



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Friends,

I hope that each of you had a rejuvenating time with your families during the Easter Long Weekend, filled with moments of reflection, prayer, and joy.

As we return briefly to our school routines, let us carry the spirit of Easter with us. Easter is a time of renewal and hope, reminding us of the power of faith and the promise of new beginnings. Just as Jesus emerged triumphant over death, may we approach each day with renewed strength, purpose, and gratitude.

As partners in your children's education, we are grateful for your continued support and involvement in our school's mission and vision. Please see information about ways to nurture the relationship between your family and the school below.

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### What Our Teachers Were Up To On Tuesday!

Yesterday was the CSBB Curriculum Reform Day and we gathered with four local schools to work on aligning achievement outcomes to the curriculum and assessment standards.

The CSBB Curriculum Principles are:

- \* The learning entitlement of every student is that teachers know the content of the NSW Curriculum and deliver it through evidence-based practices.
- \* Teachers know the continuum of learning outcomes
- \* Teachers consistently align achievement of outcomes to the curriculum and assessment standards.
- \* Consistent teachers' judgment of standards informs the image of the learner.

Thank you to our Corpus Christi staff and Catholic Schools Broken Bay for all of your hard work to keep our standard of learning at the forefront of education.

### Catholic Schools Broken Bay Parent Charter

Building positive relationships between schools and parents is the cornerstone of nurturing student learning and achievement. To formalise our commitment to effective communication and mutual respect, Catholic Schools Broken Bay launched a Parent Charter in late 2023. A copy of the Charter can be found [here](#). The Charter places great emphasis on respectful, open, and two-way communication and outlines:

- What you as parents can expect from your relationship with your school
- What our school will expect from you as parents and carers
- Guidelines for positive communication and engagement between parents and the school
- An explanation of unacceptable behaviours and how these are handled by the school.



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As we approach the end of another busy school term, we kindly ask parents to be mindful of the following guidelines for effective partnership:

- **Stay Informed:** Stay informed about your child's progress by attending parent-teacher conferences, reading newsletters, and checking COMPASS.
- **Initiate Contact:** Don't hesitate to reach out to the appropriate staff member if you have concerns or questions about your child's progress, behaviour, or any other aspect of their education. Initial communications should always be with the appropriate school personnel, e.g., the classroom teacher. If further support is required, please contact our school leaders.
- **Be Respectful:** Approach conversations with staff in a respectful and professional manner, as they are dedicated to helping your child succeed.
- **Respect Response Time:** Recognise that staff have multiple students and responsibilities. Allow them time to respond to your inquiries and respect their working hours. Staff will usually respond within 48 hours.

Effective communication between parents and school staff is the key to a successful educational journey for your child. We value your input and are committed to working together to ensure that our school remains a collaborative, safe, and supportive environment.



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### Sibling Interviews

If you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2025 please contact Belinda in the office to book in an interview starting the enrollment process. In Term 2 we will be offering places to new families wishing to join our community.



### Cross Country

We will keep a close eye on the weather and let you know if the Cross Country will be going ahead on Friday morning. Our backup date is Tuesday 9th April.

As this is the last newsletter before the school holidays I wish you all a safe and happy break.

*Jayne Wheen*  
Principal

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

## PROJECT COMPASSION

The theme of Project Compassion 2024 is 'For All Future Generations' and reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. It invites us to make the world a better place by working together now and finding long-term solutions to global issues.

Thank you to the many students and families that have participated in the various fundraising we have had during this term for Project Compassion. From our collection boxes to Pancake Day and Rice Day in the canteen, the Book Fair, Year 6 Friendship Bracelets and our Easter Raffle and Guessing Competition.

A special thank you to the parents that assisted in either cooking, serving or donating their rice cooker during Rice Day. It was much appreciated.

We have had some very generous donations by individuals and families. It is this sort of almsgiving that shows the true meaning of Lent. It is about giving and not expecting acknowledgement and praise. It is from the heart.

If you have a collection box at home, please return it by the end of Week 2 Term 2.



## CONFIRMATION



The sacrament of Confirmation will be held in Term 2 of 2024 at Corpus Christi Parish on 28th June.

In order to join this sacrament program children must be in Year 3 or older and have been Baptised. Parents wishing to enrol their child for the Sacrament of Confirmation should do so by using the try booking link [here](#)

There will be TWO compulsory Parent Information Evenings held in the Church Hall at 7:30pm on Thursday 16th May and 23rd May.

