

St Andrew's Parish

### **CORPUS CHRISTI PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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**NEWSLETTER 10** 

Thursday 7th October 2021

WEEK 1, TERM 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

# **OCTOBER- THE MONTH OF MARY AND THE ROSARY**



I hope you are well and found some time to rest and enjoy the holiday break.

It is difficult to believe we are in the final Term of 2021! It certainly has been a challenging and difficult year for everyone.

The impact of covid and restrictions will continue to be felt as we continue to revise, change and adapt dates and events in light of what we can safely do while being supportive and compliant with directives with which we are issued.

Some celebrations and events which will need to be changed this term include our First Eucharist Masses and the Foundation 2022 Transition Program. As soon as we have more information and can set dates, families will be informed.

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We will also keep you informed about Christmas events such as the Christmas Raffle, Carols Evening, the Foundation Nativity Play, the Grade 6 Graduation Mass and our Orientation Day.

Even though many things will look very different this term, it does however, promise to be another busy, lively and exciting term.

All our arrangements and practices will continue to be carefully monitored and adapted as necessary. I will ensure regular updates are communicated to all families, but please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

We look forward to a learning-filled Term 4.

Thank you for your continued support!

Please stay safe and stay well!

With kind regards,

Linda

## MACSSIS – MELBOURNE ARCHDIOCESE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT SURVEYS

Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools School Improvement Surveys, formally known as CEMSIS, are a low-impact, high return set of tools for creating, collecting, analyzing, interpreting and using data to inform Catholic school improvement. MACSSIS produces perception data, which tells us what different people in a school community think and feel about their learning environment.

Corpus Christi's MACSSIS coordinator is Anne Walton and this year the Survey window runs from Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October to Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2021. We believe results will be available a few weeks afterwards. We aim to use this data to support the development of our 4 Year School Improvement Plan (SIP) and our 2022 Annual Action Plan (AAP).

As in previous years, we will make surveys available to all families in the school. From the 7th October you will receive an email from ORIMA Research and you will be supplied with a link, login details and pin number in order to access the survey.

As a school, we view MACSSIS as a positive opportunity for gathering feedback and engaging our community in our ongoing school improvement efforts.

Thank you for your support.

#### RAISING KIDS IN A DIGITAL WORLD 2021 WEBINAR FOR PARENTS & CARERS Corpus Christi is pleased to announce that Marty and Carley were simply sensational. Their presentation was relevant, honest and informative. A MUST for each school, every year. 🏢 Principal An evening that provided some reality Presenters: Marty McGauran & checks! A few new

we have organised a webinar to assist parents in supporting their children in the online world.

# **Raising Kids in a Digital World 2021**

Carley McGauran

Date: Wednesday 20th October

**Time:** 7.30pm



Please watch video of introduction to INFORM & EMPOWER https://youtu.be/k7nEpfnDaqE

You will need to REGISTER for this event. Please click on the link below

www.bit.ly/raisingkids2021

You can also find out more information on their Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/informandempower.

They use their page to post useful information for parents and families to support positive and safe online behaviours.

Cyberbullying	Social Media	Online Gaming		
Strengthening family communication	Explicit/adult content	Impacts of screen time		
Where to find helpful information	lpful Managing devices Current child & online tren			
Martin McGauran Primary School Lead Teacher & Education Consultant	ednesday October 2 @7.30pm	Carley McGauran Psychologist & Mum to 3 primary and secondary aged kids		
Corpus Christi Primary School Follow the link to register:				
www.bit.ly/rais (replay will also be avail		Cyber Safety Education		

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## **INFORMATION REGARDING THE FIRST FEW WEEKS OF TERM**

#### Weeks One and Two of Term 4 – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October

Remote and flexible learning will continue for all students at Corpus Christi. Onsite supervision for children of permitted workers and vulnerable students will continue to be provided consistent with existing guidelines.

#### Weeks 3 – 5 From Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November

See the table below for days your children will attend school. Please note that onsite supervision will continue to be offered for children of authorised workers on the days that their classes do not occur at school.

