

Corpus Christi Newsletter

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29th November, 2017

From the Principal



All powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Extract from a Prayer for our Earth Pope Francis

SCHOOL STAFFING FOR 2018:

The meeting to outline the staffing arrangements for Corpus Christi for 2018 will be held tonight, 29th November at 7.30pm in the AP Room. We encourage families to have at least one parent at the meeting to hear about the staffing structure for 2018. All welcome.

Christmas Fair

- ▲ The sun was shining, the crowds arrived and the result was an outstanding success on so many fronts: a wonderfully warm sunny day
- ▲ Lots of visitors young and old!
- ▲ Food stalls – so many delicious treats, so much to choose from: BBQ including new yummy BBQ Corn , International food, slushies, ice cream, fairy floss & fabulous coffee
- ▲ Gourmet and Cakes – again a delicious supply of amazing cakes, slices, jams, and Christmas puddings!
- ▲ Raffle – a huge success
- ▲ Lolly stall - always a big hit!
- ▲ fabulous rides
- ▲ Kinder Kraft - fabulous face painting with spectacular designs, plaster painting novelty games
- ▲ pre-loved books with something for everyone!
- ▲ Christmas Trees and Christmas hams available to order

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- ▲ Tombola with lots of great prizes
 - ▲ Gift boxes: well-priced that included quality goodies
 - ▲ Stocking fillers – with beautiful handpicked items for sale
 - ▲ Stalls selling a variety of jewellery, fashion accessories, toys and babywear,
 - ▲ Sunscreen - useful and really well priced!
 - ▲ Lucky Door prize – tickets to Wet n' Wild ,
 - ▲ School band, karate exhibitions, Force 8 display
 - ▲ Performances from Mr Pulley & featuring the Glittering Decorations and Sir Julian Trio (of iRock fame)!!
 - ▲ Our thanks to the many sponsors who supported us on the day – A great way for us to thank them is to patronise their businesses when we can. Bupa Aged Care St Ives, Ray White St Ives, Gomes— Render/Texture/Plaster, SLS Sunscreen, FATS Digital, Bradshaw Tree Services, Core9, MarketingHQ, Cane Financial

It is not just the events and attractions that provided the success of the day. It is the drive and commitment of the organisers that made it happen. They have been organising for months, quietly bringing things together. Many people do lots of little things that all combine to bring this day together. Whatever your contribution: big or small thank you for all your efforts and congratulations for what this community achieved. The children across the school thank you as well.

Last but not least, the big winners on the day are the children themselves. Excitement was at fever pitch by Friday, and the children's anticipation was richly rewarded in the form of an awesome day!

**Your community raised smiles, funds for the school ,
formed new friendships and built community!**

ST IVES VILLAGE CHOIR PERFORMANCE

School Choir will perform carols at St Ives Village Shopping Centre at the top of the travelator this Thursday at 5pm. You are welcome to come along and hear them sing!!

ST IVES VILLAGE BAND PERFORMANCE

A small ensemble of the senior band will perform at St Ives Village next Monday 4th December at 10am. Come along and support this small but talented team!!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT & FAMILY PICNIC

The Christmas concert will be held next Tuesday 5th December commencing at 6pm in the Church. The children will be performing some traditional carols retelling the Nativity story. A note with more information, including what the children are to wear, will be sent home this week.

In short: Children are asked to wear white, red and/or green clothing with a Christmas theme.

Children who have been chosen for cameo roles are asked to wear the following with sandals if possible:

- **Shepherds:** brown clothes
- **Joseph, Towns-people, Inn keepers, Prophets, Soldier :** brown or grey dark clothes
- **Mary:** Light blue or white
- **Angels:** white
- **Caesar and Wise men:** dark clothes

Following the Christmas Concert in the Church, you are then invited to bring a picnic for the family and rugs and enjoy some time with family and friends on the field. Please invite any extended family to come along as well if you wish. As this is a school function with lots of children involved, I am sure you understand that this is an alcohol free evening.

SIBLING DISCOUNT & PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS FORMS FOR 2018

Please return these forms to the office ensuring they have been signed on the back page. Every family must return the form outlining their payment arrangements for next year. So far, we have only received 60% of the forms. These need to be returned to the school office ASAP.

YEAR 6 CAMP

Last week, Year 6 students travelled to Milson Island for a three day school camp. I was able to join them on Wednesday. I saw the determination of all the children and the adults as they tackled the high swing, despite their reservations!!! Across the three days, the children pushed themselves beyond their usual limits to try new things. That's what leaving primary school and starting secondary school can be like – and all the children stepped up and proved to themselves that they can do anything they set their minds to achieve. A huge thank you to the teachers and support staff who accompanied Year 6 to camp: their agreement to attend the camps and to supervise the children 24/7 ensure the camps go ahead. Thanks to Mr Pulley, Mrs Barnden, Mr Sheedy and Mrs Hooper. Thanks also to Miss McDermott who attended on Thursday evening.

BRIGIDINE CAROLS

The Choir performed on Friday at the Brigidine Carols. They sang three songs and then performed a wonderful rendition of Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer arranged for the choirs and the Brigidine band. The Corpus Choir was wonderful and a wonderful complement to the fabulous night of carols!

