



St Andrew's Parish

CORPUS CHRISTI PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER 11

4th November 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers,

ART SHOW

What a wonderful evening!

Thank you to all families who were able to join us for our Art Show on Wednesday 19th October. It was fantastic to see so many families onsite at school once again. The turn-out was great and the children were proud to show off their artistic and creative talents through many of the great pieces they produced. I wish to acknowledge all our children and their great efforts and I thank our wonderful staff for all they do to guide our children and enable our children's talents to flourish. I thank all our staff who supported in so many ways prior, during and after the event, helping to make it such a successful night!!

Special thanks go to Mrs Larissa Murdock for the marvellous way she has been able to illicit the artistic talents of our children and grow their skills through the experiences she provides.

Huge thanks also go to our wonderful parents who worked hard throughout the evening to provide a delicious BBQ for us all! Thank you!

Whole School Assemblies and School Events and Procedures

It is great to be able to have families part of events and supporting activities at school once again. The Art Show was a true testament to the wonderful community we have here at Corpus Christi. Some other events coming up in the coming weeks that you can join us for include:

- Junior & Middle Unit School Mass Thursday 10th November 9.00am in the MFR
- Foundation & Senior Unit School Mass Thursday 24th Nov at 9.00am in the MFR
- Carols on the Green – Monday 5th December on the front lawn from 5.00 – 7.00pm
- Foundation Nativity Play – Wednesday 7th December at 5.00pm
- Meet & Greet 2023 Teachers – Wednesday 14th December at 3.30pm

Please also join us for our Whole School Assemblies which will be held in the Multi-Function Room or on the Basketball Court, when you are able to.

FOUNDATION TRANSITION PROGRAM

It was wonderful seeing all our new Foundation 2023 children at school on Thursday 3rd November for their first Transition session. The second Transition session will be held on Thursday 17th November at 9.30am and 11.45am. We look forward to having our new Foundation children for 2023 here for their next two sessions.

AGM - SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Our School Advisory Council Annual General Meeting is on Tuesday 15th November at 6.30pm in the Staffroom. All parents and carers are invited to attend the AGM and hear about some of our work and achievements in 2022 and our goals for 2023.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please note that the changeover period for uniform finished on Friday 28th October. Children are expected to be in summer uniform from now on.

CAR PARKING IN LOCAL STREETS

It has been great to note the reduced traffic congestion around our school at drop-off and pick-up times as a result of many of our families parking in neighbouring streets near and around our school during these times at the end of the day.

I would ask, however, that all parents/carers are mindful of our residents in homes near the places chosen to park and wait for children. A few concerns have been expressed by local residents related to parking outside their properties.

Please ensure nature strips are not driven on, that fences are not sat on without the permission of owners, that driveways are not blocked, that children do not enter any properties and that litter is not dropped in the vicinity of these homes.

I thank you for supporting this request in the interest of amicable and respectful relationships with all our neighbours.

Thank you for your support.



THERAPY/WELLBEING DOG UPDATE

Murphy has been enjoying coming into school on Fridays this term and has been spending her time visiting different communities and also reading with some of our Foundation students. Some students have also had the opportunity to try and improve Murphy's fitness by playing fetch with her. A special thanks to those students that make sure she always has a full water bowl.



EDUCATION IN FAITH



ALL SAINTS/ALL SOULS REFLECTION

We joined in prayer and reflection in our communities to celebrate All Saints/All Souls reflection led by the Middle Unit. The reflection can be viewed via the Student Desktop. We continue to pray for our loved ones who we wish to remember during this time.

REMEMBRANCE DAY Our school will stop briefly on Friday 11th November to remember those who have died in all areas of world conflict. We will play the Last Post and stop for a minute to pray and remember those who have passed.

MISSION MONTH CELEBRATION AND FUNDRAISER FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER

In the month of October, we raised awareness for Catholic Mission's Socktober campaign. Students are invited to wear odd socks on Friday 11th November and bring some coins as we build the longest coin trail! All funds will support Catholic Mission.

JUNIOR AND MIDDLE UNIT MASS THURSDAY 10TH NOVEMBER all families are warmly invited to the Junior and Middle Unit Mass 9am in the MFR.

FOUNDATION AND SENIOR UNIT MASS THURSDAY 24TH NOVEMBER all families are warmly invited to the Foundation and Senior Unit Mass 9am in the MFR.

ADVENT REFLECTION will be on Friday 25th November at 9:00am to begin the season of Advent- a time of waiting and preparation for the birth of Jesus.

