

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School

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Almighty and eternal God, who hast taken up into the glory of Heaven, with body and soul, the immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of thy son: grant us, we pray, that we may always strive after heavenly things and thus merit to share in her glory. Amen.

Dear Parents/Guardians

Assembly

Well done to the Year One classes on their Olympic assembly this morning. It was very entertaining and it's clear to see a great deal of time, effort and hard work has gone into it. Congratulations to all staff and students involved. Go Australia!

Wellness Week

Next week is Mater Christi Wellness Week. During this week we will be setting no homework for the students and we will be trying, as much as possible, to keep meetings to a minimum. This week will be a great opportunity for everyone to recharge the batteries so we can attack the second half of the term with renewed enthusiasm.

First Communion

Last week we had our first weekend of Masses where a number of our Year Four Students received their First Holy Communion. These Masses were great celebrations and I know it was a very special time in the lives of these students. Over the next two weekends our Year Fours will continue to make their First Holy Communion so if we could keep them in our prayers it would be much appreciated. I would also like to thank Fr Dat for his spiritual guidance during this special time in the lives of these students.

Georgia Farnan Appeal

Next week is the last week you will be able to buy tickets in the raffle. Tickets are being sold in the junior courtyard each morning and cost \$5 for 1 and \$10 for 3. The raffle will be drawn next Friday 19th August which will also be 'Jeans for Georgia Day'. On this day we encourage you to wear denim in exchange for a gold coin which will be donated to the appeal. Please note that students will be able to wear free dress on this day as long as they have something denim on.

Swimming Lessons

Don't forget swimming lessons start on Monday for two weeks at the Riverton Leisureplex. Sports uniform is able to be worn for the two weeks and don't forget to make sure all items (including goggles and bathers) are clearly labelled. Please ensure that the students wear dressing gowns or robes to and from the pool so they can keep warm. An extra towel is also encouraged.

Dates for Next Week

Wellness Week Swimming Lessons

**Monday 15th
August**

9am Whole School
Mass Assumption of
Mary
Kindy Screenings
Learning Hub /
Support

**Tuesday
16th August**

**Wednesday
17th August**

PAF Choral Singing MC
Snr Choir

3.30pm Wk 3 First Holy
Communion Practice
(Church)

School Banking

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

**Thursday
18th August**

PAF Choral Singing MC
Vocal Ensemble

**Friday
19th August**

PAF Choral Singing
MC Jnr Choir

9am Mass (2B)

Jeans for Georgia
Day (draw Raffle)

Saturday 20th August

6pm First Holy Communion

Sunday 21st August

8am & 10am First Holy Communion

Robocup

Last Friday our Year Six Enrichment Students competed in the Robocup. The Robocup is an event where the students design and program robots to complete challenges that involve dance, rescue and soccer. This was the first time students at Mater Christi have competed in the event and despite a few technical glitches we are very proud of these students for their efforts. Thanks to Mrs Field for her organisation and work in this area.

AFL Skills

Last Friday evening at South Fremantle Oval some of our Year Four, Five and Six students competed in the semi final of the Kwick Kick, Long Bomb and Fast Ball competitions. We love our AFL here at Mater Christi and this certainly shows in the results.

The following results were achieved

Yr 4 Boys Fast Ball = 1st - Zac Zammit, Nick Velezmoro, Venice Fazzino, Samuel Jones, Lucas Artemis & Jett Harding

Yr 6 Girls Fast Ball = 1st - Bridget Watts, Chantel Zumerle, Emily Watson, Charlotte Wakeling, Aliyah Portinha & Madison Steele

Yr 5 Girls Fast Ball = 2nd - Meghan Hayward, Genevieve Heinzle, Isabella Zammit, Grace Swan, Alicia Savy & Ella Forster

Yr 5 Boys Fast Ball = 1st - Jacob O'Brien, Hudson Colborne, Charlie Clarke, Daniel D'Aurizio, Nic Cutri, Matthew Radanovic

Yr 5 Girls Kwick Kick = 1st - Meghan Hayward & Isabella Zammit

Yr 4 Boys Long Bomb = 2nd - Zac Zammit

Yr 5 Girls Long Bomb = 4th - Meghan Hayward

These students will now compete in the final this Sunday at Subiaco Oval at half time of the Fremantle v Adelaide game. Good luck to all involved.

Well done to all students who participated and represented our school to the best of their ability.

Have a great weekend!

