Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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You may have heard the proverb "When the going gets tough, the tough get going." It is a tribute to those who triumph over hard times by working harder. At the other end of the scale, there is a bumper sticker that boasts, "At my age, happy hour is a nap." Some of Jesus' followers found their discipleship too difficult and went home. They couldn't believe in the teachings. But the tough twelve stayed. Peter put it best: "We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

Dear Parents



Fr Bryan invites us all to the 6pm Parish Mass on Saturday 5 September, which will be celebrated by Archbishop Timothy Costelloe. During this Mass the Archbishop will dedicate the two new chapels:

The Chapel of the Incarnation

The Chapel of St Mary of the Cross

Dr Alan Pascuzzi (Florence, Italy) has been commissioned to create nine sculptures (three of these can be viewed in the Chapel of the Innocents) that will be installed in the two chapels. Everyone is invited and we hope to see many families at this very special occasion. For any further information please read this weekend's Mater Messenger.



On Friday 6 November our School Community will be celebrating our 25th Anniversary. We will commence the day by coming together as a community of faith and giving thanks to God for the past, present and the future to come. Mass will be celebrated at 9am followed by Open Classrooms (visitors, parents and friends will be able to visit the classrooms), the School Choirs will entertain those present, a special morning tea will be available and everyone

will be able to look at the many photos and memorabilia on display. All this will occur between 9am - 11am. Following this, the children will continue their special day with lots of fun activities with their buddies across the year levels.

We will also have a whole school photo to mark this very special event.

The staff have begun to organize the day and I know that it will be a great celebration and thanksgiving of all that has occurred during the last 25 years. I am sure that everyone will want to be a part of this celebration.



There are so many talented students and staff at Mater Christi. This is evident in all the work they do in the classroom, on the sporting field and especially during the month of August during the Performing Arts Festival. Last Monday night the MC Dream Team danced and shone brightly. Their enjoyment was evident for all in the audience. I know that their teachers, parents and staff present were very proud of them. Yesterday the Junior and Senior Choirs performed and again

their voices, love of singing and performing was on show. Today our Year Two children entertained us on a journey through history. They too were incredible and Mr Ryan even got in on the act (POOR MR RYAN – we love laughing with you!) Congratulations to all our children for their confidence, persistence in practicing and willingness to have a go. We are so proud of you. We are also very grateful and proud of our staff that supports our children and work hard in providing incredible opportunities for them. Take a bow Mater Christi!

Wishing you all God's Blessing Toni Kalat Principal

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Dates for Next Week

Monday 24 th August	BOOK WEEK
	Yr 5 Bunnings Incursion (Fathers' Day) 11.30am- 3pm
	Performing Arts Festival- Choral Speech
Tuesday 25 th August	9am Mass (2C)
	Performing Arts Festival Choral Speech / Primary Piano
Wednesday 26 th August	Performing Arts Festival- Primary Piano
	School Banking
	<i>Uniform Shop Open 8am to 10.30am 1.20pm to 3.20pm</i>
	Yr 1 Oz Wildlife Inc
Thursday 27 th August	Performing Arts Festival-Primary Drama

Friday 28th August

9am Book Week Parade Yr 6 Dental Screening

Saturday 29th August Sunday 30th August

Reconciliation Commitment Mass (All Masses)

Religious Education

Whole School Mass

Father Bryan will celebrate our next whole school Mass the intention for our Fathers' at **7:30am** on Friday, 4th September. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to attend Mass before heading off to work and school.

If you have a nice photo of one of our Dads with their child/ren, we would love you to email it to us at <u>admin@mcps.wa.edu.au</u> by <u>Monday 31st August</u>. Thank you!

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

Reconciliation Parent/Child Workshops

Online booking for Reconciliation Parent/Child Workshops are available from **Monday 17th August**. Four workshop choices are available:

- Wednesday 9th September 3:30pm OR 5pm
- Thursday 10th September 5pm OR 6:30pm

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



Uniform Shop

All Kindy parents would have received a note about "Try-ons" for Pre Primary. You can find the timetable forms in front of the uniform shop to slot your name into a time.

Could all flag-belt students who borrowed interschool shirts, please return their shirts, washed, at recess on Wednesday. If you will need a shirt for interschool, you will need to exchange old shirts for new style ones. You are welcome to hold onto your new style shirt for interschool if you already have one from flag-belt. Then please return it, washed, after interschool during recess.

Kind regards Ilonka Heinzle











Congratulations to all our students who recently received the Sacrament of the Eucharist!

















Performing Arts Festival Primary Dance

Over the past two terms, our Year Five & Six after school dance troupe has been rehearsing every Monday afternoon in preparation for the annual Catholic Performing Arts Festival.

On Monday night, the 'MC Dream Team' performed their item, "Don't Be Late For Class!" at the Perth Convention & Exhibition Centre. They danced with energy, enthusiasm, confidence and as the adjudicators wrote: 'style!'

