



Term 2

Week 8

19th June 2014

Dear Parents,

As we near the midpoint of the year we have many events and celebrations to enjoy. One of the highlights of the year are the celebrations around the Feast of Corpus Christi which is to be celebrated across Australia in churches this coming Sunday. Corpus Christi is a feast that has been celebrated by the Catholic Church, in honour of the Eucharist, since 1246. The name "Corpus Christi" is a Latin phrase that means Body of Christ. This event commemorates the Last Supper on the day before Jesus' crucifixion. For our school, which draws its name from this great feast, it is a cause for celebration. Tomorrow we will celebrate the Eucharist together as a whole school at 9.30 – parents are most welcome to join us for this Mass. The children will then share some morning tea together (small cupcakes by way of a celebration) and we will then enjoy Corpus Christi's Got Talent in the hall – further details inside.



Confirmation for children from our Parish was held last night and we were most fortunate to have Bishop Anthony confirm the candidates in a reverent and reflective ceremony. The children had been well prepared to receive the sacrament by the parents and the Parish Team. In his homily Bishop Anthony called on the newly confirmed (whom he called 'Adult Catholics') to live their faith in what they say and in what they do – including in prayer, celebrating the Eucharist and in their example to the world. The challenge is for us (parents, teachers and the parish) to support these new Adult Catholics in our words and deeds. My thanks to Mrs Shahoud, Mrs Tonnet and the many teachers from our school who attended last night's celebrations because as Bishop Anthony said – last night was a 'big deal' and their presence strengthened and supported the work of our Parish. Congratulations to our 84 newly confirmed Adult Catholics.



Confirmation

This week we have sent home the mid-year report and TATs folders. Reports can mean anxious times for parents and students. Children of all ages take their cues from their parents, so your reaction to their school report can affect the way they see themselves as learners and as people. It is vitally important to acknowledge their efforts and celebrate successes – a simple one liner is that in a report a "C is for Celebrate."

When you open the school report do you look for strengths or weaknesses first? The challenge is to focus on strengths rather than focus purely on areas that need improving. Take into account your child's effort and attitude to learning. If the report indicates that effort is below standard then you and your child have something to work towards. If your child is putting in the required effort then you can't ask any more than that regardless of the grading.

Broaden your focus away from academic performance to form a picture of how your child is progressing as an individual in a social setting. The skills of independence and co-operation are highly rated by employers these days so don't dismiss these as unimportant.

Discuss the report with your son or daughter talking about their strengths first before looking at areas needing improvement. Ask for their opinion about how they performed and discuss their concerns.

After reports are read and discussed celebrate your children's efforts with a special activity or treat. In this way you will recognise progress and remind them that holidays are just around the corner when they can forget about assessment, tests and reports for a while.

Short-term goals for learning are important. Many children, especially boys respond favourably to short-term goals. General requests such as 'improve that spelling' or 'spend more time practising..' are often lost on young learners. It is more effective to keep children and young people focused on short-term objectives such as getting a certain weekly score in spelling or practising for a concert that is coming up. Teach them how to set daily or weekly goals in many areas of their lives and then remind them to check if they reached them. Reaching a short-term goal is a tremendous motivator for anyone! Having reached a goal then it is important to reset and refocus on another goal.

Next week we have our Three Way Interviews (3WIs) – an opportunity to discuss the report, TAT's and work samples in detail – please take this opportunity to meet with the teachers.

Peace and Best Wishes.

R. Blissenden

Richard Blissenden
Principal



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Dear Parents,

Faith Formation

Corpus Christi : Year A

First Reading Dt 8:2-3, 14-16

Responsorial Psalm Ps 147:12-15. 19-20. R. v.12

Second Reading 1 Cor 10:16-17

Gospel Jn 6:51-58

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

Who do you invite when you share a meal?

Who does Jesus invite to share in his sacred meal?

What are some of the things we do at this sacred meal, the Mass? (ie. listen to God's Word, bring forward gifts, sing, pray, join in processions etc)

Eucharist means 'thanksgiving'. What can we thank God for in the Eucharist today?

