

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents

Well one more sleep before THE GREAT EVENT!

25th Anniversary

There is so much excitement and a real buzz in the air as we await tomorrow. We begin with the Anniversary Community Mass, followed by Morning Tea in the Community Centre. Everyone is invited to go to the Undercover Area to 'Walk through the Memories' over the first 25 years. You may even be in one of the photos.

From 11am all the children will take part in organized activities throughout the school. Parking will be at a premium and EXTRA PATIENCE will be needed by all of us. Can you car pool tomorrow?

We have been praying that we do not have to cancel all or part of the events tomorrow due to the weather forecast – please join us in asking God to hold out until all the children have gone home and we have packed up!

Yesterday I spoke to the children about acknowledging when good things happen to us and good people do things for us and help us. One such group is our staff that has worked tirelessly during many, many meetings; over many, many hours to prepare our school grounds, anniversary events, environment areas, morning tea and Church areas - ALL for our children. It would be lovely for our children to be encouraged by you their parents to say 'thank you' to these outstanding people with a verbal thank you, maybe a drawing/card of appreciation, a thumbs up, a smile or any other way they would like to. I know that you will concur with me in acknowledging how truly gifted, generous and dedicated our Mater Christi staff is.

We are blessed in having them a part of our community. *We cannot wait until tomorrow!*

Kindy Information Night

Next Tuesday 10 November at 6pm all parents with a child commencing Kindy in 2016 are invited to attend this meeting in the Mater Christi Community Centre. You will be able to hear about all the wonderful things that you and your child have to look forward to in Kindy next year, meet the staff and parents (new and current) in your child's class, ask any questions and enjoy the community spirit on the night.

I look forward in meeting many of you next Tuesday.

Friday's Grandparents Day next week is with a difference – classes will be open from 12-12.30pm beforehand to enable children to take those grandparents who would like to do so for a walk through their classes. We hope many take advantage of this opportunity. This is a lovely, very special day in our calendar with loads of people here bringing lunch to school to have lunch with their grandchildren. I have heard that any children without grandparents are welcomed into other families, or have other family members come along to take over that role. This is a true mark of a Christian and welcoming Community. *Thank you.*

Annual General Meeting of the School Board and P&F

It is always very heartening to meet with parents who have such an interest in our school. They contribute their time and their talents to building our School Community. The P&F supported by the School Board do this through discussions and organising activities designed to help people to interact socially. I sincerely thank the 2015 School Board and P&F for their enthusiasm and collegiality. You have achieved so much. Thank you on behalf of all at Mater Christi Catholic Primary School.

Everyone is invited to attend the AGM on Wednesday 18 November at 7pm. I hope that parents will also consider nominating for the P&F/Board positions as they become available.

God Bless... Toni Kalat

Dates for Next Week

Monday 9th November	9am Mass (4A)
Tuesday 10th November	9am Mass (PPA) 6pm Kindy Info Night (MCCC)
Wednesday 11th 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 12th November	9am Mass (6C) Yr 5 Christian Service Learning
Friday 13th November	9am Mass (3C) PP Fairytales Dress Up Day 12pm Open Classrooms 12.30 Grandparents Lunch
Saturday 14th November	9 - 10.30am First Reconciliation

Sunday 15th November

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Religious Education

Grandparents Lunch

The Staff and Students are looking forward to our annual Grandparents lunch on **Friday, 13th November**. All classrooms will be open from 12pm and lunch will begin at 12:30pm. All grandparents are invited to bring along lunch to share with their grandchildren. Tea and coffee, which has been kindly donated by the P&F, will be served just outside the canteen by canteen staff. Everyone is invited to the undercover area to look at the many photos on display celebrating twenty five years.



Christian Service

Last Thursday another group of Year Five students attended Christian Service at Frank Prendergast House, Southern Cross Village Success. Our Mater Christi students decorated cupcakes with the elderly and shared afternoon tea.

Everyone had an amazing time!



Best Wishes Courtney Dunsire
Assistant Principal

Parish Corner

Sacrament of Penance – Rite of Reconciliation

This weekend we have our third group of students receiving the Sacrament of Penance. Please keep the children receiving this Sacrament in your prayers at this special time.