A huge thank you goes to Ms Ross and Mrs Cosnett who assisted throughout the entire rehearsal process and also to Mrs Fic (Miss Fic's Mum) for altering costumes and making headpieces.

Lastly, thank you to the MC staff and parents who attended on the night to support our very talented students.

Congratulations to the MC Dream Team you are all absolutely AMAZING!



Miss Jessica Fic



Friday 4th September we are having a

SPECIAL FATHER'S DAY MASS.

Where: Mater Christi Catholic Church

When: 7:30 am

Followed by: Breakfast for DADs and their CHILDREN in the MCCC

It has become a tradition for Father Bryan to say Mass nice and early so Dad can get off to work straight away after the breakfast and the Children walk across to the school at 8:30!

If you would like to participate in our FREE breakfast (kindly supplied by our P&F), please complete the form below and return to the office by <u>Friday 28th August</u> so catering can be arranged.

We look forward to seeing lots of Dads and their children on the

Friday morning – and, yes, Mums are welcome too!

YES! We are coming for breakfast Friday 4th September.

Name:	Adults:	Children:	

P&F

Did you know that it is possible to subscribe to the MC Blog so that you will receive email alerts when new posts are made? The P&F encourages all parents to consider subscribing so that they will always be up-to-date with the latest news on events for the school and P&F. Go to the MC Portal page at <u>http://portal.mcps.wa.edu.au/</u>, enter your email address and click 'Subscribe'.

The school and P&F have gladly undertaken a joint initiative this Term to celebrate Book Week next week. Firstly there will be a 2nd-hand book stall for students on Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th August (all books 50c or \$1). Then there will be lots of fun during the Book Week Parade at 9am on Friday, where there will be Read-a-thon awards issued and a competition prize drawn.

A Senior First Aid course is on offer to parents at a cost of \$80. The first session is on Friday 11th September, 9-5pm and it is likely there will be another session on Saturday 19th September, 9-5pm. Payment is required up-front, please contact me if you would like to attend, by next Friday 28th Aug. kategodwin@hotmail.com 04231 97614

Kate Godwin-Johnston, P&F

Class Rep Events

- KA Friday 11th September –11-12.00am, Weather Dependent – Contact your Rep
- KB Tuesday 8th September –9.30am, Parents Coffee, Dome Cockburn, RSVP to your Reps by Tuesday 1st September
- KC Friday 4th September 6.30pm, Kardinya Tavern, South Street, Kardinya, RSVP to your Rep by Wednesday 2nd September
- PPA Friday 28th August 7pm, Last Drop Brewery, RSVP to your Rep by Tuesday 25th August
- Yr6–Saturday 5th September \$40 per person,
 Swan Valley Tour, Lunch & Tasting Additional RSVP to your Reps by Tuesday 28th August

Crosswalk Safety and Parking

We have a number of crosswalks around our school. These crosswalks are there for the safety of all members of our community so it is very important that they are being used. Of particular concern is the crosswalk at the entrance of our drive through. Please use this crosswalk if you are going to or coming from Stepping Stones or walking home that way. If you are in the drive through line please be patient and allow our students and families to cross safely. It's important to us that everyone is safe and that our students know how to use the crosswalks correctly.

On another note would you please keep Montessori car park clear for their Parents' on Assembly and Mass mornings

Thank you Mark Ryan Assistant Principal

BOOK WEEK

Come and celebrate Book Week in the library from Monday 24 August- Friday 28 August. The theme for this year is 'Books Light Up Our World'.



- Special book displays in the Library. Nominated books and lots of new books for all ages!
- Raffles (junior, middle and senior). 2 winners from each raffle. \$1 a ticket or \$2 for three tickets. Money raised will go towards purchasing new books for the library.
 Book Week Parade (Friday 28 August). Lucky dip and raffle winners will be announced.





Experience the wonderful community that is,

Jona Presentation College

at our Open Morning 8 September 2015 9.30am - 11.30am To register your interest, please visit www.iona.wa.edu.au/openmorning

Iona Presentation College offers a Catholic Education for girls Years 7-12. 33 Palmerston St, MOSMAN PARK P: 9384 0066 E: admin@iona.wa.edu.au

Relationships Australia

Parenting Courses - September

WEST LEEDERVILLE

Parent Child Connection	Wednesday 26 th August
Mums Raising Boys	Tuesday 1 st Sept
Fathering after Separation	Thursday 3 rd Sept
Parent Teen	Saturday 5 th Sept
Kids and todays Technology	Wednesday 15 & 22 Sept
Dads Raising Girls	Thursday 17 th Sept
Mums Raising Teenage Girls	Monday 21 st Sept
Mums Raising Teenage Boys	Tuesday 22 nd Sept

For further information and to enrol please phone 9489 6322.

Community Open Day



Saturday 22 August 10am – 1pm

Animal Farm, Facepainting, Bouncy Castle, Community Stalls, Sand Art, Sausage Sizzle, Cakes & more...

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