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Catholic Culture

As a Catholic School we are involved in the integration of faith and life, for faith is about life and to live better, more humane and relational lives we need to see that God is the deepest part of our being. Last night, children from our school and our parish community were confirmed by Bishop Anthony Fisher OFM He spoke to the children about being Christian Soldiers. He said that they were not to confuse this term to mean they would be physically fighting for God. They were to remember that the cause they were fighting for was their faith. They should always be committed to their faith and willingly teach others about God. As young adult Christians they should remember that they should stand up and be witnesses to their faith through what they say and do. He reminded them that part of their commitment was to attend mass each week, confession regularly and pray every day. He told them that today was a new beginning, one they should embrace wholeheartedly. Congratulations to all those children who were Confirmed last night. May the gifts of the Holy Spirit burn brightly in your hearts and may you reflect God in all that you say and do for today is 'A New Beginning'.



RE NEWS cont:

First Eucharist Parent Meeting –

30th July, 2014. 7.30pm/school hall

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting –

22nd October, 2014. 7.30pm/school hall

Looking forward to sharing this special time with you all.

We will be celebrating the Feast of Corpus Christi as a school on Friday 20th June. This day traditionally commences with a celebration of the Eucharist. It will commence at 9.30am and we would love family and friends to come along.

Social Justice

The St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal is one way we can reach out. Our social justice initiative this term is to reach out through 'Sockeanies' so remember to send in scarves, beanies and socks for all those who will be suffering through the winter months.



Have a lovely week

Sharon Shahoud

Religious Education Coordinator



CORPUS CHRISTI FEAST DAY – PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME

Friday 20th June- TOMORROW

On Friday 20th June, Corpus Christi will celebrate its feast day. As part of our celebrations the school will be attending mass at 9.30am. Parents and friends are welcome to come and share in this mass and stay for morning tea.

The Lunch 1/morning tea break will be followed by the Corpus Christi's Got Talent show. This display of talent will take place in the Hall from **11.15am** onwards. Once again parents and friends are welcome to join us in this celebration of community talent.

9.30am Mass in Church

10.30am Lunch 1

11.15am Corpus Christi Got Talent in Hall



CURRICULUM NEWS

2014 ICAS (INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS)

Please ensure that the office receives entries before the closing date by 9am.

Unfortunately we are unable to process late entries.

Subject	Closing Date for Entry	Sitting Date	Cost
English	Friday 27 th June	Tuesday 29 th July	\$8.00
Mathematics	Friday 11 th July	Tuesday 12 th August	\$8.00

3 Way Interviews/PTO (Parent Teacher Online)

Login details for PTO were sent home with last week's newsletter. Parents are asked to use PTO to book a 3WI with their child's teacher. **Parents will be able to login and book an interview time until midday tomorrow Friday 20th June. Unfortunately after this deadline you will be unable to book a 3WI using PTO. Please contact Mrs Taylor in the office if you require any assistance with PTO.** Midyear reports and TAT's folders were sent home yesterday. Please bring your child's report and TAT's folder to your child's 3WI.



2014 CORPUS CHRISTI CHESS

Congratulations to all of our chess players who participated in Round 6 of the Junior Chess Competition last Friday. The results are as follows:

Corpus Christi A 4 St Nicholas of Myra B 0
 Corpus Christi B 2 St Nicholas of Myra A

Games will be played away this week at Wollemi College Werrington. Parents and grandparents who have offered to transport, please meet Mrs Tonnet in the library at **2.50pm**. The children will meet us there. This will be the final game for the year.

Good luck to all players! For more information go www.nswjcl.org.au

Maree Tonnet
Assistant Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MORNING TEA

If your child has received an Assistant Principals Award this term they are invited to have morning tea with Mrs Tonnet in the school hall kitchen next Wednesday 25th June. They will not need to bring their morning tea to school on this day.

Maree Tonnet
Assistant Principal



PEER SUPPORT:

Relationships: Keeping Friends
Week 8

Next Monday will be the final session of the Peer Support module, *Keeping Friends*. The children will be participating in a board game, reinforcing all of the concepts and skills that have been learned over the past 8 weeks. They will be reminded of the qualities of a good friend and the skills needed to maintain friendships and make new friends. Each Peer Support group will have the opportunity to celebrate what they have learned and the new friendships and connections they have made.

