



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Corpus Chronicle

CORPUS NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 3 • Wednesday 21st February 2024

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Friends,

It was tremendous seeing so many parents attending our Parent Information evening last night. Teachers may have mentioned our investment as a school in the Essential Assessment platform for 2024. This platform supports learning in Mathematics and English from K-6 and delivers a whole school approach to summative and formative assessment for Australian schools. Each teacher pre-assesses each student within each strand or sub-strand of the NSW Syllabus. This testing has been undertaken across all our classes.

Student results are then automatically compiled advising the teacher of each student's current progression point or level and a report of the achievement standards that each student has understood and misunderstood. This allows and supports targeted teaching and gap filling for any misconceptions students may have. Work is aligned to the children's level of achievement supporting their misunderstandings and providing work to consolidate their learning.

Essential Assessment will improve the school's ability to differentiate our Mathematics and English content for the individual, group and whole class as it utilises students' results and creates a tailored paper-based and online curriculum.

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My Numeracy and My Literacy is a differentiated and personalised practice assessment model with an interactive teaching and learning function that enables students to progress through each of their current misunderstandings at their own pace. In addition, this function can be used as additional work at home for students wanting further extension and practice.

The post assessment will allow teachers to accurately report on your child's academic level and growth. This will also provide our school with improved data on students' growth and achievement as they progress through each year level.

Highlights of the program:

- Individualised support for each student from K-6
- Accurate formative and summative data on students, classes and whole school
- Extension opportunities
- Increased student motivation and enjoyment through goals and trophies

For our children needing support in Mathematics this targeted intervention is ideal and for our students requiring extension in Mathematics the outcomes are covered up to a Year 10 level. We look forward to sharing more detailed information with you over the 2024 school year.

8 Tips For Dealing With Anxiety and Separation

It's normal for children to feel nervous about starting or returning to school. With new teachers and classmates to meet, new environments and routines to get used to, and new skills to learn, each term can bring with it a sense of change and uncertainty.

The good news is, there are lots of things you can do to help your child manage back-to-school anxiety and reduce its impact on their mental health, learning and wellbeing. Get started with these [eight tips](#) for helping your child manage back-to-school anxiety.

ICEBREAKERS

We are looking forward to seeing you all at our Icebreaker event on Saturday 9th March. This is a very relaxed family event and more details can be found in the P & F news. I especially encourage our Kindergarten families to come along. We will have a Kindergarten gathering space set up so that you can easily connect with other parents from your year group.



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P&F GENERAL MEETING: This will be held on Wednesday 13th March at 7:00pm in the school library. All parents are welcome.

CLASS PARENT MEETING: We will be holding a brief meeting before the P&F meeting at 6:30pm for all class parents. Thanks to the parents who have volunteered for this role in 2024. We now have all classes covered.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL: The school Swimming Carnival is this Friday 23rd February at Pymble Pool. This is always a great community event. Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to help. Please ensure children are wearing sunscreen and have their swimmers underneath their sports uniform. Sandshoes/joggers need to be worn to school for safety purposes.

CALLING FOR OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO SHARE THEIR EXPERTISE AND TIME WITH OUR STUDENTS

Thankyou for the responses so far from our community. We have had an offer of working with students around horticulture and landscape design. We have also had a parent who works in an exciting and growing area of IT that uses AI/automation. We know this will spark the interest of many students. The staff will also benefit from one of our parents trained in adult meditation during Wellbeing Week.

As part of our ASPIRE program we have welcomed many mentors from our community into the school to work with small groups of students over the last five years. We have had parents sharing their expertise in Art, Mathematics, STEM including 3D Design/Printing and Drone challenges. We have also welcomed experts from outside the school community to share knowledge around Engineering and Astrophysics. This is a call out to all members of our community to help us connect with experts in their field. We are looking for any areas of interest. You might be only able to spare one or two visits or alternatively be available for a number of sessions over a longer period of time. If you can offer your time or know of others that may be interested please contact me directly to discuss.



