

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents

Staffing:

Congratulations to Mr Mark Ryan who has been appointed Acting Principal for Terms One and Two 2016 at St Columbas Catholic Primary School, South Perth. This is a real credit to Mark and the acknowledgement of his excellent leadership capabilities. Stepping into the role of Assistant Principal for six months next year is Miss Nicole Cloutt.

I know that you will join with congratulating both of them and also wishing them well in their respective roles.

November is an important time in the Catholic Christian community as it commemorates two important feast days and will see the beginning of the Advent season which prepares us for the coming of Christ at Christmas.

All Saints (1 November) This feast celebrates the lives of all those people who are now one with God in heaven.

All Souls (2 November) This feast day commemorates all those who have died after leading a life faithful to Christ. The feast of 'All Souls' is somewhat easier to grasp than 'Sainthood' for we have all experienced the departure of loved ones; grand-parents, perhaps parents, friends and family.

In the Catholic tradition members of the Church, living and dead, are part of the communion of saints.

25th Anniversary Celebrations

The whole staff have worked tirelessly on the celebrations for our Anniversary. It really is going to be an incredible day for everyone present. A prayer card has been commissioned to commemorate this special event. Congratulations to Fabiana Velezmoro 6B, whose design has been chosen from many. Next week every child in the school will receive one as well as all the people who attend Mass next Friday. On the reverse side of the prayer card will be the School Prayer. This will be a very special keepsake of our Anniversary.

PLEASE NOTE: Friday 6 November the **OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** from 8.50am – 2.45pm **AND** there will be **NO CANTEEN** as everyone will be participating in the Anniversary activities. Thank you for your understanding.



God Bless... Toni Kalat

Dates for Next Week

Monday 2nd November	9am All Souls Mass (2B)
Tuesday 3rd November	9am Mass (4C) Interschool Athletics Carnival (Day 1) 7pm Board Meeting
Wednesday 4th November	Yr 6 Dance Practice 1.30-2.15pm (MCCC) School Banking Uniform Shop Open 8am to 10.30am 1.20pm to 3.20pm
Thursday 5th November	9am Mass (3A) Interschool Athletics Carnival (Day 2)
Friday 6th November	9am Whole School Mass (Yr 4) followed by 25 th Anniversary Celebration
Saturday 7th November	9 - 10.30am First Reconciliation
Sunday 8th November	

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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 Morning Tea in the Community Hall. Everyone is invited to the undercover area to look at the many photos 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 are looking forward to a great day of Celebration. See you there!

Religious Education

Whole School Mass

Next Friday 6th November Mater Christi Catholic Primary School will be celebrating our 25th Anniversary. We will celebrate this special occasion with a whole school Mass at 9am. All Parents, Family members and Friends are welcome to attend.



Reconciliation Certificates

This weekend we have our second group of students receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Once children have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation they can collect their certificates in the Church foyer prior to the commencement of Mass over the weekend – Sat at 6pm, Sun at 8am, 10am & 5pm. At each of the Masses Father Bryan will formally congratulate the children and the congregation will also acknowledge them. It is important that the certificate is collected, as this document will be needed to enrol in the First Communion Mass next year.

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

Sacrament of Penance – Rite of Reconciliation

Please keep the children receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation in your prayers at this special time.

Dates	Times
Saturday, 31 st October	9-10:30am
Saturday, 7 th November	9-10:30am
Saturday, 14 th November	9-10:30am



Mater Christi's Annual School Community Meeting

Dear Parents

We would like to invite you to attend Mater Christi's Annual School Community Meeting:

**WEDNESDAY 18th NOVEMBER 2014
7PM
MATER CHRISTI COMMUNITY CENTRE**

This is a shared meeting between our School Board and our Parents and Friends Association.

The purpose of the meeting is:

- To report to the school community on the activities of the Board and P&F during the 2015 school year;
- To outline plans for 2016; and
- To conduct elections for both bodies.

