

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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*"In these days, God taught me
as a schoolteacher teaches a pupil" (Saint Ignatius).
I remind myself that there are things God has to teach me yet,
and ask for the grace to hear them and let them change me."*

Dear Parents/Guardians

Congratulations to our Year Three teachers, students and support staff for a wonderful assembly in the MCCC this morning. It was a fun and entertaining way to start the day. Thank you also to the big crowd of parents, grandparents and friends that turned up to support these classes. Your support is appreciated by all.

At the end of this semester our school reports will be available electronically via Coneqt.p. Each family has already been sent a log in code. Please contact the office if this is not the case. More information on the semester one reports is available in this edition of the newsletter and I invite each of you to read over this information very carefully so you are aware of our reporting procedure.

Next Tuesday our Year 6 classes and some lucky Year 5's will be involved in the Winter Interschool Lightning Carnival. They will be representing Mater Christi in Aussie Rules, Soccer, Netball and Volleyball. These are great days for the students involved and if you are able to come and support our teams, it would be greatly appreciated.

Have a great weekend.

Best wishes
Mark Ryan
Acting Principal

Dates for Next Week

**Monday
22nd June** 9am Mass (6C)

**Tuesday
23rd June** Interschool Lightning
Carnival

**Wednesday
24th June** First Holy Communion
Parent/Child Workshop
(MCCC)
Session 1:3.30 – 4.30pm
Session 2:5.00 – 6.00pm

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

**Thursday
25th June** First Holy Communion
Parent/Child Workshop
(MCCC)
Session 1:5.00 – 6.00pm
Session 2:6.30 - 7.30pm

**Friday
26th June** 9am Mass (5A)
11am Pre Primary Cross-
Country

**Saturday 27th June /
Sunday 28th June**

School Report Guidelines For Parents

THE SEMESTER REPORT (Years 1-6)

Students are graded on their achievement in relation to the standard described for each outcome covered. The A-E grade scale is for Years 1 to 6 and summarises the depth of knowledge and understanding, and the range of skills that students working at that standard typically show.

The Year 1 to 6 rating definitions are:

Letter Grade	Achievement Descriptor
A	The student demonstrates excellent achievement of what is expected for this year level.
B	The student demonstrates high achievement of what is expected for this year level.
C	The student demonstrates satisfactory achievement of what is expected for this year level.
D	The student demonstrates limited achievement of what is expected for this year level.
E	The student demonstrates very low achievement of what is expected for this year level.

PLEASE NOTE:

If a student receives the same grade for two consecutive reports they have made progress i.e. if a child receives a 'C' in their mid year report and again in their end of year report, they are progressing as expected.

REPORTS FOR PRE-PRIMARY

The Pre-Primary rating definitions are:

Rating	Achievement Descriptor
Exceptional	The student demonstrates exceptional achievement for this year level.
Exceeded	The student has exceeded the achievement for this year level.
Expected	The student demonstrates the expected achievement for this year level.
Working Towards	The student is working towards the achievement expected for this year level.
Not Yet Demonstrated	The student has not yet demonstrated the expected achievement for this year level.

REPORTS FOR KINDY

In accordance with the Early Years Learning Framework, Kindy children will for the first time receive a 'Skills Checklist' to take home at the end of the Semester. It is important to note that this is not a precursor to formalising the very good programme already running in Kindy. Our aim is to provide an additional line of communication between school and home, regarding your child's progress.

ONLINE REPORTS WITH CONEQT.P

This year Mater Christi will be trialling a new online and paperless system for delivering student reports (PP-6). The Coneqt.p program is already utilised by a number of High Schools in the area with great results. It is hoped that Coneqt.p will help to improve communication between school and home, and limit copying costs for the school.

Once you have logged in using the username and password provided earlier this term, you will see a menu on the left hand side. The Reports label is the way you can access the Semester One Report. Reports will be made available online from Wednesday 1st July.

Your web link to access Coneqt.p is: <https://mcps.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.edu.au/>

If you are having difficulties, with logging in or other aspects of Coneqt.p please contact the school on 9417 5756. If you did not receive a username or password then please contact the school office.

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 3, Week 2). Please refer to the note on the Class Portal and the Year 3 and Year 5 class blog for further details.