We would like to thank each of the families who took the time each week to discuss the upcoming tasks with their child and offering your support to them in order to **Keep Friends** at Corpus Christi.

Thank you,
Mrs Emilia Ahern, Miss Alexis Hiser, Mr Michael Manton and Mrs Rebecca Talbot.



PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to the following students who have completed the PRC.

Logan Buzzi K, Benjamin Camilleri K, Gareth Cochran K, Alexander Reid K, Shiloh Depnha 1, Sienna Galloway 1, amber sheerly 2, Will Whittaker 2, Joanna Simeon 4.



TEACHERS ARE LEARNERS TOO

In the past week Mrs Sloan, Mr Lanyon and Mr Blissenden attended a day on writing. Mrs Sloan, Mrs Petersen, Mrs Attard and Mr Blissenden attended the third (of four) day on reading strategies for primary students. Both days were excellent learning opportunities for our staff.

DAYS ABSENT IN REPORTS

One section of the report is the number of days absent for the first half of the year. I am often asked about the number of days absent as parents wonder how many days off is too many? The evidence is very clear about school attendance – **every day counts**. We know that from time to time illness and unexpected events will prevent students from attending school but on the whole children need to be at school at every opportunity. As a guide – multiple the number of days absent on this report by 14 (being the number of reports you will receive) – this will be the number of days (at this rate) that your child will miss in his or her Primary schooling – there are about 200 days in a school year – so 100 absences is the equivalent of half a year of lost learning – which might answer the question ‘how many is too many’?

3WI – Week 9

Please ensure you have made a time to meet with your child / children’s teacher via the PTO site. Access is easy – log onto our website www.cccranebrook.parra.catholic.edu.au and click on the PTO icon, enter your user name and password (provided to you in a letter last week) and choose an available time. Alternatively you can call or email the school for assistance.

HATS

I spoke at assembly about some children pulling apart the brim of their school hat – apart from parents having to purchase a new hat it is not wearing our uniform with pride. On a more positive note I am thrilled with the way the majority of the students are wearing their uniform, not wearing jewellery and how tidy students have had their hair. A reminder that close cuts, Mohawks etc are not acceptable hair styles. Thank you to all those parents who present their children beautifully in their uniform each day.

TERRA SANCTA COLLEGE RENAMED TO HONOUR ST JOHN PAUL II

To commemorate the Canonisation of Pope John Paul II and his connection to the Diocese of Parramatta, Bishop Anthony Fisher OP has announced that Terra Sancta College will be renamed **St John Paul II Catholic College, Nirimba and Schofields** from the commencement of Term 3 this year.

The existing John Paul II campus at St Andrew’s College, Marayong, will be renamed St Andrew’s College **Senior** Campus in order to avoid any confusion between the schools.

ROAD SAFETY AROUND YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL-

To comply with national child restraint laws, your child should be restrained in the car as follows:

0 – 6 months: Approved rearward-facing child car seat

6 months – 4 years: Approved rearward-facing or forward-facing child car seat

4 – 7+ years: Approved forward-facing child car seat or booster seat.

Make a rule that every child passenger must be securely buckled into a seatbelt or child car seat before you start the car. A sleeping child must remain firmly buckled up while the car is in motion.

Reward your child with lots of praise for good road safety behaviour. Assist your young child to buckle up – always check the buckle and make sure the belt is not twisted. Ensure your children always get in and out of the car through the 'safety door'. This is the rear kerb side door of the car. Never allow children to get out of the car on the traffic side. When possible, children should remain in the car until an adult opens the 'safety door'. This helps ensure that children get out of the car safely.

Children aged between four and seven years cannot travel in the front seat of a vehicle with two or more rows, unless all other back seats are occupied by children younger than seven years in a child car seat. A child that is properly secured in an approved child car seat is less likely to be killed or injured in a car crash than one who is not.

NEVER leave a child of any age in a vehicle without supervision. A small child may rapidly suffer from dehydration, heat exhaustion and consequent organ failure. Older children could play games that may lead to danger.

