because of our faith, we will rise in dignity, in our full humanity and divinity because we are in the Lord. Let us put all our trust in and to the God of life who brought us life and will continue to give us life.

Let us be sources of life that is nourishing and nurturing to our families and communities.

## **Parent Teacher Interviews**

These will be held next week on Monday and Wednesday from 3.15pm – 6.30pm. This is a very important time for both teachers and parents to discuss the academic, social and emotional growth of each child and if there are any areas for further development how best both parents and school are able to support the child. I know that we all appreciate the time the teachers put into preparing to meet with you and also in staying late two nights in one week. Please be prompt for your meeting and also be aware that the next parent will be waiting for their appointment with the teacher.

## **Holy Week Reflection**

The parents and parishioners who were able to come along to Wednesday's Last Supper and Good Friday reflection experienced a very meaningful and moving re-enactment by students from Year 5C. Thank you very much to Mrs Pottier for her work in organising the event for our community and to Mrs Kelly and Miss Ross for their support and assistance. There are some poignant photos further along in the Newsletter.



**Holy Week**

## **Dates for Next Week**

**Monday  
3<sup>rd</sup> April**

9am Mass (6B)

2.15pm Edudance  
Concert "A"  
Classes

Parent/Teacher  
Interviews 3.15-  
6.30pm

**Tuesday  
4<sup>th</sup> April**

9am Mass (4A)

Interschool  
Swimming Carnival  
Rockingham Aquatic

**Wednesday  
5<sup>th</sup> April**

2.15pm Edudance  
Concert "B" Classes

Parent/Teacher  
Interviews 3.15-  
6.30pm

School Banking

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

**Thursday  
6<sup>th</sup> April**

2.15pm Edudance  
Concert "C" Classes

**Friday  
7<sup>th</sup> April**

**STUDENT FREE  
DAY**

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April**

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## **Edudance**

We are all looking forward to three incredible days where we showcase our children's cool and groovy moves as they take to the dance floor and rock the MCCC. As it will be a very busy time and parking will be at a premium, the oval will be open for parking on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. Also please be very patient in coming into the school and especially when it comes time to leave as *slow and steady* enables everyone to leave safely.

## **Winter Uniform**

From the beginning of Term Two, the children in Years One - Six return to school in their full winter uniform. Please refer to the school website which lists the uniform requirements for both the girls and boys.

## **Finally...PARKING**

We are extremely fortunate to have the number of car bays and extended parking areas around our school. Unfortunately at peak times in the morning and afternoon there is not a car bay for each person to drive in and park. In the spirit of safety, love, respect and 'With Charity in our Hearts' please make sure that you drive slowly in and out of the school grounds, reverse park, park within one bay and not straddle between two bays, park in the designated areas and NOT on paved areas or where there are 'no stopping' signs or just where it looks like a good spot to park. Thank you to the majority of our parents that continually endeavour to follow correct procedures as well as model making good choices for their children and other parents.

## **Term Two Dates**

Term Two looks just as busy as this term with many activities outside the classroom. Please see some key dates below for Term Two 2017.

24 April Pupil Free Day – Staff Catholic Day

25 April Public Holiday – ANZAC Day

26 April Term Two commences

28 April ANZAC Day Reflection 2.15pm MCCC. All parents and family members welcome

2 May Confirmation Workshops

3 May Confirmation Workshops

12 May Mothers' Day Mass & Stall – 9.45am

19 May Walk Safely to School Day

5 June Public Holiday - WA Day

23 June Australia's Biggest M/Tea – 9.45am

30 June Last day of Term Two

## **God Bless... Toni Kalat**



Our prayers and sympathies to

Mr and Mrs Doria, Aron(5A) and Mark (2C) on the loss of their Mother, Mother in law and Grandmother. May their loved ones rest in the peace and love of God.

*Our prayers are with all these families and those in our community who are in need.*

## **Mother's Day Mass 2017**

In Week Three next term, we will be celebrating our Mother's Day Mass on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 9am** in the Church. We would like to conclude the Mass by sharing a power point of all the wonderful mothers in our school. If you have a nice photo of you and your child/ren, we would love you to email it to us at [admin@mcps.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@mcps.wa.edu.au) by **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017**. Thank you!



## **EASTER RAFFLE**

**Each Student will be entered  
into the Easter Raffle**

**Two prizes drawn per class**

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April**



# Religious Education

## 5<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent – Project Compassion – brings you Semiti's story



Semiti grew up in an informal, or 'squatter', settlement in Fiji. More than a quarter of Fiji's people live in these settlements, with little hope of finding permanent housing and land. Their situation is particularly vulnerable – many live in unstable shelters, and there is a constant threat of extreme climate events. Children have few opportunities for education, and unemployment levels are high. There is little access to public services such as roads, water supply, electricity and garbage collection.

Now Semiti is working together with other residents of informal settlements to make positive changes. He is the Director of the People's Community Network (PCN), which Caritas Australia supports. PCN helps empower landless people in Fiji, enabling them to address the issues that affect their lives.

