



St Andrew's Parish

CORPUS CHRISTI PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER 4 Wednesday 18th April WEEK 1, TERM 2

Available on our School App, Website, CC Parent Portal. Paper copies available in the Office

Dear Parents/Carers,

WELCOME BACK FOR TERM 2, 2018

Hope all families were able to have some great times together during the break. During the holidays we celebrated Easter Sunday! Easter is the most important feast in the Church's year. It is the time when we rejoice in the new life that Christ gave us through his death and resurrection. Alleluia Christ is Risen!

We look forward to an exciting term full of rich learning experiences as we work in partnership to ensure the best outcomes for all our children!

WINTER UNIFORM

As we quite often experience warm weather into May, children will have a 'change over' period during which you can choose either the winter or summer uniform. This period will go from our first day back in Term 2 – Monday 16th April until Friday 11th May. Could all parents please check the names on your child's jumpers/windcheaters to ensure that your child has the correct item of clothing. If your child has mistakenly taken the wrong uniform please return to school and we'll try to locate the correct item for your child. We have so many items of lost property in the basket outside reception, please check for items which may belong to your child(ren).

EASTER RAFFLE

Thank you to all of the families who supported our Easter Raffle last term by donating Easter eggs and Easter items and by purchasing raffle tickets. We had many happy winners! Congratulations! Thank you most sincerely also to our wonderful Parents and Friends Committee who spent hours creating over 40 great prizes that were raffled. The time and effort they so generously give to the Corpus Christi community is truly greatly appreciated.

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - ALL WELCOME!

Date: Wednesday 2nd May 2018.

Where: Penola Community Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee.

Time: 7:15pm for 7.30pm start.

Please join us if you can as it is a great opportunity to hear about some of the great work occurring in our parish of St Andrew's by many people who give so generously of their time and effort.

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS – TERM 2

Thursday 3rd May – **Berry Street Education Model**

Thursday 31st May & Friday 1st June – **Staff Conference**

FOUNDATION 2019 ENROLMENTS

Enrolment Packs are available for collection from the School Office for parents who wish to enrol children into Foundation in 2019. Enrolments for Foundation 2019 close on 27th April 2018. ***Please note that the enrolment of siblings is not automatic and an enrolment form needs to be received by the due date.***

STUDENT ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

A reminder for all parents/ carers to ensure that the school is notified of any absences from school on the morning of the absence.

This can be done via email at : ccschooloffice@ccwerribee.catholic.edu.au OR

Contacting the School Office by telephone on : 9741 8440

More information relating to school procedure and student attendance reporting requirements can be found under Wellbeing and Community Partnerships in this edition of our Newsletter.

WEEKEND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Our Weekend Maintenance Program is due to launch on Sunday 29th April. The School Office will make contact with our first round of rostered families. Please keep a look out for the Roster and in the lead up to your rostered weekend your green reminder notice. Families will receive an SMS reminder, usually the Friday before a rostered Sunday.

With kindest regards, Linda.

ANZAC DAY - Prayer Service



We will remember and reflect on this important day in our country, during our Anzac Day Prayer Service on **Tuesday 24th April at 8:50am**. We will gather together in a commemorative ceremony in our Multi – Function Room, acknowledging the sacrifices of so many throughout conflicts past and present. You are warmly invited to join us at our liturgy as we come together as a faith community. We would like to see parents/ carers / grandparents join us if possible. As part of our Prayer Service we ask if each child could bring **one flower** to lay in our prayer space as part of our liturgy next Tuesday. Thankyou



Mrs Viv Adamko, Deputy Principal

CONGRATULATIONS....

..to Ms Sgro and her husband Kurt on the safe arrival of their baby boy, Leonardo in early March.

..to Isabella Evans (1/2 Red) on the safe arrival of her new baby sister, Olivia.

..to Caleb Vincent (3/4 Orange) on the safe arrival of his new baby sister, Lulu Madeleine.

All Mums and Bubs are doing well!



Education in Faith



HAPPY EASTER!

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and holiday. This term brings many events and opportunities to celebrate our faith within our school community.

EASTER REFLECTION

On Easter morning Pope Francis said God's announcement to his people always comes as a surprise, like the shock of the disciples who found Jesus' tomb empty after his resurrection, and told Christians not to waste time responding to the good news they've been given. He said *"The announcements of God are always a surprise, because ours is a God of surprises,"* the Pope said April 1, on Easter morning. *"From the beginning of the history of salvation, from Abraham, who God tells to 'go, get up and go to the land I send you to,' there's always one surprise after another."*

"God doesn't know how to make an announcement, a proclamation without surprising us," he said, "and that surprise moves your heart, it touches you. It happens when you don't expect it."

