

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents & Caregivers

NEW PARISH PRIEST: We welcome Fr Dat Vuong as he begins his ministry of service in the Mater Christi Parish from Saturday 4 June. During the week of Monday 6 June – Friday 10 June we will invite Fr Dat to meet the staff and students of Mater Christi. It was lovely to briefly meet and welcome Fr Dat yesterday to our community and I can confidently say that he is very much looking forward in making Mater Christi his home and Parish. I haven't yet asked him if he supports the Dockers? I know that we will all extend the hand of welcome to Fr Dat when we see him around the Church and School.



Trinity Sunday: This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Trinity – Father Son and Holy Spirit. The simple and profound truth at the heart of Trinity Sunday is that 'GOD IS LOVE.' God is three persons in a relationship of perfect unity. In our individualistic society, the Trinity calls us to ask not 'Who am I?' but rather 'Whose am I?' To whom do I belong? Through relationships of love, we discover God.

The mystery of the Holy Trinity reminds Christians that 'we are called to live not without each other, over or against the other, but with one another;

Mary Help of Christians – Feast Day Tuesday 24 May

Who is Mary Help of Christians?

The Feast Day to Mary Help of Christians has been celebrated in Australia since 1844 but the history to this day dates back to the start of the 1800's. Napoleon Bonaparte had jailed Pius VI who died in jail. When Pope Pius VII was elected, he too was jailed by Bonaparte, who kept him prisoner at Fontainebleau.

The Holy Father vowed to God that if he were restored to the Roman See, he would institute a special feast in honour of Mary. The military eventually forced Bonaparte to release the Pope and on 24 May 1814, Pius VII returned in triumph to Rome. Twelve months later, the Pope decreed that the feast of Mary Help of Christians be kept on 24 May.

The infant church in Australia had a special reason for turning to Mary. No priests were sent to the colony in its early days and Mass was not allowed except for one brief year until 1820. It was largely the Rosary in those early days that kept the faith alive.

Catholic Australia remained faithful to Mary and was the first nation to choose her under the title Help of Christians, as principal Patroness."



Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

Dates for Next Week

WELLNESS WEEK

**Monday 23rd
May**

Dental Screening
9am (Yr 3 & 6)

Interschool
Basketball Carnival

**Tuesday
24th May**

9am Whole School
Mass (Yr 4)
Our Lady help of
Christians and Father
Bryan's Farewell
Mass

**Wednesday
25th May**

School Banking

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

**Thursday
26th May**

9am Mass (6B)

**Friday
27th May**

9am Assembly (Merit
Awards / Aussie of the
Month

Saturday 28th May

Sunday 29th May

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FR BRYAN'S FAREWELL

SEE *You* THERE

WHEN: Tuesday May 24 @9am followed by Morning Tea in the Mater Christi Community Centre
WHERE: Mater Christi Church



Did you know that?

- Approximately half of the school will be involved in the 2016 Performing Arts Festival?
- We had a great turn out for our Walk To School this morning? What a glorious way to start the day!
- The PP children were very tired after their walk and needed a rest?
- The worms have been welcomed into their new home environment yesterday at Mater Christi by the Sustainability Team?

God Bless.... Toni Kalat

Religious Education

Confirmation

On Saturday, 14th and Sunday 15th May 2016 we celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation at Mater Christi. Congratulations to our Year Six students who received this Sacrament. May the light of the Holy Spirit always burn brightly in you.

Confirmation Photos

Confirmation photos will be available online within a week of the photo date.

All professional photos from Confirmation will be available online at



www.prophotobooth.com.au
password: mc327

Any enquiries must be made directly to ProPhotoBooth on 9249 3043.

Our Lady Help Of Christians & Farewell Mass

On Tuesday, 24th May we are celebrating a Our Lady Help Of Christians whole school Mass prepared by Year Four. This is our final school Mass with Father Bryan and we would love all families and friends to attend.

Life Link

All mission money collected this term will be donated to LifeLink in order to support people in need within our community. This year LifeLink Day will be officially launched on **Wednesday 8th June**.

Students are invited to make a gold coin donation for LifeLink Day and will be given a 'paper link' to represent their generous support for people in need in the community. These links will then form part of a chain, which each class will produce. We will then join together and 'link' individual class chains, making one long school chain – a powerful example of our students joining together to help people in need within the community and to celebrate LifeLink Day.

For more information about LifeLink Day, visit their website <http://www.lifelink.com.au>

Best Wishes

Courtney Dunsire
Assistant Principal

Parish News

To celebrate the past 17 years that Father Bryan has been here with us at Mater Christi, we will be having a

CELEBRATION AFTER EACH OF THE MASSES

On his final weekend here in the parish: **SATURDAY 28TH AND SUNDAY 29TH MAY.**

This way you can attend the Mass time you normally would and still be able to see Father to wish him well. At the conclusion of each of the Masses, there will be light refreshments available – because what Catholic function would not have this?! – over in the Community Centre.

