

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents & Caregivers

Corpus Christi Gospel Account



"Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets." Luke 9:11B -17

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi – The Feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus. The majesty and power of Jesus was on display when he provided food for five thousand. This is perhaps the most famous and well known of his miracles. The common thread is the need to have faith. For our own lives – we need to have faith that Jesus is there for us. He is already a step ahead in knowing what we truly need and that through receiving Him in Holy Communion we are nourished to face what each new day brings.



Thank you to P&F: At the last P&F meeting a Wish List for classroom and outdoor resources was presented to the P&F. All teachers are very grateful to the P&F for the generous \$9 000 donation and have begun to order the items on their list. This year Science has been greatly supported and Mrs Ziegelaar is most appreciative.



Farewell to Fr Bryan: We celebrated a beautiful Mass and Farewell to Fr Bryan from our School Community last Tuesday. Fr Bryan was immensely overwhelmed and humbly appreciative of the love, outpoured and the

generosity of the Staff, Students and Parents of our school. Each year level presented him with items for his Retirement Survival Kit and a moving reflection from the children to Fr Bryan was shown during the presentation. Our School Community gave Fr Bryan a laptop with all the items and programs that he needs to get going. I know that the children also enjoyed the special icy pole treat from Fr Bryan. Thank you to the P&F Committee who organised a lovely morning tea for everyone to enjoy and to Miss Ross who made the beautiful 'Farewell Cake' for all to share. It was very yummy.

Dear Fr Bryan

God has blessed us with your faithful service and so with a mixture of joy and sadness we give thanks for your time here at Mater Christi. Scripture tells us that endings are only new beginnings; therefore, as you have been a blessing to us, may you also be blessed as you begin your next adventure.

May the God of grace and peace, let his face shine upon you and may God in his tenderness and love hold you gently in the palm of his hand.



Dates for Next Week

**Monday 30th
May**

9am Mass (1A)

9am Kindy/PP
Reading Morning Tea
(Staffroom)

**Tuesday
31st May**

9am Mass (4A)

9am Kindy/PP
Reading Morning Tea
(Staffroom)

**Wednesday
1st June**

School Banking

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

**Thursday
2nd June**

**STUDENT FREE
DAY**

**Friday
3rd June**

**STUDENT FREE
DAY**

Saturday 4th June

Sunday 5th June

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Yangebup Rd Traffic: There has been a significant improvement in traffic problems since the City of Cockburn has removed the two trees and associated "island" (for all three schools and residents) on Yangebup Road. I would like to thank Cockburn Council, Councillor Eva, Mr Zydek (Divine Mercy) and Members of the School Board who worked together to come up with short and long term solutions. The Council paid for the scope of works and has allowed the schools to use the public median section as a wait area with the assurance that no one will be fined by the Ranger.

Most parents from Divine Mercy and Mater Christi keep to the "middle lane (median section)" whilst waiting to enter either of the schools' carparks. Occasionally a few Mater Christi parents park in the areas between the two median sections, thereby blocking Divine Mercy parents access into the driveway / carpark.

Parents, please **DO NOT** park directly in front of the main Divine Mercy entry as it blocks the flow of traffic. This must be treated as a CLEAR WAY. I am very grateful to Mr Zydek and Divine Mercy for setting different start and finish times to Mater Christi. It is vital that we don't come to afternoon drive through so early, 2.00pm – 2.45pm. This clogs up the road to a stand still for everyone, not to mention people's patience being tested. Thank you to all our parents who continuously strive to be the Face of Jesus in their dealings with others personally and on Facebook. It is only by working together, being patient and courteous that

We will all get through the drop off and pick up times well.



Did you know that?

Italian Festival Primary School Students' Competition 2016:

- I would like to congratulate Sophia Corriea (Kindy C) and Naomi Hamilton (PPA) who were winners of their respective year group levels. Their work reflected a very high standard of achievement and great personal effort. Also Ella Da Silva Faria (Kindy A) has been awarded a Merit Certificate..
- Congratulations to Ms Piacenti for her teaching of Italian in our school and supporting all the classes for this competition. Bravo!
- We all enjoyed Wellness Week? Did you?
- Miss Lister, Miss McNally, Miss Nunes and Mrs Ziegelaar are off to the EDUtech Conference (IT & Innovation) next week? I know that they can't wait to observe, listen, explore and learn from their time there and will bring back many ideas for our staff and students and also the affirmation that what we are doing at Mater Christi is already GREAT!

NEXT WEEK: I will also be away at various meetings. If you have any queries please come and see Mrs Dunsire.

Thursday 2 June: PUPIL FREE DAY Staff PD Day on Numeracy with Paul Swan.

