Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

The current coverage of the Olympics Games in London gives us the opportunity to reflect on what we can or can’t do. In the spirit of the Olympics and Bob the Builder, “CAN we do it? Yes we CAN!!”

We CAN work together, we CAN help, we CAN aspire to do our best, we CAN inspire others to be their best, we CAN be a loving family, we CAN be a good friend, we CAN reach out to others in need, we CAN be a caring community, we CAN be a great school! YES WE CAN!

This week endeavor to be the best you CAN!!

PENOLA PRODUCTION
Thanks to Penola Catholic College for inviting our Year 4 classes and teachers to their production of Aladdin. An entertaining experience for our children. Much appreciated.

YEAR 5-6 IMMIGRATION MUSEUM EXCURSION
Thanks to all parents and staff who attended our Year 5-6 Excursion to the Melbourne Immigration Museum. Hopefully an enjoyable learning experience for all. Much appreciated.

NORTHERN AREA SEMINAR—Presenter: Andrew Fuller
Thank you to our parents who have responded to our invitation to attend the Northern Area Parent Seminar “How to Help Your Child Succeed at School”, being hosted at Corpus Christi at 7.00pm on Wednesday 22nd August. Free to all Corpus Christi Parents.

LAPATHON
Please continue to collect sponsorship for our upcoming Parents Association adidas lapathon to be held on Friday 10th August. Children are to wear sports uniform on the day. Prizes to be won!

Thank you.

POTATO OLYMPICS
To celebrate the current Olympic Games we will be holding our own “Potato Olympics” on Monday 3rd August. Children will be involved in tabloid activities. Sports uniform is to be worn on this day.

CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING THANK YOU
Thank you to all parents and staff who attended our Confirmation Evening last night. Your time and dedication to the children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 1st September at 2.00pm is greatly appreciated.

Fr. Martin Ash (Episcopal Vicar) will be presiding at the celebration.

CONDOLENCES
Deepest sympathies to Mrs. Anne Walker (former Deputy Principal and current relief teacher) and family on the sad passing of her beloved mother Mary Elizabeth. Our prayers and thoughts are with Anne and family during this time of great sadness.

TERM THREE EVENTS
Multicultural Arts Festival
Monday 6th August
Potato Olympics

Thursday 9th August
Parents Association Meeting 9.15 am

Friday 10th August
Adidas School Lapathon Fundraiser

Wednesday 15th August
Feast of the Assumption

Friday 17th August
Year 6 Prayer Day

Wednesday 22nd August
“How to Help Your Child Succeed at School”
Parent Seminar—Andrew Fuller

Wednesday 29th August
Fathers Day Stall

Thursday 30th August
Fathers Day Breakfast

Friday 31st August
Confirmation Preparation Day

Saturday 1st September
2.00 pm Confirmation

Wednesday 5th September
5-6 Excursion Shrine
To be confirmed

Monday 17th September
Footy Fun Day

District Athletics
Years 4-6 Tuesday 21st August

Thursday 20th September
11.45 am End of Term Mass

Friday 21st September
End of Term
2012 Sacramental Dates

CONFIRMATION (YEAR 6)
Sacrament of Confirmation Celebration
The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on the weekend of Saturday 1st September (2.00pm) at Corpus Christi Church.

EUCARIST (YEAR 4)
Sacrament of Eucharist Celebrations
The Sacrament of Eucharist (First Communion) will be held on the weekend of the Christ the King, SUNDAY 25TH NOVEMBER 10.30 AM

PENANCE (RECONCILIATION) (YEAR 4)
Sacrament of Penance Wednesday 14th November 7.00pm at Corpus Christi Church.

An information evening for parents with children preparing to receive the Sacrament of Penance and Eucharist will be held on Wednesday 17th October 2012 at 7.00pm.
Sacramental Levy $15 (Year 6) and $20 (Year 4) is included in School account.

A Prayer for our Work

May our work excite our hearts,
and kindle in our minds a creativity
to journey beyond the old limits
of all that has become wearisome.

May our work challenge us towards
new frontiers that will emerge
as we begin to approach them,
calling forth from us the full force
and depth of our undiscovered gifts.

May we remember to be kind
to those who work with us,
and endeavour to remain aware
of the quiet world
that lives behind each face.

May we be fair in our expectations
and compassionate in our criticism.
May we have the grace of encouragement
to awaken the gift in the other’s heart,
building in them the confidence
to follow the call of the gift.

