Dear Parent and Caregivers,

As you are undoubtedly aware, the federal election is due to be held in July this year. Currently, there is a distinct difference between what the major parties are offering in regards to the future funding of education. That will have a direct influence on our schools. There are two points that I wish to make regarding the federal election.

1. Corpus Christi will not take a political stance that favours any party and no election material will be distributed by the school. We may, though, pose questions that need to be answered regarding the funding of our schools that are general in nature.

2. It is the responsibility of all voters to be aware of the major issues and platforms of the parties and I strongly encourage you to visit the various websites to be informed about these matters.

We need to ensure that schools have certainty of funding for the future. This is the most important issue for Corpus Christi. Please take the necessary time to become an informed voter.

Yours in education,

Paul Devlin
Principal
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Dear Parents,

Faith Formation
Gospel Lk 9:11-17
Jesus feeds the five thousand.

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? (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?

Catholic Culture
We will be having our celebrations for Corpus Christi Feast tomorrow. This will involve a whole school celebration of mass at 9.15am followed by open classrooms till 11.00am. Parents and friends will then be invited to morning tea in the hall. The children will celebrate with a cupcake morning tea. After this we will be having Corpus Christi’s Got Talent in the hall. There will be approximately 10 items including group items from Kindergarten and our School Choir. We hope that many of you will be able to come along and join in the celebrations.

The group sessions for the Sacrament of First Communion have finished this week. For any further information please contact Mrs Marie Cottee at the parish on 47301249.
The final preparation afternoon for the Sacrament of First Communion is tomorrow Friday 27th May from 3.30pm – 5pm.

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, gloves and socks for all those who will be suffering through the winter months.

Have a peaceful week,
Sharon Shahoud
Religious Education Coordinator

CURRICULUM NEWS

30th ANNIVERSARY PHOTO- Monday 30th May
On Monday 30th May all of our students from K-6 will be part of a 30th Anniversary photo. All students will need to wear their full school uniform. Year 3 students would normally wear their sports uniform on Monday, but because of the photo they are requested to wear their FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM and not wear their sports uniform.

Corpus Christi Chess 2016
There will be NO CHESS this Friday 27th May. Corpus Christi A had a BYE and Corpus Christi B was scheduled to play St Thomas Aquinas but unfortunately this game has been cancelled. The next match will be a home game and it will be played on Friday 3rd June.

The results from Round 3:
St Thomas Aquinas Springwood D 1 Vs Corpus Christi A 3
Wollemi College C 1 Vs Corpus Christi B 3

For more information go to www.nswjcl.org.au

2016 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.

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UNIFORM
Winter is on the way - hooray!!!

The uniform has both the jumper and bomber jacket available for the children to use to keep warm in the cooler months. Traditionally, the jumper needed to be worn under the bomber jacket. This has now changed and the students can now wear either the jumper or bomber jacket or both. We thank all parents who continue to dress their children in the correct Corpus Christi uniform which helps them to take pride in their school.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Congratulations to both Joanna Simeon and Anthony Camilleri who received a Leadership Award from the current Penrith Mayor, Cr Karen McKeown, at a ceremony in Penrith last night. We are fortunate to have such fine student representatives for Corpus Christi.

PRG MEETING

Thank you to all members of the parent community who were able to attend and participate in the PRG meeting on Monday evening.

We discussed and planned the major PRG events for the year.

Sincere thanks to the core group of parents who provide the leadership of the group.

DATE CLAIMER NOTE - TRIVIA NIGHT

Please mark your diary for the Annual PRG Trivia Night.

17 June 2016

It promises to be a fantastic celebration for all who attend.

TERM 2 2016 SCHOOL FEE STATEMENTS

Term 2 school fee statements have been posted to your home address on Friday 8th April 2016. Term 2 fees are due Monday 30th May 2016. If you have not set up an arrangement as yet but would like to pay your fees via instalments please contact the school immediately on 47290696

CAR PARK CHANGES

Thank you to all car park users who continue to use the car park in a safe and courteous manner. Just a couple of reminders:

- If using Kiss and Drop in the morning, parents stay in the car and children leave via the path side.
- If using the Kiss and Drop in the morning, your children can get out at any point along the Kiss and Drop zone - you don’t have to wait to get to the front of the queue.
- The car park is one way in the afternoon and no one parks on Father George’s lawn nor exits via his driveway.
- We respect the No Parking signs in the car park.

In a couple of weeks a gate will be installed to replace the bollards. From this point, the car park will become One Way at all times during the school week. The parish use of the car park during the weekend will not be affected.
### Term 2 Reminders

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**NOTES DISTRIBUTED**

- Kindergarten-Excursion-Calmsley Hill Farm
- Year 2-Excursion-The Arms of Australia Inn Museum
- Year 5-Excursion-The Australian Maritime Museum
- Year 6- End of Year Events
- 6G-Teacher’s Leave
- Trivia Night

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**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****

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**McCarthy Catholic College**

75 Mackellar Street, Emu Plains

**Trade Training Centre**

INFORMATION EVENING FOR YEAR 11, 2017:

- **Date:** Wednesday 8 June 2016
- **Time:** 6:00pm - 7:30pm
- **Start your trade and complete your HSC – with no external examinations**

**Trades offered:**

- Automotive
- Bricklaying
- Electrical Hairdressing
- Childcare Hospitality
- Carpenter Metal Fabrication
- Plumbing

**Enrolment Enquiries:**

Mrs Katrina Gill – 02 4728 8129

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