



Corpus Christi Chatter

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Chatter No. 4 Friday 19h March 2021

Dear Families and Friends,



Catholic Education
CELEBRATING 200 YEARS
Faith in the future

This Week we have celebrated Catholic Education Week. Australia's first Catholic school opened in Parramatta, in Sydney's west, in October 1820.

Founded by Irish priest, Fr John Therry, the school taught 31 students in its first year.

From those humble beginnings, Catholic schools in Australia now teach more than 750,000 students with over 80,000 teachers and support staff.

In 2021 we celebrate the bicentenary of Catholic

Education in Australia as communities around the country celebrate 200 years since the opening of Australia's first Catholic school.

Website: <https://www.macs.vic.edu.au/News-Events/200-years-of-catholic-education.aspx>

CONDOLENCES

We are saddened to hear the news of the passing of former Corpus Christi Principal Mr Martin Clancy. (Born 4th September 1940– Died 6th March 2021)
Martin was the first lay Principal at Corpus Christi from 1981 to 1986.
In our thoughts and prayers.

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION EASTER RAFFLE

A requests for donations for Easter Eggs/Chocolates our Parent's Association Easter Raffle has been sent home.
Easter Raffle Donations due in by Monday 22nd March.
Donations greatly appreciated.

A book of Raffle tickets (15 tickets) has been sent home this week (Tickets 50 cents each or 3 for a \$1.00 or \$5.00 a book)

Money and tickets due back by Monday 22nd March.

Prizes drawn Monday 29th March

Please support the efforts of our wonderful Parents' Association!

END OF TERM ONE.

School will finish at 12.30pm on Thursday 1st April and resume for Term 2 on Monday 19th April .

A note will be sent home shortly asking families to indicate if children will be collected, ride or walk home at 12.30pm. Please return to classroom teacher by Monday 29th March. Thank you.

TERM ONE EVENTS

Monday 22nd March
Easter Raffle Donations and Raffle tickets/Money Due in.

Thursday March 25th
2pm Foundation/1 Parent Community Conversation (Details to be advised)

