

St Andrew's Parish CORPUS CHRISTI PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER 14 Wednesday 19th September 2018 WEEK 10, TERM 3

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Once again it is difficult to believe that we are nearing the end of a term. The children break up for Term 3 holidays on Friday 21st September at 1.00pm I would like to thank all who have contributed so generously and in so many ways to the life of the school so far this year.

I truly appreciate all that you do to work together in partnership for the best outcomes for all our children.

As a staff we wish you a very restful, peace-filled, happy and safe holiday. We look forward to everyone's return on Monday 8th October for the final term of 2018.

STAFF NEWS

Mrs Sultana began her Maternity Leave last Friday. As a community we wish Mrs Sultana and her husband all the best as they await the birth of their first child.

I am pleased to inform you of the appointment of Mr Benjamin Richards who has replaced Mrs Leanne Sultana in the Purple Community. Mr Richards had a handover period with Leanne last Wednesday to Friday before Leanne headed off on Maternity Leave.

We are excited to have Mr Richards join our School Community and we look forward to working with him for the remainder of the year. I am sure you will join with me in making Mr Richards feel very welcome and supported as he takes up his new position.

"TURNING GOLD COINS INTO HAY" FOR OUR DROUGHT AFFECTED FARMERS DAY

What a successful day!

Thank you to all families for your support of our "Turning Gold Coins into Hay" Day last Friday. Not only did we have a very enjoyable day dressed as Farmers and joining in for a whole school 'boot scooting' dance, as a school *we raised \$1,249.10* which will go directly to support our nation's farmers who continue to struggle during the current drought conditions. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and will certainly make a real difference. Daniella Brown and Kurt Brown (Senior 5/6MB) along with Mr Mark Barlow were instrumental in planning and organizing this important fundraiser and we thank them for promoting such a day and for the positive impact it will have. Well done and thank you everyone!

With kind regards, Linda

SCHOOL UNIFORM - CHANGEOVER PERIOD

Please note that there will be a changeover period for uniform at the beginning of Term 4, where we will allow another four week period for the changeover from Winter to Summer Uniform. This can be used at the discretion of the parent/ carer depending on the weather conditions (ie. It may still be quite cold at the start of Term 4, therefore Winter Uniform can still be worn). The changeover period will extend to Friday 2nd November. A reminder that all long hair is to be tied back during the school day. Head bands, multi-coloured scrunchies, hair scarves, hair extensions or ornaments are not part of the School Uniform. Children who wear their hair up are required to use an elastic band, blue and white ribbons and scrunchies. Please also note that black school shoes need to be worn - not black runners with the school uniform.

A Prayer for the end of Term

Loving Father, as we come to the end of another term we turn to you in confidence and place any difficult relationships into the healing hands of Jesus, your Son.

Enable us to leave behind any pain of the past and any regrets or bitterness, entrusting the past to your mercy, the present to your love, and the future to your providence. Help us appreciate more the need to keep a good balance in our lives.

May the holiday be for us a time of rest and recreation to help restore us and re-create us in your image and likeness, as we enjoy more of the love and presence of our families, on whom we ask your blessing. Amen.



SATURDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2018

Keep a look out for our Major Raffle in support of our Parish!

STUDENT ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

A reminder for all Parents/Carers to ensure that the school <u>is notified of any absence from school by 9:30am.</u> This can be done via email at ccschooloffice@ccwerribee.catholic.edu.au **OR** Contacting the School Office by Telephone on **9741 8440**

Education in Faith

5 FINGER PRAYER

Sometimes it can be a challenge to think of ways to pray or even what to pray for. Pope Francis offers the simple '5 finger prayer' that we could use to help us in our prayer life.

Thumb: Pray for your loved ones, those closest to you like family and friends

Index finger: Those who guide you like our parents and teachers

Middle finger: Those who govern us and in authority

Ring finger: For those who are the weakest and in need

Pinky: Lastly, pray for yourself and your intentions

Have a go at using the 5 finger prayer next time you pray as a family.



MIDDLE UNIT MASS will be celebrated tomorrow the **20th of September** at **9:00am** here at school in the MFR. Our Grade 4 students will be given another opportunity to receive communion and a great continuation of the sacrament they received a few weeks ago. We warmly invite you all to attend.

