Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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The Presence of God

At any time of the day or night we can call on Jesus. He is always waiting, listening for our call. What a wonderful blessing. No phone needed, no e-mails, Just a whisper.

Dear Parents/ Guardians

Another long, but very rewarding term comes to a close. Personally, I would like to thank our community for the support offered to me during my time as Acting Principal. I have thoroughly enjoyed the role and the challenges that have come with it. Next term, we welcome Toni Kalat as our new Principal and I know she is also very much looking forward to being part of our wonderful school.

On Monday of this week we had our cross-country carnival. We had perfect weather and it was great to see everyone give it his or her best shot. I would like to thank Mr Donnelly for organizing the event and well done to the Bandicoots for being the 2015 cross-country champions.

I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing our students back on Tuesday 21st July for the start of Term Three.

All the best

Mark Ryan Acting Principal

Dates for Next Term

Monday 20th July

Student Free Day

Tuesday 21st July

Students Commence Term Two

Kindy Screening

Read A Thon commences (PP – Yr 6)

Wednesday 22nd July

Kindy Screening

School Banking

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

Thursday 23rd July

Kindy Screening

Friday 24th July

> Saturday 25th July / Sunday 26th July

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Religious Education



The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment

At the request of the Western Australian Bishops, Year Three and Year Five students will take part in *The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment* program during the week commencing Monday, 27th July (Term Three, Week Two). Please refer to the note on the Class Portal and the Year Three and Year Five class blog for further details.

St Vincent de Paul Food Appeal

Thank you to all the families who brought in food over the past few weeks in support of the Winter Food Drive organised by the P&F. The St Vincent de Paul society is an essential element of our community, who provides much needed assistance to many families. It is important that our children are aware of those who are less fortunate in our community and the outstanding efforts of the St Vincent de Paul society. All food donations received on Giving Fridays, will be distributed to families by the St Vincent de Paul members. Sincere thanks to all involved.

Year Five Market Day

All money raised from the Year Five Market Day last week was used to purchase non-perishable food items for the people in need within our community. The Year Five students created winter food hampers to donate to St Vincent de Paul. Thank you to our Year Five students for their outstanding effort!

Best Wishes Courtney Dunsire Assistant Principal





Parish Corner



Sacramental Program

First Holy Communion Masses

Online bookings for First Holy Communion Masses are now available.

The Masses available are:

- Saturday 1st August 6pm
- Sunday 2nd August 8am or 10am
- Saturday 8th August 6pm
- Sunday 9th August 10am or 5pm
- Saturday 15th August 6pm
- Sunday 16th August 8am or 10am

For log-in details please refer to the Parish website.

Earn and Learn

From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015, Mater Christi will be participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn program. When staff and parents shop at Woolworths, they can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There will be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box here at the Mater Christi Office. Last time was very successful and we were able to get lots of fantastic resources for the school!



Mater Christi Read-A-Thon

Help us celebrate Book Week at Mater Christi!

Book Week is held in Week Six, Term Three and we are pleased to confirm we will have a **fancy dress parade**, a **second-hand bookstall** and a **read-a-thon**.

We are asking for you to encourage/assist your children to read and complete a reading log during the first half of Term Three.

We are also offering a competition prize draw, which every student can enter by answering these questions: *What is the favourite book you read in the read-a-thon and (in 25 words or less) why is it your favourite?* Competition forms will be available in the library from Week One, Term Three.

The read-a-thon commences Tuesday, Week One next term and will conclude the Friday of Week Five. As part of the Book Week celebrations, students can win prizes and certificates in recognition of their reading achievements and efforts.

We are very excited about this joint school, P&F initiative. It shows how we as a school community can work well together to improve the learning experience of our students.



CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

The annual Cross Country Carnival was held during the week in sensational conditions. The Carnival proved to be a great success with all the students putting on a great show in front of a record crowd.

In fact all the runners must be congratulated for putting in a sensational effort. It's hard yakka running that far. Thanks to all the parents that came down to cheer on our champions.

The results were as follows:

1ST – BANDICOOTS – 2959 pts 2ND – MAGPIES – 2873 pts 3RD – HONEYEATERS – 2862 pts 4TH – BOBTAILS – 2832 pts

Next Event: Interschool League Tag Carnival (Tuesday 11th August)

Ryan Donnelly (HPE Specialist)

MC DREAM TEAM

Our after school dance group will be performing next term in the Catholic Performing Arts Festival. See below for performance details and ticket information.