Monday 29th March
Easter Raffle Prize Draw

Thursday 1st April 12.30pm
End of Term One

GOOD FRIDAY 2nd April
Easter SUNDAY 4th April

TERM TWO

Term Two starts Monday 19th April

SCHOOL CAMP 5-6
5-7th May OASIS Camp Mt Evelyn

SCHOOL PHOTOS
TBA

Yr 3 and Yr 5 NAPLAN
Tuesday 11th - Thursday 13th May



EASTER 2021

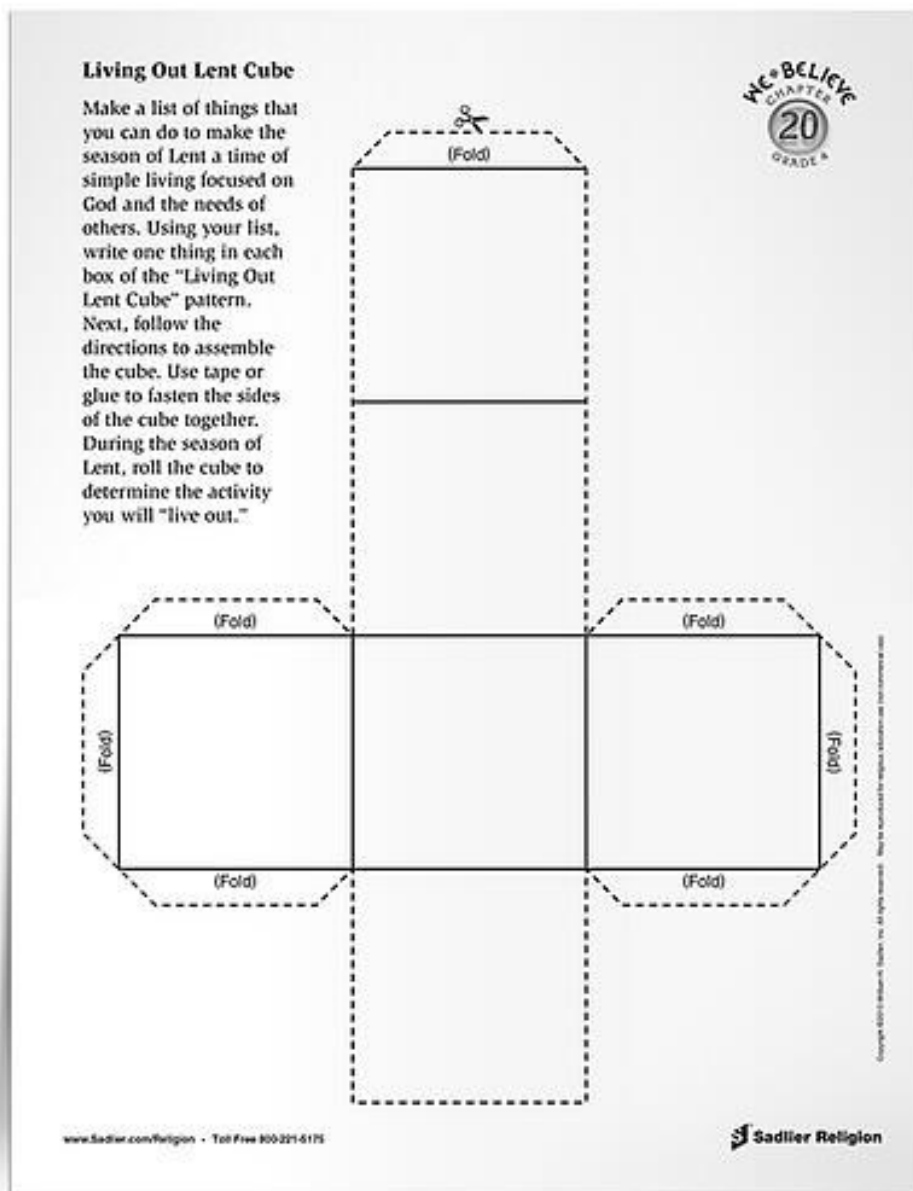
Holy Thursday 1st April

Good Friday 2nd April

Easter Sunday 4th April

Easter Monday 5th April

LENTEN REFLECTION



2021 Sacramental Dates

EUCCHARIST (YEAR 4 & 5)

The Sacrament of Eucharist (First Communion) will be celebrated by Year 4 and 5's this year.

NOTE: DATE has been brought forward to

Sunday 6th June 2021 at 11.30am

Eucharist Parent Meeting: TBA

SACRAMENT of PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)- (Yr 4-5s)

Wednesday 2nd June 2021 at 7.00pm

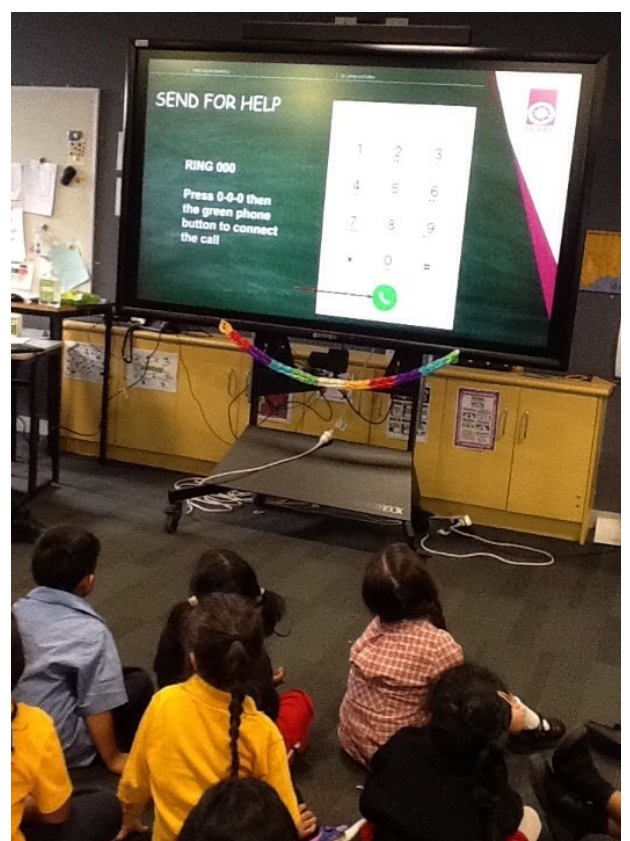
Father Giang has advise the Sacrament Of Penance (Reconciliation) will now be held in Year 4/5 in 2021.



On Monday, 15th of March, St John Ambulance Australia visited Corpus Christi to conduct 45 minute First Aid sessions with all classes.

The presenters commended our children on their listening skills, manners and enthusiasm.

Well done everyone.





2021 Easter Raffle Donations

Easter is not far away and the Corpus Christi Parents' Association are calling upon donations for this year's Easter Raffle.

It would be great if each family can make a contribution to help us with ensuring that we have a number of prizes to raffle.

