

# Mater Christi Catholic Primary School

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## We Come to the Table

The table is a symbol of community and hospitality where people gather and are made to feel welcome. Jesus conducted much of his ministry over a table, welcoming, sharing, talking, eating, drinking and accepting people from all walks of life. Eucharist is a time of sacred celebration when we are called to gather as a community of disciples at the table of the Lord. Jesus invites us to his table to receive the gift of himself in the form of bread and wine.

*Loving God,  
may our table be a place of hospitality and welcome where we bring friends  
and guests and those in need. May it be a place where we can experience your love and  
forgiveness.  
Amen.*

Dear Parents/Guardians

Over the next three weekends our Year Four students will be making their First Holy Communion. This promises to be a very special occasion in the lives of not only these students but for their families as well. A great deal of work has gone into preparing the Year Fours to receive this special sacrament and I would like to thank Miss Fic, Miss McNally, Mr O'Reilly and Mrs Dunsire in what they have done to get the students ready. It promises to be a great celebration and if we could please keep the students in our prayers it would be greatly appreciated.

Mass this morning was beautiful. The theme was 'Peace and Justice'. Thank you to Father Dat who made us all very welcome, to Ms Ross and her awesome choir, and to our Year Six teachers and students who led us. Thank you to everyone who was able to join us there, it certainly was a very full church.

At the Merit Award Assembly last week we launched the Georgia Farnan appeal. The response to this has been amazing and there are some very generous people out there. I would like to thank Mrs Stacey Harding for all the work she has done to get this up and running. Don't forget Stacey and her team are selling raffle tickets in the junior courtyard each morning from 8.15 to 8.45am. There are some great prizes on offer and tickets cost \$5 for 1 or \$10 for 3. The raffle will be drawn on Friday August 19 with prize winners notified accordingly. This day will also be 'Jeans for Georgia' day and we are asking for a gold coin donation which will be added to the appeal. More information can be found on Georgia's everyday hero website. Please click on the following link to access the site. <https://everydayhero.com.au/event/georgiasgiganticgrin>

Below are some reminders for the Drive Through Pick Up and Drop Off, they were published in the newsletter at the end of last term. I am putting them in again now so everyone is on the same page and the safety of our students is not compromised. The rules are there for a very good reason, please adhere to them.

### Drive Through Reminders:

**Drive** all the way around to the fire hydrant to drop off and pick up children. This ensures that more vehicles are able to access the drive through area **Please** ensure that children exit from the left of the vehicle when dropping them off in the mornings **Show** patience in the queue and do not overtake other vehicles dropping off children or signal other drivers to overtake you

**Leave a clearway** for cars turning into Montessori and Divine Mercy driveways please do not overtake the queue

**Vehicle's wishing to turn left** into the driveway coming from Pelican Ave, should not jump the queue in front of the all the cars that have been queuing on Yangebup Rd.

**Have a great weekend!**

**Mark Ryan**

**Acting Principal**

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## Dates for Next Week

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>  
August**

**NO 9AM MASS**

**Tuesday  
9<sup>th</sup> August**

9am Mass (4C)

Yr 5/6 Interschool  
League Tag carnival  
(Santich Park,  
Spearwood)

7pm Board Meeting

**Wednesday  
10<sup>th</sup> August**

3.30pm Wk2 First Holy  
Communion Practice  
(Church)

School Banking

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

**Thursday  
11<sup>th</sup> August**

9am Mass (6B)

Yr 6 Family Life Student  
Presentations  
(9-10.30am & 11-  
12.30pm)

**Friday  
12<sup>th</sup> August**

9am Assembly (Yr 1)

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August**  
6pm First Holy Communion

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August**  
10am & 5pm First Holy Communion

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# Religious Education

## Whole School Mass

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our whole school Mass this morning. Also, thank you to our Year Six teachers and students for preparing a beautiful Mass.

On **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August at 9am** we will be celebrating Mass for the Assumption of Mary. Friends and family are welcome to attend.



## First Holy Communion

This weekend we have our first group of Mater Christi students making their First Holy Communion. Please keep the children receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist in your prayers at this special time.

### Best Wishes

**Courtney Dunsire**  
Assistant Principal

# Parish News

## Sacramental Program

### First Communion Schedule 2016

First Holy Communion Masses begin this weekend Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August at 6pm and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August at 8am & 10am.

Dates	Times	Rehearsal
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> August Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> August	6pm 10am & 5pm	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> August 3:30pm in the Church
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> August Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> August	6pm 8am & 10am	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> August 3:30pm in the Church



## Performing Arts Festival Prayer

God our Father in Heaven

May we always cherish the gifts that surround us,  
and share our blessings with each other.