Giving Day

A gentle reminder, that every Friday at Mater Christi is Giving Day. All donations of non-perishable food items would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued support.

Best Wishes
Courtney Dunsire
Assistant Principal

Parish Corner



Sacramental Program

First Holy Communion Masses

Parent & Child Eucharist Workshops for First Holy Communion are this Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th June.

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.
<http://www.materchristiparish.com>

Parent Meetings

Recently many teachers have met with parents regarding report grades. Our policy has always been that, if a student is having difficulty in a specific learning area, the teacher will contact the parents/guardians to discuss the area of concern and if they also believe that extra support may be required.

Our teachers work very hard to ensure they assess all students fairly and gather sufficient evidence to be able to give honest and specific feedback regarding your child's progress. It would be appreciated if you could please respect the teachers, as all parent-teacher meetings have the same goal – to ensure the best outcome is achieved for all children.

Cross Country 2015

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS (Monday 29th June)

EVENT YEAR GROUP START TIME (Approx.)

EVENT 1:	YEAR 1 GIRLS (2 Laps)	9:15AM
EVENT 2:	YEAR 1 BOYS	9:20AM
EVENT 3:	YEAR 2 GIRLS (2 Laps)	9:25AM
EVENT 4:	YEAR 2 BOYS	9:30AM
EVENT 5:	YEAR 3 GIRLS (Bush/Oval 1 km)	9:35AM
EVENT 6:	YEAR 3 BOYS	9:45AM
EVENT 7:	YEAR 4 GIRLS (1.5km)	11:10AM
EVENT 8:	YEAR 4 BOYS	11:25AM
EVENT 9:	YEAR 5 GIRLS	11:40AM
EVENT 10:	YEAR 5 BOYS	11:55AM
EVENT 11:	YEAR 6 GIRLS (2km)	1:25PM
EVENT 12:	YEAR 6 BOYS	1:40PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS (over P.A) 3:00PM (If Time)

PRESENTATION OF SHIELD NEXT ASSEMBLY

Pre-primary Classes will run their race on Friday 26th June at 11:00am.

The Cross Country will only be cancelled in severe weather.

Times are approximate. Be early to avoid disappointment!

Emmanuel Excursion

On Thursday the 11th of June the Year Four students visited Emmanuel College to experience what life would be like as a high school student. The students rotated through six different thirty-minute workshops to get a snapshot of some of the possible subjects they could take if they decided to attend Emmanuel. These activities covered areas such as Design and Technology, Drama, Creative Digital Design, AFL Academy, Dance and Home Economics.

The day finished with lunch and a musical performance in the Library by the College Band to showcase the musical program that is offered at the college. The students returned to school with huge smiles on their faces after spending a busy fun filled day at Emmanuel College. We are so privileged to be given the opportunity to take our students to Emmanuel so that they are better prepared for what to expect in High School and to see what Emmanuel has to offer if they were to attend in Year Seven. We thank Emmanuel College for their generosity and effort, in providing the students with an amazing experience.



Gardening Club!

By Danielle Bok

I have had so much fun in Gardening Club. On Monday the 8th June, Mr Edwards wanted Jasmine, Emily H and I to come to the garden at lunch. We didn't know what we were doing. When we got there we had to enrich the soil by adding Dynamic Lifter, manure and soil improver.

Mr Edwards said dynamic lifter was made out of manure, blood and bones. When mixed into the soil it will help our plants grow. We need to do this to prepare our garden beds. Once it was added on top of the soil we then had to turn over the soil. We had masks on but we could still smell it through the mask. It smelt really bad!

On Tuesday we learnt how to plant a seedling. It was really fun. Mr Edwards told us to rip off part of the root system at the bottom of the seedling and put it in the bin. Then we planted the seedling in rows roughly 25-30cm apart. We had four garden beds to fill. Surprisingly we had spare plants. We have some delicious food we are going to make when the plants are grown.

We have planted broccoli, a mixture of different lettuce, strawberries, potatoes, cherry tomatoes, rocket, sugar snap peas, broad bean, spinach, silver beet, beetroot, kale and variety of herbs.

When we were finished planting we had to water the plants. At the end we went back to the class and then we were done! We are very excited about getting dirty and growing our own food!