Friday 3 June: PUPIL FREE DAY Staff Catholic Day

Monday 6 June: PUBLIC HOLIDAY – WA DAY

School and all classes resume on Tuesday 7 June. I hope everyone enjoys the extra mid term break.

God Bless.... Toni Kalat

Religious Education

Confirmation Photos

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.

LifeLink

All mission money collected this term will be donated to Life Link 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 Life Link Day, visit their website <http://www.lifelink.com.au>

Best Wishes

Courtney Dunsire

Assistant Principal

Parish News

First Holy Communion Workshops

Online bookings for First Holy Communion Parent/Child workshops are available from **Monday 6th June**.

The following times are available:

- ❖ **Tuesday 28th June at 3:30pm**
- ❖ **Tuesday 28th June at 5:00pm**
- ❖ **Wednesday 29th June at 3:30pm**
- ❖ **Wednesday 29th June at 5:00**

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



First Holy Communion Commitment Masses

First Communion Commitment Masses will take place during Parish Masses on the 11th & 12th June. All children receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist are required to attend. Parish Mass times are Saturday at 6pm, Sunday at 8am, 10am & 5pm.

A huge thank you to everyone who made their way down for a lovely morning stroll for Walk Safely To School Day.





Kindy & Pre-Primary Reading Morning Tea

Venue: Staff Room, Mater Christi CPS

Dates: Monday 30th May & Tuesday 31st May

Time: 9:00am (straight after kindy drop off)

The morning will offer parents the opportunity to be exposed to the process of reading. The session will be presented by Paulina Sweeney, Tracy Duffy and Courtney Dunsire and will provide a snap shot of what reading is and pre-reading skills and strategies.

If you are interested in attending please email the school on admin@mcps.wa.edu.au and pop into the subject line: **Attending Reading Information Morning on (date).**

Cross Country Training

CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING

Cross Country Training will start next week. Training is open to all students in Year Three to Six. Everyone is encouraged to attend. It is a brilliant way to get into shape for the upcoming Cross Country Carnival (Monday 27th June). Training Days are as follows:

DAY	WHEN	TIME
TUESDAY	MORNINGS	8:00 – 8:30AM
THURSDAY	MORNINGS	8:00 – 8:30AM

Parents please note that children must change into their school uniform after cross country training in the morning ready for regular classes unless it is their sports day.

Ryan Donnelly
HPE Specialist

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, for an application form.

Interschool Basketball Carnival

On Monday, two Mater Christi Magic Basketball teams ventured up to the Wally Hagan Basketball Stadium in Cockburn to compete for the C.P.S.S.A Interschool Basketball Crown. Both the boys and the girls teams had prepared meticulously and the students were jumping out of their skin to get down to business. Looking resplendent in their new basketball singlet, the teams participated in six games against the likes of St Bernadettes, Yidarra, St. Jeromes and Living Waters.

The boys were a mix of Year Five and Six students with a couple of boys having played the year before. The boys lacked height but this meant that they would have to work extremely hard to out hustle the opposition. In the first game we were opposed to Christ the King. The encounter was a very speedy one. The boys dominated and won convincingly. The second game was against Living Waters. After the first game the boys were full of confidence and this continued to grow with a hard fought display. In the next games the boys lost to eventual champs Star of the Sea, lost a close one against Yidarra and saw off a St. Bernadettes challenge. The last game saw us up against St. Jeromes. After a titanic tussle the game ended with our boys losing by two points (after the siren) in an absolute nail biter. Our defensive pressure was outstanding throughout the carnival. The boys were fantastic and finished the day in equal fourth place.

The girls were an interesting bunch. No real basketballers, just a whole lot of netballers. The girls had a great first up win against Christ the King but lost the next one against Living Waters. This was in a large part due to the Michael Jordan skills of one of their players. We lost the next three by small margins. Unfortunately our shooting was a little off target. The girls dominated possession and had plenty more shots than St Bernadettes in the next game. It went down to the wire, with the game ending in a draw. The girls continued to run the opposition ragged in the last with an impressive win over St Jeromes. The girls put in everything and placed fifth overall.

Well done to all the players who worked hard and represented the school with honour. There was a real sense of excitement all day. The students had a blast!

A big thank you must go to all the supporters who came down and to Mr Wakeling and Mrs Monteiro who helped out with the scoring.

Ryan Donnelly
HPE Specialist

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 LOT 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.

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

You will also have the opportunity to purchase Claire's book for the discounted price of \$15.00 on the night.