May the Word of the Lord give us courage to  
preach your Word through the creative means of  
**music, dance and drama**

Lord teach us what we should do.

Let our thoughts and actions be guided by  
your grace, and may your Spirit help us in  
promoting the Word of the Lord to others.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*10 skills your students learn  
through Arts education.....*

creativity

perseverance

non-verbal communication

focus

dedication

collaboration

receiving constructive feedback

problem solving

confidence

accountability



## Swimming Lessons 2016 (Term Three)

With Swimming Lessons fast approaching, we thought it was important to provide the school community with the background information leading up to this change. In 2015 the school was informed that the Education Department would be coordinating all Interm Swimming Lessons at Riverton Leisureplex. By the time we had received information of this change, all summer bookings had been allocated to schools within the Education Department. As a result, our choice of times was extremely limited. Just recently, we were told that 2017 priority preference would be given to those schools who were unable to secure their preferred time in 2016, and therefore we have managed to book in Term Four summer lessons once again. With the new Cockburn Sports Complex nearing completion, we will be pushing to lock in a school booking as soon as we can.

Whilst winter lessons are not ideal, we would like to emphasise that the school is doing all it can to ensure that our students are safe and healthy during this two week block. Children are encouraged to bring an extra towel or, preferably, a warm gown which can be worn to and from the pool alongside their towel for drying off. Lessons through the Education Department have increased from 35mins to 40mins, resulting in limited time between the conclusion of the lesson and the bus departure time. Whilst we understand that parents may be concerned about their child(ren) travelling back to school in damp bathers, this will not result in them catching a cold. The belief that we catch colds from being cold is in fact a common misconception. The cause of this illness is solely through direct contact with a virus (i.e. inhaling virus particles or touching contaminated surfaces). In saying this, if you notice that your child is unwell or displaying cold like symptoms, we encourage you to keep them at home in order to prevent the spread of such viruses. As always, you have the ultimate decision in determining whether your child participates in swimming lessons this year. If your choice is no, we ask that you please send your request to the Principal, outlining your reasoning.

I would also like to express my thanks to the Education Department swimming coordinators, who have been extremely helpful throughout this process. Without hesitation they have modified their lesson timetable to suit our availability, including taking out their morning tea break and shortening their lunch break. We thank you, as always, for your feedback and understanding of these changes.

**All the best**  
**Nicole Cloutt**  
**Acting Assistant Principal-Administration**



## Uniform Policy

We have recently updated our uniform policy. You can access the full policy on our website or via the Skoolbag Smartphone App.

Below is some excerpts from the policy that have been changed.

**Hair** must be neat and styled in a manner in keeping with primary school standards. Hair ties and clips are to be plain and in school colours only (no logos or licensed merchandise). Students with hair longer than collar length are to wear their hair tied back. All hair must be clean with fringes above the eyebrows and no visible hair products are to be used.

Only **School Socks** purchased at the Uniform Shop are permitted.

### For clarification:

1. School shoes heel is to be no more than 3cm in height.
2. Black "School Shoes" suggest the type of shoe is similar to the type manufactured by Clarkes, Bata Scouts or Rivers. Suede or canvas type shoes are not classified as "school shoes" and are not suitable.
3. Hairstyles "in keeping with primary school standards" means that, for example, hair product and 'rats tails' or 'patters' shaved in the side of hair are not to be worn. Hair ties and clips are to be plain and in school colours only (no logos or licensed merchandise).
4. All items must be clearly labeled with the child's name – including surname. Names can fade with washing so please reapply when required.
5. Pre-owned items need to have the previous owner's name removed before being renamed
6. Children often accidentally pick up wrong items of clothing. Please check that what they are wearing actually belongs to them
7. Winter uniform is worn in Terms Two and Three. Summer uniform is worn in Terms One and Four. All children are expected to be in complete and correct school uniform from the beginning of each term.



