

Mater Christi Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents

Where to start! There are SO many Staff, Parents, Children and members of the community to thank for our incredible 25th Anniversary Celebration. It all commenced with our Mass of Thanksgiving where many people commented on how well our children sang and their reverence. This was followed by a lovely morning tea and anniversary cake that was enjoyed by all those who were present. Our Choir impressed an appreciative audience and the Memory Walk caused some to shed a few tears and much laughter too as everyone reminisced and shared wonderful stories together. It was a pleasure having all our invited guests and visitors comment on the beautiful grounds and how well our school is maintained.

Finally after recess we commenced the outdoor activities where everyone had so much fun and the atmosphere throughout the school was one of being a great big family. The feedback from many people has been very positive. I know that on Friday night the staff were in bed very early and so I believe were many of the children. On Wednesday Fr Bryan and Fr Rainier blessed the Time Capsule before it was lowered into place in the area near the fountain and the Anniversary Cross was finally hung in its place. (Please see the photos further on in the newsletter).



Mr Leo Di Gregorio – Emmanuel College Principal, presented our School with a beautiful silver and gold image of Mary our Mother with the child Jesus. This and the school candle form the prayer focus in our Office. I was very touched by this very generous gesture.

Thank you to everyone for a very memorable celebration – we are an amazing community! *Take a bow Mater Christi!*

Kindy 2016: It was lovely to meet many of the parents on Tuesday night who attended the Kindy Parent Information Meeting. I know that they had a lot to listen too but also appreciated all the information that was presented to them by the Kindy Teachers and who answered any questions when they visited the Kindy Classrooms. Thank you also to Ilonka Heinze – our Uniform Manager who opened up the Uniform Shop for our parents.

Grandparents Lunch: Today another very special event was celebrated. The school was taken over by our special grandparents and visitors who were made to feel very welcome by their grandchildren, proudly showing them around their classroom, the Anniversary Fountain, Cross, Memory Walk and so much more. How special was it to sit together and share some food and enjoy one another's company. Love was very evident throughout the classrooms, lobbies and the school.

Wellness Week: Any school community is really a "small scale version" of society and so when we notice something, particularly in our students – we respond as best as we can. The bigger picture with this is that we are living in a very fast paced, busy, busy, busy world. There is so much to occupy our lives and our minds! The most important and positive thing any of us can do for both our children and ourselves is to provide "time out". We are human and humans need time to rest and reflect. No distractions. Wellness Week is the opportune time to plan how this time might look in your family. The benefits (especially in terms of mental health) we reap from ensuring that we have some time to rest, are countless!

Wellness Week runs from Monday 16 November to Friday 20 November. Have a "Family Talk" during the weekend to share some ideas in preparation for the following week! REMEMBER – NO HOMEWORK!

AGM: Fortunately, our AGM happens to fall within Wellness Week. What a great way to come together as a community, listen to the many things that have been achieved and the projects that will be undertaken in 2016. Everyone is invited to attend the AGM on **Wednesday 18 November at 7pm** in the Community Centre followed by a light supper.

God Bless... Toni Kalat

Dates for Next Week

Monday 16th November	Wellness Week 9am Mass (5B)
Tuesday 17th November	9am Mass (3B)
Wednesday 18th November	Yr 6 Dance Practice 1.30-2.15pm (MCCC) 6pm Board Meeting 7pm Annual School Community Meeting School Banking Uniform Shop Open 8am to 10.30am 1.20pm to 3.20pm
Thursday 19th November	
Friday 20th November	9am Assembly (PP)

Saturday 21th November

Sunday 22th November

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Religious Education

Mass

On Friday, 27th November we are celebrating a Whole School Mass prepared by Year Two. Families and friends are welcome to attend.

Christmas Food Appeal

This year we are changing how we run our Christmas Food Appeal. Rather than each class being allocated a specific item to be brought in and the parish making all the hampers – each class has been allocated a family in need within our community, who they are responsible for making a special Christmas hamper.