Mark Ryan

Your Assistance needed

Calling for witnesses to a white Subaru Forester that was parked across from the front of the school and damaged on Wednesday morning at 8.30am whilst dropping off children. If you have any information that could assist the owner please contact Admin. Thank you

Performing Arts Festival

Congratulations to Teachers Brendwyn Ziegelaar and Jessica Fic for their Certificate of Merit in the Christian Dance Group section in this years Festival

ROBOCUP TEAMS



Religious Education

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Celebrated every year on the 15th August, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven. It signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life; it is an important feast and a Holy Day of Obligation.



Prayer to Our Lady Assumed into Heaven

Immaculate Virgin, Mother of Jesus and our Mother, we believe in your triumphant assumption into heaven where the angels and saints acclaim you as Queen. We join them in praising you and bless the Lord who raised you above all creatures. With them we offer you our devotion and love. We are confident that you watch over our daily efforts and needs, and we take comfort from the faith in the coming resurrection. We look to you, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. After this earthly life, show us Jesus, the blest fruit of your womb, O kind, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary.

Whole School Mass

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

First Holy Communion

Last weekend we celebrated our first group of students receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist. It was a very special time for the children and their families.



Best Wishes
Courtney Dunsire
Assistant Principal

Parish News

Sacramental Program

First Communion Schedule 2016

Dates	Times	Rehearsal
Sat 20 th August Sun 21 st August	6pm 8am & 10am	Wednesday 17 th August 3:30pm in the Church



Reconciliation Parent/Child Workshops

Online bookings for Reconciliation Parent/Child Workshops are available from **Monday 15th August**. Four workshop choices are available:

- ❖ **Wednesday 7th September** – 3:30pm **OR** 5pm
- ❖ **Thursday 8th September** – 3:30pm **OR** 5pm

All children with (at least) one parent are required to attend the workshop. For log-in details please refer to the Parish website: <http://www.materchristiparish.com>

NAPLAN Online Trial

You may have heard that NAPLAN online is being introduced from 2017, with an aim for all schools to be administering NAPLAN online by 2019.

NAPLAN online will provide better assessment, more precise results and faster turnaround of information. Your child's results will be returned to you faster, within a couple of weeks rather than a couple of months.

Our school has been selected to trial the new assessment platform (the computer system the test will be taken on). This trial shouldn't be seen as a 'test' of content, it is a chance for the new platform to be tested in a real-life classroom environment. This trial is called the Platform Trial and Readiness Test (PTRT).

During Weeks Five and Six of Term Three 2016, students in Years Three and Five will participate in a trial of the assessment platform, by undertaking two online readiness tests that include examples of the new NAPLAN online questions. Each test will take approximately 45 minutes to complete.

Participating in this trial is important as it will help us ensure we have adequate internet connectivity, and whether students have access to sufficient number of devices for NAPLAN testing. During the trial, schools will have the opportunity to practice managing the classroom logistics for an online assessment and the new test administration processes. Feedback from schools participating in the trial will inform transition to the online assessment as well as provide valuable feedback to shape the final development of the NAPLAN online platform.

The readiness test has not been constructed to assess curriculum knowledge, but rather to provide students an opportunity to experience the *types* of questions that will be included in the new online assessment.

Participation in this trial is a key step to ensuring a successful NAPLAN online experience and in gaining effective and timely use of student data.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any additional questions relating to the NAPLAN Online trial.



All the best

Nicole Cloutt
Acting Assistant Principal-Admin

Drive Through Drop Off

During our last holiday break, you will have noticed that the brick pavement around the Drive-Through area was extended alongside the Canteen. This now allows for increased space for children to safely exit the car during morning drop-off periods. We continue to encourage parents to utilise the **entire** space provided in Drive-Through by commencing the drop-off point adjacent to the red fire hydrant, just as we do with afternoon pick-up. All cars within the 'U' space (from the fire hydrant to the 4C classroom window) are able to deliver their children and move through for the next sequence of cars to do the same. In maximising this space we are able to prevent long queues and ensure a steady flow of traffic.

We thank you for your participation.