The presentation of candidates will be held at the weekend masses on the 25th and 26th May. There will also be a compulsory practice in the Church for each child and a parent on Tuesday 25th June at 4.30pm.

Confirmation will be held on Friday 28th June 2024 at 6.00pm.

Attendance by at least one parent at the information evenings is a requirement of the course.

All queries can be directed to Gerri Hadwen via [sacraments@corpuschristi.com.au](mailto:sacraments@corpuschristi.com.au)

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

## MOTHER'S DAY - CANA FARM GIFTS



Gifts from Cana Farm will be on sale again for Mother's Day. I will send a Compass before the end of term with further details.

### Dates for Term 2

ANZAC Liturgy	Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 11:15am in the Quad	Led Year 5
Cana Farm Mother's Day Gifts	Orders to be completed via QKR 18 <sup>th</sup> April	All classes
Mother's Day Liturgy (Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> May)	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May-9am in the Quad followed by open classrooms. (Breakfast 8am in the Quad outside canteen).	Stage 1

*Penny Delmage*

Religious Education Coordinator

# PE NEWS



Congratulations to **James Perrett** representing Polding in swimming.

James swam in 50m Freestyle and Backstroke. Although he was unable to take a placing against some very hard competition this year, we are very proud of him getting very close to his Personal Best (PB) missing out by 0.02 in Freestyle and 0.12 in his Backstroke.

*Lisa Sargent*

PDHPE Specialist & Sport Coordinator

# LIBRARY NEWS



## BOOK RETURNS

Please take time over the holidays to look through children's book shelves to locate any missing Library books. Late notices will be sent home this week. If you are unable to find the books listed, please advise by returning the late notice with comments.

**PREMIER READING CHALLENGE 2024** –136 reading records have now been started – keep up the great reading Corpus! We will continue to revisit the procedures and resources of the Challenge in Library over this term and term 3. Students have also been surprised to see how many books they have already read since last August when they scroll through the PRC book lists [here](#) .

We now have 22 students who have already completed the Challenge! Congratulations to:

Kindy **Clara, Maddie, Callie**

Year 1 Zara, Max, Sabian, Amelia, **Lucia**

Year 2 Kiki, James

Year 3 Alicia, Monica

Year 4 Ethan

Year 5 Flynn, Clementina, Hana, Alexia, Katelyn, Arhan, Jayden, Emily

Year 6 Eugene

Well done to all of these students who are really celebrating their love of reading.

It is so easy to participate in the Challenge. Log on with your child to see how many books they have already read since August last year and add these to their log. Take note of some of the books they would still like to read and have them borrow these over coming weeks. We have 100s of books on the Premiers Reading Challenge in our very own Corpus Christi Library. We are presenting a book display weekly now with new picture books as well as PRC picture books for children to easily access. Please encourage your child to also ask Mrs Williams if they need help finding PRC books. The Challenge runs until 23rd August 2024. **We have 114 students who have started but not yet completed the challenge – take some time in the holidays to update your records.** Keep reading Corpus!





# LIBRARY NEWS

Please let me know if you are having trouble with student login details or require assistance with entering the books online. Please do not hesitate to email me [here](#).

## **CBCA BOOK WEEK 2024**

In Term 2 we will start gearing up for BOOK WEEK! Always a highlight of our year here in the Library, Book Week introduces a whole new world of inspirational reading for children (and adults!) of all ages. This year's Book Week theme is Reading is Magic! You can see the Shortlisted Books [here](#) which we will be exploring in Terms 2 and 3.



*Liz Williams & Gemma Archer*  
Teacher/Librarians

# ENGLISH SECOND LANGUAGE MORNING TEA

*Did you know that 46% of our  
Corpus Christi students come  
from a Language Background  
other than English?*

*English Second Language  
(ESL)*

## MORNING TEA

Our ESL department would like to invite all parents and carers who are interested in attending a morning tea focused on getting to know other families in our school who may speak the same or a different language to your family.

Anyone is free to attend. We look forward to welcoming you and learning about the different cultures in our school community.

