

# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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## **Mark 10:46-52**

*They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.*

Dear Parents/Guardians

Last weekend 133 school and parish candidates received the Sacrament of Confirmation. The organising and coordinating of this is a massive job and I would like to thank Courtney Dunsire (AP RE), Marina Hayward (Parish Sacramental Coordinator) and our Year Six teachers in ensuring all ran so smoothly. All candidates certainly looked the part and I would also like to thank Fr Bryan for his spiritual guidance of not only these students but of the whole school community.

This week the P&F hosted morning teas for our ELC, Kindy and Pre-Primary parents, with Courtney Dunsire, Paulina Sweeney and Geordie Thuijs presenting on 'reading with your children.' A really good turnout was had and we thank you all for coming. A huge thanks to our P&F led by Joh and Heidi who do so much to support the importance of reading in our school, and who supplied a great morning tea for those in attendance.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy long weekend and I look forward to seeing our students back next Tuesday refreshed and ready to tackle the second half of the term.

Best Wishes

Mark Ryan  
Acting Principal

## Dates for Next Week

**Monday  
1<sup>st</sup> June**

**Public Holiday**

**WA DAY**

**Tuesday  
2<sup>nd</sup> June**

9am Mass (1B)

7pm Board Meeting

**Wednesday  
3<sup>rd</sup> June**

School Banking

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

**Thursday  
4<sup>th</sup> June**

9am Mass (1C)

**Friday  
5<sup>th</sup> June**

9am Mass (3C)

**Saturday 6th June /  
Sunday 7th June**

First Communion Commitment  
Masses (All Masses)

## Religious Education



### Confirmation

On Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2015 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.



### LifeLink

All mission money collected this term will be donated to LifeLink in order to support people in need within our community.

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 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

## Kindy & Pre-Primary Reading Morning Teas

On Monday 25<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May, Paulina Sweeney, Courtney Dunsire and Geordie Thuijs presented reading morning teas for all our Kindy and Pre-Primary parents.

The morning offered parents an opportunity to be exposed to the process of reading. It provided a snap shot of what reading is, pre-reading skills and strategies, modelling reading to engage the child and information regarding home readers.

A big thank you to our P&F who hosted these gatherings. It was great to see so many people there!



Kate Godwin-Johnston, P&F





## Year Six Graduation

### Year Six Graduation Year Book

Each Year Six student has been given a letter from the Year Book Committee to take home to Parents. The letter provides a list of required photos of your child/ren needed by the Committee to be included in this year's book. Photos must be in JPEG format and forwarded to the Head of the Year Book Committee, Ruthy Gonsalves, either on a thumb drive or via email (ruthy727@yahoo.com.au) by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June. If you have any questions, concerns or need another letter, please do not hesitate to contact Ruthy.

Cherryl Cutri  
Class Representative Coordinator

## Rainbows

When something significant happens in the family, the whole family is affected. Even though death and divorce appears to be a grown up problem, it does have a profound effect on the children it touches. Rainbows is a program designed especially for children who are living in single parent families, or families going through significant transitions.

Rainbows fosters emotional healing among children grieving a loss from a life-altering crisis or other significant changes in their life. Rainbows provides a safe, confidential and caring environment for young people to sort through their pain and confusion, build self-esteem and learn coping tools to deal with their change, loss and grief. The goal is to assist participants in expressing feelings, understand and talk about these feelings and to learn to let go of them and get on with living. The facilitator assists the participants in expressing feelings.

The program consists of twelve weekly sessions conducted during school hours. This year the staff member trained to facilitate the Rainbows Program is Michelle Romano. If you are interested in your child participating, please email [admin@mcps.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@mcps.wa.edu.au) or speak to your child's classroom teacher.

Michelle Romano  
Rainbows Facilitator

## Uniform Shop

Perm-a-Pleat has informed me that they are still having issues getting the yarn for the poly-cotton winter jumpers. They will unfortunately only be available by next term.

However we have decided to get some woollen jumpers in. The wool should be a better quality than our previous supplier therefore shouldn't be as scratchy as the previous ones we've had. They will be available in Four weeks.

Students will still be allowed to wear their sport Zip Jackets while they don't have winter jumpers.

Perm-a-Pleat apologise for any inconvenience it is causing anyone.

Ilonka Heinzle  
Uniform Shop Coordinator  
Perm-a-Pleat

## Class Rep Events

- **KA – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June – 7pm**  
*The Burrendah Tavern, Willetton, RSVP to your Rep by 5<sup>th</sup> June via email*
- **KB – Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June – 1pm**  
*Sandrino's, Fremantle, RSVP to your Rep by 14<sup>th</sup> June*
- **KC – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June – 3.30pm,**  
*Lollipops Playgym, RSVP to your Rep by 17<sup>th</sup> June*
- **1C – Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June – 9.30am,**  
*Little Creatures, Fremantle, Family Breakfast, RSVP to your Reps by Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June*
- **2A – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June – 7.00pm,**  
*2/19 Junction Boulevard, Cockburn Central  
RSVP to your Rep by 23<sup>th</sup> June*

## Parish Corner

### First Communion Commitment Masses

First Communion Commitment Masses will take place during Parish Masses over the weekend of the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> 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.