The Agenda therefore is as follows:

School Board

1. Welcome
2. Prayer
3. Apologies
4. Chairman's Report
5. Treasurer's Report including 2015 Report and 2016 Budget
6. Elections - criteria for membership and voting
7. Principal's Report
8. Announcement of new Board Members

Parents & Friends

1. Apologies
2. President's Report
3. Treasurer's Report
3. Election of Office Bearers for 2016
4. Closure

Everyone is invited to stay for refreshments.

P&F Nomination forms can be found on the school website in the Class Portal or in this newsletter.

School Board Nomination Forms can be collected from our Office.

Please return all P&F and School Board nomination forms to the school office by 3pm Friday 13th November.

Yours sincerely

Toni Kalat
Principal



Numero Coastal Heat Competition

On Wednesday the 28th October, sixteen keen mathletes from years five and six took part in the 2015 Interschool Numero Competition. The competition was made up of eighteen teams from schools in the coastal area. It was a great opportunity to see students engaged in Mathematics. The Mater Christi Builders, Jasmine Gregory, Jack Hadley, Jacinta Symons and Olivia Sweetman finished up the day in sixth place! Well done to our other team members Sophie Sputore, Samuel Galipo, Josh Carradus, Annabelle Stokes, Mia Cukrov, Jade Pymont, Lochlan Gault, Adam Chaplin, Carys Vincent-Desouza, Nicholas Ring, Lachlan Farr and Emily Brown for participating. Special mention needs to go to our stewards Calum Milne, Emily Watson, Charles Betts, Tayla Battison, Denzel Lang and Cassidy Fernandes who were at the beck and call of the organisers to assist with the running of the day. Thank you also to Nichoals Mazzone who spontaneously filled in at the last minute for a school who was missing a team member. All players are to be congratulated on the sportsmanship and team spirit they showed throughout the day.

-Claire Nunes



Interschool Athletics Training

Interschool Athletics training has commenced.

Relay Times have been amended.

Below are the details.

Any Year Three - Six student who placed third in a throwing or jumping event are welcome to come to training so they are ready in case of an injury or sickness. Love to see you there.

DAY	MORNING (8:00 – 8:30am)	LUNCH (12:40 – 12:55pm)	1:15 – 1:30pm	1:30 – 1:45pm
Monday	Throws/Jumps/Running			
Tuesday		Leaderball		
Wednesday	Throws/Jumps/Running		Relays – Yr 4/5	Relays – Yr 3

SWIMMING LESSONS 2015

As part of the Physical Education programme, **all** children in **Years One to Six** will be attending **compulsory** swimming lessons at the Riverton Leisureplex beginning on **Monday 23rd November and concluding Friday 4th December 2015. This Year all classes from Year One to Year Six will have ten 35min lessons.**

Students will be bused to and from the Riverton Leisureplex under the supervision of their class teachers. Lessons will be conducted by qualified instructors, using the Royal Lifesaving Vacswim stages.

Each child is required to have bathers (worn under uniform to school each day), a towel and a pair of slip-on footwear (**to be worn to and from the pool only**) for each lesson. Goggles are optional, but highly recommended. All items are to be carried to and from the pool **in a clearly labelled swimming or plastic bag.**

PLEASE clearly label every item of clothing including bathers, towel, goggles, shoes, socks and underwear. We cannot be responsible for lost items of clothing.

Please complete the enrolment form for each child (sent home this week) and return it to your child's class teacher by Friday 13th November. Please note that both sections must be completed and signed. Any difficulties regarding attendance of lessons should be sent in writing, with an attached medical certificate, to the Principal.

The students are not allowed to wear thongs / flip flops to school.

Children will change into their slip-on footwear before they leave for the pool and put their uniform footwear on when they return to school.