ADVENT ...the first Sunday of Advent is the 27th November. Our school will focus on this season by exploring units of work where students will reflect on ways they experience God in their own lives and recognise signs of God's presence in their world during this Advent season.

GRADUATION MASS will be on Tuesday 13th December at 6pm in St. Andrew's Church. More information to follow.

END OF YEAR LITURGY will be on Thursday 15th December at 9am. This will be our final liturgy together to celebrate the blessings of 2022. You are warmly invited.

Miss Richelle Mendoza

Religious Education Leaders

FOUNDATION NEWS

In Foundation we have been busy being scientists so far this term! We have been looking at the structure and process of experiments and then conducting experiments to see how things change. Some of the experiments we have completed so far are making popcorn, mixing oil and water and mixing different paint colours. The students have loved being hands on!



The Art Show was such a highlight. The students put so much effort into their creations, and to be able to share them with their families was wonderful. Thank you to everyone who attended and congratulations to the lucky winners of the raffle prizes!

We have begun practising for our Nativity Play. The students are looking forward to performing for you all - stay tuned!

Yours in partnership,

The Foundation Unit Team

JUNIOR NEWS

Term 4 is well underway for our Junior students, with lots of new topics and skills being practiced!

Our new Inquiry topic, Toys Over Time, is being enjoyed by all involved - including our young-at-heart Junior members! As part of their immersion, students were engaged in an incursion that allowed them to explore a range of familiar toys, as well as many unfamiliar ones! They were presented with a Skill Table (think Rubiks cubes and Slinky's), a Movement Table (elastics, stilts and more), a Construction Table (Lego, blocks, marble runs), an Imagination Table (puppets, costumes, dolls) and a Museum Table - which was fondly thought of as a 'Nostalgia Table' for many of the teachers! Students will continue to research and learn about how people have played throughout time, as well as toys that may, or may not have, stood the test of time.

Students have been continuing to extend their literacy skills by identifying connectives (conjunctions) and writing their own sentences containing conjunctions. They have been connecting this learning to the Col-ourful Semantics sentence structure and also paying attention to past and present tense. Some of our sentences were...

- I sat on the couch **but** it was uncomfortable. - Sophie Davis
- I sat on the couch **because** I had a sore leg. - Zac Azzopardi
- I sat on the couch **after** dinner. - Louise Magro
- I sat on the couch **to** play video games. - Thomas Kinross
- I sat on the couch, **then** I watched a movie. - Callie Ricca



For the remainder of the term, students will continue to be engaged in a range of learning experiences to develop their teamwork and cooperative skills, as well as independent learning skills.

Yours in partnership,

The Junior Unit Team



MIDDLE NEWS

Middle Camp 2022- Lady Northcote 27/10/22-28/10/22

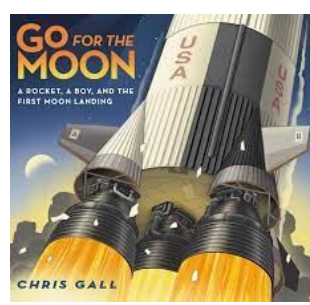
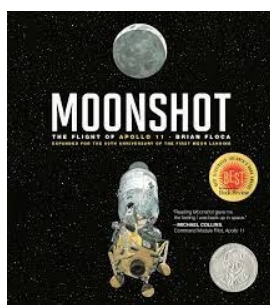
On Thursday the 27th of October, our middle students embarked on their very first school camp encounter at Lady Northcote where they were challenged, stretched and encouraged to step out of their comfort zones. School camp is an experience that provides many opportunities for new ways of learning. Through a range of different activities such as the giant swing, bike riding, archery, low ropes and survival challenges, students were given the opportunity to build new friendships, foster their independence, develop their resilience skills, engage in positive risk taking and build on their confidence.

Students returned to school on Friday with smiles on their faces that could not be missed, as they were ready to share all their camp stories with their family and friends. We extend a massive thank you to our parents and carers for their support to enable our middle students to participate in this wonderful experience.

We congratulate all students who participated in the camp experience. We hope that your memories are long lasting!



In Literacy & Inquiry we have been exploring three hybrid texts. A hybrid text is a single text that creatively weaves together narrative and informational text using a variety of design elements such as marginalia, text boxes, and miniature embedded illustrations. Each community rotated through different texts about the moon. The texts we looked at were, “Faces of the Moon”, “Moonshot” and “Go for the Moon”.



In Writing later this term, we will be developing information reports about our Inquiry topic by incorporating fiction and non-fiction text features.

The Middle Unit Team

SENIOR NEWS

Term Four has definitely been living up to its expectation of being the busiest term. The Seniors have been engaged in so much learning within the first four weeks.