Nicole Cloutt
Acting Assistant Principal- Admin

Swimming Lessons Week Five and Six

Below is a copy of the swimming timetable for your reference:

Classes Week 5 & 6	Depart School	Lesson Time	Depart Pool	Return to School
1C, 3C & 5C	8.45am	9.20am – 10.00am	10.05am	10.25am
1B, 3B & 4B	9.35am	10.05am – 10.45am	10.50am	11.15am
1A, 3A & 4A	10.25am	10.50am – 11.30am	11.40am	12.05pm
2A, 6A & 5A	11.30am	12.00pm – 12.40pm	12.45pm	1.10pm
2B, 6C & 5B	12.15pm	12.45pm – 1.25pm	1.35pm	2.00pm
2C, 6B & 4C	1.10pm	1.30pm – 2.15pm	2.20pm	2.50pm



A reminder to all students in Class 1C, 3C and 5C to arrive at school **by 8:30am** during Weeks Five and Six Swimming Lessons, as their bus will depart the school at 8:45am.



**Thank you,
Nicole Cloutt
Acting Assistant Principal- Admin**

Congratulations Sister Emmanuel!



On Monday 8th August, Sister Emmanuel was recognised by Catholic Education Western Australia for her 40 years of service. Congratulations Sister Em on this wonderful achievement! We are so lucky to have you in our school and for the past 25 years of amazing service to Mater Christi. Thank you!



PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL

We have been informed that you can book tickets on line for the 2016 Performing Arts Festival Concert at Perth Concert Hall on Monday 12th September directly through Perth Concert Hall (**not ticketmaster as previously stated**).

Information is also provided on the Catholic Arts website with a direct link to purchase tickets:

WEB SALES: www.perthconcerthall.com.au

PHONE BOOKINGS: Call 08 9231 9999 9am-5pm Monday to Friday.

BOX OFFICE: In person from the Perth Concert Hall box office 9am-5pm Monday to Friday.

Child Protection Week (Mater Christi Parish)

Whilst the Safeguarding Project is working hard throughout the Perth Catholic Archdiocese, we all must play our part to protect children and keep them safe. During Child Protection Week in September, the Safeguarding Office in partnership with the Protective Behaviour WA will be hosting a series of Protective Behaviour Workshops.

Our Parish is lucky enough to be one of the parishes to host a workshop.

One way in which parents can assist in increasing their child's safety is by teaching them the protective behaviours program.

These workshops, have been designed to teach parents and carers how to increase the personal safety of their children. Whilst there are many ways of talking to children about their personal safety, it is important that we do not scare them or leave them feeling unsafe, afraid or disempowered.

Our workshop will be held on Thursday the 8th of September from 7pm-9pm. It is for parents only, no children. We strongly recommend that you attend. If you cannot attend this night, please consider going to a workshop at another location. Registration forms can be found in the foyer of church.

To register, you must complete the form and return it to the Safeguarding office by Thursday 1st September.

Thank you

From your Parish Safeguarding officers

P&F News

The main event for the P&F this Term is the Father's Day Breakfast on Friday 2nd September, 7.30am.

The breakfast has been held for several years now and is always well attended and enjoyed by all.

Look out for more details closer to the time.

The last P&F meeting for Term Three will be held on Tuesday 13th September.

Please consider if you have any issues, questions etc. you would like to put forward at the next meeting.

CLASS REP EVENTS

- **Year 1– Friday 26th August – 4 to 6pm**
Rollaways, 12/352 South Street O'Connor
Bring the Family Along
RSVP to your Class Rep by 19th August

- **Year 1 – Friday 9th September – Time TBA**
Parent Dinner, Eat Greek, 110 Riverside Road, East Fremantle
RSVP to your Class Rep by 29th 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

Father's Day Mass 2016

This term we will be celebrating our **Father's Day Mass on Friday 2nd September at 7:30am** in the Church.

We would love some photos of all the amazing fathers in our school. If you have a nice photo of your child/ren and their Dad, we would love you to **email** it to us at admin@mcps.wa.edu.au by **Monday 29th August**. Thank you!



ROBOCUP





Jeans for Georgia Day The Gigantic Grin Raffle!



RAFFLE DRAWN: FRIDAY 19 AUGUST, 2016

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

1ST 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
- ❖ Scenic Swan River Cruise for Two Adults
- ❖ 2 x Free Pizza from Pizza Lounge



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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

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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.



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VACSWIM OCTOBER 2016

Enrol your children for swimming lessons during the October school holidays.

9 DAY PROGRAM

40 minute lessons every weekday
from Tuesday 27 September to
Friday 7 October.
Prices from \$13 per child or
\$35 for a family of three or
more (plus pool entry).

5 DAY PROGRAM

35 minute lessons every day
from Monday 3 to Friday 7 October.
Prices from \$7 per child to
\$18 for a family of three or
more (plus pool entry).

Enrolments close Monday 29 August

Find out more and enrol online at education.wa.edu.au/swimming or telephone 9402 6412.