Footy with Yeo

I enjoyed the Footy Clinic with Elliot Yeo because he was really funny and gave us good tips, also the match we had was fun. **Sebastian Fazzino**

I really enjoyed meeting Elliot Yeo. He was very kind and easy going. When we made a mistake he told us what to do next time. **Joel Kennington**

Awesome! I loved it! I couldn't believe I met Elliot Yeo! We had a great game and I can't believe I took a great mark. **Joshua Carradus**

So awesome meeting Elliot Yeo! We played a scratch match and I managed to slot through a goal from 50 metres out. Great experience! **Peter Tiernan**

The best thing about the football clinic held on Wednesday the 17th was when Elliot Yeo joined us at the clinic because he told us some stories and tips to become a football player when we grow up. **Cairo Coventry**

On the 17th of June Elliot Yeo came to Mater Christi. It was fun because I really look up to Elliot Yeo and I aspire to be like him. **Dylan Sweetman**



Uniform Shop

Winter **Wool** Jumpers will be available on Wednesday the 24th of June. Cotton Jumpers are still expected to come next term.

Thank you

Ilonka Heinzle
Uniform Shop Coordinator
Perm-a-Pleat



On Monday the 22nd of June, the Year Fives will be carrying out a Market Day at recess and lunchtime as part of their technology and enterprise project this semester. There will be numerous stalls set up in the undercover area selling a variety of different products with prices ranging from 5c to \$4.00 for children in Years One to Six. Our Year Five students will handcraft the products individually. All profits will go to charity. Thank you for your support.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea Raffle Donations Kindly Donated by The Following Mater Christi Parents And Local Business

Bayley Family
 Bradford Family
 Butt (Donna) Family
 Campeotto Family
 Clarke Family
 Cocksey Family (Hair by Tanya)
 Cutts Family
 D'Urizio family
 DeSouza Family (2C)
 Doria Family
 Finance Corp
 Flanagan Family
 Gallipo Family
 Godwin-Johnston Family
 Hall Family (The Toffee Tree)
 Harvey Family (Avon)
 Hayward Family
 Hegney Family
 Jones (Leonie) Family
 Lim Family (Kindy A)
 Loreto Family
 Malone Family
 Mater Christi P&F
 Miller Family
 Milne Family
 Murtagh Family
 (value \$100 gift voucher Guitar World)
 Nici Family
 Park Family (Enjo and Thermomix)
 Pellicone Family (PartyLite Candles)
 Pengilly Family (Nutrimetics)
 Pritchard Family
 Rijavec Family (Cheesecake Shop)
 Rivett Family
 Simons Family (Total Project Consulting - TPC)
 Stevens Family
 Sweeney Family
 Trimboli Family (UK2 you fashions)

Tony Ale and Co. Fresh Food Market (Value \$50)
 San Churro, Gateway/Success (value \$130)
 Coles Southlake (value \$50)
 Cockburn Gateways Shopping Centre (value \$50)

Sincere apologies if you donated a gift and your name does not appear on this list. Some gifts left at the Front Office did not have a name attached for me to acknowledge, or were dropped in to us on the actual morning of the event.

Collecting the names of donors was unfortunately missed for some gifts that unfortunately didn't have a note attached.

Science News

Waste Free Wednesday was a huge success!!

Thank you to all the parents and students who got behind this initiative.

Hopefully we can continue this throughout the year.

Year 3A were the winners of the competition with only 20grams of waste at lunch- WOW



School Photos

The school group photos have arrived at the front office. If your child is in one of the following groups:-

Arts Captains
 Dance
 Head Altar Servers
 Junior Choir
 Science Captains
 Senior Choir
 Sports Captains
 Students Representatives Council
 Year Six Graduation Muck Up

Please come into the front office to preview the photos and collect an instructional flyer on how to order online.

Last day for Ordering Online is Thursday, 30 July 2015.

MSP Photography - WA

P & F News

A new Contact email address has been created for getting in touch with your P&F: pandf@mcps.wa.edu.au. We welcome ANY ideas, questions, enquiries, topics of discussion etc. that would benefit our children's education, so please don't be shy to get in touch with us! This email address and other P&F details can be found by going to the MC Portal/Blog page at <http://portal.mcps.wa.edu.au/> and then clicking on the 'MC Parents and Friends' button which is down the left-hand side of the page.