CORPUS CHRISTI COMMUNITY MASS AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH 2018

All our families are invited to celebrate mass in St. Andrew's Church on **Saturday the 10th November at 6:00pm.** We especially invite families of children who have received a sacrament this year: First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation to this special mass. As part of the St. Andrew's parish community we are invited to share in this holy sacrifice of the mass. It would be lovely to see many of our children and families there.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AROUND OUR SCHOOL

Our Foundation, Junior, Middle and Senior unit communities have been learning and exploring so many things in Religious Education this term. Foundation have been learning about God's creation and stewardship. Juniors have been learning about Jesus' family and his disciples. Middles have been exploring prayer and building a friendship with God. Our senior students have been exploring the history of the Catholic church in Australia and significant people who helped build our church.

It has been an exciting term with our year 4s receiving First Eucharist, as well as the special events we have held at school. Wishing you a safe and enjoyable holiday and look forward to the liturgical and faith filled celebrations next term.



20th September - Middle Unit Mass 9:00 am
12th October - Mission Week Reflection before assembly
18th October - Foundation Unit Mass 9:00 am
10th November - 6pm Corpus Christi Community Mass at St Andrew's Church

Miss Richelle Mendoza, Religious Education Leader

Condolences to...

The Marinaro Family (Eleanor Gr: 3/4HD) after the sad passing of her Grandmother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Learning Community News

JUNIOR UNIT

Wow the term has gone by so quickly. The students have been doing wonderful things with their Inquiry Journey projects. Thank you parents for supporting your child with their learning. It's been great seeing students share their family history and special events from their past.

In Religion after learning about Jesus and his family, the students have created a clay model (or tile) to represent their family. Come and have a look.

In Mathematics, we have begun our new Unit on Division and using strategies to share equally. This will continue into next term. The Juniors have also started their next unit onTime. It would be great to ask your child the time and get them to read o'clock, half past, quarter to and past times on a digital and analogue clock.

Have a great holiday.

Yours in Partnership, Mrs Michelle Surmiak, Junior Unit Leader

FOUNDATION UNIT

Completing our Wild Australia inquiry unit the Foundation students visited the Melbourne Zoo. It was a fantastic day where the students were able to visit many of our native animals such as the platypus, emu, frill neck llizard and wombat. We could not have asked for a more perfect day. Thank you to our amazing parent helpers who made our day extra special.

We hope you all have a wonderful and restful holiday ready for our new learning in term 4.

Yours in Partnership, Foundation Team

MIDDLE UNIT

It's hard to believe it is the end of yet another term. Middle students have had a busy and productive term and we are very proud of their learning achievements.

In Middles for Numeracy, students will be developing their knowledge of fractions and how to model and represent unit fractions including 1/2, 1/4, 1/3, 1/5 and their multiples to a whole. They will investigate equivalent fractions and locate and represent these fractions on a number line.

We remind our families that students will attend camp in the second week back, next term. As such, the holidays prove a good opportunity for students to learn how to pack and unpack their camp bags (particularly their sleeping bags!). We also remind our families to please label all belongings coming on camp, to help return items if they go missing.

We wish all our Middle students and families a safe and restful term break and look forward to seeing all your happy faces next term.

Yours in partnership, Ms Kim Gleeson, Middle Unit Leader

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SENIOR UNIT

During the last week of Term 3, students have read their stories to a middle student audience to gain feedback on the writer's craft used, message of the story and reading to an audience.

We added to our Mathematical thinking on fractions and were able to apply, recognise and explain our thinking when using fractions when creating a tessellation.

Fr. John-Paul visit to discuss how the Catholic Church has grown and changed over time. This information will continue to be displayed as part of our timeline of the Catholic Church in Australia.

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Regards, Leanne Spence Senior Unit Leader

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Learning & Teaching News



Happy Holidays

We are coming to the end of a busy term and all are looking forward to a break in the business of the day. Children do need a break from their classroom learning but it doesn't mean they can't have learning related experiences during

the holidays where they apply the strategies and skills learned at school. Here are some ideas for parents and carers to do during the holidays with children of all ages. The weather is improving so there will be great opportunities to get outside this time!