2015 SWIMMING TIMETABLE

Classes Week 7 & 8	Depart School	Lesson Time	Depart Pool	Return to School
1C, 3C & 6C	8.50 am	9.25 – 10.00am	10.05am	10.25am
1B, 4A & 6A	9.35am	10.05 – 10.40am	10.45am	11.10am
1A, 4C & 6B	10.25am	11.00 – 11.35am	11.40am	12.05pm
2A, 3A & 5B	11.10am	11.40 – 12.15pm	12.30pm	12.55pm
2B, 3B & 5C	12.05pm	12.45pm – 1.20pm	1.25pm	1.50pm
2C, 4B & 5A	12.55pm	1.25pm – 2.00pm	2.10pm	2.35pm

Thank you
Mark Ryan

2016 Booklists

The stationary requirements list for 2016 were sent home with the Students last week.

The hardcopy booklist orders need to be returned to school on or before the 2nd November and online orders close on the 8th November. We encourage you to order using one of these methods as we get a rebate via our booklist provider, which is used in a variety of ways to benefit our students. Homework Satchels, Library Bags and Desk Mats are on the list again for next year. If in good condition these items can be retained from previous years.

If you do not require any items, all you need to do is cross them off the list. This year each of the booklists have been reduced anywhere between \$20 and \$40 from the previous year. Copies of the lists have also been placed on the Class Portal area of the website.

Thank you
Mark Ryan
Assistant Principal

Canteen

Dear Parents,
On the 6th November the **school canteen WILL NOT be open for recess or lunch** due to the 25th Anniversary celebrations. If you have **not** ordered Subway for your child you will need to provide a lunch from home.

Thank you, Heidi and Joh

Uniform Shop

Interschool Shirts

Could all students who require Interschool shirts, please collect them on a Wednesday during recess **ONLY** from the uniform shop. Make sure you bring \$10 deposit in an envelope, clearly marked with your name, surname and class. Thank you.

I also have a list of names of children who have not returned interschool and football shirts. Could you please wash and return your shirts so that we have enough to hand out for our next event. If your child does not return their shirts they will be getting a letter from the school with an invoice for the shirt.

Kind Regards
Ilonka Heinzle
on behalf of the MCCPS P&F Assoc.

Calling All New Altar Servers

This year's training course for new servers commences on Saturday 31st October. If you would like to become an altar server in Mater Christi Parish please collect an enrolment letter from the sacristy after Mass.

Parents, this is a wonderful opportunity for your child to become more involved in the celebration of Mass and in other activities in the Parish. Please encourage them. Any queries please see Fr Bryan after Mass.

Term Four After School Sport

The weather is looking fantastic for another term of the Sporting Schools Program.

The program will commence in Week Five of Term Four, and run for Five weeks. The students from **Years One-Three** are invited to participate in "Cricket" on **Wednesdays commencing 11th November and concluding 9th December**. The **Year Four-Six** students will be participating in "Cricket" on **Thursdays commencing 12th November and concluding 10th December**.

If you would like your child to participate in this program please return the permission slip to **Miss Meyerkort in 4B** by **Wednesday 4th November (Week Four)**.

As numbers for each group will be capped at 30 it will be "first in first served" so please make sure you return your slip if you are interested. Students who are successful in gaining a place will be notified by Thursday 5th November (Week Four). **An ongoing commitment is expected for the entire term from all those who participate**. It is imperative that parents arrange for their child to be picked up at **4:15pm** on their given day.

It is really important that we educate our students that ***we need to be active to be healthy*** and that this is a great opportunity for students who do not participate in physical activity outside of school to try some new sports without committing to a team or club.

I look forward to another successful term of active fun!

Miss Katie Meyerkort



P & F

The Parents & Friends Federation of WA have a job vacancy for a Liaison Officer. The position is for 21 hours per week during school terms and applications close on 17/11/2014. Please see the full advert at www.pff.wa.edu.au.

A new initiative by your P&F is that Mater Christi is now a part of the Red25 club at The Australian Red Cross Blood Service. Existing and new blood donors are encouraged to participate, please see further info in this newsletter.

Kate Godwin-Johnston, P&F

1 Donation Can Save 3 Lives



Blood is a life-changing donation more powerful than money because saving a life is something you can't put a price on!