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PARENT MESSAGES TO THE OFFICE

Could I please ask for your support in helping us to reduce the number of interruptions to classrooms during school hours. Each time a parent contacts the office to pass on a message to their child/children it means that the teacher needs to stop teaching to respond to these messages. As a way of limiting these interruptions, we will now be calling children down to the office at 2:55pm to receive any messages at the end of the day. Where possible please inform your child/children in advance of their pick up procedures. Of course we do understand that last minute changes do occur.

Children should not be leaving school early or during school hours to attend extracurricular activities unless these have been approved by the school. While parents are legally responsible for the regular attendance of their children, school staff members monitor student attendance daily, including part or whole day absences, as a consequence of both their duty of care and legislative requirements. Please do not pick your children up early for convenience reasons as this works against the schools attendance requirements and interrupts the learning of other students.

WET WEATHER

Could I please request that all children have a raincoat in their bags for wet weather. Umbrella's are not allowed at school as they can be very dangerous around other children. You can buy raincoats from Kmart, Lowes, Target and Cowan & Lewis.

Jayne Wheen
Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



First Week of Lent

(Week beginning Monday 19 February)

Dear Project Compassion Parents,

This year, we've made getting involved with Project Compassion as a parent easier than ever! Scan the QR code to get started on your **Project Compassion Parent journey!** You can start small by simply sparking conversations with your kids about Project Compassion and exploring creative ways to integrate compassion into their daily lives.

We're encouraging parents to join your children and Give it up for Lent! Whether you decide to forgo your daily coffee over Lent, or you are opting to 'walk to work' instead of your car commute – *every small action makes a significant impact!* Simply set up your online fundraising page, tell people what you're giving up for Lent this year and ask your support network to sponsor your amazing efforts!

Your involvement not only nurtures a spirit of giving and sacrifice within your family, but also adds to a global wave of positive change.



This year, Project Compassion brings you the stories of three resilient women from three different corners of the world. They are facing vastly different challenges but are all united by one dream: to create a better tomorrow **for all future generations.**

Meet **Ronita** from the Philippines! Ronita lives with her husband and two children in a barangay (local district) in Quezon City, which is situated in Metro Manila in the Philippines. She went back to school to finish her education so that she could earn income to support her children.

Meet **Leaia** from Samoa. Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for Leaia and her family. But, with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.

Meet **Memory** from Malawi. Memory, the eldest daughter from a rural Malawian family, trained to become a carpenter and is now a trailblazer for future generations of women in her village.



Throughout Project Compassion, you will get to know the stories of Ronita, Leaia and Memory. Journey with them as they forge a path to a brighter future for all generations.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Sacraments 2024



RECONCILIATION

Please keep the children in Year 4 and above in your prayers as they prepare in the coming weeks for their First Reconciliation.

Reconciliation will be held on Saturday 23rd March at 9.30am and 3.30pm.

Please note the following dates for Sacraments at Corpus Christi Catholic Church for 2024. If you have a child or sibling that wishes to make their Sacraments and they have been baptised, please see the following information.



Year 3 and older- Sacrament of Confirmation is Friday 28th June 2024.

Year 4 and older- Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

First Eucharist is 21st/22nd September.

All times to be confirmed. If you have any questions, please contact:

Gerri Hadwen

Sacramental Coordinator

PHONE: 02 9144 6998

EMAIL: sacraments@corpuschristi.com.au

Family Rock Mass Term 1



We look forward to seeing many of our families at our first whole school Rock Mass for the year. It will be on Sunday 24th March (Palm Sunday) at 5pm in the church. It will be led by Year 6 and Kindy who will participate in a special reading of the Gospel.

We would love to see as many Kindy and Year 6 children attending as possible. Please [RSVP here](#) by Friday 8th March if you would like your child to be considered for a specific part in the Mass as teachers will need to allocate this well in advance. This way teachers will have time to prepare the children for this special Mass.

