



Term 1

Week 4

16 February 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 5

Mon 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Assembly 2:10pm-3:00pm
Wed 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Uniform Shop Opened 8:30am-9:30am & 2:30pm-3:30pm ●Open School Mass 9:30am-10:30am
Thu 23rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Year 2 Excursion Taronga Zoo 7:50am
Fri 24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●School Banking ●Award Stamping ●PRG Welcome BBQ/Picnic 5:30pm-9:00pm

Week 6

Tue 28th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Shrove Tuesday-Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser 8:00am-8:55am
March Wed 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Ash Wednesday ●Uniform Shop Opened 8:30am-9:30am & 2:30pm-3:30pm ●PRG Meeting 7:00pm-8:00pm
Fri 3rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●School Banking

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Regular attendance at school is critical to ensuring that every student has the kind of opportunities in life that he or she deserves. When students are not at school, they are missing out on so much. Without the knowledge, the skills or the support that schools are so good at providing, young people can get left behind and find themselves under-prepared for a fast-paced and often very challenging world.

In 2017, our school will be lending our support to a campaign called 'Every Learner, Every Day', an initiative designed to all remind students and parents why regular school attendance is so important. As part of this campaign, a range of resources and strategies will be made available to help parents, if help is needed.

I appreciate that this is not a matter that may impact on a large number of our families; however, if the 'Every learner, every day' campaign can assist even just a few students to be at school more regularly, with all the benefits that come with that, it is a terrific outcome.

Thank you in advance for your support of this important initiative.

Yours in education,

Paul Devlin
Principal



UNINTERRUPTED LEARNING TIME

At school, we focus on maintaining a consistent focus on learning. This includes minimising the interruptions to classes to allow the full Literacy and Numeracy blocks to occur. During school time, parents are asked to also minimise any disruption to this learning time. Messages and items for the students that are not urgent will be held till the next break and then the student will be called. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

ANAPHYLACTIC STUDENTS AWARENESS

Parents are reminded that some of our children can have a severe anaphylactic reaction to various food products. This reaction can be life threatening. Please support the school by not sending food in your child's lunchbox to school that may contain nuts, nut products or egg. This includes all peanut butter products and Nutella. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



USE OF STUDENT PHOTOGRAPHS

The school respects families wishes to use or not use photos of their children in publications that are either electronic or on paper. The permission to use photos continues from the previous year and will remain in place unless the family advises the school otherwise. If you do not wish the school to use your child's photo in any publication, please let the school know in writing.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Dear Parents,

Faith Formation

Gospel Mt 5:38-48 Turn the other cheek.

A beginning point for discussion of this week's Gospel with children:

If someone is unkind to you, or takes something that is yours, how do you respond?

Jesus asks us to be kind to the person who is unkind to us. Is that easy or hard?

Jesus tells us that it is easy to love those who love us, but he asks us to love our enemies as well.

What would the world be like if everyone loved their enemies?



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Catholic Culture

Pope Francis- general audience 2013

The grace of the Sacraments nourishes in us a strong and joyful faith, a faith that knows how to stand in wonder before the "marvels" of God and how to resist the idols of the world. That is why it is important to take Communion, it is important that children be baptized early, that they be confirmed, because the Sacraments are the presence of Jesus Christ in us, a presence that helps us. It is important, when we feel the weight of our sin to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Someone might say: "But I am afraid that the priest will chastise me". No, the priest will not chastise you. Do you know who you will encounter in the Sacrament of Reconciliation? You will encounter Jesus who pardons you! Jesus is waiting for you there; and this is a Sacrament that makes the whole Church grow.

Our first Sacramental meeting for Reconciliation will be on the 8th March at 7.30pm in the Church.

**Understanding Faith Online Resource**

We are able to use an online resource to support our religious education.

Why not check it out for yourselves.

understandingfaith.edu.au

user : ceo.parra.6735

password : ceo.parra.2017

Social JusticeShrove Tuesday will be on the 28th February this year and we will be having our annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser for Project Compassion.**UPDATED INFORMATION**

AS PUBLISHED previously: If there is anyone who would like to donate pancake mix we will be keeping in line with our Anaphylaxis Policy and will only be serving the "Coles Brand" plain shake 'n' bake or Greens plain. **IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT THE LABELS ON THESE PRODUCTS HAVE NOW CHANGED. I HAVE TRIED TO GET CONFIRMATION BUT HAVE NOT DONE SO AS YET.**

If there are any parents with any further information please don't hesitate to contact me.

PLEASE BE ADVISED we will have a table where those children who are gluten intolerant **OR HAVE AN ALLERGY TO NUTS** can get a pancake. If there are other allergy sufferers in the school you may like to make your own pancakes and bring them along in the morning so the kids don't miss out. Any donations can be sent straight to the office. Last year was such a great community event and we hope that many of you can join us this year.

**Opening School Mass**

Our **Opening School Mass** will be on Wednesday 22nd February at 9.30am. After Communion we will be welcoming our new Kindergarten students and after the mass we will be presenting the School Captains and SRC with their badges. Hopefully many parents, family and friends will be able to join with us on this day.

Have a peaceful week,

Sharon Shahoud
Religious Education Coordinator

THE SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have a very smart looking uniform that the students can wear with pride. Parents are asked to only purchase the uniform items from the school uniform shop as it keeps consistency with the look of the school and maintains an image of pride for our school identity. If at any time, parents are unable to pay for the items through the uniform shop they are asked to speak with Mr Devlin to discuss payment options. All discussions with Mr Devlin of this nature is kept in strict confidence.

