## **Mater Christi Catholic Primary School**

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Presence

I remind myself that I am in your presence O Lord. I will take refuge in your loving heart. You are my strength in times of weakness. You are my comforter in times of sorrow.

Dear Parents/Guardians

#### Staffing

On Monday, Miss Rayne Lynes took over as teacher of PPA while Mrs Cosnett takes a break from teaching to start the next chapter in her life journey. I would like to take this opportunity to wish Kate and Troy all the best for the impending arrival of their first child. Mrs Pottier will also be on leave until the end of the term, Miss Cloutt will take Drama during her absence. I wish Pat all the best for her time away. Next Monday we welcome back Miss Kalat from her well deserved break and look forward to her return as Principal. I will move back to my Assistant Principal position for the last four weeks of term.

#### **Georgia Farnan Appeal**

Thanks to our generous and hard working community we managed to raise over \$6000 over the last three weeks. This money will help Georgia and her family continue to find the best treatment possible. Again I would like to thank Stacey Harding for all her efforts in coordinating this fundraising appeal.

#### **Bookweek**

Next week is Bookweek and Mater Christi Literacy week. There will be lots of exciting things happening, starting off with our Bookweek parade on Monday morning at 9am in the Community Centre. The theme for Bookweek this year is 'Australia - Story Country' and I'm really looking forward to seeing what creative costumes people come up with. I know the staff are excited about dressing up. I'm not sure Miss Kalat knows what she is in for yet but I can ensure you she will certainly look the part.

#### Father's Day

Next Friday morning we are inviting all our Dads, Grandads and Father Figures in our community to attend a special Father's Day Mass at 7.30am in the Mater Christi Church. This will be followed by a yummy breakfast served in the Community Centre. The breakfast is provided by our P&F and I would like to thank them for this as it is a massive job and many hours work and preparation goes into it. Not to mention the early mornings. Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Mass and breakfast.

**Dates for Next Week Book Week - Australia** 

Monday 29th August

9am Book Week Parade

Kindy Screenings Learning Hub / Support

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August

PAF – Primary Drama

Yr 1 Herdsman Lake Excursion

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August

School Banking

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

**Thursday** 

September

Yr 5 CSL Fathers' Day Craft

**Friday** 

7.30am Whole September

School Mass -Fathers' Day (Yr5)

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September** Fathers' Day

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#### **Swimming Lessons**

Today was the final day of our swimming lessons for 2016. I would like to thank the parents/guardians for ensuring the students were well prepared each day and had everything needed. I understand the timing was not ideal but I believe the students coped with the lessons extremely well. Lessons for 2017 will move back to Term 4. Thank you very much to Miss Cloutt for her organisation and ensuring everything ran smoothly.

#### **Performing Arts Festival**

This week was a big week for many of our students involved in the Performing Arts Festival and as usual they represented our school very well. The festival is a great opportunity and a wonderful platform for those students to showcase their artistic talents and perform in front of an audience. The teachers here at Mater Christi are great at fostering and harnessing that talent and I would like to thank them for all their efforts in this area. I would also like to express my thanks to Ms Ross for coordinating this on our behalf. Well done to all involved.

As this is my last newsletter as Acting Principal - Go Blues! **Have a great weekend.** 

Mark Ryan Acting Principal

#### **Parish News**

#### **Sacramental Program**

#### **First Holy Communion Photos**

The First Holy Communion photographs are now available online. The code is: mcm327

You will need to

- · log on to <u>www.prophotobooth.com.au</u>
- · click on "View / Order your pictures"
- click on "Communion 2016"
- scroll to find which "Mater Christi Communion" date is appropriate for your child's Mass and click on that picture.

All ordering is on line and queries are made directly to the photography company Prophotobooth on 9249 3043.

#### **Reconciliation Parent/Child Workshops**

Online bookings for Reconciliation Parent/Child Workshops are now available. Four workshop choices are available:

- **❖ Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September** − 3:30pm **OR** 5pm
- **❖ Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> 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



#### **Performing Arts Festival**

**Congratulations** to the Junior Choir, Senior Choir & Vocal Ensemble ... All three received an Honourable Mention for their performances at the PAF

Congratulations to Patti Pottier, 2C, 4B & 5C!!!

These classes received a Certificate of Merit for their Choral Speech Items...

