



Corpus Christi Chatter

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Dear Families and Friends,

As the end of the school year draws closer to Christmas, I wish to take the opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate two staff members, Mrs Mercia Frayne and Mrs Georgina Biondi, who will be finishing their time at Corpus Christi after taking Long Service Leave in 2020. Both Mercia and Georgina have made priceless contributions to our Corpus Christi Community and Catholic Education over a long period of time.

Mercia has committed 26 years to Corpus Christi in a variety of roles and is a much loved and highly respected member of our staff.

2019 marks an incredible milestone in Georgina's career achieving 50 years service in education (38 with the Victorian Education Department and 12 years at in Catholic Education at Corpus Christi. Georgina has played a significant role in the enhancement of our faith community and as a classroom teacher.

CONDOLENCES

Our deepest sympathies to Mrs Mary Demetriou (Administration Officer), Arion, Frances and Andrew on the sad passing of Mary's beloved father. In our thoughts and prayers during this time of great sadness.



2020 FOUNDATION ORIENTATION SESSIONS

Wednesday 27th November -

Foundation Orientation Sessions 9.30am/2.00pm

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS TERM 4

A number of school closure days have been planned this term to meet our CEM School Review follow up planning requirements, Industrial Relations Staff Professional Practice Release (Assessment/End of Year Report writing, 2020 planning days) and Wellbeing.

Friday 6th December - 2020 Planning Day

PARENT THANK YOU MORNING TEA

Tuesday 17th DECEMBER 2019 at 10.30am

A "Thank You" Morning Tea will be held on Tuesday 17th December at 10.30 in the School Staffroom for all parents who have assisted our school in any way throughout 2019 (eg. classroom, sport, canteen, library, excursions, Parents' Association, Education Board, swimming, covering books, uniform shop etc). An RSVP note will follow shortly.

GLENROY LEVEL CROSSING REMOVAL PROJECT

We have been advised that Level Crossing Removal works at Glenroy Rail Crossing will commence in 2020 and scheduled for completion in 2022.

UNIFORM REMINDER

Reminder - runners and sports uniform should only be worn on sports days/PE or as advised by classroom teacher. Thank you to all parents who have supported our Uniform request. Greatly appreciated

REMINDER to Parents - that Widford Street opposite the school (Anglican Church side) is 24 hour NO PARKING. Please do not park across the road from Administration area when dropping off/picking up children. Thank you.

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 6th December

2020 Planning Day

Wednesday 4th December CAROLS NIGHT

Thursday 5th December 2019 Year 6 MSAC

Monday 9th December - Monday 16th December Swimming Program

Tuesday 17th December Year 6 Graduation 7.00pm

10.00am End of Year Mass

10.30am Parent Thank You
Morning Tea

Thursday 19th December Last School Day for Children 3.30pm Finish

2020 FEES

As costs continue to increase in providing educational resources and facilities we have had to schedule a fee increase to meet the ongoing cost of providing Catholic Education in the Glenroy Parish. We have tried to keep the fee increase minimal (but realistic in meeting our financial needs) so as not to increase financial hardship on families. An overall \$30 increase will be implemented for 2020. This is an average increase of 75cents per week over the school year.

If experiencing any financial difficult please contact School Office to make an appointment to discuss the situation. Thank you for your continued cooperation and understanding.

FEE YEAR	TUITION FEE	FAMILY FEE
2020	\$340	\$840 per family
2019	\$325	\$825

Year 5/6 Camp will be held at Don Bosco Camp Dromana in April 2020 Cost per child (\$260).

We have structured our fee payment schedule to enable families to budget for fee payments.
Eg. Tuition Fee Week One of Term One, First Family Fee instalment commencement of Term 2
Second Instalment commencement of Term 3. Third Instalment commencement of Term 4.

Proposed 2020 CLASSROOM ORGANISATION (unless significant increase/decrease in numbers)

Foundation: Mrs Deborah D'Aprano

Year 1/2: Mrs Maria Pringipas, Miss Natalie Galletta, Mrs Susan Arians,

Year 3/4: Mrs Claire Waldron, Miss Rachel Gravenall, Mrs Margaret James

Year 5/6: Mrs Michelle Smith, Mrs Patrick Sherlock, Mr Andrew Jones

We are currently in the process of organizing our class groupings and teacher allocation for the 2020 school year.

It is vital that families who are leaving Corpus Christi advise us immediately so we can plan accordingly.

Families will be notified of their child's 2020 classroom teachers when they receive their child's end of year report.

We are extremely fortunate at Corpus Christi Primary School to have a group of wonderfully talented, dedicated and committed teachers and staff. We ask all children and parents to continue to support us through your continued cooperation and positive attitude to learning.