May we come to know that work
which emerges from the mind of love
will have beauty and form.

May our work be worthy
of the energy of our hearts
and the light of our thought.

May our work assume
a proper space in our lives;
Instead of owning or using us,
may it challenge and refine us,
bring each of us every day further
into the wonder of each heart.

AMEN
Student Absences
The number of days absent for the semester is considered most important as it reinforces the import-ance of attendance at school.

While most school absences are unavoidable, it is informative for parents to know that there can be a direct link between school attendance and achievement. Regular attendance encourages moti-vation, persistence, resilience and coping strategies, as well as the forming of positive relation-ships, and keeps students safe.

Some key facts about the number of days absent in a semester:

0 – 6 days  This is within an acceptable range.

7 – 10 days  This attendance is below average and if this occurs from Prep to Year 10 the student would miss over one year of schooling.

11 – 20 days This is a poor attendance rate and if this occurs from Prep to Year 10 the student would miss over two years of schooling

NORTHERN AREA PARENT SEMINAR
TOPIC: HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD SUCCEED AT SCHOOL
Presenter: Andrew Fuller
Ages: Primary and Secondary
Wednesday 22nd August 7.00pm-9.00pm at Corpus Christi Primary School Glenroy

Whether your child is in Year 12 or just starting out, the skills and knowledge that you will gain from attending this session will help you to have a positive impact on your child’s life. It will also save you hours of useless arguing about things that don’t make a difference to academic outcomes. Topics covered will include:

- What the latest brain research tells us about the most vital skills for success
- How parents can improve children’s concentration, memory and sequencing skills
- How to build a positive mindset for success
- How playing games improves intelligence

Why short sharp homework sprints are better for learning than long marathons of study.

FREE TO ALL CORPUS CHRISTI FAMILIES

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Zone District Athletics Years 4-6 Tuesday 21st August

CIRCUS PERFORMANCE
Please start collecting costumes for our Circus Performance which will be held in week 9 of Term three. Opportunity shops are a great way of finding items such as glitter hats, wigs and baggy pants.

Ms Heather (Physical Education)

YEAR 2013
PREP ENROLMENTS
Enrolments for children eligible to start school in Prep in the Year 2013 are still available.
To be eligible to enrol children must turn five by 30th April 2013. Copies of Baptism, Birth and Im-munisation Certificates must be presented to the School Office. Further information and enrolment forms may be obtained from the School Office during school hours (8.30am – 4.00pm).
The next meeting of the Corpus Christi Parish School Education Board will be our TERM 3 General Meeting to be held on Thursday 23rd August at 9.00am.

ALL Parents are invited to join with interested parents to:
- To Support the Catholic ethos of Corpus Christi Primary School
- To support the Parish Priest, Principal and Staff of Corpus Christi Primary School
- Provide a discussion forum for current educational issues
- Annually set school fees
- Provide feedback on school management issues.

Items for Agenda need to be presented to Mr. Lucardie prior to meeting to be able to discussed. Items raised on the day will be agenda itemed for following meeting. Thank you for your cooperation.

Annual Report to School Community has been ratified by Catholic Education Office and now posted on School Website.

Our current Board Member is Mrs Rachel Keenan who brings valuable insight, experience and knowledge as a parent of Daniel (Year 5), Rebecca (Year 4), Emma (Year 1) and Nicholas to our Corpus Christi Parish School Education Board. Rachel is actively involved with School Board, classroom activities and excursions and the life of our school. Rachel is happy to talk to interested parents about her role and the valuable contributions parents can make to our school community. We would love to have other parents involved!!

“I’m a parent representative on the Education Board at Corpus Christi. The Board discusses many aspects of school life, such as policies like bullying and wellbeing and other school matters like the school concert, NAPLAN results, uniform and school fees. In the last 6 years I’ve seen Corpus Christi thrive in many areas, however we are always striving to do better. We need parent and student feedback and support to do this.

If you would like me to voice any concerns or constructive feedback on your behalf, I would be very happy to put it on the agenda for discussion at the next Board meeting. Alternatively you are warmly welcome to attend the meeting yourself.