Week 3	18/10	19/10	20/10	21/10	22/10
	Foundation	Foundation	Foundation	Juniors	Juniors
Week 4	25/10	26/10	27/10	28/10	29/10
	Foundation	Foundation	Foundation	Juniors	Juniors
		Middles	Middles	Seniors	Seniors
Week 5	1/11	2/11	3/11	4/11	5/11
	Report Writing Day	Melbourne Cup Holiday	Foundation	Juniors	All Students Attend
	No School	No School	Middles	Seniors	

#### Week 6 – From 8<sup>th</sup> November

All children back to face-to-face learning and teaching at school with additional safety measures in place!

We will be operating normal school programs, including specialists classes, from this day. Children will continue to use classroom supplies when required. Lunch orders will be available from this day and as usual they will need to hand their lunch order in at the start of the day. Please remember that if your child is ill or is feeling unwell, **they must not attend school**. They must remain at home and you should seek medical advice.

Please see below some important information relating to the return to school.

#### Arrival at School

Upon our staggered return to school from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October, our **Arrival Procedure** will remain the same. Red and Yellow gates (Russell Street and Carpark gates) will be opened at 8.15am and a teacher will be on duty for supervision in the school yard. Children will be welcomed at the gates by a staff member and we will farewell parents at the gates.

NB: Children who are part of the Onsite Supervision Program need to continue to enter via the Russell street gate.

Dismissal Procedure from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October to Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November At the end of the day, all students will be dismissed at 3.00pm. At pick up time, two gates - Red Gate at Russell St and Yellow Gate at the Carpark will be <u>opened at 2.55pm</u> and parents/carers are able to come onsite to wait for their children to be dismissed. Children from Grades 1-6 are able to leave with their parents/carers at this time from the basketball court. Foundation children will continue to be dismissed from the front lawn area near the carpark.

# Please practice social distancing while you wait for your child to come to you. You are required to wear a mask when entering the school and we ask that you leave the school immediately, once you have collected your child/children.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child, can you please email/phone your child's teacher rather than speak to them face to face at pick up time.

For parents/carers who wish to pick up their child from the carpark gates, all children not collected from the yard will be dismissed from yellow gate where they can be picked up by their parent/carer.

PLEASE ensure your child knows where you would like them to be picked up from. From Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November Blue gate will be opened at 2.55pm to support the dismissal of children at the end of the day.

#### **OTHER INFORMATION**

- > The Sacrament of First Eucharist Masses will be postponed to a later date. As soon as we have more information, we will pass it on.
- Please note that all staff onsite from Monday, October 18th will have had at least one dose of the COVID Vaccination, or have an appointment for their first dose on or before Monday, October 25th. This will ensure we are following the directions given by the Acting Chief Health Officer on September 29th, 2021 in accordance with emergency powers arising from the declared state of emergency in Victoria.
- > Parents and carers will be required to wear face coverings whenever they leave the house, including for school drop-off and pick-up.
- > Children will be able to clean their hands regularly using hand sanitiser.
- > Thorough cleaning will continue.
- > We ask that children do not bring personal items to school including sports equipment and toys.

We will continue to have strong measures in place to protect the health and safety of students, staff, families and the community. This includes, restricting visitor and parent access to school grounds and continuing to emphasise hand hygiene and physical distancing where possible.

At this stage I am waiting for news on the delivery of Air Purifiers that are going to be made available to schools and for other directives regarding safety measures upon children's return to school.

If you, your child or a family member develop symptoms of fever, chills or sweats, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, runny nose, or loss of smell or taste, please get tested at a coronavirus (COVID-19) testing facility and stay at home until you get the results. If you haven't been vaccinated, please speak to your doctor and book a vaccination appointment.

#### 2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR & EVENTS

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	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Children DISMISSED at 1.00pm

#### 2021 Upcoming School Closure Dates

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Report Writing Day
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	First Aid Course – All Staff
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Term 4 Ends



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