Father Bryan will put in an appearance at each of these functions so you can see him before he leaves us for rest and relaxation in his retirement.

Coordinating the catering for each Mass is:

- 6.00pm Eileen Selveratnam (9414 1394) & Donna Butt (0404961228)
- 8.00am Barbara Rae (0424 201 590) & Donna Johnson (0408 942 443)
- 10.00am Bernadette D'Souza (0427 326 630), Jean McNamara (0401 311 944) & Gabriela Thomson (0400 290 033)
- 5.00pm Cheryl Cutri (0416 185 778), Karen Watkin (0468 323 171) & Susan Bosci (9417 3851)

Please contact any of these people to offer your assistance and/or a plate of food or drink for whichever of the celebrations you will be attending.



Merit Awards 27th May 2016

PPA	Lily Jameson, Tim Li, Donnacha O'Halloran
PPB	Zavier Jardim, Evonne Roy, Lilly Sauzier
PPC	Aiden Redondo, Ethan Bester
Year 1A	Savannah Stevenson, Daniel Colgan
Year 1B	Sabelle Yakas, Nicholas Toomey
Year 1C	Riley Galipo, Jamesina Hudspeth, Ella Rheinberger
Year 2A	Timothy Ring, Talea Fazio, Alexia O'Neill
Year 2B	Chloe Trimble, Tomas McAleer, Orlando Middleton,
Year 2C	Tameka Novelli, Kieran Treasure
Year 3A	Samuel Pendleton, Charlotte Dawson
Year 3B	Matthew Pymont, Kate Stevens
Year 3C	Gabriel Colborne, Kayla Sweeney, Nicolas Garces
Year 4A	Benjamin Cammilleri, Declan Philander
Year 4B	Hannah Chamberlain, Shane Tan
Year 4C	Jocelyn De Freitas, Hannah Sheehy
Year 5A	Tadhg O'Connor, Melanie Friessbourg, Nicholas Cutri
Year 5B	Olivia Chamberlain, Charlie Clarke, Darcy Miller
Year 5C	Tahlia Johnson, Jacinta Thamrin, Benjamin Rivett
Year 6A	Mason Jones, Natasha Katsambalos
Year 6B	Dale Martin, Olivia Cheong
Year 6C	Bridget Watts, Katrina Soares, Riley Lawton



Cross Country Training

Cross Country Training will start in Week Six on Monday and Wednesday Mornings (8.00am - 8.30am)

Training is open to anyone in Years Three – Six

The Cross Country Carnival will be held on Monday 27th June (Week 10)

PARKING ISSUE

We ask that the "Baby Bays" be there for the use of Parents / Guardians with Prams only.

Thank you



P&F News

The P&F will be hosting the morning tea after Fr Bryan's farewell Mass at 9am on Tuesday 24 May. If you are able to help with providing a plate of food, it would be greatly appreciated. Please email our Food Coordinator Mel Babich at melbabs79@gmail.com to let her know if you are able to bring a savoury or sweet plate. We kindly ask that food be placed on a disposable plate and dropped at the MCCC kitchen before Mass.

PFFWA - Parents & Friends Federation of WA State Conference

The P&F would like two parents to attend the conference on Saturday 21st May at The Astral, Crown Perth, Burswood. Your ticket will be paid for by P&F. There are some wonderful speakers including Peter Bell (former AFL Captain, Fremantle Dockers), Dr Tim McDonald (Executive Director, Catholic Education WA) and both The Minister for Education Peter Collier MLC and the Shadow Minister Sue Ellery MLC. Please note that the P&F will pay for the first two people who confirm their attendance at the conference. Please email Leonie Jones on dj.lones@westnet.com.au to express your interest.

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 Two). Please contact Karen on 0400 859 091 or at tassie47@hotmail.com if you can help with donations for raffle prizes.

P&F News Con't

CLASS REP EVENTS

- **KD – Friday 20th May – 7pm**
Dragon Place
RSVP to your Class Rep or communication board
- **PPA – Wednesday 25th May – After School Drop off 9am**
Coffee at Dome, opposite Gateway, Success
RSVP to your Class Rep
- **1A – Thursday 26th May – 7pm**
The Quarie, 2 Macquarie Blv, Hammond Park.
RSVP to your Class Rep
- **1B – Friday 27th May – 12pm**
Lunch, The Pizza Lounge, Swanbourne.
RSVP to your Class Rep by 20th May
- **2C – Tuesday 26th May – After School Drop Off**
Breakfast, Walters River Café, Honour Avenue, Bicton
RSVP to your Class Rep by 23rd May 16
- **3A – Thursday 9th June – 7pm**
Dragon Palace, Cockburn More details to follow,
RSVP to your Class Rep by 6th June 16

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

An Event For Parents

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School

Resilience – how does your child bounce back from life's inevitable big and little adversities? The older we get the more we KNOW that life's not always fair and that we're going to need lots and lots of life TOOLS to get back up and have another go!