DISCUS ZONE ATHLETICS ENTRY

Discus events will be held at the Zone Athletics Carnivals on Friday 8th August at Blacktown International Sports Park, Rooty Hill. These events will lead to qualification and selection for the Diocesan. To facilitate selection of the children to participate in the events children must meet the qualification throws and have their throw verified from their Little Athletics Achievement Book. As our school does not run the Discus Events at our school athletics carnival, please return a copy their Little Athletics Achievement Book to Mrs Ahern (6E) for verification **by 22nd July 2014**.

Please note the following:

Junior Girls	500gms	Qualifying distance – 15m
Junior Boys	500gms	Qualifying distance – 15m
11 yrs Girls	750gms	Qualifying distance – 18m
11 yrs Boys	750gms	Qualifying distance – 18m
Senior Girls	750gms	Qualifying distance – 18m
Senior Boys	750gms	Qualifying distance – 18m

There is a maximum of 2 nominations from each school per age division and gender. Once all entries have been received by the school students will be informed of who has been selected to compete. They will ensure that entrants receive a permission note to attend the Zone carnival.

Parramatta Diocesan Athletics High Jump Entry

Again this year the High Jump events will only be held at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival (i.e. not at the Zone Carnival) on Friday 23rd August at Blacktown International Sports Park, Rooty Hill. Children who wish participate in this event must meet the qualifying heights listed below and have their heights verified from their Little Athletics Achievement Book.

Junior Girls & Boys Qualifying height – 1.00m

11 Year Girls & Boys Qualifying height – 1.05m

Senior Girls & Boys Qualifying height – 1.10m

Entries must be in to Mrs Ahern (6E) no later than

Monday 21st August 2014.

Wishing Well Vacation care April 2014

Week One

Days	Availability	Activity
Monday 30.06.14	2	Wheelie Day
Tuesday 01.07.14	3	Featherdale Wildlife Park - \$20 per child
Wednesday 02.07.14	5	Costume Day
Thursday 03.07.14	1	Gledswood Homestead - \$20per child
Friday 04.07.14	2	Crazy Science Day

Week Two

Days	Availability	Activity
Monday 07.07.14	5	Movies
Tuesday 08.07.14	10	Master chef
Wednesday 09.07.14	4	Don Bosco - \$20 per child
Thursday 10.07.14	4	Creative Arts Day
Friday 11.07.14	6	Picnic and Day at the Park

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students on their outstanding achievement of a Principals Gold Award. Kaitlyn Grima, Sandra Stojanvic, Alicia Xiberras, Mikayla Morgan, Sophia Chicharro, Luke Fenech, Katiya Knoester, Grace Clarke, Sophie Fernandez, Joanna Simeon, Kobi Borthwick, Danielle Freeman, Jessica Yates, Jasmine Woolford, Christine Muscat, Benjamin Howse, Gabriella Galluzzo, Joanne Azzopardi, Sophia Biordi, Madeline Barglik and Monique Dries



What's on and When

June			
Week 8	Fri	20 th	Award Stamping, PTO closes 12 midday, Corpus Christi Feast Celebrations
Week 9			3 Way interviews Monday - Thursday
	Tues	24 th	Uniform Shop 3.30pm – 6pm LAST DAY for Term 3.
	Wed	25 th	Uniform Shop CLOSED
	Friday	27 th	LAST DAY OF TERM 2
July			
Week 1	Mon	14 th	First Day of TERM 3
	Tues	15 th	Primary (Yrs 3-6) Sports Carnival



"Improved Reading Comprehension" Merit Awards

Paiton Kwock	Isaiah Gabb
Bailey Dempsey	Ava Markas
Emily Matthews	BJ Dhillon
Max Neal	Kyle Urban
Ben West	Audrey Sanchez
Zena Hanna	Olivia Dixon
Christopher Whitton	Georgia Fabre
Nicholas Grima	Callum Mayo
Charlieze Coevorden	Ward Luke Attard