Easter eggs, bunny rabbits or any other Easter treat will be appreciated.

Please be sure to check the expiry dates on any chocolate donated.

All Donations are required by **Monday 22nd March, 2021.**

There will be boxes provided in your child's classroom for the collection of your donations.

Thank you from the Parents & Friends Association

CORPUS CHRISTI

2021 EASTER RAFFLE



Dear Families,

Please find attached a booklet of Easter raffle tickets for sale.

Cost of tickets:

50cents each OR 3 for \$1 OR \$5.00 per book

Tickets must be returned to your child's class teacher with the correct money in a **labelled envelope** with your **child's name** and **class** written on the front by

Monday 22nd March 2021

Prizes will be drawn at school assembly on

Monday 29th March 2021

REMEMBER TO LABEL ALL YOUR TICKETS CLEARLY

AND ONLY RETURN THE HALF WITH YOUR DETAILS

(name and phone number)

YOU KEEP THE OTHER HALF

If you would like extra books, please email the Parents Association with your request. ccpa@ccglenroy.catholic.edu.au

2021 FEES

2021 Tuition Fees are now able to be invoiced by School Office.

Preferred payment by EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer).

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Families who have had payment arrangements in previous years or experiencing financial difficulties are reminded that they must still contact the School Office to review or re-validate their arrangements.

Tuition \$340 per child **Family Fee** \$ 850 per family

Healthcare Card holders are eligible to apply for the CSEF allowance (currently \$125) which is deducted from the Tuition Fee. We will structure our payment schedule to enable families to budget for fee payments.

CANTEEN currently not open due to COVID. We will advise when we will reopen.
Hopefully this term.

UNIFORM SHOP

Due to on site COVID Restrictions we are continuing to order Uniforms Online at
accounts@ccglenroy.catholic.edu.au

GRADE 5/6 SCHOOL CAMP

Wednesday 5th May - Friday 7th May.

Children in Year 5/6 will attend OASIS Camp Mt Evelyn **Cost of \$280.00**.

If experiencing any financial constraints regarding Camp please contact Mr Lucardie.

Details of Camp will be sent out via the classroom.

Please contact Mr Lucardie if you encounter any difficulties regarding your child going to Camp.

Thank you.



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.**

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 your cooperation with using the Cromwell St crossing or crossing at the corner of Melbourne Ave and Cromwell St.

Much appreciated.

SUNCARE POLICY – NO HAT! NO PLAY!!

All children are to wear our Corpus Christi Sun Hat for protection from the sun when involved in any outdoor activities (eg sport, games, play/lunch time) Children without the school sunhat will be required to remain under the shade of the covered ways. Sun hats are available from the Parents' Association Uniform Shop. Children are advised to apply sunscreen as well. Sunglasses are recommended for outside activities.

SEVERE FOOD ALLERGIES

We have a number of children who have life threatening food allergies. We ask all parents to **discuss with their children correct disposal of uneaten lunches, not to share food with other children and to practise good hygiene habits** (ie. washing hands before and after eating).

YEAR SEVEN 2023 ENROLMENT CLOSING DATE (Year 5 students)

Year 5 children enrolling for Year 7 Catholic Secondary School (eg Penola Catholic College in 2023) must have enrolment forms returned to their relevant secondary school by **Friday 20th August 2021.**

“NO SHOW-LET US KNOW!”

In light of Victorian Government attendance guideline requirements, following an incident at a school late 2017, of a child hiding in their parent's car all day, unbeknown to the parent, resulting in serious heat related injuries, we are continuing our current practice of contacting parents to ensure the safe arrival at school of all children, especially those children who walk or ride to school without adult supervision.

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

CORPUS CHRISTI PARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Parents' Association plays an important role in providing social, fundraising and recreational activities for our school. Without the Parents' Association annual contribution to our budget, an increase in school fees could result to cover the financial shortfall.

Thank you to our wonderful Parents' Association for your tireless efforts. Much appreciated.

Next Meeting ONSITE Wednesday 17th March at 2.00pm Interested parents welcome

Planning social and fundraising activities for 2021 under COVID guidelines

Hope to see new and familiar faces at the next meeting. Thank you.

Once COVID restrictions are eased, our Parents' Association Uniform Shop will be **open Wednesdays (8.45am-9.15am) and Fridays (3.15-3.45pm) only. Located in Uniform Shop near Atrium Entrance from the Big Yard.**

Please ensure your child is in correct uniform at all times. Runners should only be worn on your child's sports day unless otherwise notified. If your child is out of uniform a note explaining the reason would be appreciated.