At Home

Activity Ideas for the holidays

- helping in the garden maybe your child could have part of the garden as their own
- helping to organise a family barbeque or picnic
- practising skills like soccer, catching, throwing, skipping or hitting a ball against a wall
- helping to organise a garage sale
- making an obstacle course and competing with their friends, siblings and you.
- having a cooking day
- artwork, drawing or painting
- listening to music and dancing
- playing board games
- writing stories and poems
- researching something the children are interested in
- making up their own play and performing it for you and the rest of the family

Away from home

- Keeping a journal of a holiday away is something that could be part of each day as a rest time
- Collecting special objects or photos of objects to place in the diary is useful and interesting to do
- Have the children sketch or draw pictures of their day in their journal.
- Scrap books are great for this as they have stronger paper

Routines

 Although holiday times are less formal, and there are more late bedtimes and sleep ins, keeping to a regular routine of some kind is advisable and allows for less distress which can trigger bouts of tiredness, crankiness and upset tummies.

Safety

- Always remember sunscreen, hats and bottles of water during the warmer weather and when travelling for a longer time.
- Allow frequent stops on big trips to stretch, refresh and have a healthy snack
- · Keep an eye on the children around water and always make sure they are in your site at all times

Remember

Having fun is the main priority – make physical activities even more fun by getting out into the backyard and playing games with kids.

When we think of our happiest times it is often about the time spent with our families and significant others. Memories of shared experiences are always remembered the most. So make some memories these holidays and enjoy the break. If you are a working family member ask your children to make a memory book with photos and short descriptions of events and their day and share it with you when you are home. IPads are great for this!



Peta Cesarec, Learning and Teaching Leader



Well done to all the children that had a go at answering the Timezone Numeracy Challenge question. The lucky winners that were announced at our whole school assembly on the 14th September were Emma from Junior Surmiak and Indra from Senior Craig. They both showed a lot of persistence in solving the problem and showed their working out in an efficient way.

Indra and Emma get to enjoy 30 minutes of free play at Timezone in Werribee! We will continue the Timezone Numeracy Challenge again early next term.



Over the two week holiday break, encourage your child to take part in real life Numeracy problems.

Here are some examples of Numeracy tasks you could set for your child:

•While shopping, work out what two or more items would cost. Get your child to estimate first and then ask how they worked it out? Is there another way you could work it out? Which way was more efficient? Get your child to work out the change that you would receive back if you gave a \$5, \$10, \$20 or \$50 note.

•While watching the football finals, encourage your child to work out the score a team has during the game by looking at the goals and points only (make sure they can't see the score!)

•While watching the football finals, encourage your child to work out how many goals and points a team would need to get to a projected score. For example, if a team has 79 points at half time, how many goals and points would they need to get to 100 points?

•While watching the football finals, encourage your child to work out how much a team is winning by at different times throughout the game. Get your child to explain how they worked it out? Is there another way you could work it out? Which way was more efficient?

•Play board games like Monopoly and different card games like Memory and Go Fish. It is amazing how much Maths is involved in these games and it is fun!

•Using dice, get students to add, subtract, multiply or divide the numbers. Get your child to explain how they worked it out? Is there another way you could work it out? Which way was more efficient?

•Ask your child to read the time at different times throughout the day (use analogue and digital clocks). How do you correctly say the time? For example, 2:35 is 25 to 3 and 4:30 is half past 4

Have a great week! Mr Peter Donoghue, Numeracy Leader

ICT NEWS

Winning The "Gaming" Battle With Our Boys – And Taking Our Parenting To The Next Level

Extract taken from: Dr Justin Coulson

https://www.happyfamilies.com.au/blog/winning-the-gaming-battle-with-our-boys-and-taking-our-parenting-to-the-next-level/

Should We Get Rid Of Games?

While research shows that a moderate amount of gaming is positively correlated with wellbeing, games do not make our boys "happy", help them achieve anything worthwhile, or live well-balanced lived. So it's up to parents to actively monitor their boys' game usage and, where necessary, restrict it.

This means that after reading this article we should not be demanding that our children turn off their games and walk away. It will only create conflict. Instead, the following tips may be helpful:

- First, talk it through. Be calm and don't have the conversation while they're halfway through a level or a mission. It will end badly.
- Second, work out why it means so much to them.
- Third, problem-solve together.
- Fourth, minimise control.

You will find that this is harder than it seems. But getting the conversation right will aid you enormously. Even so, your son (or student) will still struggle to regulate his behaviour. The following ideas may be helpful:

- Agree ahead of time how long is suitable on games
- Agree ahead of time what time games will go off at night
- Agree ahead of time on a strategy for getting him to switch off when asked
- Agree ahead of time to keep games out of bedrooms and in public areas
- Agree ahead of time that text messages, a tap on the door, or the oven timer will be used for a 15 minute warning
- Agree ahead of time that he must respond to those warnings
- Agree ahead of time what the consequences of refusal to get off the game will be
- Agree ahead of time that schoolwork and other priorities will be completed ahead of gaming
- You will note that this approach requires pro-activity, and active parenting.