Firstly, we went on an exploratory walk along the Werribee River, all the way up to Bungee's Hole. We learnt about the history and the landmarks on the Werribee River. We also were on the lookout for the impacts that humans have had on our local waterway. Following up from our walk, we have been learning how to read and interpret maps of waterways, such as the Werribee River, the Murray River and the Nile River. In the next couple of weeks we continue researching other global waterways, such as the Amazon River and Mekong River.

Story of the Swagman by Riley Clear

There once was a Swagman who was
Waltzing. He spotted a jumbuck and
pounced at it
and put it in his tucker bag
and cooked it in his billy.

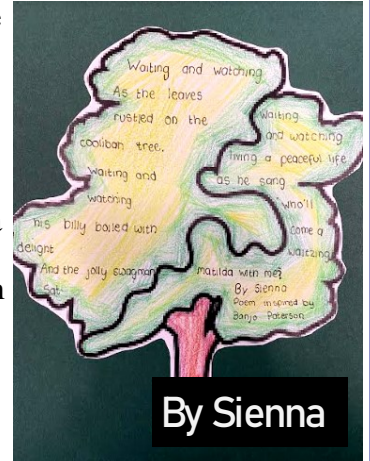
As he waited for his billy to boil,
Someone reported him to the policeman.
He was in the shade of the Coolibah tree next to the Billabong and the
policeman watched from in the sewers and waterhole.

The policeman sprang from the bushes with glee. The swagman jumped in the
Billabong and he was never seen again. You can hear him and his
thoroughbred ghost as you walk past the billabong.



By Riley

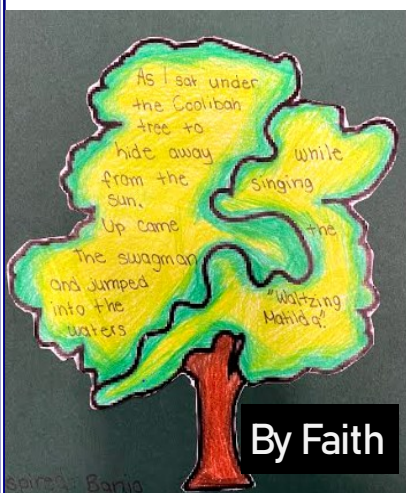
In Literacy, the students have been using a variety of comprehension skills to understand poetry. We have been analysing and critiquing poems by the famous Australian poet Banjo Paterson. As a creative response to understanding either the Man From Snowy River or Waltzing Matilda, students created FOUND poetry and published their work. See the images for examples of these poems.



By Sienna



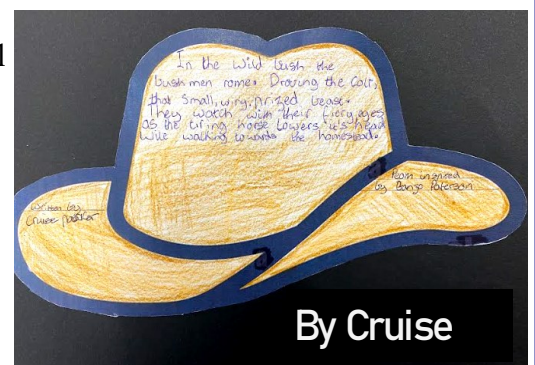
In the next couple of weeks, we will be analysing and comparing different Australian songs, such as I Am Australian - The Seekers and Great Southern Land - Icehouse. Maybe you could share with your child a favourite Australian song you like and why.



By Faith

Percentages, fractions and decimals have been our focus in Maths. We have been busy converting and calculating percentages. Ask your child how they can work out the savings of items while on a shopping trip using percentages. In the following weeks will be exploring angles and subtraction of large numbers.

The Senior Unit Team



By Cruise

WELLBEING

Day for Daniel

On Friday 21st October, Corpus Christi had their Day for Daniel Day with the purpose of the day being to educate all children on how to stay safe in physical and online environments. Our Day for Daniel lesson was accompanied by our teacher swap activity where all teachers taught a different class for the hour. This was a great opportunity for students to get to learn about child safety while also building rapport with other teachers in the school.



Kids Events and Activities

Wyndham City Council is offering numerous after school activities during Term 4 with many of these activities being weekly and free.

Some of the activities being offered are:

- STEM Clubs
- Construction Clubs
- Craft Sessions
- Read with Me Program

To find out more regarding these clubs and to register visit the Wyndham Council Link.