Please ensure ALL items of clothing and personal belongings are clearly labelled.

Lost property will be situated inside the Atrium.

REMINDER "Runners" are not part of our daily school uniform.

Black school shoes should be worn on non-sports days.

Please ensure your child has correct black shoes.

If your child is out of school uniform a note is required.

Leggings /leisure wear are NOT part of our girl's school uniform.

Sports shorts, netball skirts or tracksuits are worn.

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION CANTEEN

(Currently not operating until further advised.)



When Canteen resumes operations, children must bring their lunch orders to school in a bag clearly labelled with their NAME, CLASS, and ORDER and place it in their classroom lunch basket before 9.30am. Children are not permitted to place lunch orders over the counter.

Children SHOULD NOT carry large amounts of money to purchase items at the Canteen.

NO CREDIT is permitted at the Canteen.

Volunteers will be needed to assist with the Canteen once it reopens. If you have any spare time or can help on a regular basis please let Mr Lucardie know (Working With Childrens' Check required) and drop into the Canteen and meet Tien or Nancy to organise a time to help.

COMMUNICATION

Our school newsletter, “The Corpus Christi Chatter” is distributed via email on a fortnightly basis. Please read the “Chatter” to ensure you are aware of school happenings and events. If you are not receiving your “Chatter” please contact the Office to ensure we have correct email details.

Please regularly check school bags for notes.

To access the Chatter online go to :

www.ccglenroy.catholic.edu.au

click *News and Events*

click *Download current newsletter (in red)*



WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

If you work or volunteer with children you will need to apply for a WWC Check. Employers, volunteer organisations and agencies must ensure that any of their staff or volunteers who need a WWC Check have applied by the due date. **This legislation requires we apply for a “Working With Children Check” for all non-teaching staff and all parent helpers (Eg. Canteen, Uniform Shop, Parents’ Association, Classroom Helpers, Swimming Program, Sports programs, PMP helpers).**

**All volunteers are able to apply for a FREE Working With Children Check
Please see Mr Lucardie to obtain relevant information. 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-bys 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, attending excursions, volunteering in 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.

Children should not be at school prior to 8.30am when Yard Supervision commences.

With AFTER SCHOOL CARE we will be requesting families enrol in AFTER School Care if at school past 3.45pm.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

If parents have any concerns please feel free to contact Mr Lucardie.

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.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

For safety and supervision reasons, children **are not permitted to play on the playground equipment before or after school**. Your support and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

ABSENT NOTES

It is a requirement that if a child is absent for any reason, a note should be sent to the child's class teacher explaining the reason for their absence. These notes are retained on file for legal requirements.

VALUABLE ITEMS

A reminder that children should not bring valuable items (monetary or sentimental value) to school as items may be damaged, misplaced, lost or taken.

CHILDREN'S MOBILE PHONES/SMART WATCHES

We understand the need for parents and children to contact each other before or after school hours in emergency situations.

We request that if children require a **mobile phone/smart watch at school that Mr Lucardie be advised in writing and that the children check the phone (clearly labelled with their name and class) in at the School Office for safe keeping.**

Phones/smart watches should not be worn or kept in school bags or classrooms as they can be lost, damaged or stolen.

Children are not permitted to use mobile phones/smart phones to make or receive phone call during school hours.

Some children have been found playing with them at recess and lunchtime.

Children should be made aware that they must be responsible in using their phones/smart watches at all times.

2021 After School Care

ONLINE BOOKINGS: extend.com.au CALL OUR OFFICE: 1300 366 437

Welcome back!

We hope you have had a fantastic summer holiday and are looking forward to what exciting possibilities 2021 holds. We are looking forward to seeing lots of familiar faces at **After School Care** and to welcoming lots of new faces as well. Please pop in and say Hi!



Extend OSHC at Corpus Christi Primary School
New Families – Enrol in **AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

Enrol online – allow 24 hours

Enrolling is quick and easy! Simply set up your own account online via the Parent Portal. Please note it is government regulation that all children must be enrolled BEFORE attending an Extend service. For information on operating hours and fees for your school, visit your After School Care venue or school website.

Enrol now, pay later

The annual enrolment fee per family of \$20 is NOT payable until you first use the service. So why not enrol now so you can access the service later? It doesn't matter if you don't end up using the service, because you won't be charged.

Watch this space throughout the term for regular updates from our Extend team!