The architecture of these games leads to "time slippage". The games are designed to be as compelling as possible. They are literally designed to trap and compel our children to play and play and play.

Consistent, calm, kind conversations with our boys (at the right time and in the right place – not in the heat of battle) are how we eventually beat the game – and take our parenting and our relationships with our boys to the "next level".

Mrs Anne Walton, ICT Leader

News from the Art Room

You may have noticed we have started our yarn bombing project and the children are very excited about it. If you would like to contribute by donating any ready made pieces of crochet, knitting or finger knitting that would be great. Also, any donations of 8 ply or thicker wool will be gladly accepted. Thank you for your support.



Maria Chetcuti, Arts Specialist Teacher



What's news in LOTE

Next term our Senior Students will be sampling 'Antipasto' during their Italian lessons. Parents please don't forget to sign and return the yellow permission form sent home with students last week.

Signora Ada Parella, LOTE Specialist Teacher

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Senior Mendoza's "retreat day" Kindness Project

This year, each Senior class has been planning a top-secret kindness project! After considering their collective skills and talents, students brainstormed ideas to spread kindness and improve wellbeing in our community. Last week, students from Senior Mendoza ran a *"Fantastic, Fun, Fit & Friendly Foundation Festival!"* On the day, Senior Mendoza students prepared some tasty treats for Foundation students, before facilitating six interactive activities for the little ones. Every single Senior Mendoza students is to be commended for their leadership and great team work which ensured all the Foundation students had a wonderful experience. We would like to thank the Foundation teachers for allowing us to undertake our project with their students.









"I've learnt that by smiling, laughing and playing with others, I can not only make myself have a good time, but I can help others feel good too." – Alosh 5/6RM



Future Projects: request from Seniors

If you are having a clean-out over the holidays, please save the following pre-loved items for Senior Dawson & Senior Craig Kindness Projects:

- Small back packs
- Unused colouring or activity books
- Small soft toys (in good condition)
- Unwanted pencils, textas, pencil cases
- Children's Books picture books, novels, kids magazines, any child-appropriate books!

We look forward to sharing more senior Kindness Projects next term! Thanks for your support! Mrs A

Mrs Elissa Ardizzon, Wellbeing & Community Engagement Leader

CORPUS SPORT NEWS

ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the fifteen Corpus Christi students that competed in the SSV Division Athletics Finals on Thursday the 13th of September. All students showed sheer determination during their event/s, with some achieving their personal best. Thank you to all the parents that came along to support their child on the day. We further congratulate and wish Matthew Musarra (800m) and Lydia Juan (High Jump) all the best for the next level of competition - Western Metropolitan Regional Athletics Championships which will be held at Keilor Athletics Track on Tuesday 16th of October.

JUNIOR SPORTS DAY (save the Date) On Friday the 23rd of November.

Foundation, Years 1 and 2 children will be participating in our annual Junior Sports Day. During the day, the children will be involved in a number of athletic and tabloid sport activities. An outline of the day will be sent home closer to the date.



THANK YOU ... FROM US!

The sports equipment from the 2018 Coles Sports for School Program arrived at Corpus a couple of weeks ago. From the vouchers families collected earlier in the year, we were able to exchange these for new equipment and resources. Thank you once again for all your support.





Miss Dee Dundov Corpus Christi Physical Education & Interschool Sports Coordinator

Wonderful Sporting Achievements

Great Community Spirit

FOOTY COLOURS DAY AND FUN RUN

FRIDAY 7th SEPTEMBER

Students and staff at Corpus participated in the Footy Colours Day and Fun Run to support and raise funds for Fight Cancer Foundation, Catholic Care and our school. Total funds raised will be announced once all donations are validated. The day was full of colour and fun across the school and we were very fortunate to have many members of our school community contributing to the success of the day. Thank you to parent Andrew Klyscz (Samuel in 5/6) for his energetic Auskick sessions on the front oval. Thank you also to MacKillop staff and parent Meagan Stonehouse (Emma & Zoe in 3/4) for encouraging her Year 10 students to plan and organise the fun run/rotations on the main oval. The Parents and Friends did a great job with feeding the hungry mouths with hot dogs...many thanks to all the parents helping out. Well done to everyone involved!

Miss Dee Dundov



Having a Go!

