St Andrew's Parish



CORPUS CHRISTI PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER 12 - Wednesday 9th October 2019 WEEK 1, TERM 4

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Dear Parents/Carers,

A very warm welcome back is extended to everyone! We hope all families and children had an enjoyable and restful holiday and are ready for a busy and exciting Term 4. We have had a very smooth start to the term with children and teachers settling back into routines very quickly and happily.

It is certainly difficult to believe that we are entering into the final term of the year!

This term does however, promise to be another busy, lively and exciting term with many opportunities for engagement in celebrations, learning experiences and events at the school, parish and community levels.

We look forward to an engaging and learning-filled Term 4.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITY - JERUSALEM STUDY TOUR

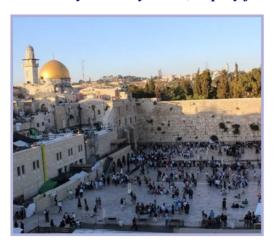
It is difficult to find words that succinctly describe the pilgrimage I have been a part of for over 3 weeks in Israel and Jordan. However, I do wish to share that it has certainly added context to scripture and brought the history and faith traditions alive, as well as provoking deep thoughts and emotions in me. It has also brought a new way of reading and bringing the scriptures to life, given my experience of what is termed the "5th Gospel" - the people and land in this part of the world.

The experience of being in the actual place, the land, where Jesus walked, taught, lived, died and rose from the dead is powerful in itself. To have had the privilege of meeting many people of this land from a variety of faith and cultural backgrounds and learn about their commitment and dedication to their faith and God and beliefs was extremely eye opening and inspirational.

"Praying for Peace in Jerusalem"

We met a Muslim Leader, Jewish Leader and Catholic Leader who have formed a movement known as 'Praying for Peace in Jerusalem'. Their passion, their faith, their mission to together work for Peace, Hope and Freedom particularly in this part of the world is courageous and motivating. It is their strong belief that the power of Praying together can change the world, as we are drawing God down into our work. Here we have three Faiths that are very strong, powerful and vitally important to each. But all have a common faith in One God and they each share a deep love of this Holy Land. Therefore bringing Peace, Hope and Freedom to the people in this area is of vital importance and the way forward remains political and problematic and has great challenges.







STAFF NEWS

This term we welcome Mr Mark Warren to our school as our new Learning & Teaching Numeracy Leader. Mark will work across all levels supporting the development and growth of Numeracy skills and knowledge with children, staff and families. I am sure Mark will feel at home in no time at all.

REPORTING STUDENT ABSENCES - What to do if you child is going to be away from school

Should your child become unwell and unable to attend school Parents are required to telephoning the school by 9:00am on the day of absenteeism. The phone lines are now set up to accommodate this. To report an absent student by phone you will be requested to Press 1 and leave a message with your child's full name, home group and reason for absence.

If your child is going to be absent from school for external appointments, family holidays or arriving late, Parents are asked to notify the school and where possible in advance (the day prior). Parents can reports these absences by emailing: ccschooloffice@ccwerribee.catholic.edu.au

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 1st November. A reminder that black school shoes need to be worn - not black runners with the school uniform.

SUNSMART 'NO HAT - NO PLAY' TERM 4

As a registered 'Sunsmart' school and as part of our Health and Safety Policy all children are required to wear a hat during recess times. We have a 'No hat - No play' policy, so children without a hat will be required to remain in the shade during recess and lunchtime. We thank you for your support. We also ask that you support us by continually reminding your children about expectations regarding behaviour and uniform etc. In this way we can remain on track to have a great final term of a wonderful school year!

SUPERVISION AFTER SCHOOL

From 3:05pm until 3:30pm please remember that for safety reasons no child is allowed on the SENIOR PLAYGROUND, BASKETBALL COURT or the OVAL after school without the DIRECT supervision of parents. In addition, toddlers and preschoolers may use the JUNIOR PLAYGROUND only with DIRECT supervision of parents at all times. As indicated above, families still onsite after 3:30pm are asked to move to the front grassed area of our school to continue to play or wait for siblings who may be arriving from MacKillop College. This will to enable Out of School Hours Care providers to move from the MFR at this time and use the playgrounds, etc with the children in their care. Your cooperation is appreciated.

SUPERVISION BEFORE SCHOOL

Supervision of students at Corpus Christi is provided from **8:15am** each morning. For the safety of all students it is important that children are not dropped off prior to this time as there is no supervision on yard. If care is required before 8:15am please contact representatives at our Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) Program on 9742 5040 to organise Before School Care. At 8:15am children need to wait at the entrance doors to the office until a supervising staff member begins duty. At this time children from Grades 3-6, only, are allowed on the Senior playground. Children in Grades P-2 are able to use the Junior playground.

