



St Andrew's Parish

CORPUS CHRISTI PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER 1

Thursday 4th February 2021

WEEK 2, TERM 1

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

For **STUDENT ABSENCES** ccschooloffice@ccwerribee.catholic.edu.au OR 9741 8440 by 9:30am

WELCOME to the 2021 School Year

Welcome back to all our students and families as we begin the 2021 school year. I hope all families had a wonderful Christmas and holiday break!

It is great to see everyone again all refreshed as they begin a new school year!

We extend a very special welcome to our new Foundation Children and their Families as well as all our new families in Grades 1-6 who join our school community this year.

We welcome back our wonderful staff and we are very privileged and excited to welcome 3 new staff members to Corpus Christi this year – Mrs Stefanie Harvey our newly appointed Co-Deputy Principal, Mr Jamie Taylor (Learning Support Officer) and Mrs Jennifer Gray (Learning Support Officer). We also welcome back to our school Mrs Michelle Surmiak (Learning Diversity Team Member) and Mrs Laura Sgro (Senior Home Group teacher with Mrs Dawson), who return to us from Maternity Leave.

I believe all our new children, families and staff members will be made to feel at home and a part of the Corpus Christi School Community in no time at all.

As a staff we look forward to a great year, during which we will work closely with all families in delivering the best programs, experiences and support to all our children in their education and faith journeys.

Often at this time of year parents have questions about new class routines or expectations of children. If you have an issue, question or concern, please do not hesitate to see your child's home group teacher or send in a note asking for clarification. We are all working together and the sooner we address any queries the better!

In our mission of service we pray for Christ's guidance and support as we begin the 2021 School Year. We look forward to a wonderful year for everyone.

With kindest regards,

Linda

START OF DAY AND DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

Start of Day

Yellow gate in the carpark and **Red** gate at Russell Street will open at 8.15am and students wait on the basketball court where they will be supervised by a teacher. From 8.30am children will be able to enter their classrooms in readiness for the day.

Children will sanitise as they enter the classroom.

Parents /Carers will farewell their children at the gates. Foundation children will be supported at the gates and escorted to their classroom if necessary.

Late Arrivals

At 8.45am the **Yellow** carpark gate will be locked and all late arrivals will need to enter via **Red** Gate at Russell Street. All visitors and children arriving after 8.45am will need to report to the school office.

Adults who come onsite and remain for over 15 minutes are required to sign in via our Corpus Christi QR code system. QR Code Images are set up near classrooms or you can sign in at the school office.

End of Day Dismissal

All 3 gates will be opened at 2.50pm

Parents can wait on the basketball court or the front lawn from 2.50pm or they can wait at the gates and children will be dismissed from the gates at 3.05pm.

- Children will **LINE UP** at 3.00pm – Juniors, Seniors and now the Middles will all line up on the Basketball Court.

At the 3.00pm bell, parents / carers can collect their child from their line. All children (including siblings) will wait in their home group line until a parent / carer has come to collect them.

Children who are not collected from the school grounds will be walked to the exit gates at the 3.05pm bell. Siblings will meet at the gate they are leaving from.

PLEASE let your child know which gate you will pick them up from.

ALL Foundation children and their siblings can be picked up from the front lawn area – Foundation children **FROM** 2.55pm and their siblings **FROM** 3.00pm. NB Children can be picked up at any time up to 3.05pm.

Russell Street Walker/Riders and those being picked up from **Red** gate, will exit through **Red** gate at 3.05pm.

MacKillop Walkers will wait in the Senior area until they are dismissed.

Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) Program children will be led to the MFR by a teacher.

Important

- ♦ *Parents / carers who pick children up from the schools grounds can use any gate to exit.*
- ♦ *We ask that parents / carers move offsite as quickly and calmly as possible.*
- ♦ *Children are not permitted on the playgrounds at dismissal time.*

Thank you for your support in maintaining these procedures.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE - EVERY DAY COUNTS

SCHOOL START TIME!

The beginning of the day is a vital time for all children in their Learning Communities as **instruction begins directly at 8:45am.**

Please be aware that classrooms **open at 8:30am** to enable all children to have the time to get prepared for the day.

Thank you to parents/carers for ensuring your children are at school at the start time of 8:45am each day.

Please be aware that children who arrive after 8:45am are recorded as 'Late' on the attendance roll.

All 'late' records will be recorded automatically on each child's mid-year and end of year Reports.

Don't forget to call or email the school office if your child is going to be absent from school by 9:30am.

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In the event of student absence, please notify the school **by 9:30am.**

This can be done via email to ccschooloffice@ccwerribee.catholic.edu.au or by calling the School Office on **9741 8440**.

Please provide a written note and/ or medical certificate for the home-group teacher upon the student's return.