**YEAR FIVE  
CSL**



## Merit Awards 12<sup>th</sup> August 2016

<b>Year PPA</b>	Tabitha Lawson, Alonzo Rodriguez, Grace Hugo
<b>Year PPB</b>	Andrew Nokes, Ryley Connolly-Carroll, Lucy Hatton
<b>Year PPC</b>	Adele Langlois, Tristan Coppola
<b>Year 1A</b>	Kadin Cleaver, Tatum Goodman
<b>Year 1B</b>	Dhaniel Brown, Savannah Huggett
<b>Year 1C</b>	Seth Clarson, Rachel Johnson
<b>Year 2A</b>	Olivia Piotrowski, Alyssa Amato
<b>Year 2B</b>	Mikaela Foster, Rowan Sargent
<b>Year 2C</b>	Lucas Campeotto, Tahleisha French
<b>Year 3A</b>	Joshua Femia, Seraphina Yeo
<b>Year 3B</b>	Kaelan Douglas, Daisy Gadsden
<b>Year 3C</b>	Koby Arnold, Joshua Jackiewicz
<b>Year 4A</b>	Grace Barraclough, Noah Sandon
<b>Year 4B</b>	Asher Leeming, Sienna Law
<b>Year 4C</b>	Deacon Ayres, Emily Swann
<b>Year 5A</b>	Claudia DeAbreu, Jacob Allard
<b>Year 5B</b>	Patrick Torres, Sofia De Bernardis
<b>Year 5C</b>	Liam Haskins, Aria Symons, Jacob O'Brien
<b>Year 6A</b>	Tristan Smith, Emily Watson
<b>Year 6B</b>	Orlando Faliti, Brigette Garces
<b>Year 6C</b>	James Ierino

## Interschool Cross Country Training

Monday and Wednesday - 8:00 - 8:30am

**Ryan Donnelly**  
HPE Specialist

## P&F News



Thank you for making a difference and supporting Cancer Council Western Australia. Your fundraising will help Cancer Council WA support West Australians affected by cancer.

### CLASS REP EVENTS

- **Year 1– Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August – 4 to 6pm**  
*Rollaways, 12/352 South Street O'Connor*  
*Bring the Family Along*  
*RSVP to your Class Rep by 19<sup>th</sup> August*
- **Year 1 – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September – Time TBA**  
*Parent Dinner, Eat Greek, 110 Riverside Road, East Fremantle*  
*RSVP to your Class Rep by 29<sup>th</sup> August*

### 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](mailto:pandf@mcps.wa.edu.au)**



# Jeans for Georgia Day The Gigantic Grin Raffle!



**TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!**  
**In the Junior courtyard near the year 2 block**  
**from 8:15 - 8:45am each morning**

**TICKETS ARE \$5 PER TICKET OR 3 FOR \$10**

**1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE:**

**FIVE COURSE DEGUSTATION DINNER**  
**WITH MATCHING WINES FOR SIX PEOPLE**

**Cooked and served in the comfort of your own home by Executive Chef Greg Farnan and wait-staff from one of Perth's award winning restaurants.**

*Greg is a man with a carnivorous passion for beef. Born and bred in New Zealand, he travelled the world honing his culinary skills before choosing to settle down in Perth where he is now Executive Chef and General Manager at The Old Brewery and BWG Steakhouse.*

**This fantastic prize is valued at \$2,500**

**OTHER GREAT PRIZES INCLUDE:**

- ❖ Two Nights Family Accommodation for Two adults and Two children in a Hideaway Villa at Siesta Park, Busselton
- ❖ Sea Lion and Penguin Tour for two adults and two children
- ❖ Kookaburra's signed Jersey
- ❖ Adventure World – season pass for two adults and 3 children
- ❖ 5 sets of Jarrah cutting boards compliments of Joel Heyting
- ❖ Gloucester Park – 4 family passes
- ❖ Cockburn Cement – 2 x \$100 Nursery vouchers
- ❖ Tree Adventures Dwellingup - \$160 high rope voucher
- ❖ Rollerways double passes
- ❖ Bounce double pass
- ❖ Massage House – 1 x deep relax massage
- ❖ Lisa's Massage and Beauty – 2 x \$50 voucher
- ❖ Ollie's Place – 1 x \$100 voucher and 2 x \$50 voucher



*Thank you for helping me!  
Love Georgia*

**RAFFLE DRAWN: FRIDAY 19 AUGUST, 2016**



Leaders in Disability.  
Specialists in  
Cerebral Palsy.

Ability Centre Registration Number. 17991

Please see prize conditions at [https://georgiasgiganticgrin.everydayhero.com/au/jeans-for-georgia-raffle/#?\\_k=lgpvd1](https://georgiasgiganticgrin.everydayhero.com/au/jeans-for-georgia-raffle/#?_k=lgpvd1)

## Occupational Therapy – What is it?

An Occupational Therapist (OT) assists people with their 'occupations', anything that occupies their time. For children, this may include self-care activities such as dressing, play and social interactions and learning at school. Occupational Therapists (OT's) support children to engage to their full potential within both their school and home environment

At school, OT's can assist with the development of many areas, including the following:

- **Fine-motor skills** - tasks that involve movements of the small muscles of the hands e.g. zips, tying shoelaces, drawing, cutting
- **Gross Motor skills** – balance and coordination, strength and endurance, body awareness, motor planning
- **School tasks** – handwriting, drawing, colouring and cutting
- **Organisation skills** - organizing materials and desk, getting ready for school
- **Concentration/attention** - Following classroom routines such as mat time, staying focused in class
- **Visual Perception** - being able to interpret visual information (what we see)
- **Sensory processing** – how we process and react to certain senses (taste, touch, smell, sight, sound and movement)
- **Daily living skills** - dressing, shoe laces, self-feeding, tooth-brushing, self-care
- **Play**

All children develop at different rates. If you are concerned about your child's development or have any questions, then talk to Shanelle, the Occupational Therapist today!