Family Rock Mass dates for your Calendar

Sunday 24 th March (Term 1)	Led by Stage 3 and Kindergarten
Sunday 16 th June (Term 2)	Led by Stage 1
Sunday 25 th August (Term 3)	Led by Stage 2
Sunday 1 st December (Term 4)	Led by Kindergarten & Year 5 for the new Kindergarten families of 2025.

Penny Delmage

Religious Education Coordinator

Sutton Cup – Boys Primary Schools Competition

The 2024 Sutton Cup will be taking place later this month, with Corpus Christi registering two teams in the competition. Spanning over two exciting days, The Sutton Cup looks to bring schools together across the Northern Suburbs of Sydney to engage in a friendly and supportive day of football fun. Although Corpus Christi would love to have all students participate in the event, only boys from stage 2 and 3 can register for the event. Additionally, due to a maximum number of students per team being implemented by the tournament organisers, the school will be hosting tryouts as we have received a large scale of interest from students. For more information about these tryouts, a Compass note has been released with more details.

Corpus Christi Swimming Carnival 2024



The Corpus Christi Swimming Carnival is fast approaching with students beginning their war cry chants this week. Thank you to all parents who have registered their children in the appropriate races they would like to participate in. Just a reminder to parents that students are allowed to withdraw from an event on the day, however, they cannot decide to take up an event on the day. This means that students can only participate in the events they have been registered to swim in.

North Shore District Softball

A huge congratulations to Annabelle Moriarty who attended her North Shore District Presentation night at the start of the month. Annabelle walked away with the U12 best batter award which is a huge achievement. To add to this, Annabelle's efforts were noticed by North Shore District Softball Association, with her skills helping her in being selected to represent the U12 NSDA Representative team at the upcoming State Championships. This achievement adds to the already impressive list of accomplishments within the sport, and we cannot be any prouder of her dedication to improving her craft. Well done, Annabelle.

Lisa Sargent

PDHPE Specialist & Sport Coordinator

LIBRARY NEWS



Calling all Library lovers. If you would like to volunteer in the Library this year to help with shelving of books, covering books, checking books out to students and scanning returns, I would love to hear from you. I welcome all parents who are interested in helping to volunteer. We can work out best times for everyone according to your availability.

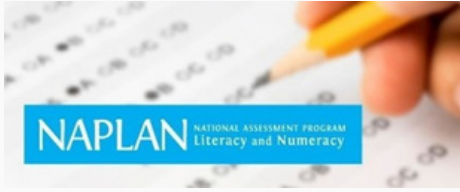
Please contact me at liz.williams@dbb.catholic.edu.au if you would like to volunteer or have any enquiries.

Library Bags: Apologies for the current lack of stock of Library Bags in the Office. We hope to be receiving new stock within the next two weeks and Belinda will send a Compass notification to advise when they arrive. In the meantime, children can bring any bag to transport their Library books in. Please encourage your child to borrow each week – we have so many lovely books to share in our Library.

Liz Williams
Teacher Librarian

NAPLAN NEWS

NAPLAN 2024 – Years 3 and 5



NAPLAN (National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) time is drawing near again for Years 3 and 5 students with testing set this year for Term 1 Week 6, Wed 13th – Fri 15th March.

The results of these assessments aim to provide diagnostic information for parents and teachers about each student's performance in literacy and numeracy. The assessments are earlier this year so that results and important data about student learning may be accessed as early as possible.

At Corpus Christi we use the NAPLAN data to help teachers identify students who require greater challenges or additional support and to identify strengths and weaknesses in teaching programs and set goals in literacy and numeracy.

Throughout the year, our students undertake a wide range of assessments which enable us to build a strong profile of their learning needs and strengths. NAPLAN is designed to provide one of the measures of a child's progress. It is completed in Term 1 (as above) and results are provided later in the year.

All NAPLAN assessment this year will be presented in the ONLINE format except for Year 3 Writing, which is in pen and paper format.

School iPads will be provided to all students to complete the assessment, even if they usually bring their own devices. All devices have been checked and aligned to minimum standards for successful participation in the assessments.

All students are required to bring their own headphones each day of the assessment period.