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS AWARDS

Chelsea Shanahan 1G, Evelyn Chicharro 2B, Lily Ceniza-Fulgado 2E, Gabrielle Vella 2E, Aiden Grosso 2G, Madison Voutt 2G, Joshua Burnham 3G, Liam Loyschelder 4B, Zena Hanna 4E, Katie Rose 4G, Corey Dunn 4G, Thomas Bond 5B, Baley Borthwick 5G, Kobi Borthwick 5E, Hannah Fitzpatrick 5G, John Galea 5E, Riley Gorgioski 5B, Zachary Hansen 5B, Adam Neill 5E, Cody Simmons 5G and Leyton Sullivan 5G

UNIFORM SHOP - WEDNESDAY

8.30am – 9.30am & 2.30pm – 3.30pm

*Last days for Term 2

Tuesday 24th June 3.30pm – 6pm
CLOSED WEDNESDAY 25th June.

Please note: The uniform shop will not be opened during the holidays.

PRICE INCREASE

Attached to this newsletter is a copy of the new order/price list for the uniform shop. The new prices will be effective day 1 Term 3.

NOTES SENT HOME RECENTLY:

- PTO for 3WI's
- Letter 4G
- Primary (Yrs 3-6) Athletics Carnival



Term 2 Week 9 - Reminders

- **Monday** – 3WI's
- **Tuesday** – Assembly 2.20pm, Uniform Shop 3.30-6pm- last day Term 2, 3WI's
- **Wednesday** – NO Uniform Shop , 3WI's
- **Thursday** - 3WI's
- **Friday** – NO School Banking , Last day of Term 2



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SCHOOL UNIFORM PRICE LIST - ORDER FORM 2014 Correct @ 14/7/2014

Date: _____ Contact Phone Number: _____

Child's Name _____ Class: _____

Unisex	4	6	8	10	12	14	16/ XS	18/ S	20/ M	Price	Total
Sports Polo Shirt										\$33.50	\$
Sports Shorts										\$25.00	\$
Sports Jacket										\$55.00	\$
Sports Long Pants										\$48.00	\$
Knit Jumper										\$50.00	\$
Bomber Jacket										\$60.00	\$

Girls Uniform	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	Price	Total
Skirt									\$48.00	\$
Skort									\$48.00	\$
Blouse with Logo									\$27.00	\$

Boys Uniform	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	Price	Total
Shorts - grey									\$27.00	\$
Long Pants - grey									\$30.00	\$
Shirt with Logo									\$25.00	\$

Hats/Caps/Bags							Price	Total
Bucket Hat	S	M	L	X-L			\$16.00	\$
Cap - one Size							\$16.00	\$
Bags - one size							\$55.00	\$
Library Bag - one size							\$12.50	\$

Socks - Shoe size	5-8	9-12	13-3	2-8	8-11	Price	Total
Boys Grey						\$ 6.50	\$
Unisex Sport Socks						\$ 6.50	\$
Girls White Pkt 3					N/A	\$14.00	\$

* All prices include G.S.T

Sub Total \$ _____



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Corpus Christi Primary School Uniform Price list - Order Form 2014

cont:

Sub Total \$ _____

Girls Miscellaneous	4-6	7-10	Sm	Ave	Tall	X-Tall	Price	Total
Black Winter Tights							\$10.00	\$

Hair Accessories One Size	Qty	Price	Total
Hairband - green		\$7.50	\$
Elastic headband - green		\$5.50	\$
Scrunches - green satin curly		\$6.50	\$
Scrunches - satin curly - green/white		\$8.50	
Elastics - green Snag free 4 piece		\$3.00	\$
Elastics - green 24 pack		\$5.00	\$
Pony Bows - green		\$7.00	\$
Sports Bow - green/white		\$0.50	\$
Snap Clips - 4 piece green		\$5.50	\$

Total of order	\$
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Payment Options for Shop purchases: Cash, Credit Card, Eftpos & Cheque

Payment options for orders: Cheque or Credit Card (No Cash sales for orders)

Eldest Child's Name: _____ **Class:** _____

No Cash sales for orders.

Cheque Master Card Visa

Card Number: _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ Expiry Date: ____ / ____

Signature: _____

Name on Card: _____ Phone No: _____

Order forms are to be placed in the Uniform Shop Order Box located in the Office Foyer.