



NEWSLETTER

Term 1 | Week 7 | 10th March 2022

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we celebrate being a Catholic community. We were fortunate to gather in our Church, as a school, to welcome Kindergarten 2022, Induct our 2022 Student Representative Council and open the school year. We know that when we gather together God is always with us and we take strength from these times as we journey throughout the year.

Fr Chris reminded us of the attributes of Jesus that we can take as our model and called on the children to name their commitments for the new school year. Care, Sacrifice, Prayer were named by the children as ways we can be more like Jesus each day.

Later in the day Year 6 received their Leadership Badges and we celebrated them forming their Leadership teams. We congratulate the class of 2022 and we know that they will show our four C's of Care, Compassion, Cooperation and Communication in all that they do.







PBS4L

This year we will once again commit to our work in PBS4L where our four C's lay the foundation for the ways that we work together.

At Corpus Christi we are respectful when we show

Care

Compassion

Cooperation

Communication

All Setting at Corpus Christi

2021 ICAS RESULTS

Last year we had some students from Year 2 to Year 6 participate in the ICAS Assessments.

These are tests designed to recognise and reward academic excellence in a number of key learning areas. Congratulations to the following students who received merit, credit and distinction awards.



SCIENCE	Myah F	Credit
	Ella H	Credit
	Amaya P	Merit
	Tyler S	Merit
MATHS	Likith M	Credit
	Jackson Q	Credit
	Myah F	Merit
ENGLISH	Isabella G	Distinction
	Marvella G	Credit
	Likith M	Merit
	Louise M	Merit
	Ella H	Merit
	Tyler S	Merit

COMMUNICATION POLICY AND PROCEDURE

At Corpus Christi we value communication between all stakeholders in your child's education.

Communication between people in organisations is essential to the proper functioning of all aspects of school life. At Corpus Christi, communication which is effective is one of the goals of our Mission Statement. The Mission Statement stresses the importance of effective respectful communication to the life of the school.

Aims:

1. To provide channels by which issues significant to the school, can be communicated to the community.
2. To promote collaborative decision making where appropriate.
3. To provide awareness of staffing and curriculum matters.
4. To provide awareness of issues relating to policies which relate specifically to the children.

Implementation:

For families:

- The fortnightly newsletter is the main form of communication to parents. This newsletter is available on the school website.
- Skoolbag notifications for family information.
- Pre-arranged parent/teacher interviews are considered effective methods of communicating with parents. These may be initiated by parents and or staff as the need arises.
- Individual Programmes are developed for identified students – parents are invited to participate in the planning and evaluation meetings held at the beginning and end of year, respectively.
- Parents are offered the opportunity to discuss their child's half yearly and yearly reports.
- Other effective meeting methods of communication are the Kindergarten Transition Information Night, Personal Development Nights for Year 5 and 6 parents and nights based on educational topics.
- School Assemblies are to be used to communicate information to students and parents.

Process at Corpus Christi:

Parents are encouraged to use the school email address: corpuschristi@parra.catholic.edu.au to relay messages to teachers. These emails are triaged each day and are forwarded to staff at **3:30pm each day**. Staff will respond to emails in a timely manner.

For urgent communication please call the Office.

RELEASE MODEL

In 2022 we have moved to a new model for releasing the teachers from face to face teaching (which is their entitlement). Mrs Betros, Mrs Thompson and Mrs McGrath will be taking each class once a fortnight for the whole day. They will continue the English and Mathematics program for the day together with teaching Creative Arts and Sport. On the other fortnight rotation the classroom teachers will continue to Creative Arts and Sport programs.

CAR PARK REMINDERS

We aim to integrate our four C's in all that we do at Corpus Christi. We encourage everyone in our community to show Care, Compassion, Cooperation and Communication at all times. This includes when we are all using the car park.

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. Children should not at any time access the carboot.***
- 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 Chris' lawn nor exits via his driveway.
- We respect the No Parking signs in the car park.
- We only leave by turning left from the carpark.



The surrounding streets and our carpark is regularly monitored by the Council Rangers and we receive feedback on our procedures.

BEST WISHES

We wish Mrs Findlayson all the very best as she takes leave to await the birth of her first baby. We know that Mrs Findlayson will keep us updated when her baby arrives. May God Bless.



WELCOME

We welcome to the community Miss Kara Sullivan. Miss Sullivan will be working with the Year 4 team and the children in 4G.

We also welcome Madeleine Pusic to the Teacher Assistant Team at Corpus Christi.

We know that both new Staff members will feel very welcome here at Corpus Christi.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Dear Parents,

Formation

Ash Wednesday began our Lenten Experience for 2022. Fr. Chris reminded us that Lent is a Season of Grace. We are called to free ourselves from bondage and be taken over by mercy. This virtue of mercy leads us to charity and self denial during this season. Through mercy we are called to love in the way God loves, be free so we can love and show acts of love to others.