Students who are absent for any of the assessments will be provided with make up sessions as soon as possible after their absence. **The assessment window closes on Monday, 26th March.** All assessments must be completed by this date and any student unable to complete assessments by 26th March will be marked as absent.

NAPLAN NEWS

NAPLAN Assessment Timetable

	Wed 13 March 9:15-10:15am	Thurs 14 March	Friday 15 March 9:30-10:30am
NAPLAN Assessments	Writing (Year 3 Paper Version; Year 5 Online)	9:15-10:15am Reading 11:30-12:30pm Conventions of Language (Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling)	Mathematics
Make Up Sessions	Thurs 16/3- Tue 26/3 (All assessments as required)		

Students will be well prepared for the assessments with teaching and learning experiences practising the skills and content of the assessments, as well as practice in the format of the assessments and targeted writing sessions weekly for both Years 3 and 5 from Week 3 to consolidate on last year's learning. Students can also access the Public Demonstration Site [here](#) to practise a variety of questions in the online format. A wealth of additional information regarding NAPLAN can be found [here](#).

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or myself if you have any enquiries about NAPLAN in 2024.

Liz Williams
Teacher Librarian

MUSIC NEWS

STAGE 3 MUSIC PASSION PROJECTS



Stage 3 have started the term with beginning their own 'Passion Project' in Music.

It is an opportunity for students to work on something that interests them in Music, that they are passionate about, or that they want to learn more about.

We spent time in class brainstorming, and I asked students to come up with a list of ideas using Lee Arazo's framework, "Four Pathways to Genius." From there, students were asked to narrow down their list to one great idea.

The students have been given four weeks to work on their projects during Music.

Here is a taste of some projects:

Learning to play the piano.

How did Tina Turner's performance/style contribute to her success as a performer?

How did Beethoven create world-wide piano pieces even when he was deaf and how did it impact him and his pieces? How would it be different today?

How did a folk tale become the popular musical composition 'Swan Lake' which is loved by everyone?

Enjoy a talk-show with different musicians

Using a 3D printer to put in the sounds and singing of Bad Habits

What was the impact of 80s music, and how did it create change?

And yes, there is one or two Taylor Swift Passion Projects!

Students have voice and choice, they get to ask questions, they are creating, and they own the learning process. We would love to share what we learn with our parents, grandparents and other students.

WHEN: Wednesday, Week 7, 2:10pm (after lunch)

WHERE: AP Room

Gemma Archer
Music Teacher

SRC MEMBERS



Congratulations to our new SRC Member for
Semester 1 2024

KB	Grace L
KO	Prisha B
1DM	Vivienne F
1G	Maddison P
2L	Hugh F
2H	Kiki V
3S	Evelyn K
4M	Maddie O
5J	Clementina A
3/6S	Spencer B
	SRC Leaders Benji D Charlie D Grace P



CORPUS CORNER

Debating Win!

SDA Debating Round 1 – First debate win for 2024!

On Friday evening, our Primary A and Primary B teams had their first debate this year at Trinity Grammar.

Their topic was: 'Schools should not group students based on ability'. Our teams were assigned the Negative side to argue.

Both teams cooperated well to refute the argument and were confident and eloquent in their speeches. Primary B came away with a win this week.

Well done to both teams!



SHROVE TUESDAY

Visit from Matt Cross – Member from Davidson MP and Kelly Sloane – Member from Vaucluse MP

Year 6 had a special visit today from our local member of Parliament Matt Cross and the member for Vaucluse, Kellie Sloane. They spoke with Year 6 about leadership and debating tips, how to overcome nerves when public speaking and the importance of being an upstander for important issues and even friendships. The best piece of advice was how the most impressive leaders are those that see something that needs to be done and they just get it done!