<https://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/libraries/kids/all-kids-events-and-activities/kids-events-and-activities>

Parenting Support

MacKillop Family Services offer a range of parenting classes and support. There are online publications, face to face classes and zoom classes. To find out more or register please visit their website:

<https://www.mackillop.org.au/events>

Stay safe and stay connected.
Maddison Lane
Wellbeing Leader

Burmese Community Mass

St Andrew's Church will be holding a Mass in Karenni for our Burmese Community on Sunday 11th December at 2pm. Everyone is welcome.

Address: 105 Greaves St N, Werribee VIC 3030

For further information please contact the parish office on 9741 4144.



GREAT MATE AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received a Great Mate prize at the last assembly. Teachers are constantly looking for students on the yard/playground who are kind, playing fairly, using their manners and including others. Any child who receives a token has their name put in a box and 2 students' names are drawn out of the box at each assembly to receive a prize. Whose name will be drawn out next?



Payton

Eleana

SHINING CHRIST'S LIGHT AWARDS

The below student was recognised for her wonderful attributes and always striving to do her best, being her best and above all, being kind.



Stella

James

Book Parade Images

Some images can be viewed via the Corpus Christi Website Under News & Events / Galleries.



Parent Portal

Please note when logging into the parent portal you need to use your email address. If you experience any difficulties please contact Anne Walton or Kelly Cowlishaw.

This Weekend!! Sat 5th & Sun 6th Nov Book Now on Trybooking St Andrew's Youth Group Car Wash Fundraiser

Support Our Youth



Help the St Andrew's youth group raise money for their pilgrimage to World Youth Day 2023 by getting your car washed. Please book your car for a timeslot via the QR CODE or this link: <https://www.trybooking.com/CDRCF>

5th & 6th November 2022

St Andrews Parish
entry via Mortimer St, Werribee



Remember you must remain with your car while it is getting washed



9:30am - 4:30pm

**\$25 - Exterior Wash
\$40 - Wash & Vacuum**



REMINDER

**ALL FEES SHOULD NOW BE PAID IN FULL
AND FINALISED FOR 2022**

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| Curriculum Fee & Levy (per child) is <u>due & payable Tuesday 1st March 2022</u> Camps <u>are not included</u> in this fee | Foundation | \$400.00 |
| | Year 1 | \$400.00 |
| | Year 2 | \$400.00 |
| | Year 3 | \$430.00 |
| | Year 4 | \$430.00 |
| | Year 5 | \$430.00 |
| | Year 6 | \$500.00 |
| Family Fee | (per family) \$1650.00 | |
| Camp Fee (per year level) | Year 1 | \$50 |
| | Year 2 | \$55 |
| | Year 3 & 4 | \$200 |
| | Year 5 & 6 | \$325 |

Any outstanding balances for 2022 will require prompt payment.

If you wish to discuss your account or another payment method please contact Mrs Jenni Warren at the school office.

Yours faithfully,



Linda Roynic
PRINCIPAL

2022 School Calendar and Important Dates

Term 4

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| Thursday 10 th November | 9.00am Junior and Middle Unit School Mass in the MFR |
| Friday 11 th November | “Longest Coin Trail” - Mission Month Event Whole School Assembly 2.05pm |
| Tuesday 15 th November | 6.30pm School Advisory Council meeting, AGM & Dinner |
| Thursday 17 th November | Transition Session Two – Foundation 2023 |
| Friday 18 th November | Junior Sports Day |
| Thursday 24 th November | 9.00am Foundation and Senior Unit School Mass in the MFR |
| Thursday 1 st December | Transition Session Three – Foundation 2023 |
| Monday 5 th December | Carols Night – 5.00pm |
| Friday 9 th December | Adventure Park – Year 6s |
| Monday 12 th December | Orientation 2023 Sessions |
| Tuesday 13 th December | Graduation Mass 6.30pm – St Andrew’s Church |
| Thursday 15 th December | End of Year Liturgy and Assembly – 9.00am 3.05pm Children Dismissed Term 4 Ends |

2023 - START OF YEAR DATES

To support with families with forward planning please find some important ‘Start of Year’ dates for your reference:

School Office is Open – Wednesday 25th January 2023 – 9.00 – 3.00pm

Foundation Students start on Tuesday 31st January from 8.45am to 12.30pm

Students in Grades 1 – 6 Begin school on Wednesday 1st February

NO SCHOOL for Foundation children on Wednesdays – 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd Feb & 1st March

2023 SACRAMENT DATES

Reconciliation Celebration – Wednesday 8th March at 6:30pm at St Andrew’s Church

Confirmation Celebration – Thursday 25th May at 6:30pm

First Eucharist Celebration – Thursday 17th August at 5:00pm and 6.30pm
& Friday 18th August at 5.00pm