Date:
Tuesday
June 21st 2016

Time:
7.00-9.00pm

Where:
Mater Christi
Community
Centre

Rsvp:
Monday
June 13th 2016
admin@mcps.wa.edu.au

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.

Claire 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.



P&F News

P&F Meeting

Parents, the P&F would like to invite and encourage you to contribute to the agenda for the upcoming P&F Meeting on Tuesday the 7th of June. All parents are welcome to attend each meeting.

Whether you are able to attend the meeting or not, we would also love to hear from you.

So if you have an item you would like discussed, please email it through to admin@mcps.wa.edu.au and they will ensure it is handed on to the P&F.

All meeting minutes are published on the school website following the meeting.

All agenda items need to be emailed through by Tuesday the 31st of May.

The Mater Christi P&F is in the process of updating the **Parent Business Directory**. This was established for 2 main purposes. Firstly, to give all business owners the opportunity to let families within the school know that they exist, and secondly, to give families the opportunity to employ the services of someone from within our own community. We want to include all kinds of businesses - home decor and party plans to trades, sporting businesses and food, please share what you do with us! Please forward your businesses details to michellehall080@gmail.com before **Wednesday 1st June 2016**.

The planning of this year's **spectacular family event** is underway. We would especially love to hear from any parents with businesses who may be able to work with us to provide games, entertainment, food vans or sports demonstrations.

CLASS REP EVENTS

- **1B – Friday 27th May – 12pm**
Lunch, The Pizza Lounge, Swanbourne.
RSVP to your Class Rep by 20th May
- **3A – Thursday 9th June – 7pm**
Dragon Palace, Cockburn More details to follow,
RSVP to your Class Rep by 6th June 16
- **Yr5 – Friday 1st July – 7pm**
Café Royal, Cockburn Central,
RSVP to your Class Rep

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



YOU CAN SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL'S EVENT BY:

- * gathering with us on Friday 10th June
- * donating raffle prizes or food for morning tea
- * purchasing raffle tickets
- * making a donation to the Mater Christi Morning Tea online donations page

Raffles prizes are currently being sought, businesses and families may donate items to any value. Contact Karen on 0400 859 091 or at tassie47@hotmail.com if you can help with donations for raffle prizes.

Raffle tickets may be purchased using this form, or at school in the week before or on the day of the morning tea. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Please write your name & phone number on each ticket you wish to purchase, then return with money to school.

Online donations may be made to support Mater Christi's Biggest Morning Tea at <http://wa.cancercouncilfundraising.org.au/mcps> (please note that donations are not raffle ticket purchases)

Please contact Mel on melbabs79@gmail.com if you can help with a sweet or savory food donation.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea RAFFLE TICKET	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea RAFFLE TICKET	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea RAFFLE TICKET	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea RAFFLE TICKET	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea RAFFLE TICKET	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea RAFFLE TICKET
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For general enquiries call 1800 624 487



Year Five CSL Frank Prendergast



What did the Year Four and Five get up to in Wellness Week.....?

On Monday we had the very talented Mrs Bancroft from Wellbeing 4 Kids visit Mater Christi for a Yoga Incursion. Check out some photos from our yoga morning....even some of the teachers joined in!



Emmanuel Catholic College Enrolments (2017—2019)

Emmanuel enrolments have become very competitive over the last couple of years and places for **2017** are now on a waiting list only.

We commenced interviewing for **2018** at the beginning of the year and again enrolment places are in demand. If there are any Siblings that haven't enrolled as yet they may risk missing out on a place for their child. It is not an automatic enrolment because you already have a child at the College, separate applications need to be submitted.

If you are interested in a place for **2019**, we would encourage you to submit your application as soon as possible. Although we don't start interviewing until next year we have a large number of applications already and envisage that not all applications for 2019 will be interviewed as we reach our maximum numbers.

Applications can be downloaded on www.emmanuel.wa.edu.au or alternatively, email our Registrar on enrolments@emmanuel.wa.edu.au requesting a copy of our Prospectus.

Students in Catholic Primary Schools will have a strong preference in gaining an enrolment.



JOIN US FOR A
TOUR

Our next College Tour afternoon is on
Wednesday, 29 June at 4.00pm.

Please RSVP to Kelly Lister on 9414 4055 or
enrolments@emmanuel.wa.edu.au if you would like to attend.

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.



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.

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 Heinze
Uniform Shop Manager

Book Club

Book club is due

Friday 10 June 3pm
No cash payments or paper orders please.
Please use LOOP on scholastic website.
Any orders placed after the closing date and time will be charged \$4.99 for home delivery.

Emily Richards
Library Officer

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, for this free activity, please see Mrs Williamson 6C.

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