



St Andrew's Parish

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NEWSLETTER 9

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WEEK 10, TERM 3

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this message finds you and your family safe and well.

As you would be aware, no date has been set when classes will resume onsite and what, if any, restrictions may apply to ensure all in our community remain safe. Once we have been notified of how schooling will operate at the start of Term 4, I will communicate with all families as soon as possible via email.

In the meantime, if you haven't been vaccinated, I encourage you to seek medical advice and then make an informed decision about whether or not to be vaccinated.

Once again I want to take this opportunity to thank all families for the way you have continued to support your children during Remote Learning.

It continues to be a challenging time for children and for families and we appreciate the great work being done at home by our students and the marvelous support they are receiving from parents and caregivers.

Staff have continued to work hard to ensure that all children have access to quality learning experiences during this time and I thank all of them for their great efforts and dedication to supporting every single child and family in our school.

We look forward to the day when all children are back at school to continue their learning with their teachers and classmates!

Please take care of yourselves and each other!!

Stay well and stay safe!

Kind regards,

Linda



CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP 2022

Given the retirement of some members from the current School Advisory Council at the end of this year, we are seeking parents and carers who may be interested in joining the School Advisory Council in 2022 for a two- or three-year term. If you feel you would like to support the school in some of the ways listed below, we would love to hear from you and discuss this role. Please email me at principal@ccwerribee.catholic.edu.au to express your interest or just to discuss the role. I look forward to hearing from you.

ROLE OF THE SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

The School Advisory Council advises the Principal on important matters and is a support to the Principal and Leadership of the school in their decision-making process. This supports the emphasis and importance that we place on parents and carers being involved in partnering with the school and the way this helps your children in their education.

As Principal of this wonderful school, I very much value the support and advice offered by the members of the Council on such matters as:

- The Religious Education Program
- Curriculum
- Enrolments and enrolment policy
- School resources
- Improvements in the school
- Annual Report to the School Community
- Family Partnership

The following are some further ways in which a school advisory council can support the school and the principal:

- promoting the school's Catholic ethos and culture
- articulating and enacting the school's vision and mission
- promoting faith formation and development
- planning and maintaining capital resources
- disseminating information about the school
- implementing school policies as required
- providing support and communication on school and parish matters
- giving advice on issues such as enrolments, school improvement plans and enrolment trends

These are just some of the ways a School Advisory Council can give advice to the Principal and Leadership in the school - there are many other areas as well. It is another effective way to support this school and your children.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL NEWS

In our previous newsletters, you have been introduced to some members of the School Advisory Council, Mr Dean Trovarelli, Mr Jason Vandy, Mr Grant Whyte and Ms Mia Shaw. This week we introduce Ms Katrina Gauci and Mrs Stefanie Harvey.



KATRINA GAUCI

Katrina has been a member of the School Board since 2019 and is also a member of the Parents and Friends Committee, and has been involved in several parish activities over the years. She has been a community and immunisation nurse in the local area for over 14 years, working mainly in general practice as well as taking part in the doctors in Secondary School program. Katrina is currently working as a health coach to empower people to manage their own health. She loves reading and singing jazz and has been involved in some local theatre productions. Katrina is a devoted single mum to Bridelia in Year 5 (Snr JB) and Patrick in Year 1 (Jnr EV)



STEPHANIE HARVEY

My name is Stefanie Harvey and I am Co Deputy Principal at Corpus Christi. I began at Corpus Christi in 2021 and I am a strong advocate for building relationships between school, families and the community. I am a mum to three children, Nicholas who is 16, Timothy who is 14 and Sophie who is 12. I am an avid reader, a keen jigsaw puzzler and enjoy walking our two dogs on the weekend. I enjoy travelling with the family on our many and varied outdoor adventures.

School Advisory Council Members

CORPUS CHRISTI CONNECTIONS - PARENT FEEDBACK PLATFORM

As mentioned in our first newsletter of Term 3, one of the first undertakings for 2021 as a School Council was to create a platform for parents to provide feedback or ideas on how we can continue to improve as a school.

In this way we can continue to build great relationships and connections as a community.

Corpus Christi Connections (CCC) has been established as a Parent Feedback Google Form that can be accessed via the school website and the school app.

This feedback can be given at any point in time and is non-specific. (There may be times when the Council will seek specific feedback on a topic and this will be sent out separately.)

The link is available for you to use and share feedback or ideas.

<https://www.ccwerrabee.catholic.edu.au/school-community/corpus-christi-connections-feedback/>

We look forward to hearing from you!

SACRAMENTS

Given the continued lockdown the Sacrament of First Eucharist for Year 4 and 5 students has been postponed to October. We thank you for your continued understanding of this.

SECONDARY SCHOOL ENROLMENT DATES

The key enrolment dates for students in Year 5 in 2022 who will be starting Year 7 in 2024 in Catholic Secondary Schools have been made.