WELL DONE!

### **Religious Education**

#### **First Holy Communion**

Congratulations to all children who made their First Holy Communion over the last three weekends. Thank you to everyone involved in supporting the children on their faith journey.









Best Wishes Courtney Dunsire Assistant Principal



Dear Parents,

On Wednesday 31st August, in celebration of Literacy Week, we have organised an author incursion with new and upcoming author Tim Bristow. Tim is a school teacher and plays for East Fremantle in the WAFL. Tim has written a story called 'Billy the Brilliant', which inspires children to build dreams, be resilient and aim to reach their full potential. Tim will be presenting to all classes from Kindy to Year Six. Students have the opportunity to purchase 'Billy the Brilliant' through preorder, which Tim has offered to sign prior to the incursion. Books can be preordered for \$15 through Sally in the office or alternatively, students can bring \$15 in an envelope and pay for a book on the day.



**Literacy Team** 

# Expressions of Interest for purchasing a Student MacBook

Our current lease of the Student MacBook's is coming to an end and as a result, we are offering the Mater Christi School Community an opportunity to purchase one of these devices. They are 3 Years Old, 11.6 inch in size, have 128Gb of storage and are in good condition. We will be selling them for \$300 and will include a charger, basic software (Including Microsoft Office). These devices are portable, fast and in good condition. Once sold the devices will be **OUT OF WARRANTY** but will have been recently serviced. There will be a limit of **ONE device** per family, and your expressions will come in as a first in first served basis as there are a limited number of devices to be sold. If you are interested in purchasing one of these devices as a useful addition to your family home, please click on the link below and fill out the form by **Tuesday** the 13th of September.

http://goo.gl/C9vyMM

If you are successful, we will contact you via email by the end of the term.

Regards, Katie McNally IT- Coordinator

#### PAF Dance - 'Love Is All We Need!'

Congratulations to our very talented and dedicated after school dance group, the MC Dream Team for their outstanding performance on Wednesday evening at the Perth Convention Centre. A special thank you goes to Ms Ross and Mrs Cosnett for assisting at rehearsals and to Mrs Fic (Miss Fic's mum) for helping to co-ordinate the costumes.

**From Miss Fic** 

#### Fathers' Day Mass 2016

This term we will be celebrating our **Fathers' Day Mass** on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 <a href="mailto:admin@mcps.wa.edu.au">admin@mcps.wa.edu.au</a> by **Monday** 29<sup>th</sup> August. Thank you!



#### $\textbf{Congratulations} \ to$

two of our very talented Year Six students, Lachlan Collins and Tijan McKenna who have both been elected captains of their Under 12 State Soccer Teams playing this week in the National Soccer competition at Lark Hill, Baldivis.

Lachie has also been awarded a scholarship next year to South Coast Baptist College and Tijan will be attending the soccer programme at John Curtin Senior High School.



Look out Matildas and Socceroos !!!

#### Library

#### **Book club is due**

Monday 5 September 3pm

No cash payments or paper orders please. Please use LOOP on scholastic website.

Any orders placed after the closing date and time will be charged \$4.99 for home delivery.

Thank you Emily Richards Library Officer

#### Fremantle Dockers and The Year Twos

On Wednesday we were lucky enough to have three key Fremantle Dockers players come and spend the afternoon with the Year Two students. Tom Sheridan, Lachie Weller and Zac Dawson spoke to everyone about football, health and staying active. The special visit was a part of our fundraising for Georgia Farnan and the Ability Centre WA.

Students from 2A, 2B and 2C spilt up into groups and got to have fun jumping for a mark, handballing and playing tag. Once all the games were over everybody lined up to get the players signatures and smiled for pictures.

A special thanks to Greg Farnan for organising this fun filled afternoon.

Here are some of the action shots:













#### **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 <u>adjacent to the red fire hydrant</u>, 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.

#### **Drive Through Reminder**

Please note that left turning into drive through from Yangebup Road is not permitted and holds up the flow of traffic entering from Dunraven Drive.

If you are utilising drive through to collect your child/ren please join the queue from the right and be courteous to drivers accessing Montessori and Divine Mercy College. Thank you

We thank you for your participation.