Baba Yee

Principal

COMING EVENTS

School Choir to sing at St Ives Village	Thursday 30th November (5.30pm)
Band performing at St Ives Village	Monday 4th December
School Christmas Carols	Tuesday 5th December
Year 6 Graduation	Friday 8th December
End of year Mass	Tues 12th December
LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS	Friday 15th December
Best Start for Kindergarten 2018	Monday 29th, Tuesday 30th & Wednesday 31st January
First Day Term 1 (Years 1-6)	Tuesday 30th January
First Full Day Kindergarten 2018	Thursday 1st February

Religious Education

Masses

All parents and family members are welcome to join our two Masses at the end of the year.

Year 6 Graduation Mass: Friday 8th December, 5:30pm.

End of Year Mass: Tuesday 12th December, 9:30am.

Advent Season

This weekend marks the first Sunday of Advent and the new liturgical year.

The Advent wreath is a traditional centrepiece of the Christmas season. A candle is lit on each of the four Sundays preceding Christmas. The first candle (violet) represents hope, the second (violet) peace, the third (rose) joy, and the fourth (violet) love. The central white candle is lit on Christmas Day and represents Christ. The word 'advent' means 'coming'; lighting the candles on the Advent wreath symbolises the coming of Light (Jesus) into the world. The Advent Wreath teaches us about preparation for celebrating Jesus' birth and making our hearts truly ready to receive Him. (From Caritas Australia)

Advent calendars and wreaths are a great way to mark this special season of preparation and waiting in the lead up to Christmas.

Each class has an Advent wreath on their prayer table, teachers and students will use the wreath as their prayer focus for the season of Advent.



Blessings for the week ahead,

Katie McDermott (REC)

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Library News

BORROWING HAS FINISHED FOR THE YEAR.

ALL BOOKS ARE TO BE RETURNED BY Tuesday 5TH DECEMBER (WEEK 9) AT THE LATEST

****This includes all home readers which are to be returned to the classroom****

All books can then be shelved and organised for next year. Any missing books can be accounted for before the holidays. **Overdue notices** will continue to be sent home, as there are a large number of books to be returned to the library. **I would appreciate a note or email to penny.delmage@dbb.catholic.edu.au if you cannot locate a book or you think it has been returned.** That way I can record it as lost and you will receive no further notes. However, it is also expected if the book is not returned you either replace the book or pay for the replacement cost if it is not located by the end of the year.

2017 Library Statistics

Class that borrowed the most books per student was 1L

Most popular Junior Fiction book borrowed was Mutt Dog by Stephen Michael King

Most popular Fiction title borrowed was Black Sunday by Evan McHugh

The most popular Author borrowed was Aaron Blabey

Thanks to all the parent helpers in the library this year. Your time shelving and covering books is much appreciated.

Penny Delmage
Teacher/Librarian

Canteen News

Please see the Term 4 roster below. If you can help out with canteen, please get in touch with the office.

F - 01/12	Hannah Wakeling	Fleur Bowie	Lisa Angell	Angela Forman	FULL
T - 05/12	Charmaine Lorch				
F - 08/12	Olivia Mestres	Carole Neese	Michelle Ward	Cris Jespersen	FULL
T - 12/12					

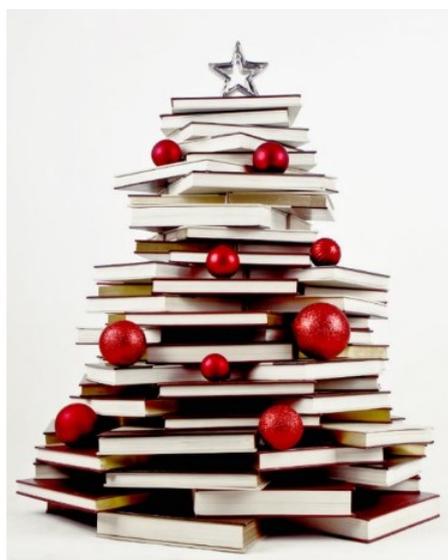
Book Club Orders

LAST BOOKCLUB FOR THE YEAR so grab some Christmas Bargains to bring the Christmas Cheer!

Online ordering via the LOOP system as directed in the brochure.
Orders close this Friday 1st Dec at midday.

We wish you and your family a very safe and merry Christmas and thank you to all the little bookworms who've enjoyed the Scholastic Bookclub throughout 2017.

See you next year
Georgie and Stephanie



Students Leaving at the end of 2017

If your child will be leaving Corpus Christi at the end of 2017 to attend another school, please advise the school in writing as soon as possible.

This letter needs to be signed by a parent/caregiver and also indicate which school your child will be attending in 2018.

Giving Tree for Barnardos Australia

Just a reminder that the P & F are still accepting gifts for the Giving Tree supporting the Barnardos Gifts for Kids Christmas Gift Appeal until this **Friday, the 1st December**. These donations are **OPTIONAL** and do not need to be wrapped but please exclude stuffed toys, toy guns, knives and swords. Your donations can be left in the plastic box in the office foyer. We thank you for your consideration and support.