A letter informing the school of any extended periods of absence must be provided prior to family holidays or extended absence from school.

COMMUNICATION

At Corpus Christi we believe that strong family-school partnerships improve student motivation and learning. At Corpus Christi we also promote honest, open and transparent communication between home, school and parish and we are constantly exploring ways to involve our families within the school and communicate regularly with parents/carers.



At Corpus Christi we keep you informed about what is happening in our school including important dates etc in a variety of ways. Our Website – www.ccwerribee.catholic.edu.au, Our Corpus Christi School App, Email, Newsletter (3 times per term on Thursdays), Remind App for Learning Communities. All are updated regularly so please try to follow us whenever possible.

SPECIALISTS AREAS 2021

In 2021 we will be offering the following as Specialist areas with a 'specialist' teacher on a fortnightly basis: The Arts, Physical Education, Italian, Performing Arts and ICT also known as 'Computer Science Investigation (CSI)'. Children are able to wear their Sports Uniforms on the day dedicated to their Specialist Program.

Juniors and Seniors on TUESDAYS

Foundation and Middles on WEDNESDAYS

Carpark Safety and Courtesy for Local Residents

PARKING SAFELY-PARKING SAFELY- PARKING SAFELY-PARKING SAFELY

All parents, teachers and visitors to our school share in the responsibility of keeping our children safe. I call for patience and care around our school and I look forward to all drivers helping to maintain our school as a safe school.

In order to ensure the safety of children at Corpus Christi School, parents are asked to be extremely diligent when dropping off and picking children up from school. The beginning of any school year seems to attract higher levels of 'busy-ness' in school car parks, so I ask for your patience and care when entering and leaving the school car park. Also, please do not park in the disabled car park unless you have a valid 'Disabled Parking Sticker' displayed on your windscreen.



In addition, please respect our neighbouring properties and residents by not parking across driveways. Thank you for your support and for keeping all members of our community safe!

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

We are going to have our first Assembly as a whole school on Friday 5th February at 2.05pm. At this assembly we will formally welcome everyone and introduce new members to our community. However only students and staff can come together for this assembly.

We invite you to join our assembly via Zoom. Please find the link below should you be able to join us!

ZOOM LINK

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84145614134?pwd=bG5Ea0U4Z1ZIRjU2UXlZUjc1aWlnUT09>

Meeting ID: 841 4561 4134

Passcode: assembly

2021 SCHOOL LEADERS AND POSITIONS

It is with pleasure that I introduce our student School Leaders for 2021

School Leaders: Natalia Trovarelli – Sustainability and Environment
Alexis Liangos – Community Partnerships
Hemish Akolkar – Living Faith
Georgie Ware - Wellbeing

House Leaders: Jordyn Allwood – **MacKillop** - Sustainability and Environment
Talia Hallinan – **Portland** - Community Partnerships
Harry Ardizzon – **Penola** - Living Faith
Leo Ferlazzo and Tahlia Liangos - **Woods** – Wellbeing

At this week's Assembly on Friday 5th February at 2.10pm (which will be available to view via Zoom) the School Leaders will be presented with their badge and candle.



MUSIC LESSONS WITH RICHARD

Piano and drums lessons are available for students from Foundation to Grade 6. There is a waiting list for new students.

Lessons are one on one at school, in a happy and fun environment.
Call 9388 2251 or email keyboardman_uk@yahoo.co.uk.



SCHOOL CLOSURE DATES – 2021 – FOR YOUR DIARIES!

Term 2 Day 1 – Thursday 27th May – Staff Conference SCHOOL REVIEW

Term 2 Day 2 – Friday 28th May – Staff Conference – SCHOOL REVIEW

Term 4 Day 3 – Monday 1st November - Report Writing Day

Term 4 Day 4 – Planning 2022 – Date TBD

Term 4 Day 5 – Handover 2022 – Date TBD

FOUNDATION 2022 ENROLMENTS

Children who turn 5 years of age by 30th April 2022 are eligible to enroll in Foundation 2022. Enrolment Packs will be available at our Information sessions which will be held on Tuesday 2nd March at 9.00am and 7.00pm in the MFR. Enrolments for Foundation 2022 close on Friday 30th April 2021. ***Please note that the enrolment of siblings is not automatic and an enrolment form needs to be received by the due date.*** Enrolment packs are now available from the school office.

FOUNDATION 2022

Parent Information Sessions

Tuesday 2nd March

Two sessions: 9:00am or 7:00pm

In the Multi-Function Room

Enrolment Packs for 2022

will be handed out at these sessions.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETING

The first Parents and Friends meeting will be held on Wednesday 17th February at 7:00pm **in the MFR**, for the first time in nearly 12 months. All parents / grandparents / helpers are most welcome to attend. We especially invite all new members of our school community to come along even if it is just to see what the P&F does or just if you'd like a cuppa.