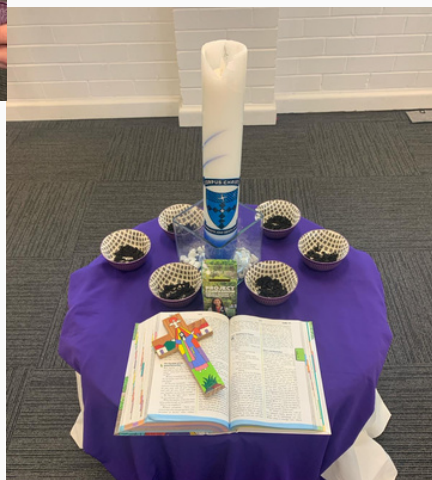
CORPUS CORNER

Shrove Tuesday



Ash

Wednesday



P & F NEWS

We hope everyone is settling into the new school year well.

We are pleased to present our celebration of the new school year to welcome everyone to the school and get together as a community.

Welcome Back to School Circus Extravaganza!

It's time to shake off those holiday vibes and leap into an exciting new school year with joy, laughter, and community.


9th of March, 17:00 - 19:30

Fun-Filled Activities for Everyone

Hotdogs & Fairy Floss: Savory bites or sweet treats? Why not both? Enjoy classic hotdogs and melt-in-your-mouth fairy floss.

Cool down and chill out with icy slushies – a hit among kids and adults alike.

With lots of varied options, there's plenty to keep everyone engaged and entertained.

 This is the perfect opportunity to catch up with old friends, make new ones, and strengthen our wonderful community.

We hope to see you all there.

General Meeting Alert!

Don't forget our General Meeting on the 13th of March at 7 pm in the school library. Your presence and input are valuable as we discuss plans and ideas for our community and school.

Be part of our community by joining
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/404239497029703/>.

Stay updated, share your thoughts, and connect with fellow members.

From your
P and F Committee

**ROLL UP, ROLL UP
FOR OUR
BACK TO SCHOOL
CIRCUS**

**Face Painting
Dancing and Games
Prizes to be won**

Bring gold coin donations for activities

**Hot Dogs
Fairy Floss
Slushies**
Cash and Card facilities

9th | **Corpus Christi School** | **17:00-19:30**
MARCH | **FREE ENTRY**

If you would like to keep up to date with the latest P and F news please join our Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/404239497029703/> to keep up to date with the latest P and F news please join our Facebook group at [Your paragraph text](#)

TERM 1 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2024	
TERM 4	
<p><u>Week 3</u> Wednesday, 21st February Friday, 23rd February</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Opening School Mass ▪ Swimming Carnival
<p><u>Week 4</u> Monday 26th February Tuesday 27th February Friday 1st March</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bupa Visit – Year 6 ▪ Canteen ▪ Canteen
<p><u>Week 5</u> Monday 4th March Tuesday 5th March Thursday, 7th <u>March</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bupa Visit Year 6 ▪ Canteen ▪ Canteen ▪ Parent Volunteer Session @ 3.30pm
<p><u>Week 6</u> Monday 11th March</p> <p>Wednesday 13th March Thursday 14th March</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stage 3 Reconciliation ▪ Bupa Visit Year 4 ▪ Canteen ▪ Canteen
<p><u>Week 7</u> Monday 18th March Tuesday 19th March Wednesday 20th March Thursday 21st March Friday 22nd March</p> <p>Sunday 24th March</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bupa Visit – Year 5 ▪ Canteen ▪ Rice Day in Canteen ▪ Harmony Day ▪ Canteen ▪ OPEN DAY #1 ▪ National Ride to School Day ▪ Rock Mass @ 5pm – All Welcome!

MERIT & PBL AWARDS

Class	Merit	PBL
KB	Reilly B, Sebastian B	Natalie C, Lilly S
KO	Levi S, Isabelle M	Micaela R, Jeremy P
1G	Maddie L, Harlow C	Felix E, Grace R
1DS	Jack N, Zara O, Monica K, Amelia W	Rylan M, Kendrick A
2L	Saskia L, Sophia H	Maddie K, Edenhope T
2H	Kiki V, William W	Samantha Z, Stella N
3S	Monica C, Alicia W, Leo T, Ginny F, Tommy S	Matilda B, Ethan W
4M	Maddie O, Ethan O	Cyrus H, Christal C
5J	May S	Amaya W
6D	Anais H, Benji D, Jonathan W	Chloe S, Fleur K
3/6S	Maximus J, Rymon L	Antony S, Michael S
LIBRARY	Elle G, Evelyn K	Jeremy P, Madi K
MUSIC/DRAMA	Alicia W, Sabian V	