Please email me with anything you’d like discussed at the Board meeting at rmkeenan@optusnet.com.au

Rachel Keenan
CORPUS CHRISTI PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKLET
This is your last chance to purchase the 2012|2013 Greater Melbourne Entertainment™ Book packed with hundreds of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers from the best restaurants, cafes, hotel accommodation, attractions and activities. Here are just a few of the valuable offers you and the kids may enjoy these school holidays:
Pancake Parlour Vouchers ($30 value), Melbourne Aquarium (free admission with one purchase ticket), AFL MCG (free ticket with one purchase ticket), Hoyts Tickets at a cheaper price, Imax (free ticket with one paid ticket), Puffing Billy (one free ticket with a purchased ticket), Sovereign Hill (25 % off regular price for up to four persons) AMF Bowling (one free game with a purchased game)…..and lots more.
Have a look at the sample book in the office. Purchase online or at the uniform shop. Cost $65.00

ADIDAS SCHOOL FUN RUN August 10th 2012
The Adidas School Fun Run is coming to Corpus Christi. A fun day to celebrate health and fitness and the Olympics! You’ll get a drink on the day, a certificate and a prize if you raise $10.00 or more. What’s more exciting is that you choose your gift! Early next term your classroom teacher will provide you with all the information you need to create your own profile on the website. The school break is a great opportunity to begin to consider who you might ask to sponsor you! Remember 70% of the total money raised goes to Corpus Christi! We can do great things with that money….start thinking of a wish list!

The next General meeting of our Corpus Christi Parents’ Association will take place on

Thursday 9th August commencing at 9.15am,

Agenda:
Planning social and fundraising activities for 2012.
Hope to see new and familiar faces at the next meeting. Thank you.

Important Dates to Remember

August
Friday 10th — Adidas Fun Run
Wednesday 29th – Fathers Day Stall.
Thursday 30th – Fathers Day Breakfast.

September
Monday 17th September — Footy Fun Day

MEETING DATES
Thursday 9th August 9.00am
Thursday 6th September 9.00am
Thursday 11th October 9.00am
Thursday 8th November 9.00am
December To Be Advised

VICTORIAN PREMIERS’ READING CHALLENGE
Congratulations to the following children who have recently completed the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge:

Chloe Au 1/2 SJ          Saviour Vella 3/4 MS
Ethan Au 1/2 CE         Ronith Sarkar PDD
Tara Isho 3/4 PS        Jordan Palmer-Artiga 1/2 MP
Dillon Padmaperuma 5/6 VA Thisuna Mapa Mudiyanaselge 5/6 CJ

There are now 61 children who have finished the Challenge.

WELL DONE! A FANTASTIC ACHIEVEMENT!

REMINDER TO PARENTS:
All children need to complete the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge by 3rd September, 2012.
All data should be completed online and paper records should be verified by this date
EARN & LEARN
Thank you for your support with collecting stickers for ‘Earn & Learn’. Keep collecting stickers until Sunday 12th August. If you need extra cards they are available at the office.
Over 15,000 points!!! Well done!!

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS.

16,000 tokens counted!!!
Wonderful effort!!!

Thank you for a wonderful start to the collection of vouchers received so far.
You can collect tokens from 13th June to 14th August and remember, the more vouchers our school collects, the more sports gear our school will receive!
Collection box is located at the school office.

The Student Leaders and SRC will be holding a PYJAMA DAY to raise money for school equipment on THURSDAY AUGUST 23rd
Wear your warmest PJ’s and slippers and bring along your pillows, doonas and teddy bears for entry into the playtime movie.
Gold coin donation.

You are invited to join the Principal, Mr. Chris Blake, on an informative tour of both the Year 7 & 8 Junior Campus and Years 9 – 12 Senior Campus

GLENROY CAMPUS – JUNIOR CAMPUS
(35 William Street, Glenroy)
Monday August 6th
Tuesday August 28th
9.00am - 10.30am

BROADMEADOWS – SENIOR CAMPUS
(29 Gibson Street, Broadmeadows)
Thursday August 16th
9.00 – 10.30am

Tours will conclude with morning tea. Come and see each Campus in action.
For further information or to state your interest in attending, contact our Registrar, Mrs. Dawn Daws on 9301 2777.
AN ODE TO CAN

There’s a four lettered word
As offensive as any,
It holds back the few,
Puts a stop to the many.

You can’t climb that mountain,
You can’t cross the sea,
You can’t become anything you want to be.

He can't hit a century,
They can't find a cure.
She can’t think about leaving or searching for more.

Because can't is a word with a habit of stopping
The ebb and flow of ideas
It keeps dropping itself where we know in our hearts it's not needed
And saying "don't go" when we could have succeeded.