Full text at <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/on-easter-pope-asks-how-will-you-respond-to-the-resurrection-33460>

SACRAMENTS NEWS - Confirmation

Please continue to pray for our Year 6 candidates as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on the **26th and 27th of April, at St. Andrew's Church 6:30pm**. Bishop Mark Edwards will celebrate both evenings. A Confirmation evening for Parents, Candidates and Sponsors was held on Tuesday 17th April led by Fr. Dean Mathieson and was indeed a fruitful and enlightening session. Thank you all for attending and supporting your children.

Our Year 6 students will have their Confirmation Reflection Day on **Friday 20th April** at Portarlington where they will continue to grow and prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

GRANDPARENTS DAY

We warmly invite our grandparents and families to attend our Grandparents Day morning on Friday the 4th of May. A note was sent out last term detailing the events of the morning. We will conclude our morning with a liturgy. If you have a photo with grandparents and children that you would like to include in our liturgy presentation, please email me a copy rmendoza@ccwerribee.catholic.edu.au

Upcoming Events:

19th April - Junior Unit Mass 9am, Easter Reflection 2pm

24th April- Anzac Liturgy 8:50am

26th and 27th April- Confirmation Celebrations 6:30pm

1st May - Foundation Prayer Night 6:30pm

4th May- Grandparents Day

11th May- Mother's day liturgy

Miss Richelle Mendoza, Religious Education Leader

We pray for our Confirmation Candidates

May God give you the strength you need to keep this

Commitment to your faith in your life ahead.



Jasmine Pirangi
Zavier Portogallo
Harry Rowbottom
Adam Limina
Ashley Panhorst

Mason Adornetto
Veronica Paterson
Georgia Santamaria
Sara Awi
Taylor Bond
Orlando Nguyen
Micaela Troveralli
Jesse-James McMahon

Samuel Klyscz
Mitchell Riley
Mia Burke
Jordan Di Rosa
Anika Pipino
James Talbot
Sarah Ballan
Felicity Buck
Shauniya Kingsleypillai

Lachlan Sesto
Alosh Kithakumtala
Allanah Carey
Obie Miller
Mia Monte
Makenzie Porter
Hailee Gauci
Ben Pennisi
Marlo Phipps
Jet Stolica

Grace Ardizzon
Kalan Dart
Joshua Fenollar
Lauren Firth
Bridget Forbes
Chris Jerbic
Lucas Parker
Zenna Tobin
Lochlan W

Alexia Carraro
Davide Civilleri
Charlie Lemmer
Tae Lemmer
Dante Marino
Alexis Milone
Eddison Simango
Rhianna Ware

Sienna Bonaddio
Kurt Brown
Aldo Cannizzaro
Joshua Pacifici
Amy Roberts
Tristen Rodriguez

Antonio Conte
Ryan Fraser
Amanda Morabito
Emma Phillips
Kiara Sesto
Milan Sgro
Noah Tullio
Chloe Zayneh
Madeline Berton
Jordyn Riley



Wellbeing & Community Partnerships



Every Day Counts – School Attendance

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school every day.

Missing school can have a major impact on a child's future – a student missing one day a fortnight will miss four full weeks by the end of the year.

By Year 10 they'll have missed more than a year of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Coming to school every day is vital, but if for any reason your child must miss school, there are things we can do together to ensure they don't fall behind:

- Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.
- Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible. If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

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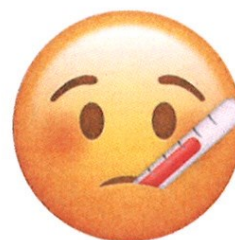
Absence from Corpus Christi

This year, Corpus Christi has adopted a procedure to ensure parents are notified of unexplained student absence.

WHY? A recent government review found there were gaps in school policies and processes in regards to informing parents of unexplained school absence.

WHAT IS UNEXPLAINED ABSENCE? An 'unexplained absence' is any student absence in which the school has not been notified.

WHAT HAS CHANGED? The legislation provides a clearer process to ensure the safety of all school-aged children during school hours. The school must keep accurate records of daily attendance, identify and follow up unexplained absences and have clear protocols for reporting and communicating absences.



What happens if my child is absent from school?

