Welcome back to Corpus Christi for what we plan to be another wonderful year for all the children, parents and the staff in 2017.
A particularly warm welcome to our new families and our new Kindergarten children who start tomorrow. Please say hello and introduce yourself to new families, as we know the Corpus Christi reputation for hospitality and friendship is legendary!!
‘Tea and Tissues’ will be in the All Purpose Room at 9am on Thursday and anyone who wishes to come along for a cuppa and offer support for our new Corpus parents are very welcome.

Staffing News
We welcome back Mrs Tracey Grant to Corpus Christi. Mrs Grant returns following a year of maternity leave. Welcome back also to all our returning staff.

Corpus Christi App
The Corpus Christi App is live!
Every family will receive an email today that instructs you on how to access the Corpus Christi school calendar. In addition, notifications will be pushed out where appropriate of activities and events that are coming up or in the event of a change of plans or a weather warning.

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## CLASS PARENTS AND PARENT CONTACT INFORMATION

An email will be sent home today providing access to an online form via a google doc. This google doc has 2 sections

1. The first section is for you to indicate if you would like to volunteer be a class parent for your child’s class this year.
2. The second section is for your details (contact information etc) to be added to your class parents list.

If you don’t wish for your details to be passed onto the class parent, don’t complete Section 2 of the form.

When all the classes have a nominated class parent or parents, the collated list of parents details of those who have ‘opted in’, by completing that section of the google doc, will be passed on to the class parents for that class only.

## Class Parent & Volunteers Meeting

A meeting for all class parents and volunteers will be held on **Monday 13th February at 9.15am** straight after assembly in the All Purpose Room. It will be an opportunity to hear about the role of class parents and volunteers and to hear how parents can assist in classrooms, as well as updates around privacy, communication and our new App!!

## CHURCH HALL

The Church Hall is about to undergo extensive renovations starting this coming Monday. There will be no access to the hall as the builders will be setting up scaffolding to separate the hall from the carpark. At this stage we are not sure what other disruptions there will be in that area. We will keep you informed, but please take care in the area around the hall.

The planned renovations are expected to take from 4 to 6 months.
CANTEEN CO-ORDINATOR
We are looking for a parent or a team of parents who could co-ordinate the school canteen for 2017.
We have some parents who are happy to assist with this role, but we need either a co-ordinator or a team
of parents who have the time to manage the role. Presently, the canteen is opened 2 days a week on
Tuesday and Friday for both lunch service and over the counter sales. This can only continue if we have a
co-ordinator or a co-ordinating team.
Liam has offered to continue to provide assistance for the ‘behind the scenes’ purchasing and contacting
suppliers for the short term until a new coordinator is familiar with the canteen running.
I have arranged to have a full clean and detail of the canteen this week with the prospect of opening the
canteen by Week 3. With the assistance of the P&F, we’re also planning to have a dishwasher installed
and some cabinetry work done to assist the flow of the workspaces. This will be done over the Easter
break.

CLOTHING SHOP
We do have some parents who have offered to coordinate the uniform shop. We hope the uniform shop
will be up and running in a few weeks. The uniform shop sells mostly pre-loved uniforms as well as new
school bags, library bags, school hats and athletics singlets. More information will be in the newsletter in
coming weeks.

COMING EVENTS

OPENING SCHOOL MASS: Tuesday 7th February
The Opening School Mass on Tuesday 7th February at 9.30am in the Church. The commissioning of the new
school leaders will take place at this Mass. Everyone welcome.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY: Friday 10th February:
Friday 10th February is a pupil free day at Corpus Christi and there is no student supervision available on
that day. The teachers will be conducting Mathematical Assessment Interviews (MAI) with each child.

Every family will receive information about booking a time for the Mathematics Assessment Interview (MAI)
for your child/children online with Trybooking.com. All the teachers have been trained and are
proficient in conducting the interviews.