ARRIVAL TOO EARLY AT SCHOOL

The front gate opens at 8:25am and there is no supervision before that time. Parents are reminded not to drop their children off before that time. This potentially places your child at risk. Beginning on Monday 27 Feb, letters home to families who continually drop their children at school, too early.

CORPUS CHRISTI TWILIGHT TOUR

Tuesday 7th March 2017, 5:00pm-7:00pm
Enrolments open for Kindergarten 2018

An opportunity for members of the community to have a tour of the school, experience the learning spaces and meet our Principal and staff.

This is primarily designed for families seeking enrolment to Kindergarten in 2018.

Enrolment packages will be available to collect. If you know of anyone in the area seeking quality Catholic education, please let them know of the Twilight Tour.



CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

In week 3 of this term we had our school Swimming Carnival at Ripples, St Marys. What a fantastic carnival it was! Congratulations to all our students, all our parent helpers (we can't run a carnival like this without your help) and the staff for such a wonderful evening. Good luck to the 27 students who have qualified to represent the school at the Diocesan Carnival on Tuesday.

Age Champions will be announced at Assembly on Monday the 20th of February.



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FIRST PRG MEETING

The PRG (Parent Representative Group) is a group of parents who meet once a term to help plan school events that build the sense of community and to also fund raise for the school. The first meeting will be Wednesday 1st March. All parents are invited to attend and support the Group that supports the school. More details closer to the date.

WELCOME BBQ - FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY

The year will be started with a Welcome BBQ after school on Friday 24 February. Please claim this date on the family calendar with more details to follow.





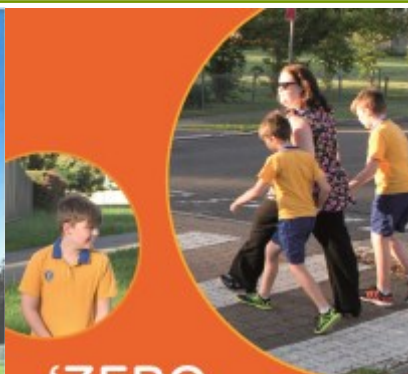
Corpus Christi After School (School Oval)
 Each Monday starting 20th February-13th March from 3:15pm - 4:15pm

Each child will receive: **Auskick Boot Pencil Case, Footy Cards, Footy Pump AND an AFL Auskick Football!**

Each child will also have the opportunity to access GIANTS Spottless Stadium home games in 2017 and exclusive GIANTS experience
 Your child will enjoy a safe, fun, action-packed 4 week program of games and skill development, ideal for boys and girls aged 5-12 for only \$45!

REGISTER NOW

Visit www.AFLAUSKICK.com.au and enter your postcode then click on "Corpus Christi (Cranebrook) AFL Auskick Centre - After School" or register in person at the first session. Payment via cash or cheque is also accepted. For more information contact
 Harmony Jones: 0409 904 393 Email: harmony.jones@afi.com.au



'ZERO TOLERANCE' OF ILLEGAL PARKING IN SCHOOL ZONES TO PROTECT YOUR CHILD

When it comes to the safety of vulnerable road users like school children, drivers found breaking the law will be met with zero tolerance. Children are small, harder to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. They need you to take extra care when driving and parking around school zones.

WHEN AN OFFENCE IS DETECTED A FINE AND 2 DEMERIT POINTS APPLY

Illegal parking around schools endangers children's lives.

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FACT/S

If you've heard the expression "It's only a matter of time until someone gets hurt" then you understand why it is important for everyone to obey the road rules. A child hit at an impact speed of 30km/hr has a 99% chance of surviving. At 70km/hr the chance of survival is less than 7%.

Source: Australian Transport Safety Bureau

What does this mean?

You cannot stop in this area for any reason.



Why is it there?

To keep sight distance clear for drivers, children & other pedestrians to avoid crashes.

What does this mean?

You cannot stop or park in a bus zone unless you are driving a bus.



Why is it there?

To provide a safe place for buses to set down & pick up passengers.

What does this mean?

You can stop in this area to drop off or pick up passengers for a maximum of 2 minutes. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.



Why is it there?

To provide safe places for children to be picked up - usually associated with Kiss & Ride zones.

40 km/hr School Zones are provided to increase the safety of all pedestrians, but especially children, who are walking in the vicinity of schools. Obey the limit and be aware of the time of day.



Parking on footpaths/nature strips is an offence - fines can be issued that include the loss of 2 demerit points.

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NOTES DISTRIBUTED

- Munch Canteen Online
- 2017 PRG Welcome BBQ/Picnic
- Our Car Park
- Year 2 Excursion - Taronga Zoo
- Year 6 Student Leadership Team
- Year 6 Polo Shirts
- Royal Commission Case Study 50

UNIFORM SHOP - WEDNESDAY
 8.30am – 9.30am & 2.30pm – 3.30pm

- * **Pre-paid orders** – These orders can be handed in at the school office at any time but will be processed on Wednesdays ONLY.
- * **Label all items** -To ensure all items are returned to their owners - PLEASE clearly mark all items with your child's name.
- * **Exchanges/Refunds** – All items must be in original condition with all packaging including tags attached. A Receipt is required for any faulty item or refund.

******PLEASE KEEP YOUR RECEIPTS******

Term 1 Reminders

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY/SUNDAY
March 2017	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th/12th
Week 7 Catholic Schools Week	●Assembly 2:10pm-3:00pm	●Twilight Tour-Kindergarten 2018 Enrolments 5:00pm-7:00pm	●Uniform Shop Opened 8:30am-9:30am & 2:30pm-3:30pm ●Parent Reconciliation Meeting 7:30pm at the Parish		●School Banking ●Award Stamping	
Week 8	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th/19th
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