**DATE: MONDAY, 8TH APRIL 2024**

**TIME: 8.45AM**

**AP ROOM**

**RSVP: [BELINDA.CAMILLER12@DBB.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU](mailto:BELINDA.CAMILLER12@DBB.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU)**

# STEM IMMERSION

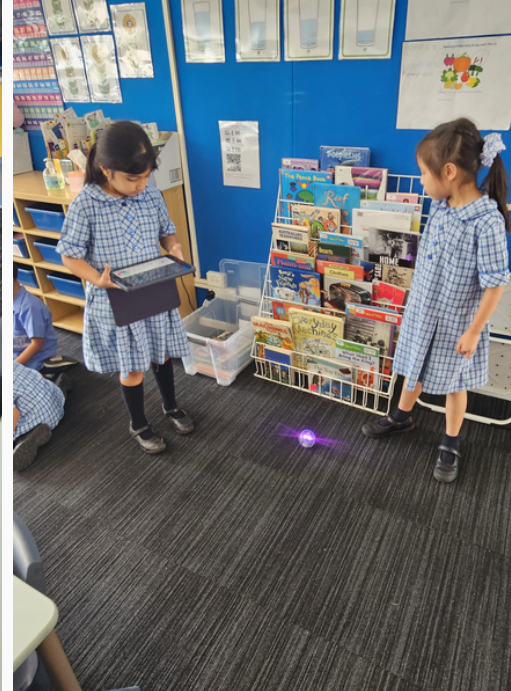
## STEM IMMERSION – TERM 1, 2024

During the past fortnight, we celebrated our anticipated STEM Immersion Days. Students across all grades engaged with cutting-edge technology that's shaping the future. Our youngest innovators in kindergarten, navigated Beebots around their classrooms, honing their coding skills. Years 1 and 2 took control of Spheros, orchestrating thrilling races both indoors and out. Year 3 and 4 embarked on an augmented reality adventure, crafting CGI animations for their 'Living Things' science projects—watch this space for their final creations! Meanwhile, Stage 3 students skillfully maneuvered our latest drones, mastering the skies with impressive precision.

These experiences not only prepare them for the future but also foster a spirit of innovation and teamwork.



# STEM IMMERSION



*Andrew Spencer*  
STEM COORDINATOR

# TERM 1 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2024	
TERM 1	
<u>Week 9</u> Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> April Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April  Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April  Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Easter Monday (Public Holiday)</li> <li>▪ System Curriculum Reform Day – Pupil Free Day</li> <li>▪ Easter Liturgy @ 2.10pm in Church</li> <li>▪ CANTEEN</li> <li>▪ SPARK Art Experience (Interschool Challenge)</li> <li>▪ CANTEEN</li> <li>▪ Whole School Cross Country</li> </ul>
<u>Week 10</u> Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April  Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Bupa Visit – Year 5</li> <li>▪ CANTEEN</li> <li>▪ SPARK Day 2 – Wahroonga</li> <li>▪ CANTEEN – Run by Year 6</li> <li>▪ Year 6 Leaders Day</li> </ul>
<u>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</u> 15/04/2024 – 28/04/24	
TERM 2 <u>Week 1</u> Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	
<u>Week 2</u> Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Pupil Free Day</li> <li>▪ <u>Students</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Day Back</li> <li>▪ 11.15am Anzac Day Liturgy</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Mother's Day Breakfast &amp; Liturgy</li> <li>▪ Maths Olympiad Competition #1</li> <li>▪ P &amp; F Executive Meeting</li> </ul>	

## Staff Development Days 2024

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April - The Writing Revolution

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April - **System Curriculum Reform Day**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July System-wide SDD Towards 2025

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - **System Curriculum Reform Day**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October - Spirituality Day

# MERIT & PBL AWARDS

Class	Merit	PBL
KB	Clara C Callie T	Reyan S Roman M
KO	Sebastian C	Imre M
1G	Alastair T	George G
1DS	Sabian V	Jasper D
2L	Isla W	James Y
2H	Oliver G	Lorenzo S
3S	Darcey P	Matteo C
4M	Christal C Ray H	Danica A
5J	Tino M	Roy Song
6D	Amber H	Ala G
3/6S	Maximus J	Mikey H
LIBRARY	Chloe O	Riley B
MUSIC/DRAMA	Stage 3	

# CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH NEWS

## Welcome to Corpus Christi Parish

### Children's Liturgy at 10am Mass

At every Sunday 10am Mass, children are invited to go to the Church Hall during Mass to participate in Children's Liturgy. There, they read the Gospel for the week and do activities related to that Sunday's gospel.



Morning tea is served afterwards for everyone!



### Pray and Play

Once a month after Sunday 10am Mass, we organise some simple games for the children to play while parents mingle and chat. The next dates will be on 7 April and 5 May.



To see the latest updates on what's going on in our parish, scan the QR code or join at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/CorpusChristiStIves/>