Teachers will conduct interviews from 8am to 4pm. The interviews take about 30 minutes and the children
are free to go home when the interviews have finished. The children don’t need to bring anything with them
and they don’t need to wear school uniform.

A small number of children may be assessed before Friday, even though they may have booked
appointments. We will advise all those parents before the assessment day if they are not required to
bring their children to school on Friday.

BUSH DANCE (FORMERLY ICE BREAKERS): Saturday Night 11th February
This year we are breaking for tradition and instead of our usual Icebreakers event for parents, it has been
decided to expand this event to include children and have a bush dance on Saturday night 11th February
from 5pm.
The band has been booked and the posters up! Entry price includes food & drink! You don’t need to be an
expert in bush dancing as the fun is in following the calls!! Everyone can join in. The children are having a
taste of ‘bush dancing’ this week. More information and booking details are available in the P&F news
section of today’s newsletter.
**PARENT & TEACHER INFORMATION NIGHT: Wednesday 15th February**

The information night for parents will be held on Wednesday 15th February. There will be two sessions to allow parents to get to more than one classroom. The presentation in the first session is repeated in the second session.

**Kindergarten to Year 4: (repeat sessions)**

Session One  - 6.45pm to 7.15pm
Session Two  - 7.15pm to 7.45pm

**Year 5 and Year 6:**
one hour session from 6.45pm to 7.45pm

The teachers will outline the teaching and learning plans for the term and other information about routines and ways to assist your child to settle into their new class. There will be opportunities for you as parents to ask general questions about curriculum, general organisation and ways to help your child be successful this year.

At the parent information meeting, parents will be given a questionnaire about your child and you are asked to write down anything that the teachers might find helps them to teach your child. Please complete the questionnaire and return it to your child’s teacher.

The questionnaire also has a space for you indicate if you would like a preliminary interview. This interview is an opportunity for you to talk to your child’s teacher about anything you think might help the teacher. It is a little early in the year for teachers to give you anything other than general information about students’ learning at this stage as they are still very much in the stages of gathering data about your child's learning behaviours.

Interviews for those who request them will be held in coming weeks — and teachers will confirm interview times with those meeting times with parents.

**P&F GENERAL MEETING: Wednesday 15th February**

Following the Information sessions – please come along to the Parents & Friends Association meeting in the Library at 8pm. The teachers will be introduced to help everyone to put a name to the faces you see on the playground. New parents to Corpus Christi are particularly welcome.

**SWIMMING CARNIVAL: Friday 17th February**

The school swimming Carnival is Friday 20th February at Pymble Pool. Permission notes have been sent home today and must be signed by a parent and returned to school by Friday 3rd February.

To enter your child in swimming events – please follow the link to a google doc where all the events are listed and fill in which events your child/children wish to participate in. All children from Year 3 to 6 are expected to participate. Children in Year 2 who turn 8 this year are also invited to attend. Parents helpers are required to assist us on the day.

**ISDA DEBATING**

ISDA debating starts on Friday 24th February with the first debate being at Brigidine as a ‘Home’ debate. We will enter 2 teams into this premier debating competition as the junior school of Brigidine College. Trials to select the 2 teams from Years 5 and 6 commence this week. More information will be sent home shortly.

**STAGE 3 CANBERRA EXCURSION WED 8TH MARCH TO FRI 10TH MARCH**

Year 5 and Year 6 students will travel to Canberra in early March as part of their History unit on Australian Government and the Nation’s capital. Students will visit Parliament House, The War Memorial, Questacon as well as other places of interest and learning.
STUDENT & FAMILY DETAILS VALIDATION FORMS & PERMISSION FORMS

Every family should receive an envelope containing the Student & Family Details Validation Forms & Permission Forms. This package includes:

- Student & Family Details Validation forms
- Internet User agreements*
- Local area walking permission note
- Photography permission note

These forms need to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible. If your family doesn’t receive them, please contact the office and we will ensure the forms are sent home. If you have any questions, please call the office.