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School is now registered as part of the **Red25** group. This is a united group of blood donors across Australia who has joined the movement with the aim of providing 25% of all the blood donations required in Australia across the year.

This life-saving social responsibility programme as part of **The Australian Red Cross Blood Service** is recognising that a small gesture on your behalf can combine with those of others to make a big difference to our whole community.

Currently, only 1 in 30 Australians give blood, but 1 in 3 Australians will need blood in their lifetime.

To join the Mater Christi Catholic Primary School group and you're already an existing donor, this is your link: www.donateblood.com.au/who-can-give/red25/join-group.

If you want to donate but are not yet a registered blood donor, call 13 14 95 to get your ID – it only takes a few minutes.

Red25 members don't need to donate at the same time as others to contribute to our overall tally, every time members give blood it's automatically counted towards the tally. If you want to get together with a group of 3 or 4, transport can be arranged to our local centre down in South Fremantle.

If you are not sure if you are eligible to donate, or if you are ready to donate, you can make an appointment by calling 13 14 95 or by going online to www.donateblood.com.au.

Why don't you ask your friends and family to join our group so we can be a real pace-setter for other schools groups to aspire to be like?

Marina Hayward
Mater Christi CPS
Red25 Coordinator

Class Rep Events

- **KA – Sunday 15th November – 10.00am – 12.00pm**
Play date at Bibra Lake (fenced-in playground), Progress Drive, Bibra Lake.
RSVP not required
- **KC – Friday 13th November – 4pm**
Whole Family Twilight Picnic”, Coogee – Kids Beach (near Dome) RSVP to your Class Rep by 12th November
- **KD – Friday 20th November – 12pm**
The Pizza Lounge, RSVP to Class Rep
- **1C – Friday 13th November – 7pm,**
Mum’s Dinner, Venue to be Confirmed, RSVP to your Class Reps by email
- **1C – Sunday 6th December – 10am,**
Woodman Point Family Picnic, BYO Food, RSVP to your Class Reps by email
- **2A – Friday 30th October – 8pm,**
Joy Kitchen, 72 Marine Tce, Fremantle , RSVP to your Class Rep by 28th October
- **2C – Sunday 22nd November – 12pm,**
Lunch, Clancy’s Fish Pub, Fremantle, whole family , RSVP to your Class Rep by 20th November
- **3C – Friday 6th November – 7pm**
Dinner, Venue to be decided.
- **Yr4 – Saturday 7th November – 7pm**
Café Royale, RSVP to your Class Rep by 2nd November.

After-School Soccer Coaching Clinics (Term 4)

All Kindy to Year Two children were given a registration form for an After-School Soccer Coaching Clinic starting Wednesday the 4th of November (3.25pm – 4.25pm). We will conduct it on the school grounds.

The activity is coordinated and run by Physical Education and/or Soccer Specialists; all with their Working With Children Checks. The Clinic focuses on **Maximum Participation** during **Organised** and **Fun** 6 x 1 Hour sessions.

The cost for the clinic is \$60.00 per child.

If you are interested in letting your child learn and play this World Game in fun sessions and you have not yet registered, then please register online at www.play4life.com.au or complete the registration form and return it to reception by Tuesday the 3rd of November. (Spare registration forms are available at reception).

ATI-MIRAGE Life Skills for Teens

Dates:

14 Jan 2016, 9am – 4pm

21 Jan 2016, 9am – 4pm

Pricing:

\$198pp for 3 workshops

\$77pp per workshop

Workshop 1

My Inner ‘Selfie’

- Emotional Intelligence – key to happiness
- Knowing me, understanding others
- ‘Followers’ or Friends
- Doing my head in – how to cope with stress and anxiety

Workshop 2

Staying Safe Online

- Protecting yourself online
- Viruses and protection
- Online scams
- Be Social Media smart

Workshop 3

Money Talks

- How to expand your spending money
- The pro’s and con’s of Credit Cards
- Money and mobile phones
- Buying your first car

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