- Parents and carers need to notify the school if a student is absent from school for any reason
- Parents can notify the school by speaking or writing a note to the teacher, or phoning the school office on 9741 8440
- We strongly encourage parents to contact the school on the day of the absence

What happens if my child is absent and I have not contacted the school to explain?

- If your child is absent (without notifying the school), parents will receive a text message alerting them the child is not at school and requesting a reason be given
 - If your child is absent, please reply to the text message, stating reason for absence
 - If you think your child should be at school, please contact the school immediately
- If the school does not receive a reply to the text message, the school may need to phone parents and/ or emergency contacts to ensure all children are accounted for and safe.

Obviously there are times children are sick or unable to attend school. Please contact your child's home-group teacher or phone the school office as soon as possible to notify student absence.

This is a legal requirement and helps ensure your child's safety.

Learning & Teaching News



Welcome back everyone to Term Two of our 2018 Learning year. There are many things happening this term. The Parent Term Two Overview will be out and up on noticeboards and windows in rooms by the beginning of week two. Please read this for ways you can support your child's learning during this term.

In Week 5 NAPLAN tests will be administered to Year 3 and Year 5 students. Please speak to your child's teacher if you have any concerns. Below please find the timetable for the tests. Language Conventions, Reading and Numeracy tests will be administered in the morning block beginning around 9:15 am. Writing will be the only test administered in the middle block beginning around 11:45 am. If your child is unwell on the day please phone the school office or email your child's teacher. Some time for catch up tests are available in the week of the test but not after.

Please have students here on time during these days to allow for settling before the tests begin. Discuss NAPLAN with your year 3 or 5 child and give positive encouragement on the day. Allow time for an unrushed breakfast and timely arrival at school to reduce stress and anxiety. Encourage a Growth mindset by emphasising the challenge positively that NAPLAN represents.

More information will be sent out soon or use this link below for a Parent Information sheet available now:

<http://www.nap.edu.au/docs/default-source/default-document-library/naplan-2018-information-brochure-for-parents-and-carers.pdf?sfvrsn=2>

NAPLAN 2018

Tuesday 15th May	Wednesday 16th May	Thursday 17th May
Language Conventions	Reading	Numeracy

REPORTS AND LEARNING JOURNEYS

Student reports and Learning Journeys will be available towards the end of Term Two. More specific information will be sent out soon with detailed information about accessing Reports and Learning Journeys.

Ms Peta Cesarec, Learning and Teaching Leader

Numeracy News

Welcome back to term 2! I look forward to continuing to support you and your children in Numeracy.

If you have any questions or you would like to know how you can support your child's learning in Numeracy, please come and see me. My office is situated in the Senior Community (near Senior Volkwyn and Senior Craig) or feel free to approach me as you see me roving around the school.

This term on **Tuesday 29th May**, we will be having a Family Numeracy Night at the school from **6:00 to 7:30pm**. We would love to see all parents and students attend this evening. The focus of the night will be on number and there will be different activities that you will have an opportunity to participate in with your child. The purpose of these activities is to show contemporary teaching and learning in Numeracy. Parents will be able to walk away from this night with some activities that you can use at home to support your child in Numeracy. I will also be modelling some questions that you can use to elicit deeper thinking and some ways that you can encourage your child to have a Growth Mindset towards Numeracy. I look forward to seeing you on the night.

Starting this term I am excited to announce '**The Timezone Numeracy Challenge**' at Corpus Christi. Each fortnight I will write a Maths problem for students to solve in the Numeracy section of the newsletter.

The first question will be published in the school newsletter on **Wednesday 2nd May**. There will be a Foundation-2 question and a Grade 3-6 question. The children will have 2 weeks to complete and hand in the problem. The cut off time for the first challenge will be **3:15pm on Wednesday 16th May** with the winners being announced at the whole school assembly on **Friday 18th May**.

Encourage your child to work out the problem independently (family members may assist if needed). Each child is to show their working out on a piece of paper with their name and grade clearly labelled at the top of the page. Once completed, students are to place their paper into the white Timezone Numeracy Challenge box located near the office. Remind your child to place the paper into the correct box of their year level (F-2 or 3-6). I will collect the boxes after the cut off time and sort through the responses. To be eligible for the final draw, students must show their working out and must use efficient strategies to solve the problem. Please note that the strategies used will count more than just the answer itself. If a paper is handed in with just the answer and no working out then that paper will be ineligible to go into the final draw. On the Friday afternoon at the whole school assembly, I will draw out a Foundation-2 student's name and a Grade 3-6 student's name from each box. These students will receive a Timezone certificate and voucher to be used at the Timezone store at Werribee Plaza.