*INTERNET USER AGREEMENTS

Every student will be sent home an Internet User Agreement that needs to be read and explained to the children by parents. Children in Years 3 to 6 are also expected to sign the agreement. With children in Kindergarten to Year 2, while student can sign, we recommend parents are to sign on their behalf. There is also a separate Internet User Agreement for parents to sign. Children will be limited in their use of computers until the signed user agreements are returned to the class teacher.

Principal

Religious Education

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening School Mass: Tuesday 7th February – 9:30am

We will gather together to celebrate the beginning of the school year. At this Mass Year 6 students will be formally commissioned into their leadership roles. We will also welcome our new Kindergarten students at this Mass.

Parents, family and friends are warmly invited to all school liturgical celebrations. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the Eucharist as a community.

Sacramental Program

The Parish sacramental program will begin over the next few weeks. Students in Year 3 who have received the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation are eligible to participate in the parish Sacramental Program for Reconciliation. Please see further information from Kathy Lee in the newsletter for further details.

Blessing for our new school year ahead,

Katie McDermott
katie.mcdermott@dbb.catholic.edu.au
Religious Education Coordinator
Welcome back to all students and parents. Some classes have commenced borrowing from the library and it is expected that children borrow books throughout the year. Please ensure each child has a library bag. The Corpus Christi **Homework and Library Bags** are available from the clothing pool. However, any sort of “waterproof” bag can be used.

**Borrowing Routine:** Books are borrowed for 1-2 weeks only and after 4 weeks a reminder will be sent home. If the books are still not returned then a 2nd reminder is given. If a book is lost or damaged please let me know as soon as possible. It is expected that all lost/damaged books are replaced or paid for.

**Term 1 Library lessons are as follows:**

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**Help wanted**

Help is always appreciated in the library and I was again lucky enough to have a number of parents to assist me last year. I would like to put a list together of parent helpers for 2017 so I can then email people when help is needed. **If you are already on my email list and are happy to continue helping there is no need to contact me.** Please note that book covering can be done at home and you do not need to commit to shelving books every week - any help at all is appreciated.

Please indicate preferences from selection below and email me at penny.delmage@dbb.catholic.edu.au. Toddlers are always welcome in the library as well.

- Book covering - using plastic
  - using contact
  - using plastic or contact

- Shelving books - Tuesday from 2.10pm
  - Wednesday from 8.50am

**Penny Delmage**

Teacher Librarian
Kick up your heels at the Corpus Christi P & F Family Bush Dance!

We hope you and your family can join us for a fun evening on **Saturday 11th February at 5pm** to welcome in the school year and our new families. Live band, *The Ducks on the Pond* will lead us in song and dance. The cost will be $30 per head for adults and $5 for children (preschoolers are free) - this includes all you can eat pizza and drinks will be available to purchase. Dress is casual and there will be a prize for the best bush hat (optional). Please RSVP as soon as possible by either emailing corpuschristipf@gmail.com OR click here to RSVP now: Bush Dance RSVP Registration

Please make payment to Corpus Christi PF BSB: 062246, Account number: 00900788 (use surname as reference) as soon as you can also.

Please direct any questions to Cam Perrett or Jane Dale on the email above and let us know ASAP re any special dietary requirements.

We hope to see you there!

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**Language Classes**

**FREE OPEN TRIAL LANGUAGE CLASSES! Thursday 9th and 16th February**

Ni hao! Buongiorno!

There will be **FREE OPEN trial Mandarin and Italian Classes** for new students running on **Thursday 9th and 16th February** at Corpus Christi School. This is a great opportunity for your child/ren to give the classes a try before deciding to enrol for the term.

We have limited spots available for Term 1. It’s quick and easy to reserve a place at the FREE Open Trial Classes. Simply contact us on (02) 8005 1237 or email enquiries@thelanguagecompany.com.au.


The lessons are held at the school each week and are taught by **experienced tutors** and **native speakers** of the language.