In real life, not everyone:

- Gets picked to be a badge holder – even if they're a really good kid
- Wins every race or passes every test
- Gets invited to every party
- Is a naturally gifted social butterfly or scholar
- Gets included in games at lunch time

The good news! There is a LOI that parents can do to help their children to develop better social, emotional and learning resilience.

We invite you to join us for an evening of information and answers with Claire Orange as together we tackle these issues and more.

Where? Mater Christ Community Centre
340 Yangebup Road, Yangebup

For any queries, please email Rebecca Rowland (School Counsellor) –
rowland.rebecca@cathednet.wa.edu.au

Claire Orange is the author of 'Highway Heroes' a program we are currently rolling out in our school. Parents are urged to attend to support the vocabulary & key learnings that are being implemented.

Claire Orange is an Allied Health Therapist, Parenting Coach, Child Mental Health Counsellor, Author and Speaker. As a parent of 4 boys, she knows that parents need all the help they can get as they navigate the tricky playground politics with their children.



Date:
Tuesday
June 21st 2016

Time:
7.00-9.00pm



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Kindy 2018 Interviews take place this Term

Interviews for children commencing Four Year Old Kindergarten in 2018 will take place from the 8th June, 2016.

This interview will cover those wishing to enrol their child in the Three year old programme also.

If you have a child starting school in 2018 we invite you to visit our website www.mcps.wa.edu.au or drop in to the Administration Office Road, for an application form.

School Uniforms

A lot of clothing, especially Jumpers, Zip Jackets and Hats, have gone missing. Please label clothing clearly.

Permanent Markers and Clothes Markers do fade and wash off over time so please check your child's clothing regularly. The item cannot be returned to a student if the name has faded or item has not been labeled with a child's name.

Since a lot of pre-loved clothing has been found with old students' names on and have not been marked with the new student's name, the clothing cannot be returned to the rightful owner.

Ilonka Heinzle
Uniform Shop Manager

BATTERY RECYCLING BIN

We have a Mater Christi Battery Recycling Bin located outside the Library. Currently, batteries can NOT be placed in your green or yellow-topped bins at home and need to be taken to the Cockburn Library Battery Bin, so this will make the correct disposal of these items much more convenient.

Unfortunately, when these are placed in the bins at home, they end up in landfill. The chemicals inside the batteries can leach from their casings and pollute land and water with heavy metals that are toxic to life.

You may discard any regular dry-cell household batteries- just not mobile phone or car batteries!

They will be sent to Henderson Waste Recovery and then transferred interstate for recycling, as there is currently no provision for recycling in WA.

This is one small thing we can do, to sustain our environment for our children.





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Who is a Young Carer? Young carers are people under the age of 26 years, who help look after a family member who needs extra support at home. The person they care for may have a disability, mental illness, a drug or alcohol problem or a long term illness

Key Dates: Entries open Saturday 25th June & close Sunday 7th August 2016.

Theme – Portray the role and/or feeling of being a young carer

Prizes:

Young Carer & Non Carer 8-15yrs winners:
Up to the value of \$400, a choice of ipad mini or Drone

Young Carer & Non Carer 16-25 winners:
Up to the value of \$400, a choice of Dr Beats Headphones or Red Balloon Gift Card
The runner up prize for each category is a UE Boom 2 Wireless Speaker

For more information, full terms and conditions, or to download an application form, please visit the Young Carers WA website.
www.youngcarerswa.asn.au
1300 227 377



Breakfast with the Fire Brigade

The City of Cockburn is organising **Breakfast with the Fire Brigade** on Saturday 11th June from 9.30am to 11.30am at the Aubin Grove Reserve on Camden Blvd in Aubin Grove.

This is a family friendly event where members of the community are invited to come along and meet their local heroes who respond to bushfires and other major emergencies and learn about the work that they do and ask questions.

After School Sport

This term will see the Afterschool Sports Club participating in BOWLS! This underrated game is a great opportunity for children of all sporting abilities.

Below are the times for each session. If you are yet to sign up, please see Mrs Williamson 6C.

Year 4-6 Monday 3:30-4:15	Year 1-3 Thursday 3:30-4:15
23 rd May	26 th May
30 th May	9 th June