PARENT PORTAL: extend.com.au

STEPHEN LUCARDIE
PRINCIPAL

Stephen Lucardie



2012 TERM DATES

TERM 1 -
Wednesday 27th January–Thursday 1st April

TERM 2 -
Monday 19th April–Friday 25 June

TERM 3 –2
Monday 12th July–Friday 17 September

TERM 4 -
Monday 4th October–Friday 17th December



We proclaim a crucified Christ

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3 March 2021

Dear Parishioners of Corpus Christi parish,

My prayerful greetings to you in this Lenten season of grace.

Over recent years there have been many discussions across the Archdiocese about the future directions of Parishes.

While in recent years we have been blessed with a steady number of seminarians who have gone on to become ordained as priests of the Archdiocese, at the same time, we have had to be realistic in managing an overall reduction in the number of local Diocesan priests actively serving in our parishes. This has involved a range of strategies including ongoing vocational promotion but also the amalgamation of some parishes, the partnering of two or more parishes under the care of a single parish priest and the welcoming of priests and seminarians from overseas.

Over the same period, we have also been assisted in the provision of pastoral care and management of our parishes through the employment of pastoral workers, Lay Ecclesial Ministers and other professional staff.

Across the Archdiocese over the next two years I expect there to be at least fifteen retirements of priests who are currently in parish ministry.

In our Archdiocese we have about 210 parishes but there is a great variety in their size and the number of Catholics that they serve. For example, our largest parish by number of Catholics identified in the 2016 Australian census, is Craigieburn with a little over 24,000 Catholics. However, 104 (about half) of our parishes serve Catholic Populations of fewer than 4,000.

According to the 2016 census Corpus Christi Parish Glenroy serves 5,100 Catholics and the neighbouring parish of St Thomas More serves 3,400 Catholics.

In the face of these challenges there is clearly is an urgent need to realign the valuable resources in the Archdiocese – which includes our priests – so that we can best meet the pastoral needs

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of the Archdiocese as a whole. While this may present some challenges, it will also provide us with some excellent and exciting opportunities to recalibrate and develop new structures and supports to ensure vibrant and sustainable local “communities of grace”.

With the recent return of Fr Raj Lourdasamy HGN, of St Thomas Moore Parish to his religious order in India, I now am placed with the challenge of how to replace him. As a short to medium term measure, I have asked your Parish Priest, Fr Giang Tran, to take responsibility also for the pastoral care of St Thomas More’s Parish from 7 April 2021. I am very pleased that he has generously agreed to take on this extra responsibility.

At the same time, I acknowledge that the prospect of sharing your parish priest with the neighbouring parish is a change that can be painful for a vibrant Catholic community such as yours.

In looking to how we address this reality, rather than seeing it as something problematic, we might also seek to approach it as something of an opportunity to imagine new ways to reinvigorate the mission of the Gospel into your parish and the other parishes of your region.

Consideration and forward planning must be towards building vibrant parishes, that are well-equipped for the ongoing pastoral outreach and spreading of the Good News of Jesus Christ to the people of your neighbourhoods. This is a future that is filled with hope and vitality, and one in which, I know, we all wish to share.

In looking at the overall needs of the Archdiocese in its local faith communities, there is clearly a need for extensive planning, consultation and reform. We are currently working to establish processes to achieve this across the Archdiocese over the next few years.

At the same time, I am keen for discussions between parishes to be convened at local levels to consider how best to reach the needs of Catholics and to help grow our mission and outreach.

I wish you every blessing in the works of your parish and place our ongoing efforts towards parish renewal into the hands of the Lord as we together walk our journey of faith.

With every grace and blessing, I remain,

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. Comensoli', with a small cross symbol to the left of the first part of the signature.

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli
Archbishop of Melbourne

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SATURDAY 27 MARCH

11AM – 3PM

GLENROY ROAD LEVEL CROSSING

STARTING POINT: NORTHERN END OF MORGAN COURT,
NEXT TO COLES GLENROY.

PARENT OR GUARDIAN SUPERVISION REQUIRED

Lizzie Blandthorn MP
STATE LABOR MEMBER FOR PASCOE VALE



Glenroy
SPORTS CLUB

**FOOTBALL, CRICKET,
NETBALL!**

**BOYS, GIRLS, MUMS,
DADS, FAMILIES**



INFORMATION CONTACT
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hello@glenroyfc.com

If your aged between
5-16
& your looking to be
involved in organised
sport, why not start now!
No Experience Needed

Training is Wednesday
& Fridays from 5pm with
games commencing early
April

**All new junior memberships
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top!**



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