But those four little letters
That end with a T
They CAN change in an instant
When shortened to three.

We CAN take off the T
We CAN do it today
We CAN move forward not back
We CAN find our own way.

We CAN build, we CAN run
We CAN follow the sun
We CAN push we CAN pull
We CAN say I'm someone
Who refuses to believe That life can't be better
With the removal of one Insignificant letter.
Cyber Security Awareness

10 Top Tips

1. Install and update your security software: set it to scan regularly.

2. Turn the automatic updates on all your software, particularly your operating system and applications.

3. Use strong passwords and different passwords for different uses.

4. Stop and think before you click on links or attachments.

5. Take care when transacting online—check the supplier and use a safe payment method.

6. Only download apps from reputable publishers and read all permission requests.

7. Regularly check your privacy settings on social networking sites.

8. Stop and think before you post any photos or financial information online.

9. Talk with your child about staying safe online, including on their smartphone or mobile device.

10. Report or talk to someone if you feel uncomfortable or threatened online.
2012 TERM DATES

TERM 2 - Concludes 12.30pm  
Friday 29th June
TERM 3 - Monday 16th July  
Friday 21st September
TERM 4 - Monday 8th October  
Thursday 20th December
Staff Friday 21st December

A reminder that if any parent has any concerns regarding their child (e.g. health, academic, emotional, social, learning, expectations), please contact the relevant people/teacher to convey your concerns. We wish to foster open communication and trust. Please remember that teachers are responsible for children once the bell has been rung, so an appointment should be made to find a suitable time to meet. Teachers should not be approached to discuss concerns during class time. If you have a concern of a more general nature please feel free to contact the School Office to make a time to see me.

Take care!

STEPHEN LUCARDIE
PRINCIPAL

MORELAND CHILDREN’S SERVICES
‘Brain Development’ setting the pattern for lifelong learners with Professor Frank Oberklaid. Tuesday 28th August, 7-9pm, Antonine College, Cedar Campus, 130 Harding Street, Coburg East. Cost $10.00 per person. Bookings are essential as places are limited. Phone 9240 2316.

COBURG LIBRARY Family fun night
6 pm, Friday 10 August
Learn how to draw manga with Stephanie Kelso. Discover some interesting information books
Board games for all the family. Bookings are essential: 9353 4000

Extend OSHC at Corpus Christi Primary School
A message from the Team Leader:
“Last week at After School Care we have been very busy working on our Papier Mâché balloons. We have also made some adorable biscuit faces and trying out some cool science experiments like rocket balloons! We got messy making Oobleck and watching the affect force had on it. It was definitely a very busy week but we had so much fun. Coming up at After School Care we look forward to finishing our Papier Mâché animals, making nachos and stepping into the science world once again to experiment with mass and gravity. We would also like to welcome a few newcomers to the program and we know how much fun you will have with us at After School Care as we venture into the world of curiosity and adventure! Lastly a big congratulations to Heath and Aleena for always playing nicely with others and including everyone in their activities. Well done!”

Megan
ARTS FESTIVAL 2012 ....
GET INVOLVED!

WE WOULD LOVE TO CHAT WITH YOU ABOUT THE ARTS FESTIVAL!
Drop in for a cuppa and a biscuit on WEDNESDAY AUGUST 8TH anytime between 8.30am - 9.30am, Community Room, Little Yard
We would love to hear your thoughts and ideas and answer any questions you may have!
See you there J Miss Alicia Tynan and Miss Dayna Ortner (Arts Festival Parent Liaisons)

CORPUS CHRISTI LIGHTS UP! Tuesday 7th August from 5.30pm – 8pm
Bring your torches, glow sticks and lanterns as Corpus Christi comes to life at night!
Bring the whole family and join in with Art activities, Shadow Puppetry and much more!
(see last weeks note for all the details)

CORPUS CHRISTI LIGHTS UP THE WORLD! Wednesday 12th Sept 5.30-8pm
Arts Displays, Cultural Food and Performances. Celebrating our vibrant school community!

WORKSHOPS!
In August Corpus Christi will be coming alive with Art and Cultural workshops. Come and share your artistic skills or cultural traditions with us! You choose when and how you would like to be involved!

Please return the below note to your child’s teacher.

Family Name: Cultural Background:
Eldest Child: Class:
Circle below what you would like to share from your culture:

Food Dance Song Game Story Art/Craft Other:

Would you like to help with the Art Workshops? YES/NO