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C

First Reading [Dt 26:4-10](#) Moses tells the Israelites of God's care for them.

Responsorial Psalm [Ps 90:1-2. 10-15. R. v.15](#) Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

Second Reading [Rom 10:8-13](#) All who call upon the Lord will be saved.

Gospel [Lk 4:1-13](#) Jesus is tempted in the desert.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C

First Reading [Gen 15:5-12. 17-18](#) The Lord establishes a covenant with Abraham.

Responsorial Psalm [Ps 26:1. 7-9. 13-14. R. v.1](#) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Second Reading [Phil 3:17 – 4:1](#) Our citizenship is in heaven.

Gospel [Lk 9:28-36](#) Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James and John.

What are your favourite quiet places?

What sort of things do you like to do in your quiet place?

Quiet places can be very good for praying.

Take a moment to think of when you can go to your quiet place this week.

What or who can you pray for?

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CATHOLIC CULTURE

UNDERSTANDING FAITH ONLINE RESOURCE

We are able to use an online resource to support our religious education. Why not check it out for yourselves.

<https://primary.understandingfaith.edu.au/log-in>

Username : ceo.parra.6735

Password : 32findJUMP

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Congratulations to all the children who celebrated the Sacrament of Penance this week. These children presented themselves during the school day this year and some of the students from the surrounding schools also joined with us. This was a very prayerful experience and one that the children and the parents commented was very reflective. These children will now be able to present themselves for the Sacrament of the Eucharist in May of this year.



SOCIAL JUSTICE

Baker's Delight Hot Cross Bun ordering information has been distributed this week as part of our Caritas - Project Compassion fundraising. The buns are the same price as you would buy them in the shop but they sell them for less to the school so we can use it as a fundraising venture for Project Compassion. Don't forget to make your orders by **Friday 1st April, 2022.**



ST PATRICK'S DAY

We will be having a St Patrick's Day Green Mufti Day on the 17th March. This day will also be in support of Project Compassion and donations can be made to Project Compassion via the Qkr app.

Donations to Project Compassion

God bless you and your families

Sharon Shahoud

Religious Education Coordinator



Second Sunday of Lent 12 & 13 March

As a person with a disability living in remote India, Biru faced the prospect of a life of poverty and discrimination. With your support, he participated in entrepreneurship training and gained the skills to become financially independent.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

STUDENT AWARDS

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Takahiro David - 2G

James Hall - 4E

Te'a Hepburn - 2G

Jason Cedeno - 4G

Eva Catania - 3E

Hunter Tengdahl - 5G

Harrison Bryan - 4E

Samantha Attard - 6G



PLATINUM AWARDS

Hunter Tengdahl - 5G

Samantha Attard - 6G



PBS4L - Competition Time!!

Make a school mascot for Corpus Christi

Positive Behaviour Support for Learning (which we call PBS4L) is a framework that we are adopting at Corpus Christi. To help us all remember our school expectations, we are calling all our creative designers to create a mascot for our school.

Draw, paint or a digital design



Corpus Christi School Expectations

We are respectful at Corpus Christi when we show
Care
Communication
Cooperation
Compassion

- Concepts incorporated in the mascot design could include:
A Caterpillar, the words Corpus Christi Cranebrook or the letters CCC,
A friendly face on the caterpillar, the school colours, the expectations of Care, Communication, Cooperation and Compassion and/or the school crest.
- Design an original and visually appealing mascot
- Completed or printed on A4 paper (landscape or portrait)

Remember, our mascot will be a central part of our PBS4L work as it will be used on all of our signage and posters.

The PBS4L Team and the Student Leadership team will work together to select finalists from all the submitted entries. Finalist designs will then be shared and voted on by the school staff.

Submit your completed mascot design by:

**Monday 14th March, 2022
(Beginning of Week 8 Term 1)**

With your **name** and **class** to the class teacher
(digital designs need to be printed for submission)

Zone Swimming Carnival

On Thursday 24th February, 22 students represented Corpus Christi at the Nepean Zone Swimming Carnival, at Glenbrook Swimming Pool. Luckily, we had beautiful weather and great results to match. All the children represented Corpus Christi with passion and pride and gave it their all on the day with lots of children achieving Personal Best times in their races.



Congratulations to **Darcie Baldwin** who was overall **Runner Up Junior Girls Age Champion** on the day and also to **Cooper Falzon** who was **11yr Boys Age Champion**. What an amazing achievement, well done!



SPORTS NEWS

From this carnival the top 4 fastest times per event qualify to attend Diocesan. This Carnival will be held at Mt Druitt Pools on Friday 11th March. Corpus Christi had 12 athletes qualify to compete, which is an amazing achievement! Congratulations to our Senior Boys Relay Team, our Junior Boys and Junior Girls Relay Teams who will represent Corpus Christi at Diocesan level.