Fundraising to help others!

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH FAIR

Saturday, 17th November 2018

MAJOR RAFFLE IN SUPPORT OF ST. ANDREW'S PARISH

Raffle Tickets available from St. Andrew's Parish Office Ph. 9741 4144 or werribee@cam.org.au



CAR PURCHASED FROM BALLAN HOLDEN AT A DISCOUNTED RATE

First Prize:	Holden Barina	Value: \$16,999
Second Prize:	Deluxe Car Wash Voucher/Werribee Car Wash	Value: \$500
Third Prize:	All Green Nursery Voucher	Value: \$450
Fourth Prize:	Tramcar Restaurant Voucher	Value: \$300
Fifth to Ninth Prize:	Double Village Gold Class Experience Voucher	Value: \$159 each

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN RCIC



There will be an enrolment meeting on Saturday, 22nd September 2018 at 4pm in the Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. As well as enrolling children, we will explain the program which will run on the following Sunday mornings: 14th October, 21st October, 28th October, 11th November and 18th November 2018. These sessions will run from 9.45am to 10.45am, followed by attendance at 11am Mass. The children will participate in

the Children's Liturgy of the Word during the Mass as part of their Christian learning experience. At least one parent is asked to attend each Sunday with their children. The last session will be held in the Church on **Tuesday, 20th November 2018 at 5pm** to familiarise the children with the Church. If you have any queries, please leave your name and phone number at the Parish Office on Ph. 9741 4144. Thank you. Norma Marot, RCIC Coordinator

2018 SCHOOL CALENDAR & IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 20th September	Middle Unit Mass 9:00am	
Friday 21st September	Last Day of Term Children dismissed at 1:00pm for Term 3 Holidays	
Monday 8th October	First Day back to school for Term 4!	
Friday 12th October	MISSION WEEK Reflection and Fundraiser	
Tuesday 16th October	Senior Craig & Senior Barlow - Antipasto Session LOTE	
Tuesday 16th October to Wednesday 17th October MIDDLE UNIT CAMP 2018 Lady Northcote Recreation Camp		
Thursday 18th October	Foundation Unit Mass 9:00am	
Sunday 21st October	Community Mass 10am at St Mary of the Cross Chapel - MacKillop College	
Thursday 25th October	CC ARTS SHOW	
Friday 26th October	Day for Daniel - wear a touch of red!	
Tuesday 30th October	Senior Dawson & Senior Volkwyn - Antipasto Session LOTE	
Friday 2nd November	All Saints All Souls Prayer Service	
Monday 5th November	School Closure Day - No School Today	
Tuesday 6th November	MELBOURNE CUP DAY - Public Holiday no school today	
Saturday 10th November	COMMUNITY MASS at St Andrew's Church 6pm	
Tuesday 13th November	Senior Spence & Senior Mendoza - Antipasto Session LOTE	
Sunday 18th November	Community Mass 10am at St Mary of the Cross Chapel - MacKillop College	
Friday 23rd November	Junior Sports Day Today !	
Monday 26th November	School Board Dinner	
Monday 3rd December	CC Annual Carols Night	
Tuesday 4th December	P & F Christmas Dinner	
Friday 7th December	ADVENT Reflection	
	Volunteer Thank you and Afternoon Tea in MFR	
Sunday 9th December	Community Mass 10am at St Mary of the Cross Chapel - MacKillop College	
Monday 10th December	Orientation Session	
Tuesday 11th December	Graduation Mass	
Friday 14th December	Year 6 Excursion Adventure Park	
Tuesday 18th December	End of Year Prayer Service	
	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL YEAR - All Students Dismissed at 1:00pm	

LOST PROPERTY !!!

PLEASE LABEL CLOTHING AND CONTAINERS so they can be returned to owners, and please encourage your children to look after the clothing and items that belong to them . Lost Property located at front of Office



ST ANDREW'S PARISH FAIR 2018

Saturday 17th November 10am – 7pm

UNLIMITED RIDE WRISTBAND NON REFUNDABLE

Cha Cha Giant Slide Chair O Plane Big Bubble Jumping Castle

Early Bird \$30 | After 4th November \$35

Venue: St Andrew's Primary School 110 Greaves Street, North Werribee

To purchase your coupon to be exchanged for a wristband on Fair Day, please contact the Parish Office on 9741 4144 or one of the Parish Primary Schools. Coupons will also be on sale after weekend masses at St Andrew's Church.