The network helps people in each settlement to advocate together to improve their living conditions. They work in committees on issues relating to health and hygiene; care of the elderly and of women who need empowerment; education needs; and unemployment.

Semiti and other informal settlement residents tell how PCN helps them work together as neighbours, in solidarity. Through their participation in housing, savings and education programs, they have formed common bonds, and have grown in resilience and in dignity.

**Your donation to Caritas Australia's Project Compassion provides support to programs such as People's Community Network (PCN)** [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au)

**Best Wishes**

**Courtney Dunsire**

**Assistant Principal**

## Parish News

### Confirmation Commitment Masses

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 bookings for Confirmation Parent/Child workshops open on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**. There are four Confirmation Parent/Child Workshops available:

- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** – 5pm **OR** 6:30pm
- **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** – 5pm **OR** 6:30pm

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

For log-in details please refer to the Parish website: <http://www.materchristiparish.com>

## P&F News

Wednesday 5th April

Extraordinary P&F Meeting

Come along and share your ideas and give feedback on the planning for our Calendar of Events for the year.

All Welcome!

6.45pm (after parent interviews) in the staffroom.

**Thank you**

**Teresa Lawson**

**President**

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School

Parents and Friends Association

### 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](mailto:pandf@mcps.wa.edu.au)**



## Holy Week Reflection

Wednesday morning the whole school gathered in the Church to reflect on Holy Week and the Lenten season by focusing on the Stations of the Cross. Thank you to Year 5C, Mrs Kelly and Mrs Pottier for their effort in organising the reflection.



## Year Five Easter Reflection



## WALK FOR AUTISM

Autism Spectrum Australia describes autism as: *lifelong developmental disabilities characterised by marked difficulties in social interaction, impaired communication, restricted and repetitive interests and behaviours and sensory sensitivities.*

The prevalence of Autism in Australia in 2012 (according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics) is 0.5% - that is equivalent to one person in every year group at Mater Christi. As common as this disorder is, the many challenges that people with the Autism Spectrum Disorder face are still quite unknown to the general population and what makes this more difficult to understand is that Autism is different for everyone.

A young student at Mater Christi with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), Zac Hampel is raising awareness of his disorder in the hope that people have more acceptance and understanding. Having Autism means he like the many others with Autism face many challenges in everyday life. More awareness and understanding will help him and others with ASD not only cope in the world but thrive. Autism doesn't define Zac but is a part of who he is. Above everything else he is a sensitive, loving and very caring young man and he wants to make a difference and help spread the word about Autism.



Please join Zac for 10,000 steps a day for a week Autism Awareness - Changing Lives one Step at a Time. Registration is free and you receive a FREE T-shirt! They will ask if you would like to donate but it's up to you, but you don't need to donate to register. You can register at <http://www.walkforautism.org.au/> and please join our team Zac Attack!




We are launching our team - Zac Attack - on 2nd April at 9am and would love to see people from the Mater Christi Community there. We will walk around Bibra Lake and will finish with a sausage sizzle and drink sale - all money raised will go to this cause.

## Edu Dance Concert Day Schedules

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>9-12:30pm</b> A-Class Rehearsals	<b>9-12:30pm</b> B-Class Rehearsals	<b>9-12:30pm</b> C-Class Rehearsals
<b>1:45pm</b> MCCC opened for parents to enter	<b>1:45pm</b> MCCC opened for parents to enter	<b>1:45pm</b> MCCC opened for parents to enter
<b>2:05pm</b> Students seated in the MCCC ready to perform	<b>2:05pm</b> Students seated in the MCCC ready to perform	<b>2:05pm</b> Students seated in the MCCC ready to perform
<b>2:15pm</b> concert commences	<b>2:15pm</b> concert commences	<b>2:15pm</b> concert commences
Running Order: ITEM 1: <b>5A</b> ITEM 2: <b>2A</b> ITEM 3: <b>4A</b> ITEM 4: <b>1A</b> ITEM 5: <b>3A</b> ITEM 6: <b>PPA</b> ITEM 7: <b>6A</b>	Running Order: ITEM 1: <b>5B</b> ITEM 2: <b>PPB</b> ITEM 3: <b>3B</b> ITEM 4: <b>1B</b> ITEM 5: <b>4B</b> ITEM 6: <b>2B</b> ITEM 7: <b>6B</b>	Running Order: ITEM 1: <b>5C</b> ITEM 2: <b>3C</b> ITEM 3: <b>1C</b> ITEM 4: <b>4C</b> ITEM 5: <b>2C</b> ITEM 6: <b>PPC</b> ITEM 7: <b>6C</b>
<b>2:50pm</b> Approximate time of finish	<b>2:50pm</b> Approximate time of finish	<b>2:50pm</b> Approximate time of finish
Edu Dance Teacher- Tracey Voysey	Edu Dance Teacher- Hannah Harn	Edu Dance Teachers- Tracey Voysey, Hannah Harn and Emily Botje

## Mater Christi Edu-Dance Costume Suggestions 2017

The following list is a recommendation for costumes. It is very negotiable so please do not hesitate to chat with Tracey, Hannah or Emily if you have any questions or other ideas.