PERFORMANCE DETAILS & COSTUMES

(Children need to be taken by parent/guardian to the venue).

Group: MC Dream Team

Item Name and Number: Don't Be Late For Class! (Item 16) Date: Monday 17th August 2015 (Week Five, Term Three) Session: 7:00 – 9:30pm (approximate finishing time)

Venue: Perth Convention & Exhibition Centre – 21 Mounts Bay Road, Perth.

TICKETS

Tickets for the performance night will be available through Ticketek from Monday 20th July, 2015. Performers will not need a ticket as they will be watching from the auditorium and backstage throughout the night.

TICKETEK: 132 849 or <u>www.ticketek.com.au</u> Adults \$20 and Students \$16.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come and see us.

Miss Fic (6C), Ms Ross (Music) & Mrs Cosnett (PPA) Dance Co-ordinators

EMMANUEL CATHOLIC COLLEGE NEWS

The Emmanuel Catholic College Scholarship process has now concluded and I am delighted to announce the recipients of our Academic Scholarship for Year Seven, 2017.

Students were asked to sit a Literacy and Numeracy examination and the top performing students in each year group were awarded the Academic Scholarship.

It is with great pleasure that I announce the following student from Mater Christi Catholic Primary as one of the recipients: Lachlan Hegney Year Seven, 2017

These tests were very difficult and many students who sat the examination performed very well. Unsuccessful students entering Year Seven in 2017 will also have another opportunity to sit the College Scholarship Examinations next year.

Best wishes, Leo Di Gregorio

P & F News

As Term Two comes to an end, please consider the 2015 National Excellence in Teaching Awards (NEiTA). These awards are a great way to recognise and acknowledge the commitment of our wonderful teachers here at Mater Christi. Nominate online at

http://www.asg.com.au/nominate by July 31. See page Three of the Latest News on the MC Blog at

http://portal.mcps.wa.edu.au/blog-page/page/3/for more info.

The PFFWA's 2015 Awards of Excellence are also advertised on the Blog. These Awards are for amazing Principals, P&F Committees, Parishes and Parents who have been nominated by someone in their community. These awards close July 30, 2015.

A reminder to Parents if you haven't already, take the time over the holidays to check out our new school website and sign up to the portal page and MC parent Blog. We are hoping for 300 MC blog members and every parent that registers will go in a draw to win a \$100 Rebel Sport voucher. Simply click here http://portal.mcps.wa.edu.au/register/ to register and start blogging.

Enjoy the holidays! Kate Godwin-Johnston, P&F

School Uniform

Over the holidays, we ask that you re-label your child's school uniform and check that they have their own belongings. If you have any items that belong to someone else, please return them to the office and we will happily return them to their owner.

Mater Christi Parish Playgroup Fundraiser for All

Don't forget that our Parish fundraiser wine sales are still continuing and open to all families. Please click on the link.

http://www.wacleanskincellars.com.au/fundraising/home User Name: Parish. Password: Playgroup





Expression of Interest – for Senior First Aid (Workplace Level Two) Course to be held at Mater Christi

Your P&F would like to know if any parents are interested in attending a Senior First Aid (Workplace Level Two) course, run by the Royal Life Saving Society, at Mater Christi, for a cost of \$100 per person.

The duration of the course is

- 2 5 hours Online e-learning component (must be completed before attending practical session) plus
- 8.5 hours Practical class session and assessment.

The course will cover the following content: DRSABCD procedure Principles & legalities of First Aid Responding to an emergency Assessment for unconsciousness

Moving the casualtyResuscitation (CPR)Treatment of IllnessCardiac emergenciesBleeding and WoundsDressings and bandagesHyperthermia & HypothermiaBurns and scaldsPoisoningReporting of accidentsSpinal InjuriesBites, stings and envenomationCrush injuriesAllergic Reactions (Anaphylactic Shock /Use of EpiPen)Envent

On successfully completing the course, candidates will receive the following awards (to be emailed after completion of the course):

- RLSSWA Senior First Aid certificate valid for Three years
- RLSSWA Resuscitation certificate valid for twelve months
- Statement of Attainment including two units of competence from National Health Training Package: HLTAID003-Provide first aid, HLTAID001-Provide Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation

IF you are interested in attending the course can you please click on the link to fill out a survey to help determine what day of the week would suit most people. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XF2DNGC