Within class, children will brainstorm the important items their allocated family will require this Christmas and each child will be responsible for bringing in one of these non-perishable items. If you would like to contribute more than your item please do so. The children will then put together the Christmas hamper for their assigned family.

We thank you for supporting this wonderful cause. The food drive will begin on **Wednesday, 18th November (Week 5)** and all hampers will be given to St Vincent de Paul for delivery by **Friday, 4th December (Week 8)**.



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, 14 th November	9-10:30am

Reconciliation Certificates

Children receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, 8th November can collect their certificates in the Church foyer prior to the commencement of Mass over the weekend – Sat @ 6pm, Sun @ 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.



Mater Christi Annual School Community Meeting

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

WEDNESDAY 18th NOVEMBER 2015
7PM
MATER CHRISTI COMMUNITY CENTRE

This is a shared meeting between our School Board and our Parents and Friends Association and is an important event on our school Calendar.

All nominations for Board and P&F positions for 2016 are to be handed to the school office by 3.00pm Friday 13th November.

P&F News

Our P&F thrives on the support of many members of our community, and for 2016 we invite you to consider nominating for a position. This is the current situation:

- All positions will become vacant at the meeting. If more than one candidate is put forward for any one position an election will take place.
- We hope to get nominations for all of the positions this year. Please consider supporting your school through the P&F!

Role	2015	2016 Nomination/s
President	Johanna Perez	Bridget Chamberlain Teresa Lawson
Vice-President	Heidi Mann	
Treasurer	Beverly Sweetman	Belinda Stokes
Secretary	Belinda Weeks	Belinda Weeks
Traffic Management Representative	Sarah Bekkevold	
City of Cockburn Representative		
Class Reps Co-ordinator	Cherryl Cutri	Leonie Jones
P&F School Board Representative	Karen Simons	Karen Simons
Sunsmart Representative	Belinda Stokes	
Parish Representative	Donna Butt	Marina Hayward
General Committee	Kate Godwin-Johnston, Rebecca Wright, Christine McCallum, Lisa Miller, Teresa Lawson, Tina Stevens, Kelly Carradus, Michelle Hall, Marina Hayward, Kylie Phillips, Leonie Jones	Kate Godwin-Johnston, Rebecca Wright, Christine McCallum, Kylie Galipo, Tina Stevens, Kelly Carradus, Sarah Bekkevold

Merit Awards 20th November 2015

PPA	Vesna Andelic, Nicholas Catanzaro, Thomas Bond, Jack Shields, Jacob Lorenzo
PPB	Oisin O'Halloran, Ricardo DeFreitas, Jamesina Hudspeth, Rachel Johnston, Savannah Huggett, Sienna Soric, Isla Lang
PPC	Luka Celizic, Xandar Novelli, Jayden Pelliccione, Miguel Revelo-Galvez, Molly O'Connor, Leticia Tan
Year 1A	Taylor French, Ayyah Rioli, Grace Sheehy, Orlando Middleton
Year 1B	Ava Reale, Ziba Thomas, Talea Fazio, Alessandro De Bernardis, Georgia Farnan
Year 1C	Nicholas D Couto, Tia Amato, Mikaela Foster, Esperence Toh
Year 2A	Joshua De Abreu, Dylan Ierino, Ryan Pymont, Alexis Triplett, Lincoln Carradus, Joshua Jones,
Year 2B	Jayden Bekkevold, Jesse Dodd, Kane Lamothe, Charlotte Dawson, Hannah Petrovic, Jiyah Rioli
Year 2C	Xavier Correia, Christopher Filipowicz, Peter Wright, Ava Hampel, Zoe Johnston
Year 3A	Petra Basic, Grace Barraclough, Alanna Cucevic, Leith Hall, Kaeleb Sesay, Nicolas Velezmoro
Year 3B	Devon Shersby, Jocelyn De Freitas, Benjamin Gosney, Ava Daniel
Year 3C	Mia Barron, Riley Jameson, Isaac Liew
Year 4A	Gabriel Barros, Genevieve Heinzle, Hayden Payne, Imogen Slater, Jack Hunter
Year 4B	Alexander David, Anthony De Abreu, Daniel Nicholson, Tate Simons, Max Gadsden
Year 4C	Lachlan Douglas, Chris Ring, Connor Wood, Daniel Holm
Year 5A	Monique Correia, Adriel Dela Piedra, Vivian Gaglia, Adrian Menner, Ashton Rebelo, Owen Rooney, Christian Silas
Year 5B	Emily Watson, Dale Martin, Griffin Roberts, Charlotte Daniel
Year 5C	Aliyah Portinha, Tryse Rioli, Carys Vincent De Sousa.
Year 6A	Jessica Friessbourg, Lochlan Gault, Kaitlin Miller, Jonathon Ramos
Year 6B	Dayna Abrahams, Tayla Battison, Joshua Carradus, Alexander Kendrick
Year 6C	Monique Bodilly, Josh Galipo, Dante Heinzl, Luke Lamport, Teyah Lawrence, Bryce Lyon, Declan Shersby, Dylan Sweetman, Charley Wehr