Pre Primary – 80s Disco dudes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>FLURO/ BRIGHT</b> coloured clothing from home</li> <li>- No skirts</li> </ul>
Year 1 – Crazy Dancing Frogs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>GREEN</b> T-shirt</li> <li>- School shorts</li> <li>- Swimming goggles on forehead (No face masks)</li> </ul> 
Year 2 – ABC it's a simple melody	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>FACTION</b> shirts</li> <li>- BIG A, B, C or 1, 2, 3 on front of t shirts.</li> <li>- Letters and numbers should be all the same size. (Around 20 cm.) Contact or tape could be used for this</li> <li>- School Shorts</li> </ul>
Year 3 – Irish Star Ships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- White t-shirt</li> <li>- Green Starship contacted to t shirt <b>OR</b> Green Shamrock contacted to t-shirt. (Please choose only 1)</li> <li>- School shorts</li> <li>- Long white socks</li> <li>- Girls green ribbons</li> <li>- Green hair???</li> </ul>  
Year 4 – Pirates of Dance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Black t-shirt</li> <li>- Black shorts or pants</li> <li>- Bandana/Scarf tied onto head (RED if possible)</li> <li>- Black scar or beard painted onto faces</li> </ul>
Year 5 – Rock Steady Crew	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Combination of <b>RED, BLACK and White</b> clothing from home</li> <li>- Going for a hip hop street style</li> </ul>
Year 6 – Hands Up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>White</b> T-Shirt</li> <li>- Black pants</li> <li>- Checked long sleeve shirt tied around waist</li> <li>- Cap</li> </ul>

Please ensure students wear their joggers/sports shoes. .  
No skirts please.

Thank you!





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### For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



### For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

### For Windows 81 Phone and Windows 81 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 81 Windows Phone or Windows 81/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

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Find out more at [www.skoolbag.com.au](http://www.skoolbag.com.au)



**EMMANUEL**  
CATHOLIC COLLEGE

## ENROLMENTS COMMENCING 2019

Emmanuel Catholic College is now interviewing for students commencing Year 7 in 2019.

Parents of students in Year 5 who want their child to attend Emmanuel Catholic College should submit their completed Application Form as soon as possible.

The College will conclude their interviews and finalise their 2019, Year 7 enrolments before the end of Term 2, 2017.

After this time all applications will be placed on a wait list.

[emmanuel.wa.edu.au](http://emmanuel.wa.edu.au)



**Mater Christi**  
Catholic Primary School

## 2019 ENROLMENTS

Applications for enrolment into Mater Christi Catholic Primary for 2019 are now due.

Interviews commence Term Three 2017, Please submit your application now to avoid missing out on a place. This is especially important for any families who have siblings at school now.

Applications can be downloaded from our website [www.mcps.wa.edu.au](http://www.mcps.wa.edu.au) or come into the front Office.

If you know of any families interested in applying, please encourage them to do so straight away.



## Class Rep Event

- **Year 2B – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April – 7pm**  
*Café Nocellos BYO*  
*RSVP Class Rep*
- **Year 4 – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April – 11am**  
*Woodman Point, John Graham Reserve*  
*(Siblings welcome)*  
*RSVP Class Rep*
- **Year 5 – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March – 7pm**  
*Last Drop, Beiliar*  
*RSVP Class Rep by 24 March*

## Banking - WE NEED YOUR HELP

Our school offers Commonwealth Banking for our students on a Wednesday morning.

Banking is done by a small group of volunteers that takes less than an hour.

We are seeking more volunteers to help with banking. No previous experience is required.

If you are able to assist, for even a couple of mornings a term, call in on Wednesday after the 8.45am bell to the staff room.

**SAVE THE DATE**

*St Mary's School, Northampton,*  
cordially invite  
*Past Students, Families and Staff*  
to a celebration of 150 years of Catholic Education  
in Northampton, to be held on:  
**Friday 13 April 2018**  
and  
**Saturday 14 April 2018**

**Memorabilia Display**  
We are currently collecting a variety of memorabilia, if you have any special items that you think would be of interest, please contact us. Photos will be appreciated.  
RSVP: Email: [hasleby.maree@catholnet.wa.edu.au](mailto:hasleby.maree@catholnet.wa.edu.au) Phone: 08 9934 1112

★ EMMANUEL CATHOLIC COLLEGE ★

**QUIZ NIGHT**

COME DRESSED AS YOUR FAVOURITE  
**SPORTING TEAM OR LEGEND**

**FRI 19 MAY 2017 ★ 6.45PM - 7PM START ★ TICKETS \$20**

SILENT AUCTIONS • DOOR PRIZES • RAFFLES • GAMES

EMMANUEL CATHOLIC COLLEGE (SPACE)

- ★ TABLES OF 10
- ★ BYO SNACKS & NIBBLES
- ★ 18+
- ★ BAR FACILITIES PROVIDED