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH TRIVIA NIGHT

Corpus Christi Church Trivia Night

Fundraiser for New Presbytery Build

Saturday 16th March 2024



7:00pm

\$35.00 per head



BYO drinks, snacks, meal

Tables of 8 – 10 or we can seat you



RSVP: 8th March 2024



*Bookings by QR Code or return the slip below to the office.
If you are unable to attend, we welcome any donations.*

BSB: 062 784 Account No: 100001798 Ref: New Build TN
or contact the office (02) 9144 6998



Church Hall
263 Mona Vale Road St Ives 2075



Please complete the form and return to the office with payment to reserve your table.

Name: Mobile:

My table name is : Please seat me at available table

Number of tickets: Payment: \$.....

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH TRIVIA NIGHT

RSVP by
8 March -
hurry!!

TRIVIA NIGHT: 16 MARCH

a night of fun ✨ support the new Presbytery build

Buy seats or a table - \$35 per head

Plenty of prizes to win!

- Bring cash and gold coins for games
- Prize for best decorated table - get creative or go green for St Patrick's Day!
- Dress to impress - prize for best dressed!



We welcome any donations:

BSB: 062 784 / Account No: 100001798

Ref: New Build TN



RAFFLE TICKETS available now



\$5 a ticket
Drawn on night

PRIZES

- 1st - handmade 18ct white gold ring with a 10.08ct round amethyst, 6 claw set (\$2,500)
- 2nd - Anytime Fitness, St Ives annual national pass incl 3 personal training sessions (\$800)
- 3rd - Cosmetic hamper (\$300)
- 4th - JVC 32" Android 11 Smart TV (\$300)
- 5th - Villeroy & Boch Vase (\$100)



PROPERTY FOR SALE? TALK TO US

The church will get a 10% donation of commission from the sale of your property.

Contact our long-term newsletter sponsor
First National Real Estate: Noelene or Mark Johnson
on 9488 8200.

NOTICES

CLASSROOM NEWS

Corpus Christi St Ives Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) is looking for casual educators.



If you are interested in casual afternoon employment, working with 5-12 year old children and educators, please contact Annette Harman and/or Angela Hudson on Centre Number: 0478 712 469.

YEAR 4 NEWS

This term, Year 4 have created some very interesting and creative artworks. Inspired by the art movement of 'Surrealism', students were challenged to create a vast array of artworks using a variety of mediums and techniques. These included "Cerealism" an artwork where students juxtaposed an ordinary image of a cereal box into a contrasting piece of artwork. With "Blast From the Past" students used textas, paint and oil pastels to create an artwork using the humble Nutella Bottle. "Larger Than Life" challenged the students, requiring

Our email address is:
oshc.stives@catholiccaredbb.org.au

We look forward to meeting you and providing you with a complete job description.

GROW WITH THE SAINTS!



FUN FOR GIRLS & BOYS 4 TO 6 YEARS



- Play no-tackle Tri Tag
- Make friends, have fun
- Learn the game as you go!
- Training Fri Evenings, Matches Sun mornings

FUN FOR GIRLS & BOYS 7 TO 8 YEARS



- Safe and Fun
- Gain confidence and skills
- Get active and make friends!
- Training Fri Evenings, matches Sun mornings

FOR GIRLS & BOYS 9 YEARS AND ABOVE



- Get fit and be active
- Make friends
- All experience levels welcome!
- Training Tue evenings, matches on Sun

Come Try!

**ST IVES VILLAGE GREEN
FRI 23 FEB & 1 MAR
5:30PM**

For more information, visit www.stivesrugby.com.au or scan QR code to join our mailing list.