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Activities in our classes are fun! A new theme is followed each term and your child learns through **role play, cultural projects** and **lively games** and songs. Our expert teachers provide the best environment for children to develop their **self-confidence and enjoyment** in their chosen language.

Your child’s participation in bilingual learning programs will also develop their overall **literacy skills** and a positive learning attitude.

Xie xie! Grazie!
SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2017
The 2017 swimming carnival is just over two weeks away! It will be held on Friday 17th February at Ku-ring-gai Fitness and Aquatic Centre, Pymble.

Please ensure the permission note is returned by the end of this week (Part A), and the online google entry form and parent helper form (Part B) has been completed promptly.

HEALTHY KIDS
This year, we aim to encourage our Corpus Christi families to make healthy choices regarding their health and their family’s health by including a ‘healthy kids’ section into fortnightly newsletters. Please take the time to read this section each fortnight, with many of the entries being advice from the NSW Health Department. The focus for Term 1 will be ‘Choose Water as a Drink’, which is particularly important, especially during these warmer months.

Water
Tap water makes the best drink!
Not only is it thirst quenching, but also contains fluoride which helps make teeth stronger. Here’s what water has to offer:

- it is cheap and readily available
- it doesn’t contain any kilojoules or sugar
- it encourages optimal function of the body

How Much Water Do Children Need?
The amount of water that children need varies between individual children. The older the child, the more water they need. Children should drink approximately 1–1½ litres of water a day (approximately 5–8 cups of water a day).

In the warmer months it is important to keep well hydrated. Children will need more when they are physically active and on hot and humid days. Water is the best drink – for both children and adults – in all situations. Always have water available when children are active. Encourage them to drink water regularly, even in cooler months.

Laura Bahri (Sport Coordinator)

Staff Medical Training

On Friday 27th January, staff completed their annual asthma, CPR and anaphylaxis training. This is compulsory for all staff in addition to holding a current first aid certificate.

The half day training session reminds staff of correct procedure and highlights any changes to procedure that may have occurred.
Netball News

WE ARE VERY MUCH LOOKING FORWARD TO NETBALL SEASON STARTING SOON – IF YOUR CHILD IS INTERESTED IN PLAYING NETBALL AND HAS NOT PLAYED BEFORE PLEASE EMAIL registrar@cnetball.org.au OR CALL GEORGIE ON 0403 081 644 TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST. WE WILL BE PUTTING OUT FURTHER INFORMATION OVER THE COMING WEEKS. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO INVITE ANY PARENTS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR THE NETBALL COMMITTEE TO OUR AGM WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE UPCOMING WEEKS DATE AND TIME TO BE CONFIRMED HOWEVER THIS WILL BE ADVERTISED SHORTLY.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE EITHER EMAIL ME AT tim@rwns.com.au OR PHONE ME ON 0403 902 392.

TIM O’HALLORAN
CORPUS CHRISTI NETBALL CLUB PRESIDENT

Soccer News

SOCCER REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN (U6-U12 Mixed & O35 Men’s) AND WILL CLOSE ON THURSDAY MARCH 10TH @ www.myfootballclub.com.au (see below for details). Early Bird Pricing available until FEBRUARY 26TH!

The soccer season will kick off on April 1st and will run through to late August. Soccer games are also held every first and last Saturday of any holidays, with just the middle Saturday considered a break.

Team nominations are due to the NSFA on March 11th so the sooner we start the registration process, the better!

For all parents unfamiliar with soccer, Junior Mixed (boys and girls) games are held on Saturdays around the north shore area and soccer practice typically takes place one day a week, straight after school. Coaching is usually done by very kind parent volunteers (or family members) who have agreed to take on their child’s team so flexibility is required and very much appreciated. A grassroots’ training program will be provided to the coaches prior to the start of the season and a weekly program with tips re drills etc. is sent out via email.