#### Nicole Cloutt Acting Assistant Principal- Admin



#### Book Week + Mater Christi Literacy Week 2016

#### August 29th - 2nd September

#### **AUSTRALIA: STORY COUNTRY**

Storytelling is an ancient art form that goes right back to the days when humankind told stories while huddled around a campfire. Nowadays we have many fancy digital ways to tell stories, but they are still a combination of words and often sounds and images. A good story can entertain us, teach us a lesson, or even change the way we look at the world.

Storytelling is one way of conveying a story. A focus on storytelling is an excellent way to ensure children develop fundamental communication skills. They include speaking audibly and coherently to an audience, using one's body and face to communicate, and preparing/practising a story before delivery. Story is hugely important in our society, is used by adults in a range of professions (e.g. advertising, sales, teaching, psychology, welfare) and is the basis of many educational and entertainment activities.

Stories come from all over the world. Children, I encourage you to immerse yourself in a range of stories and to read them, to listen to them, to watch them and then continue to share them with the people around you.

During book week there will be plenty of book displays throughout the library. Look out for the award winning books, new books to our library and lots of great Australian stories.

#### **Dates to remember:**

Monday 29 August: Book Week Dress up day. Parade at 9am in the Mater Christi Community Centre.

Look forward to seeing you all dressed up!



#### **Wheelchair Sports**

On Thursday morning students from 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A and 3C had a visit from Wheelchair Sports WA. This was part of Mater Christi's continual support and fundraising for Georgia Farnan.

Wheelchair Sports WA spoke to the group about how being in a wheelchair impacts day to day life. They also explained different ways to include wheelchair bound people in various activities.

The students also learnt how to use a wheelchair, and they all had a turn playing basketball.

A special thanks to Stacey Harding! Her fundraising efforts throughout this past semester have been exceptional and her continued support within the Mater Christi community is much appreciated.











# Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 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>Tuesday 30th 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 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

Name:	Adults:	Children:

#### **Congratulations Luca Nici**



In May, Luca Nici (5A) competed in Carnival of Karts which is a state level event against 20 of the best drivers in the state, some of them up to three years older than him. Luca won every race and proudly took home First place trophy. He appeared on the cover of Kart Oz magazine and in a feature photo in the article. In September, Luca will be competing in the Victorian Nationals in Melbourne against 43 of the best drivers in Australia in order to gain further experience.

We wish him all the best



#### **P&F News**

The Father's Day Breakfast is on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>

September following the Father's Day Mass which starts at 7.30am. Breakfast will be served directly after Mass in the Mater Christi Community Centre. This is a great event for students to experience with their Dads but of course everyone is welcome.

The last P&F meeting for Term three will be held on Tuesday 13th September. The P&F would like to invite and encourage all parents to contribute to the agenda for this meeting.

All parents are welcome to attend but whether you are able to attend the meeting or not, we would also love to hear from you.

So if you have an item you would like discussed, please email it through to <a href="mailto:admin@mcps.wa.edu.au">admin@mcps.wa.edu.au</a> by Tuesday 6th September. Minutes of all previous meetings can be viewed at <a href="http://portal.mcps.wa.edu.au/pf-minutes/">http://portal.mcps.wa.edu.au/pf-minutes/</a> (password = mccpsparent).

#### **CLASS REP EVENTS**

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

#### **Bunnings Sausage Sizzle**

# Are you Dreaming of sausages, freshly cooked on a sunday morning?

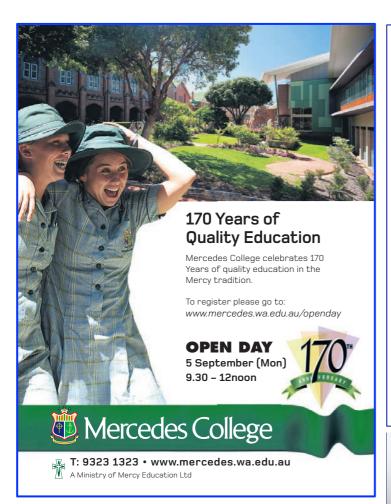
Well your dreams have been answered.

Come on down to Bunnings at Cockburn Central on Sunday 28th August, 9am - 4.00am and grab one.

Be greeted with a smile and a sausage sizzle, all to raise funds for our Everyday Hero Georgia.

See you there.

Stacey Harding & Deborah Gladwell Education Assistants





#### **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 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!





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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

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