The Parents and Friends Federation of WA (PFFWA)'s 2015 Awards of Excellence in Building Positive School Communities, are open for nominations. These Awards are for amazing Principals, P&F Committees, Parishes and Parents who have been nominated by someone in their community. The Awards are given to the most outstanding entrant in each category who has demonstrated positive outcomes for students and the school community. Please click here for nomination forms and then print out, complete and return form(s) to admin@pff.wa.edu.au or PO Box 909 INGLEWOOD WA 6932, by Thursday 30th July.

There will be a 2nd-hand book stall run during Book Week in Term 3. Please start bringing your books into school NOW so that they can be priced. Class teachers will have a tub in each classroom to put your books in. The money raised will go towards purchasing new class readers.

Kate Godwin-Johnston, P&F

Class Rep Events

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

Mater Christi Parish Playgroup

The Mater Christi Parish Playgroup is holding our annual fundraiser for the next few weeks and this one is for the parents!

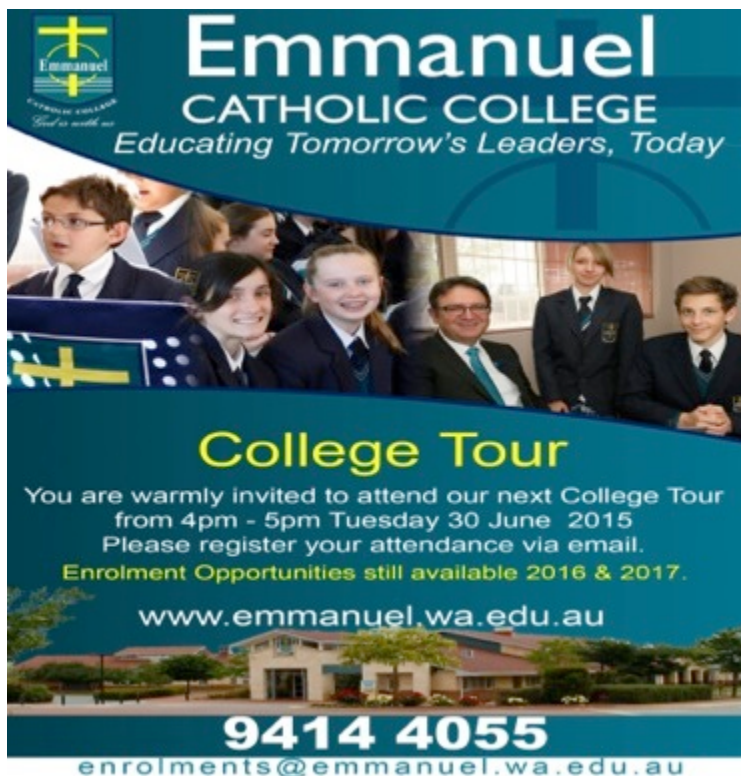
We are holding a wine clean skins sale and it couldn't be any easier! Orders are placed online and delivered to your door for a very reasonable price of \$5 per case. There is great selection of wines to choose from with sparkling, red and white from three different regions.

Please see the flyer attached to the Newsletter or see the school office for full descriptions of the available wines that are at a very reasonable cost, then head to their website at

<http://www.wacleanskincellars.com.au/fundraising/home> and enter the username of PARISH and password of PLAYGROUP to be directed to the appropriate page and pricing. Please note, to ensure that you are charged the correct discounted rate and to make sure that the fundraising amounts are directed to the playgroup, please only use this link to purchase.

We can only hold these cheap prices for a limited time though so please make sure your orders are placed well before the **closing date of 10th July**. Orders are processed and despatched from WA Cleanskins directly and will be delivered to your door as you order. You are welcome to order as many cases as you like and please feel free to pass on our link to your friends and family so that they are also able to take advantage of these great rates! You are also welcome to order as many times as you like within the fundraising period so you can purchase, try and then buy more or from a different region once they arrive.

Sharnee Commins



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College Tour

You are warmly invited to attend our next College Tour
from 4pm - 5pm Tuesday 30 June 2015
Please register your attendance via email.
Enrolment Opportunities still available 2016 & 2017.

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