OSHC ACCESS

Students are dismissed at 3:05pm and need to leave as per the designated 'End of Day Structure' at this time. If parents cannot pick up their children by 3:05pm, our Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) Program can be accessed. Once again, please contact the OSHC co-ordinator for details on 9742 5040.

Kind regards, Linda

A Prayer to Mary WITH THE HELP OF MARY

As Mary placed all her trust in God, we also pray to God with confidence and trust.

With the help of Mary we pray for all the people of God that we be a sign of love and hope for our world.

With the help of Mary we pray for those who feel their lives are unimportant. May they realise that God can do great things through seemingly ordinary people.

With the help of Mary we pray for those who most need God's help at this time. May they know God's loving presence.

With the help of Mary we pray for our own community. May we nurture one another in the love of our God by living as Jesus shows us.

With the help of Mary we pray for the needs we hold in our own hearts. May we be ever trusting in our God, like Mary was.

With the help of Mary, woman of faith, may we be confident in asking for what we need.



We'd like to let you know of our happenings and ask your support for our Corpus Christi Parents & Friends this term.

Our Meeting dates are:

Tuesday 15th October & Tuesday 19th November, 7pm in our staffroom.

Our Parents & Friends Committee dinner is Wednesday the 4th December.

Icy Pole days are Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1st lunch 10:45am - Icy poles (Lemonade) \$1 keep a look out for note coming home with start date & parent helper requests.

Subway Lunch Day is Friday the 8th November as part of 'Book Character Parade Day' celebrations.



Thursday 28th November Bringing an item for our Christmas Raffle means that children can have Free Dress Day on this day. Our Christmas raffle will be drawn at Corpus Christi's Carols on the Green on Monday 2nd December This is when Santa also visits.

As always your help and support is very much appreciated as we continue to work together for the benefit of our school community.





NAIDOC WEEK 2019 - AWARD

Earlier this year, the students of Corpus Christi Primary School, Werribee, along with other schools across Australia, were invited to participate in NAIDOC Week School Initiatives Competitions. While NAIDOC Week celebrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements, the school initiative aims to provide children with a greater understanding of the importance of friendship and cultural diversity.

Kristen Estrellado, a student in Year 6, composed and submitted a poem entitled *Reconciliation*. The judging panel, including a patron of Koori Kids, Aboriginal Elders, Agency Delegates and other members of the community recognised Kristen's poem, awarding her a NAIDOC Medal of Excellence - one of 20 awarded across the state.

All at Corpus Christi are not only proud of Kristen's achievement, but touched by her powerful words. Congratulations Kristen!

Kristen was presented with her NAIDOC Medal of Excellence from Mrs Viv Adamko (Acting Principal) at our final whole school assembly last term.

Reconciliation

By Kristen Estrellado

You were the ones who were here first, You grabbed water for the people with thirst, You searched for food for the people sick of hunger, Your families took care of all the people who were younger, Australia was a peaceful place and a very safe space, Then we came and stole your land, Then things were out of hand, There was competition and there were fights, and they weren't a very good sight, Now we took over and we are the owner, You used to sing, you used to dance, you used to tell stories, But those days are over, So I'm very very sorry But we'll make a change and unite as one, So Australia can be a place for everyone, we'll work together, we'll be kind, we'll care about other, and leave those bad days behind, We'll show equality and we won't discriminate. we will love not hate.

because being together, is always better







REMINDER for year 6 and year 7 students and families!



Back to School BBQ



Corpus Christi Year 6 students
from 2018 or 2019 are invited to
our Back to School BBQ

Date: Monday 14th October 2019

Time: 5:00pm—6:30pm

Come and re-connect with some old friends at Corpus Christi. Come and catch up, say hi and share stories about what it's like going to secondary school... for kids and parents! We'd love to see you!

Spare notes are available from the School Office.

Also coming up....



CORPUS SPORT NEWS

ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the nine Corpus Christi students that competed in the SSV Division Athletics Finals on Thursday the 12th 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 the following students below all the best for the next level of competition - Western Metropolitan Regional Athletics Championships which will be held at Keilor Athletics Track on Tuesday 15th of October.



Loritta Bonsange, Charlotte Paterson, Olivia Shepherson, Amilia Portelli, Bridgette Murphy, Ethan Morris, Chase Morris and Matthew Musarra.

















JUNIOR SPORTS DAY

On Friday the 22nd 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. All students to wear their Full Sports Uniform. An outline of the day will be sent home closer to the date.