The following criteria are used as a guideline for formulating class groupings.

- 1) Awareness of positive social/friendship groups.
- 2) Potential Behavioural/personality conflicts
- 3) Maturity/independent working ability
- 4) Gender Balance where possible
- 5) Level balance in multi-age groupings
- 6) Maximum two consecutive years with teacher
- 7) Academic balance
- 8) Parental involvement and support
- 9) Number of new arrivals / ESL /Children with special learning needs.

All students attending Corpus Christi Primary School have the right to feel safe. The care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people is a fundamental responsibility of all within our school. Corpus Christi Primary School is committed to creating an environment where the safety, wellbeing and participation of all children within our care is paramount.

Advent is a season observed in many Christian churches as a time of expectant waiting and preparation for both the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas and the return of Jesus at the Second Coming. The term is a version of the Latin word meaning "coming".



Dear Heavenly Father,
Help me to hear your voice.
Touch me once again.
Give me the courage to be your beloved.
Give me courage to choose joy.
I need you now this Christmas.
Be born in me again. Today.
In Jesus' name, Amen.

~Bonnie Gray,

During ADVENT practise Forgiveness: Let It Go!!

Mahatma Gandhi said, "The weak can never forgive. **Forgiveness** is the attribute of the strong." This rings true. It's not always easy to move beyond hurtful feelings when someone has wronged you. But, research shows practicing forgiveness has many benefits.

The strength of forgiveness:

- contributes to emotional stability and likability
- promotes better physical and psychological health
- fosters productive interpersonal relationships



Our **Swimming Program** begins in Term Four on **Monday 9th December, Tuesday 10th December, Wednesday 11th December, Thursday 12th December, Friday 13th December** followed by **Monday 16th December, at the Fawkner Leisure Centre 79-83 Jukes Rd Fawkner**. This is an intensive swimming program whereby the children attend swimming each day for 6 days. The times are as follows:

Leave	9.00am for	9.30am to	10.15am Lesson	4/5MJ + F/1MP + 2/3SA
“	9.45am “	10.15am to	11.00am Lesson	4/5PS+ F/1DD + 2/3SA
“	10.30am “	11.00am to	11.45am Lesson	4/5SR+ F/1NG + 2/3SA
“	11.15am “	11.45pm to	12.30pm Lesson	2/3GB + 6AJ + 2/3SA
“	12.00pm “	12.30pm to	1.15pm Lesson	2/3CW+ 6MS+ 2/3SA

2/3SA will be split across the five sessions to reduce group numbers and meet bus capacity.

Grades **2/3CW, 6MS AND 2/3SA** children who are attending the **12.30pm** swimming lesson times are requested **NOT** to order **lunch orders** from the canteen during the Swimming program.

Thank you.

Instructors may conduct some lessons in the outdoor pool at Fawkner Leisure Centre. Children should ensure they have sunscreen and appropriate sun protection if advised by their instructor that they will be swimming outdoors. (eg Rash vest/Tee shirt).

Each child exiting primary school is required to have a minimum level of attainment recommended by the swimming and water safety industry, and if so will be issued with a “Victorian Water Safety Certificate”.

Water safety and swimming is a part of the Health and Physical Education curriculum.

Year prep – Children are introduced to basic safety and survival procedures in and around the water.

Years 1 and 2 – Children explore different ways to move into, through, and out of water safely.

Years 3 and 4 – Children develop their knowledge and understanding of water safety, and extend their swimming and survival abilities.

Years 5 and 6 – Children improve their survival abilities and safety techniques in the water, extending their range of swimming skills to include those required for clothed, survival swimming.

The aim of educating the children with regards to swimming and water safety is to enable them to safely enjoy aquatic activities in a range of environments.

Each child in the school is expected to attend swimming classes, and as stated in the Chatter, a **medical certificate** will be required or you will need to see Mr Lucardie to be granted an exemption. If your child is granted an exemption, they will still be expected to attend the Fawkner Leisure Centre, where they will be supervised by their classroom teacher. This is to alleviate the pressure on school organization and supervision.

If your child has private swimming lessons please ask the swimming centre, where your child attends, to issue them with a certificate stating their current level of swimming competence.

Thank you,

SECURITY — FENCE - We request that **parents do not talk to their children from outside our boundary fence as we are trying to educate our children not to talk to passer-by's outside the fence.** If parents wish to talk to their children they are most welcome to sign in via the Office. All visitors to our school are required to obtain a Visitors Pass from the Administration Office. Parents working in the classrooms, PMP program canteen and Uniform Shop must have a Working with Children Check Card which must be displayed in the Visitors Pass. **AFTER SCHOOL - Children waiting for collection after school must wait inside the school grounds so supervision can be provided. At 3.45pm all children must proceed to the Office area to await collection. If children are walking home they should not linger in the playground but depart immediately and walk directly home.** **BEFORE SCHOOL** - Children should not be at school prior to 8.30am when Yard Supervision commences. With the introduction of **BEFORE SCHOOL CARE** we will be **requesting families enrol in Before School Care if arriving at school before 8.30am.** Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. If parents have any concerns please feel free to contact Mr Lucardie.
Thank you to all families and staff for your continued support and cooperation.