Good Luck to the following Students who are competing in the Diocesan Swimming Carnival:

Kashmir Appleton	Nicholas Elks	Ella Herbert	Ciara Pace
Darcie Baldwin	Cooper Falzon	Tyler Lewis	Jenson Pryke
Austin Barglik	James Hall	Noah Morphett	Charlie Zorzo

AFL

CONGRATULATIONS to Cooper Falzon, Zane Tate, Charlie Zorzo, & Jax Pollard who have all been selected into the Parramatta Representative team for AFL. Train hard and good luck with MacKillop Trials.

Gala Day Selections

After 2 years with no Gala Days, this year Corpus Christi will be trialling a new Gala Day selection process to replace having to hold trials for each sport. It involves the children numbering their Gala Day preferences from 1 to 4 with 1 being the Gala Day they would most like to attend and 2,3 & 4 being their next best preferences. By alleviating the trial process, this will give as many children the opportunity to hopefully attend at least one Gala Day. We will do our very best to accommodate the children's preferences however, not all children will get their 1st or 2nd preference. The 4 sport selections will be Touch Football, Soccer, Basketball & Netball. There will also be an option to select 'no Gala Days' if your child does not wish to attend any Gala Days. Please discuss with your child over the coming days which Gala Days they would be best suited to attend. We welcome your feedback to this selection process over the coming weeks.

Upcoming Sporting Events

11/3 Parramatta Diocesan Swimming Carnival

Week 8 Cross Country

22/3 NSWPCS Swimming Championships

Melissa McGrath

PE Teacher & Sports Coordinator

OTHER IMPORTANT NEWS

LEAVING STUDENTS

School FEES

A full term's notice (10 school weeks) in writing must be given to the Principal before a parent/guardian terminates the Student's enrolment. If sufficient notice of termination of the Student's enrolment is not given, the parent/guardian is to pay the school one term's school fees including any diocesan fees applicable. One exception is that notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year's enrolment.



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TERM 1 2022 DATES

Thursday, 17th March	St Patrick's Day- mufti green day
Friday, 18th March	School Assembly via Zoom
Monday, 21st March	Award Stamping Day, Harmony Day
Friday, 1st April	School Assembly via Zoom
Friday, 8th April	Last Day of Term 1



OTHER IMPORTANT NEWS

My School Lunch Box

Like our Facebook page and get a free cookie with your next order!

Follow the page via the link below and send us a message to get a free cookie with your next order (please include your child's name and/or order ID included in your confirmation email).

Fresh, healthy, convenient.

with the best ingredients and amazing recipes that delight the senses and nourish the body.

Sign Up and start ordering

REMINDER FOR LUNCH ORDERS

We would like to remind families to please make sure that they include their child's class when they place lunch orders on the My School Lunchbox ordering system. This will reduce any confusion when lunch orders are handed out.



Oz Fashions Uniform Shop



- * Online ordering system via the QKR app.
- * **Delivery to school every Monday. Orders must be placed by 12pm Friday for delivery on Monday.**
- * No refunds. Exchanges accepted on merchandise returned in original condition.
- * **Due to current circumstances, sample sizes are not available for trying on.**



Please email all exchanges to elle@ozfashions.com.au.

All inquiries please contact Elle elle@ozfashions.com.au or 0421 216 414.

LABELLING OF ITEMS

Please ensure all items of clothing, drink bottles, lunch boxes and food containers are clearly labelled with your child's full name. This ensures that if the item is lost or misplaced we will be able to return it to your child.



TERM 1 2022 CALENDAR

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY/ SUNDAY
Week 7	7th March • Award Stamping Day 	8th March • Reconciliation 4B • Kindergarten 2023 Open Night 5-6.30pm 	9th March • Reconciliation 4E 	10th March • Reconciliation 4G 	11th March	12th March/ 13th March
Week 8	14th March	15th March	16th March	17th March • St Patrick's Day- Mufti Green Day 	18th March • School Assembly via Zoom 	19th March/ 20th March
Week 9	21st March • Award Stamping Day • Harmony Day 	22nd March	23rd March	24th March	25th March	26th March/ 27th March
Week 10	28th March	29th March	30th March	31st March	1st April • School Assembly via Zoom 	2nd April/ 3rd April
Week 11	4th April	5th April	6th April	7th April	8th April • Last Day Term 1 	9th April/ 10th April

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB SPECIAL OFFER

Early Bird Offer for parents - Terms and Conditions:

- Use code **LOVETOREAD** at the checkout for \$5 off your order.
- Discount valid for orders placed on ANY titles on Book Club **Issue 2, 2022** using the **LOOP platform**.
- Discount valid for parents who place their order before **midnight Friday 11 March 2022**
- Discount voucher valid with **minimum spend of \$25.00**.
- One discount can be used per transaction.
- Unless stated otherwise, discount vouchers are not valid in conjunction with other promotions or discounts.
- If you save your order, please remember to re-add your gift voucher promotional code.

Issue 2 closes 18th March