**Shanelle Higgins**

**Occupational Therapist – Total Health**

**Phone: 9494 3760**

**Email: shiggins.th@outlook.com**

## Does my child need an Occupational Therapist?



*Occupational Therapists assist children to be independent and help achieve their developmental milestones. We educate and involve parents, carers and others, to facilitate normal development and learning of all children.*

Children may benefit from *Occupational Therapy* if they are showing any of the following difficulties:

### Self care

- Toileting
- Dressing
- Washing hands
- Brushing teeth
- Extreme discomfort with haircutting and fingernail trims
- Cutlery



### Food

- Limited food preferences
- Decreased willingness to try new foods



### Sensory

- Putting hands over ears,
- Tantrums in shopping centres
- Anxious about going to new places
- Avoiding light touch
- Seeking movement or crashing
- Avoiding certain fabrics
- Smelling or licking non food items
- Increased light sensitivity

### School

- Attention/concentration
- Unable to sit still
- Poor reading
- Poor handwriting
- Letter reversals



### Coordination or clumsiness

- Difficulty learning new movement activities
- Avoiding movement activities



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## INTERSCHOOL SHIRTS/REPRESENTATION GARMENTS

Please be aware that all Interschool Shirts for the future will be handed out in the morning of the event at the Uniform Shop.

Students will then change into their representation shirts and on return from their event will be expected to change back in to their sport shirts, while they hand the representation shirt back to MR DONNELLY or the teacher who was involved in the event.

If students leave from the event with their parents, please hand the shirt back to a teacher where you sign your child out BEFORE leaving the event.

This way, the shirts will be properly cleaned and available for the next event and the burden is not placed on the parents.

**Thank you for your cooperation in this.**

**Ilonka Heinzle**

**On behalf of the MCCPS P&F Assoc.**

## Sports Camps Australia SCA/MG Tennis Academy

**Camp Director:** Mike Gill

**Location:** Next Gen Perth South 23 Kembla Drive, Bibra Lake

**Camp 1:** 27 – 29 September 2016

**Camp 2:** 4 – 6 October 2016

**Cost:** \$240 / Full / \$135 Half

**Time:** 9.00am-3.00pm (Full) or 9.00-12.00pm (Half)

**Age:** 4-16years

**Gender:** Co-ed

**Skill:** All skill levels welcome

Book your camp today

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1800 753 127

## Soccer Term Three

We wish to advise that Play 4 Life will not be able to offer Soccer this Term because Jacob had a ACL Reconstruction 10 days ago and unfortunately, he is unable to do any physical activity over the next 6-8 weeks.

We have advised all our regular enrolled children. Therefore, we will be back in Term Four to offer Soccer once again.



**EMMANUEL  
CATHOLIC COLLEGE**

### 2019 ENROLMENTS

Applications for enrolment into Emmanuel Catholic College for 2019 are now due.

Interviews commence Term 1 next year and applications need to be submitted by the end of this year to avoid missing out on a place. This is especially important for any families who have Siblings to enrol for 2019.

Applications can be downloaded from our website [www.emmanuel.wa.edu.au](http://www.emmanuel.wa.edu.au) or call the Registrar, **Kelly Lister** on **9414 4055** to have a Prospectus mailed out to you.

Places at Emmanuel are very competitive for 2017/2018 and we are envisaging that for 2019 all places will be full by Term 1 next year.

**Don't miss out, apply now!**



If you are looking for a holistic, quality Catholic education for your son, Trinity College in East Perth may be the school you are searching for.

We strive to provide the highest level of teaching and learning in an environment that keeps expanding to meet the physical and emotional needs of all students.

To learn more about the extensive things on offer such as our state-of-the-art robotic observatory or our Design and Technology centre using the latest equipment in technology laboratories, please visit our website for further information.

Our virtual tour and online application makes the process of enrolling your son as simple as possible. Interviews are now taking place for Year Seven in 2018, with limited places available for Year Seven next year. [www.trinity.wa.edu.au](http://www.trinity.wa.edu.au)