“NO SHOW-LET US KNOW!” - If your child is absent from school we request you inform our School Office of their non-attendance by **9.00am** on the day of absence using the following methods

Email Child's name and class to: **away@ccglenroy.catholic.edu.au**

OR

Contact School Office 9306 3062 / 9306 3322

If your child is marked as absent on the daily roll and we have not been notified, we will contact families to ensure that children are still at home. Your assistance will ensure we don't need to make time consuming or unnecessary phone calls. **Children arriving after 9.00am must report to the School Office to obtain a late pass and have their attendance adjusted from absent to present.** Thank you for your continued support and assistance.

PLEASE ensure all current contact details are up to date.

**Home address,
Email addresses,
Home Phone Number,
Work Phone Numbers,
Mobile Phone Numbers**

In accordance with Child Safety Standards, visitors (including parents) entering the school between 9:10am and 3:00 pm MUST enter through the office and sign in.

Please also be aware that anyone wishing to assist in classrooms or be on the school grounds between 9.10am to 3.00pm and have signed into the Office must have a WWCC (working with children check).

RECESS & LUNCH TIME PICK UP - If you need to pick your child up between **11.00am—11.30am or 1.00pm—2.00pm** for an appointment or family matter could you please do so before or after these times as children are difficult to locate in the yard and classrooms are locked and bags are inaccessible. **SKATEBOARDS /BIKES/SCOOTERS** A number of children use skateboards, scooters or bikes to travel to school. We request skateboard/scooter, bike users wear a helmet and appropriate safety gear (eg knee pads/elbow/wrist supports). **Children should not ride their skateboards /scooters or bikes in our school grounds.**

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL ARRANGEMENTS - **Children should not be at school prior to 8.30am when Yard Supervision commences.** With **BEFORE /AFTER SCHOOL CARE** we request families enrol in **Before or After School Care if arriving at school before 8.30am or requiring supervision after 3.45pm.** Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. If parents have any concerns please feel free to contact Mr Lucardie.

Community Board- The Community Board is located beside the entrance to the First Aid Room. Please check weekly for fun and exciting events happening in our local area.

Currently on the board is information on: Moreland's Children & Dads
Glenroy Cricket Club
Aboriginal Literacy in Early Childhood Curriculum

ROAD SAFETY

Children should always enter the car from the **safety of the curb using the passenger side door**. Children should not walk onto the road to enter the car. Please ensure that children wear seatbelts at all times.

PLEASE do not DOUBLE Park when collecting or dropping off children. Double parking, especially in Widford Street still continues to be a concern. Police and Moreland Council Parking officers are monitoring the situation and will issue Infringement notices/fines (may be received in the mail!)

A reminder to parents that parents and children should use the crossing in Cromwell St rather than walk out from between parked cars. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Your assistance in ensuring your children follow correct safety procedures will help avoid a serious or even fatal accident.

REMEMBER OUR CHILDREN ARE OUR MOST PRECIOUS GIFT.

Thank you to all families for you cooperation with using the Cromwell St Crossing or crossing at the corner of Melbourne Ave and Cromwell St. Much appreciated.



Family Disco Night

When: Friday 22nd November, 2019

Time: 6pm – 8pm

Where: School Hall

Entry: \$10 per Family

Dear Families

Come along and enjoy the annual Corpus Christi "Family" Disco Night.

Don't miss out on the fun! DJ James will be playing the latest music so that you and your children can dance the night away.

Each child will receive a free glow stick upon entry.

The following will be on sale during the night.

- Water: \$1.00 per bottle
- Soft Drink: \$2.00 per can
- Zooper Doopers: \$0.50 each
- Lolly Bags: \$0.50 each



Photo booth props
will also be available

Pizza will also be available on the night **BUT** you must **pre-order** and **pre-pay**. You will then be given Pizza Tokens on the night upon entry to redeem your pizza.

2019 Extend BEFORE and After School Care - EXTEND UPDATE
ONLINE BOOKINGS: extend.com.au CALL OUR OFFICE: 1300 366 437



STEPHEN LUCARDIE
PRINCIPAL

Stephen Lucardie

2019 TERM DATES

TERM 4 - Monday 7th October – Friday 20th December
(Children finish 3.30pm **Thursday 19th December**.
Staff finish Friday 20th December)