25th Anniversary Thank You

Dear Parents

Thank you to everyone who attended the morning tea for our 25th Anniversary celebrations. A huge thank you to Natalie Rijavec from The Cheesecake Shop in Spearwood who kindly donated a delicious chocolate mud cake for our celebrations. Also thank you to Nick from Subway Cockburn for all your hard work in preparing and delivering the Subway lunch which was kindly donated by our wonderful P&F. The children all really enjoyed it. We had approximately 630 orders. Also thank you to all the helpers who helped clean up afterwards, it was much appreciated!

Thanks
Heidi and Joh

Congratulations

Tijan Mckenna who has been selected to represent Western Australia in the 2015 State 12s Football Team

And

Chelsea Taylor who has been selected to represent Western Australia in the 2015 Touch Football Team

Both will be competing at the **National Schools Championships in Adelaide, South Australia** from the 20th November.

Good Luck

Library

Book club is due Tuesday 24th November
No cash payments or paper orders. Please use LOOP on Scholastic website.
Any orders placed after the closing date and time will be charged \$4.99 for home delivery



Interschool Athletics Carnival

At the end of two days of intense competition the Mater Christi crew had done themselves proud. With nine schools competing it was going to be close. After a tough two days we were hoping to hold onto the shield, which we won last year. Going into the relays and leaderball we were in fourth place. With some outstanding running and leaderball skills the Mater Christi athletes came home with a wet sail and stormed into the finish. Alas, we couldn't quite bridge the gap. The rampaging Yidarra team came away with the shield with Mater Christi racing into second! The whole team should be proud of the way they competed fiercely and in the right spirit.

Finally, a big thankyou must go to Mrs Johnson who coached and prepared the students magnificently. This is a massive job and she did it beautifully. To Mr Ryan, Mrs Dunsire, Mrs Johnson and Mrs Gladwell well done! You kept the chargers switched on and ready on both days. Another thankyou must also go to all those who came down each day to cheer. Top Stuff



Mr Donnelly (HPE Specialist)

Exciting Science News

Mater Christi has officially become a Waste Wise Accredited School!!!

Look out for our new sign!

Congratulations to everyone making a difference in reducing waste at our beautiful school.

Waste wise Wednesdays are becoming a permanent feature next year so for Christmas why not buy your children a new waste wise lunch box or reusable sandwich wraps to reduce our waste even more.

Look on line at these two websites for more information on giving great gifts and reducing plastic wrap.

Sandwich wraps can be purchased from www.4myearth.com.au or Onya www.onyainnovations.com.au

or you can make them. Great craft idea for the holidays, look for the instructions on the science blog.

Thanks everyone

Mrs Ziegelaar

ORDERING SPECIAL GROUP PHOTOS

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Specialist Groups photographed at **Mater Christi Catholic Primary School** are now available to order **online**.

To Order and View the groups online simply go to **www.msp.com.au** and click **Order Online**.

You will then be prompted to enter a **shootkey**. Please see below for the shootkeys corresponding to each group.