28 January 2022 - Applications open

19th August 2022 – Applications close

21 October 2022 – Offers will be posted to prospective Year 7 applicants

11 November 2022 – Final date for parents/carers to accept an offer.

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 29th October.

FOR ASSISTANCE ON CYBER SAFETY PLEASE VISIT

[HTTPS://WWW.ESAFETY.GOV.AU/PARENTS](https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents)

The screenshot shows the eSafety Commissioner website's 'Parents' section. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'eSafety Commissioner' and a search bar. Below this is a menu with categories: Educators, Parents (highlighted), Kids, Young people, Women, Seniors, Diverse groups, and Key issues. A banner below the menu reads 'Tips on how to stay safe online during the COVID-19 pandemic'. The main content area features the 'eSafetyparents' logo and a large image of a man and a child looking at a tablet. Below this image is the text 'Advice for parents and carers to help children have safe experiences online'. To the right, there is a section titled 'In this section' with six icons and links: 'The big issues', 'Skills and advice', 'Children under 5', 'Downloadable resources', 'Sexting and sending nudes', and 'Cyberbullying'. Below this are three more cards: 'Parent resources' with a right arrow, 'Webinars for parents and carers' with a right arrow, and 'The hard-to-have conversations' with a right arrow. The last card also includes the text 'Online safety picture book and song' and a brief description: 'Sugar gliders Swoosh and Glide encourage young children to ask for help so they are safer when using digital devices and playing online.'

LEARNING AND TEACHING

Holidays are coming up very soon and it seems like this term has gone so quickly. All Teachers and Leaders are busily preparing for Term 4 within all areas of the curriculum whether it be at home or at school learning.



What a term we have had!

I would like to thank all parents and carers of our students for their positive support of the learning that is happening at home. Without you our students wouldn't be on Zooms, have work photographed and sent in, among many other organisational things you do.

Students in Year Three and Year Five were sent their NAPLAN results recently and as a school we performed well in 2021. These results reflect where students were in May this year and of course we understand they will have moved on from there.

We celebrate these results and use them for understanding the future learning needs of our students.

I wish everyone a restful break and look forward to seeing everyone in Term 4.

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Learning and Teaching Team



2021 School Calendar & Important Dates

Term 4

Monday 4 th October	Term 4 Begins
Friday 15 th October	9.00am Mission Month Prayer Service Whole School Assembly 2.05pm
Tuesday 19 th October	School Council Meeting at 6.30pm
Wednesday 20 th October	7.00pm Parents and Friends Meeting
Thursday 28 th October	Transition Session 1 – 2022 Foundation Children (TBC)
Friday 29 th October	9.00am All Saints and All Souls Liturgy 2.05pm Whole School Assembly
Monday 1 st November	School Closure Day
Tuesday 2 nd November	Melbourne Cup Holiday
Friday 5 th November	Book Character Parade
Saturday 6 th November	Corpus Christi Parish School Mass 6.00pm (TBC)
Thursday 11 th November	Transition Session 2 – 2022 Foundation Children (TBC)
Friday 12 th November	2.05pm Whole School Assembly
Tuesday 17 th November	7.00pm Parents and Friends Meeting
Friday 19 th November	Junior Sports Day
Tuesday 23 rd November	AGM School Advisory Council
Thursday 25 th November	Transition Session 3 – 2022 Foundation Children (TBC)
Friday 26 th November	Advent Reflection 9.00am 2.05pm Whole School Assembly
Monday 29 th November	Carols on the Green (restrictions permitting)
Monday 6 th December	Orientation 2022
Tuesday 7 th December	Graduation Mass at 6:00pm
Friday 10 th December	Adventure Park Grade 6 Children
Monday 13 th December	Final Whole School Assembly
Tuesday 14 th December	End of Year prayer Service
Wednesday 15 th December	Children DISMISSED at 1.00pm

2021 Upcoming School Closure Dates

Thursday 16 th December	First Aid Course – All Staff
Friday 17 th December	Term 4 Ends

Get informed and get vaccinated

As part of the COVID-19 vaccination roll out, all Victorians aged 16 years and above are now eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine.

Getting vaccinated is important for your own safety, as well as the safety of our early childhood education and care community. That's why we at [organisation] encourage all early childhood teachers, educators, staff, parents and carers to make an appointment and to get vaccinated as soon as possible. It's so important.

Individuals are encouraged to visit the coronavirus.vic.gov.au website for more details.



How to book an appointment

You can now book or change a vaccination appointment through the [Victorian Government's COVID-19 vaccine online booking system](#).

The booking system is free and easy to use to help you book at a [convenient vaccination centre](#).

Helpful resources

For more information, refer to:

- the [Victorian Government COVID-19 vaccine website](#)
- the [Commonwealth COVID-19 vaccine website](#).

Thank you again for your hard work in keeping our communities safe.

Scan to book your vaccine