Have a great week!

Mr Peter Donoghue, **Numeracy Leader**

Learning Community News



FOUNDATION UNIT

Welcome back to all our Foundation families and students. Who can believe we are one week into term 2 already. The children in Yellow community have come back from the holidays eager to learn and continue being a part of the Corpus Christi Community.

In literacy we have been exploring the sounds of letters by reading onset and rime words such as can, fan, tan as well as digraphs such as 'th'. We are learning to retell a story by explaining who is in the story and what they are doing. When reading we are using strategies to help us to decode unknown words, these strategies are 'eagle eye', 'fish lips' and 'stretchy snake'.

In Numeracy, we have started our unit on shapes and patterns. We have been looking at different shapes and then patterns we can make using colours and shape.

Our unit for Inquiry this term is called 'Celebration'. The students were immersed in a class celebration on the first day back and we discussed the different types of celebrations we have with our families.

In the coming weeks we will explore our part in the Werribee community and who can help us.



Stay up to date with the happenings in Foundation on the Remind App @funcc2018



Yours in partnership, The Foundation Team

MIDDLE UNIT

A warm welcome back to all our families! It was wonderful to see our students' happy faces and have them all settle into Term 2 calmly and ready to learn.

During the following weeks, Middle students will immerse themselves in history as we explore Global Citizenship and develop an understanding of the past. This will begin with an immersion, with students looking into images of explorers from around the world, analysing old and current maps of the world as well as considering the Aboriginal perspective. Students will then record their wonderings, thinking and ideas to be shared with their peers. Students will also explore the stories and images around ANZAC Day, with students encouraged to develop their understandings and consider the feelings, thoughts and events surrounding those connected to this important day.

In Numeracy, students will further develop their skills in Geometry, identifying and learning about 'Lines and Angles' and what these might look like in their natural environment. They will then explore 2D shape and revise their knowledge of the names and properties of 2D shapes.



The Middle Community will again be utilising the Remind app. to inform our Middle Community parents about student learning, reminders, exciting activities and goings on in the Middles. The password to access the Middle Community is: **middles18**

We look forward to a new term of wonderful learning,

Yours in partnership, Ms Kim Gleeson, Middle Unit Leader

Learning Community News

JUNIOR UNIT

Welcome back to term 2. Students have settled in well into Term 2. This week we have begun learning about making text connections when reading and identifying fiction and non fiction texts. This is an introduction to our writing unit on Explanation Texts.

Our Inquiry this term is titled 'Living in a Material World'. The students will explore the different materials and structures in our world and seeking to make sense of our world through exploring the unknown, investigating, making predictions and solving problems.

In Numeracy we have begun learning about addition. Over the next few weeks the Juniors will explore different strategies when adding such as counting on, doubles facts, fact families, friends of 10, friends of 20 etc. We will also learn about Chance; the likelihood of something happening.

In Religion we will finish off with learning about Holy Week and the events that happened on Easter Sunday. On Thursday 19th April, the Juniors will be hosting Mass in the MFR at 9:00am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Camp Program including the overnight stay for Grade 2s will be held on May 17th and 18th. Planning and preparations are well on the way.



Please download the Remind App for more updates and information. Remind App: **ccjun18**

We look forward to great term.

Yours in Partnership, Mrs Michelle Surmiak, Junior Unit Leader

SENIOR UNIT

We hope everyone had a restful and reflective break as we have definitely started working hard for a very busy Term 2. The Senior students will continue their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation by investigating symbols, the word and meaning of 'Discipleship' and how they can use the gifts and fruits of the spirit in their lives.



Students had a visit from Bishop Mark Edwards who will confirm them at our two celebrations. Bishop Mark spoke about how he uses the Holy Spirit to guide his faith journey along with some of the important rituals and symbols used during the Confirmation celebration. We look forward to Reflection Day on Friday 20th April in Portarlington and to celebrating the important Sacrament with you child and family at either of our Masses on Thursday 26th April or Friday 27th April at 6:30pm at St Andrew's Church.

During Inquiry sessions, students will continue to learn about parts of Australia's history that have contributed to our democratic society and analyse some of this information when presenting a persuasive text to convince an audience whether Australia is a fair and just society.



Senior TEAL Community Remind Code is **@seniorscc**

Regards, Leanne Spence, Senior Unit Leader

PASTA MAKING SESSION - Reminder!