Group Name	Shootkey
25th School Anniversary - 2015	GS7KWYKX
Arts Captains - 2015	52CAEFT7
Dance - 2015	RMBYGJ4P
Head Altar Servers - 2015	R6399C77
Junior Choir - 2015	KAK38FC6
Science Captains - 2015	H25WLGJY
Senior Choir - 2015	PL2GDPFQ
Sports Captains - 2015	QM2CDYCY
Student Representative Council - 2015	77A7YQB4
Year 6 Graduation Muck Up - 2015	EYG9UUGF

Last Day for Ordering Online is Wednesday 25th November 2015

Please note: Any orders received after this date will incur a \$20.00 retrieval fee

Click *Add to Cart* to add the Group you have entered to your Order.

If you would like to order more than one type of group select the ***Change Shootkey*** option on the left and enter the Shootkey of the other group/s you would like, then press *Add to Cart* again.

Once you are finished click *Go to Cart* (located top left of the screen) to review and pay for your order. The photos will be delivered to the school within 2 weeks after the cut off date.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to call MSP Photography on 08 9342 3465 Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm.

Mini Marathon Update

Thank you to everyone who has raised money for our Mini Marathon this year. So far we have raised \$9521.90

This year the highest fundraiser was Charlize Pereira in 3B. Well done to Charlize and her family.

The other spot prizes this year go to:

Jye Mingay (5B)

Jacob Monaco (Kindy C)

Dylan Ierino (2A)

Gisele Grasa (PPB)

If there is any outstanding money can it be sent through to the office as soon as possible please.

A huge thank you to Mary Watson and Arlene Soares for counting the money and to Miss Richards for the prizes.

Thanks

Mark Ryan

Assistant Principal

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



Uniform Shop

All Pre-Primary parents!

You would have received a letter regarding your child's uniform for year one. I have scheduled special try-ons on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th of November between 9am – 1pm.

A list has been placed at the uniform shop for you to write your name and select a time slot that is convenient for you to attend and for your child to try on the uniform

Thank you
Kind Regards
Ilonka Heinze
Perm-a-Pleat



Mercedes College

**Victoria Square
PERTH WA 6000**

Early in 2016, Mercedes College will commence interviewing Year Five students who are due to start Year Seven in 2018. If you are considering enrolling your daughter at Mercedes and have not yet requested an information pack, please contact Mrs Julie Lamb on 9323 1340 as soon as possible. Further information about enrolments is available on our website, www.mercedes.wa.edu.au.

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*
- **KB – Sunday 28th November – 1.30pm – 3.30pm**
*Rollerways, O'Connor, \$10 per person
Cash only. All Family members welcome.
RSVP to Class Reps*
- **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
- **1A – Sunday 6th December – 1pm**
Last Drop, Beeliar, RSVP to Class Rep by 30th 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
- **2C – Sunday 22nd November – 12pm,**
*Lunch, Clancy's Fish Pub, Fremantle, whole family
RSVP to your Class Rep by 20th November*

P & F

We look forward to seeing many of you at the School Board/P&F AGM being held **NEXT WEDNESDAY**, 18th November, at 7pm in the Mater Christi Community Centre. It will be a great night to learn about the activities undertaken by the Board and P&F this year as well as to participate in electing office bearers. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Kate Godwin-Johnston, P&F

FUNDRAISER

All Proceeds Go To Mater Christi Playgroup

Due to the overwhelming popularity of our last fundraiser, we have been able to secure for the month of December, discounted cases of wine again!

Cases range in price from \$84 to \$132 per dozen depending on the range and ordering is done online with delivery to your door at only \$4 per case!

Perfect for your Christmas functions, gifts and to take along to all of the parties that the festive season has to offer.

Ordering is so simple. Go to www.cleanskincellars.com.au/Fundraising/home The user name is **mater** and the password is **playgroup**

All families are welcome to participate, please feel free to share the link with your friends and family so that everyone can take advantage of these great prices.

Hurry though! Last orders are Friday 11 December

Relationships Australia

Parenting Courses – November

WEST LEEDERVILLE

Kids and Todays 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.**