PLEASE NOTE: Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7.00pm.

BEGINNING OF YEAR MASS

Our first whole school celebration is on Thursday 11th February in the MFR at 9:00. This is our Beginning of the Year Mass where we will gather together to ask God's blessing on our year and acknowledge the need for His love and guidance in our lives. Given restrictions regarding number limits in the MFR, only children and staff will be able to attend this mass this year. However, you will be able to join our special mass us via Zoom. Miss Mendoza will forward a link to all families.



RECONCILIATION

Our students in Year 3 will be preparing to celebrate God's love and forgiveness through the Sacrament of Penance (also known as Reconciliation) on Wednesday 10th March. Please look out for further information to be sent home in the coming weeks.

2021 School Calendar & Important Dates

Term 1

Friday 5 th February	2:05pm Whole School Assembly - Zoom
Wednesday 10 th February	No School for Foundation
Thursday 11 th February	9:00am Beginning of the Year Mass
Friday 12 th February	Swimming Trials
Wednesday 17 th February	No School for Foundation
	Ash Wednesday
Friday 19 th February	Swimming Trials
	Whole School Assembly 2.05pm
Tuesday 23 rd February	Reconciliation Family Evening 6.30pm
Wednesday 24 th February	No School for Foundation
Friday 26 th February	Interschool Sports
Tuesday 2 nd March	2022 Foundation Information Sessions 9.00am and 7.00pm
Wednesday 3 rd March	No School for Foundation
Thursday 4 th March	SCHOOL PHOTO DAY! Students wear full summer uniform
Friday 5 th March	Interschool Sports
	Whole School Assembly
Monday 8 th March	Labour Day Holiday – No School
Tuesday 9 th March	School Advisory Council meeting 6.30pm in the staffroom
Wednesday 10 th March	Reconciliation Celebration 11.30am in the MFR
Thursday 11 th March	Swimming Carnival
Friday 12 th March	Interschool Sports
Sunday 14th—21st March	Catholic Education Week
Mon 15 th to Wed 17 th March	SENIOR UNIT CAMP 2021
Friday 19 th March	Whole School Assembly 2.05pm
	'National Day of Action Against Bullying'
Monday 29 th March	Year 1 Dinner
Thursday 1 st April	Holy week Liturgy and Assembly – 9.00am
	<u>Last Day of Term 1 – Children dismissed at 1.00pm</u>

Term 2

Monday 19 th April	Students return to school
Sunday 25 th April	ANZAC Day
Friday 30 th April	Applications for Foundation Enrolment 2022 DUE
	Whole School Assembly 2.05pm
Tuesday 27 th April	Confirmation Parent Evening at 6.30pm
Thursday 6 th May	Mother's Day Stall
Friday 7 th May	Mother's Day Breakfast and Liturgy
Friday 7 th May	Confirmation Celebration – St Andrew's Sports Centre at 6.30pm
Sunday 9 th May	Mother's Day
Monday 10 th May	Start of 2 weeks of NAPLAN ASSESSMENTS
Tuesday 11 th May	School Advisory Council meeting 6.30pm in the staffroom
Friday 14 th May	Whole School Assembly
Thursday 27 th May	School Closure Day – Focus – School Review
Friday 28 th May	School Closure Day – Focus – School Review
Tuesday 8 th June	School Advisory Council meeting 6.30pm in the staffroom
Friday 11 th June	Whole School Assembly
Monday 14 th June	Queen's Birthday Holiday – NO SCHOOL
Thursday 17 th June	Regional Cross Country
Friday 18 th June	Corpus Christi Athletics Carnival
Monday 21 st June	Parent, Teacher, Child Learning Conversations (PTCLCs)
Tuesday 22 nd June	Parent, Teacher, Child Learning Conversations (PTCLCs)
Thursday 24 th June	Assembly - End of Term – 9.00am
Friday 25 th June	<u>End of Term Two – Children dismissed at 1.00pm</u>

2021 Sacrament Dates

Reconciliation Celebration (Year 3) – Wednesday 10th March at 11.30am at School

Confirmation Celebration (Year 6) – Friday 7th May (6:30pm)

First Eucharist Celebration (Years 4 & 5) – Sundays 15th and 22nd August at 1:00pm and 3:00pm



School photo day is

Thursday 4th March 2021

Students wear full summer uniform on the day.

Photo envelopes will be sent home to ALL students and are **PRE-NAMED** and barcoded.
Please read envelope for payment instructions / photo package options.



**The school requests that envelopes
are returned
back to school
before School Photo Day**

For families wishing to have family photos with siblings the FAMILY envelope is available for collection from the School Office.

If parents require an 'extra' photo envelope for ordering please contact the School Office and this can be arranged.

Thank you



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Capturing School Moments