The Pasta Making Session for **Middle Gleeson Italian Group** will be next Tuesday 24th April in the last session
2:00pm to 3:00pm.



Students will need an apron and a rolling pin if they have one at home.

Thanks Signora Parrella, Italian Teacher



Thank you !!!

to our Corpus Christi Community

With your help we have received our Woolies Earn and Learn Equipment

Our delivery arrived yesterday and we unpacked a sample of the items to share with you in this photo.

We look forward to our Coles Sports for School Vouchers being finalised soon and submitted to receive our Sports Equipment

Miss Dee Dundov & Students of CC

PARENT & FRIENDS FUNDRAISING

SAVE THE DATE Saturday 11th August

P & F Cocktail Fundraiser Night

Tell your family and friends - this is an adults only event.

More information to follow

MACKILLOP COLLEGE Year 7, 2020 Enrolments

Enrolments for Year 7 2020 - Applications close on Friday 17 August 2017.

For further information regarding the College please visit the College website:
www.mackillop.vic.edu.au

PIANO LESSONS AND DRUM LESSONS at Corpus Christi

Interested in having your child learn on of these instruments during school time?
Contact Richard Allison on 9388 2251 for availability and pricing.

SENIOR CAMP 2018





2018 SCHOOL CALENDAR & IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 18 th April	P & F Meeting at 7:00pm all welcome to attend!
Thursday 19 th April	Junior Unit Mass 9:00am Easter Reflection 2:00pm
Friday 20 th April	Confirmation Reflection Day Grade 6 at Portarlington Whole School Assembly at 2:05pm
Tuesday 24 th April	ANZAC Liturgy - Prayer Service at 8:50am Pasta Making Session - Middle Gleeson
Wednesday 25 th April	ANZAC DAY - PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Thursday 26 th April	CONFIRMATION Celebration 6:30pm at St Andrew's Church
Friday 27 th April	CONFIRMATION Celebration 6:30pm at St Andrew's Church
Tuesday 1 st May	Foundation Prayer Night 6:30pm
Wednesday 2 nd May	Parish AGM 7:30pm
Thursday 3rd May	SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY - Teachers Attending Berry Street Program
Friday 4 th May	Grandparents Day Whole School Assembly 2:05pm in the MFR
Tuesday 8 th May	Pasta Making Session - Middle Sultana & Middle Mobilio ThinkUKnow Cyber Safety & Security Presentation at 7pm,
Thursday 10 th May	Purple Community Pasta Lunch Session 10:45am in MFR
Friday 11 th May	Mother's Day Liturgy
Tuesday 15 th May	NAPLAN Day 1 - Yr 3 and 5 Students only P & F Meeting 7:00pm in Staffroom - All Welcome to attend
Wednesday 16 th May	NAPLAN Day 2 - Yr 3 and 5 Students only
Thursday 17 th May	Orange Community Pasta Lunch Session 10:45am in MFR NAPLAN Day 3 - Yr 3 and 5 Students only
Tuesday 22 nd May	Pasta Making Session - Middle Drezga and Specialist Group
Monday 28 th May	BOOK WEEK BEGINS....until Friday 8th June
Tuesday 29 th May	Numeracy Family Night 6:00pm to 7:30pm
Thursday 31st May	SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY—Staff Conference
Friday 1st June	SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY—Staff Conference
Sunday 17 th June	Corpus Christi Community Mass 10:00am - St Mary of the Cross Chapel
Tuesday 19 th June	P & F Meeting 7:00pm in Staffroom - All Welcome to attend
Friday 22 nd June	School Disco
Thursday 28 th June	Whole School Assembly 2:05pm in MFR
Friday 29 th June	Last Day of Term Children dismissed at 1:00pm for Term 2 Holidays



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Comfortable talking to your kids about technology and the internet?

A ThinkUKnow cyber safety and security presentation will take place on

DATE:

8th May, 2018 at 7pm

LOCATION:

**Multi Function Room
(Hall)**

The session will cover:

- What young people SEE, SAY and DO online
- The challenges they may face
- How to report and get help if things go wrong

Visit www.thinkuknow.org.au for more information about online safety and security.

OUR PARTNERS



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EVERY DAY COUNTS

In primary school, some students **miss** on average **3 weeks** of school **per year**. That's **half a year** of school by the end of **year 6**.



Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education.

For more information and resources to help address attendance issues, visit: education.vic.gov.au

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