Every Junior team will require a coach and a manager, so please do send an email now to cchawks10@gmail.com if you would be keen or happy to help out. These roles are very rewarding and we can’t do it without your help 😊.

There is also an Over 35 men’s team – registration process is the same as for the Junior players. We had gauged the interest in setting up an All Women’s team, but given lack of interest, there won’t be one in 2017.

Girls who play netball are most welcome to join the soccer club as well! Special times can be requested from the NSFA in order to facilitate girls attending both games on Saturdays. Friends attending other schools are also welcome to join the club.

We hope that the information will be helpful and look forward to another great year of soccer!

Kind regards,
Corpus Christi Soccer Club
Emma Kerdic & Carole Neese

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Standard Collection Notice September 2016

1 The school and the Diocese both independently and through its schools collects personal information, including sensitive information about students and parents or guardians before and during the course of a student’s enrolment at the school. This may be in writing or in the course of conversations. The primary purpose of collecting this information is to enable the school to provide schooling to students enrolled at the school, exercise its duty of care, and perform necessary associated administrative activities, which will enable students to take part in all the activities of the school.

2 Some of the information we collect is to satisfy the school’s legal obligations, particularly to enable the school to discharge its duty of care.

3 Laws governing or relating to the operation of schools require certain information to be collected and disclosed. These include education, public health and child protection laws.

4 Health information about students is sensitive information within the terms of the Australian Privacy Principles under the Privacy Act. We may ask you to provide medical reports about your child from time to time.

5 If we do not obtain the information referred to above, we may not be able to enrol or continue the enrolment of your son/daughter.

6 The school may disclose personal and sensitive information for educational, administrative and support purposes. This may include:
   • Other schools and teachers at those schools
   • Government departments and agencies
   • The Catholic Schools Office
   • The Catholic Education Commission NSW
   • The Diocese of Broken Bay and its parishes
   • Medical practitioners
   • People providing educational, support and health services to the school, including specialist visiting teachers, sports coaches, volunteers, counsellors and providers of learning and assessment tools
   • Assessment and educational authorities, including the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority
   • People providing administrative and financial services to the school
   • Anyone you authorise the school to disclose information to
   • Anyone to whom the school is required or authorised to disclose the information to by law, including child protection laws

7 Personal information collected from students is regularly disclosed to their parents or guardians. On occasions information such as academic and sporting achievements, student activities and similar news is published in school newsletters, magazines and on our website. This may include photographs and videos of pupil activities such as sporting events, school camps and school excursions. The school will obtain permissions annually from the pupil’s parent or guardian (and from the student if appropriate) if we would like to include such photographs or videos (or other identifying material) in our promotional material or otherwise make this material available to the public such as on the internet.

8 Parents may seek access to personal information collected about them and their son/daughter by contacting the school. Older students may also seek access to personal information about themselves. However, access may be refused in certain circumstances such as where access would have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of others, where access may result in a breach of the school’s duty of care to the student, or where students have provided information in confidence. Any refusal will be notified in writing with reasons, if appropriate.

9 The school from time to time engages in fundraising activities. Information received from you may be used to make an appeal to you. It may also be disclosed to organisations that assist in the school’s fundraising activities solely for that purpose. We will not disclose your personal information to third parties for their own marketing purposes without your consent.
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10 If you provide the school with the personal information of others, such as doctors or emergency contacts, we encourage you to inform them that you are disclosing that information to the school and why.

11 The school may use online or ‘cloud’ service providers to store personal information and to provide services to the school that involve the use of personal information, such as services relating to email, instant messaging and education and assessment applications. Some limited personal information may also be provided to these service providers to enable them to authenticate users that access their services. This personal information may reside on a cloud service provider’s servers which may be situated outside Australia. Further information about the school’s use of online or ‘cloud’ service providers is contained in the school’s Privacy Policy.

12 The Diocesan Schools System Privacy Policy sets out how to make a complaint about a breach of privacy and how the school will deal with such a complaint.