Dates	Times
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

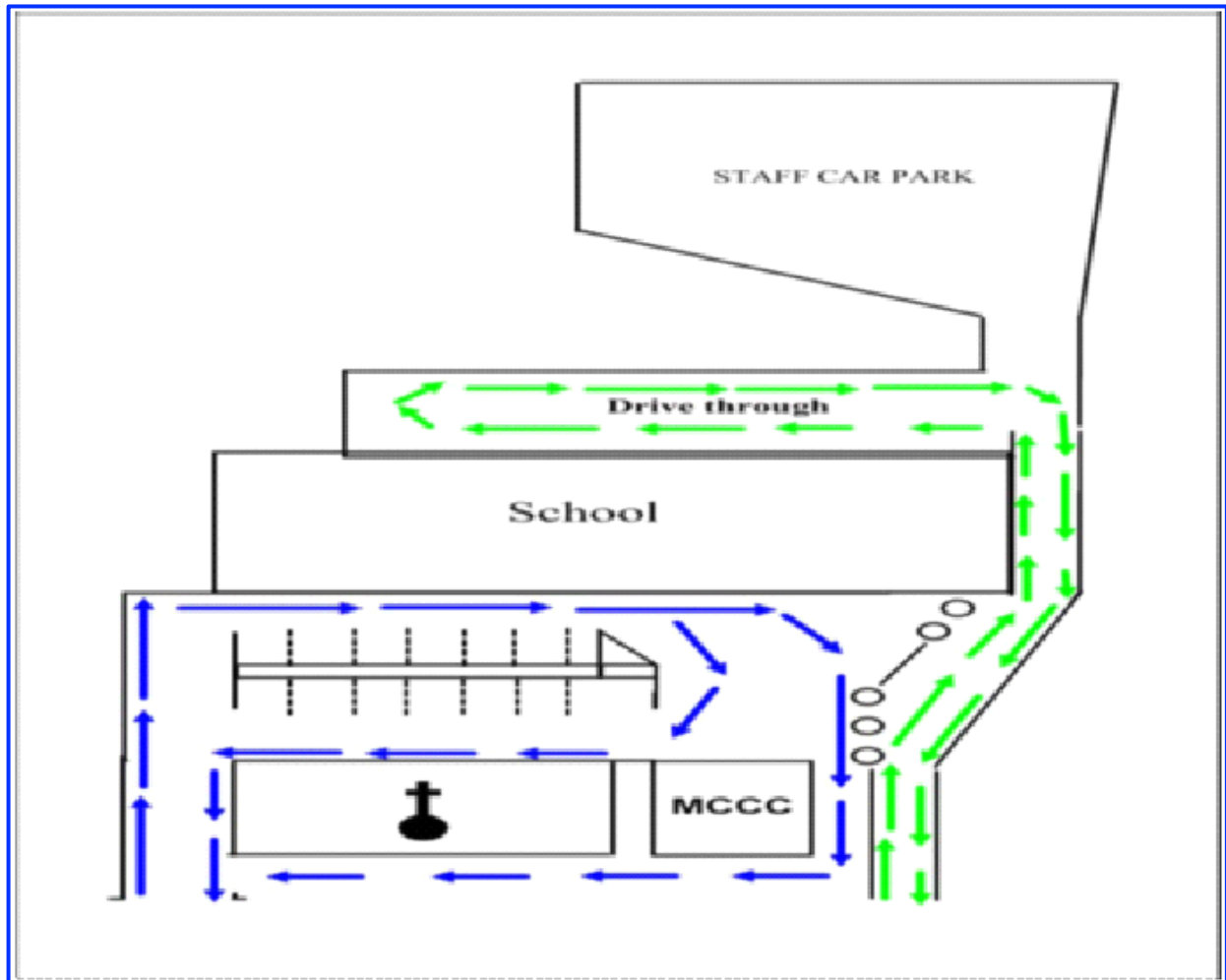
Toni Kalat
Principal



Parking and Traffic Flow around the School

Below is a reminder about our Parking and Traffic rules to ensure the safety of our children at all times. We ask for you to exercise patience and caution.

- The first driveway with green arrows is 'drive-through' and is for pick-up and drop-off only. Overtaking in the 'drive-through' to get to the back of the school is potentially dangerous. If there is a need to gain access to that area, drivers must wait in the queue.
- The second driveway with blue arrows is for parking, and getting out of the car to walk in to the school to collect children. This area has an 8km speed limit.
- Please be courteous to others and allow them the time to 'Reverse park'.
- Stopping or double parking is not permitted. Please only park your vehicle in a designated parking bay.
- Please do not ask children to wait for you at the front of the school or on the oval. They are to wait in the undercover area where they are supervised.
- The 'Baby Bays' are for the use by parents/guardians with prams.



2016 Booklists

Don't forget online ordering closes Sunday 8th November

Thank you
Mark Ryan
Assistant Principal

P & F

We hope the children enjoyed the Subway lunch that was provided by P&F funds to celebrate Mater Christi's 25th Anniversary today. It certainly was a memorable day for all involved.

Please have a look at the minutes of the P&F's October meeting at <http://portal.mcps.wa.edu.au/pf-minutes/>.

Kate Godwin-Johnston, P&F

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

Mater Christi School Prayer

*Lord bless our school
Bless all the children
Bless our families
Bless our teachers
and all who work with them.
Lord teach us to care for others
So that we can be a good friend
to those who need us
to those who feel left out or are lonely
Always ready to share everything that we have.
Help us to be like Jesus
A friend to anyone who needs us.
Let our friendship help them to
Come to know you and your love.
Amen*



Term Four After School Sport

(Years One - Three After School is now Full)

The program will commence in Week Five of Term Four, and run for Five weeks. The students from **Years One-Three** will be participating 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 the Senior program please return the permission slip to **Miss Meyerkort in 4B ASAP**

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

Uniform Shop

Interschool Shirts

I 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.

All Pre-Primary parents!

You would've received a letter regarding your child's uniform for year 1. I have scheduled special try-ons on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th of November for you to try on uniforms. I have put up a list at the uniform shop for you to put your names on a time slot that is convenient for you.

Thank you

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

It's a girl!

Congratulation to Stacey and Mark Williamson on the safe arrival of:-

*Sophie Grace Williamson
6lbs 7 (2.91kgs)
Born at 10.26.. on Monday 2nd November*

All is going well!!!



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
- **Pre Primary – Friday 20th November**
Glen Iris Bar and Grill, Jandakot, RSVP to Class Rep by 15th November
- **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
- **Yr4 – Saturday 7th November – 7pm**
Café Royale, RSVP to your Class Rep by 2nd November.

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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Relationships Australia

Parenting Courses – November

WEST LEEDERVILLE

Kids and today's Technology Tuesday 17th Nov

Fathering after Separation Thursday 19th Nov

Understanding Stepfamily Relationships Weekend 20, 21
22nd Nov

Rock and Water Programme Saturday 21st Nov

**For further information and to enrol
please phone 9489 6322.**