Miss Dee Dundov Corpus Christi Physical Education & Interschool Sports Coordinator **2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR & EVENTS**

Friday 11th October Mission Month Liturgy at 8:50am

Corpus Clubs - SESSION 6 12:00pm to 1:30pm

Monday 14th October Back to School BBQ 2019 Year 7 and Year 6 children and families

School Board Meeting at 6.30pm in the Staffroom

Tuesday 15th October Parents and Friends Meeting in the Staffroom at 7:00pm

Thursday 17th October Junior Excursion - Grade 1 Dinner and Grade 2 Sleepover at school

Storytime – 2020 Foundation Children

Middle Unit Mass 9am

Friday 18th October Junior Incursion - All grade 1 and 2s in MFR

Unit Assemblies 2:05pm - All welcome! (Found in Yellow, Midd in Purple, Snr in Blue) excluding Junior Unit

Sunday 20th October Corpus Christi Community Mass 10.00am at St Mary MacKillop Chapel

Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd October MIDDLE CAMP

Thursday 24th October Corpus Clubs - SESSION 7 11:45am to 1:30pm

Corpus Christi ARTS Show and Corpus Clubs Showcase

Thursday 31st October Transition Session 1 – 2020 Foundation Children

Friday 1st November All Saints and All Souls Liturgy at 8:50am

Whole School Assembly at 2:05pm

Monday 4th November School Closure Day - No School Today

Tuesday 5th November Melbourne Cup Holiday - Public Holiday

Wednesday 6th November Newsletter Day!

Friday 8th November Book Character Parade / Subway Lunch

Tuesday 12th November AGM School Board

Thursday 14th November Transition Session 2 – 2020 Foundation Children

Friday 15th November Whole School Assembly at 2:05pm

Saturday 16th November PARISH FAIR

Tuesday 19th November Parents and Friends Meeting in the Staffroom at 7:00pm

Friday 22nd November JUNIOR SPORTS DAY

Saturday 23rd November Corpus Christi Mass 6pm at St Andrew's Church
Thursday 28th November Transition Session 3 – 2020 Foundation Children

Free Dress Day - Donate an Item for the Christmas Raffle

Friday 29th November Whole School Assembly at 2:05pm

Monday 2nd December CC Carols on the Green

Friday 6th December Advent Reflection

Monday 9th December **Orientation 2020**

Tuesday 10th December Graduation Mass at 6:00pm

Wednesday 11th December Newsletter Day!

Meet & Greet the Teacher 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Friday 13th December Adventure Park Grade 6 Children

Foundation Excursion

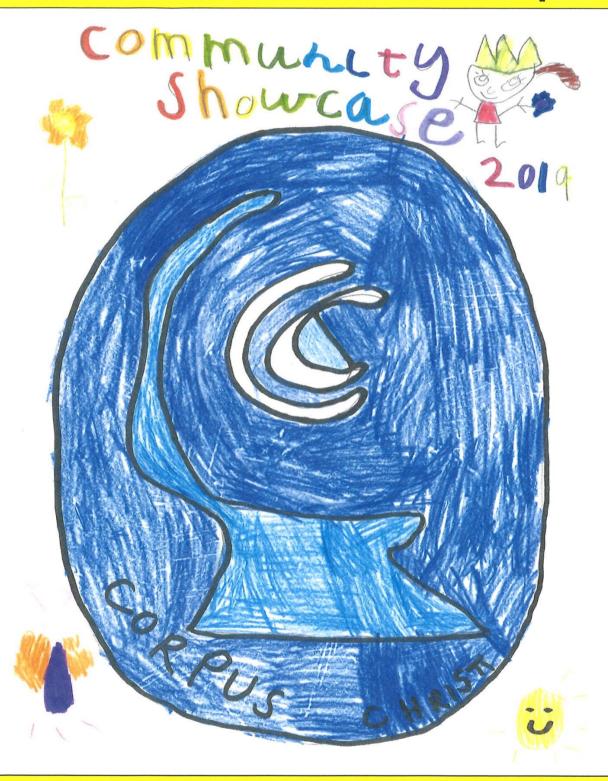
Monday 16th December Final Whole School Assembly at 2:05pm

Tuesday 17th December Last Day of School for 2019 End of Year Prayer Service - Children DISMISSED at 1:00pm

Wednesday 18th December Staff Only at School (School Closure Day) - First Aid Training for All Staff

Thursday 19th December Staff Only at School (School Closure Day) - Planning for 2020

Corpus Christi Arts Show & Community Showcase COMING SOON! Thurs 24th October @ 5-7pm



Family Event: Art Show, Corpus Clubs Celebration & Displays, Sausage sizzle, Raffle Prizes... Be there or be SQUARE!

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH FAIR

Saturday 16th Nov 2019 10am till 7pm

at St. Andrew's School Grounds
Greaves Street North, Werribee

- Major Car Raffle
- Cake & Plant Stalls
- Fresh Food Stalls
- Fresh Produce Stall
- Fun Rides
- Entertainment
- Spinning Wheel
- Espresso Bar
- Afternoon Tea
- Book Stall



