Thursday 15th March 2012  Chatter No. 4

Dear Parents
Thank you to all children, staff and parents for your continued great efforts so far this term. Much appreciated

Thank you to Fr Giang for once again celebrating our Ash Wednesday Mass. Special thanks to Mrs James (Religious Education Leader) for coordinating our liturgy, all staff, children and parents for their reverence and participation.

PARENTAL DISAGREEMENTS
I have received a number of reports of parents approaching each other in the yard regarding parking issues and child related incidents. Unfortunately emotions have led to inappropriate exchanges between parents. If you have a concern I ask you inform me immediately rather than approach other parents so a peaceful solution can be achieved.

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to the Fabiani Family on the birth of a new baby girl, a baby sister for Ella (1/2SJ). May she bring much joy and happiness to Ella and family.

Congratulations to John Goodwin and Family (our current school builder) on the birth of twin boys. May they bring much joy to John and family.

CONDOLENCES
Our deepest sympathies to the Chiodo Family (Pina, Joe, Tony 3/4MJ, Michelle PDD) on the sad passing of Pina’s loved father and Tony and Michelle’s beloved grandfather. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.

GET WELL
We wish a speedy recovery to Leonie Trabert (Canteen Manager) who is currently recovering a from a severe foot injury. Thank you to Maria Baronessa and Marie Keirs for coordinating the canteen whilst Leonie is incapacitated.

GRADE 5/6 SCHOOL CAMP
Wednesday 21st March—Friday 23rd March 2012
Children in Year 5/6 will attend Don Bosco Camp Safety Beach, Dromana on Wednesday 21st March to Friday 23rd March. Cost of $120.00 is to be paid by Friday 16th March. Details of Camp have been sent out via the classroom. Staff attending Camp are Mrs Biondi, Mrs Johnson, Miss Vanessa, Mr Jones, Mr Sherlock, Miss Simone, Miss Sky and Mrs Polastri. Mr Lucardie and Fr Giang will spend time at the Camp.

2012 TERM ONE EVENTS

Friday 16th March
Casual Dress Day
“BULLYING—NO WAY DAY!”

Sunday 18th March
10.30am Catholic Education Week Parish School Mass.
All welcome.

Monday 19th March 9.00
Classroom Helpers Workshop

Wed 21st—Friday 23rd March
5/6 Camp Don Bosco Safety Beach Dromana

Wednesday 28th March
SCHOOL PHOTOS

Friday 30th March
12.30pm End of term

TERM TWO

Monday 16th April
SCHOOL RESUMES

Wednesday 25th April
ANZAC DAY

Friday 11th May
School Closure Day
SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos will be taken on WEDNESDAY 28TH MARCH 2012
(Week Nine Term One)

Children must wear summer uniform.

GROUP PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN WITHOUT JUMPERS. Individual/
and family photos may wear jumpers. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sports clothes are not to be worn for photos, but runners may be brought in children’s bags to change
into after photos have been taken.

Individual order envelopes will be sent home soon with details of photo packages available. Indicate
the photo package you would like on the Photo Order Envelope and return to your child’s classroom
by the advised date with correct money. The photographers will only take photos if envelope and mon-
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PARENTS ASSOCIATION EASTER RAFFLE

If you have an Easter donation to give to the school for our annual Easter Raffle, could you
please bring it to school on or before, Monday 19th of March.

All tickets and money are due back on Friday 23rd and the draw will take place on Monday
the 26th of March. Your generosity is much appreciated.

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 shouldn’t 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 Mr Lucardie.

CLASSROOM HELPERS-TERM ONE.

Part 2 – Classroom Helpers Workshop Monday 19th March 9am.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS are required for all school helpers
(eg Canteen, Parents Association, classroom, sport, excursions etc).

END OF TERM ONE ARRANGEMENTS

Term One will conclude for students on Friday 30th March at 12:30pm. A note detailing how your child will
travel home (collected by parent, walk or ride) will be sent home shortly.

We will conduct our End of Term Assembly at 9.30am followed by our Holy Week Para -liturgy at 11.45am in the
Hall. Parents most welcome to attend.

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 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.
CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK WHOLE SCHOOL PARISH MASS
Catholic Education Week in 2012 will be celebrated from 13 to 18 March. The theme for 2012 is “Throw Open the Doors-Let in the Light”

We invite all families and staff to attend a celebration of 57 years of Catholic Education in the Corpus Christi Parish Glenroy at the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 18th March 2012. Details to follow.

PARISH LENTEN PRAYER
During Lent the Stations of the Cross will be conducted at 7.30pm every Friday in Corpus Christi Church. All welcome

EASTER 2012
Holy Thursday 5th April,
Good Friday 6th April,
Easter Sunday 8th April,
Easter Monday 9th April

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.
An information evening for parents with children preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on
Wednesday 1st August 2012 at 7.00pm. (Please note new date)

EUCHARIST (YEAR 4)
Sacrament of Eucharist Celebrations
The Sacrament of Eucharist (First Communion) will be held on the weekend of the Christ the King,
Saturday 24th November (6.00pm) at Corpus Christi Church.

PENANCE (RECONCILIATION) (YEAR 4)
Sacrament of Penance Wednesday 14th November 7.00pm at Corpus Christi Church.
Sacramental Levy $15 (Year 6) and $20 (Year 4) will be included in School account.

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.

We stand before you, Holy Spirit,
conscious of our sinfullness,
but aware that we gather in your name.
Come to us, remain with us,
and enlighten our hearts.
Give us light and strength
to know your will,
to make it our own,
and to live it in our lives.
Guide us by your wisdom,
support us by your power,
for you are God, sharing the glory of Fa-
ther and Son.
You desire justice for all;
enable us to uphold the rights of others;
do not allow us to be misled by ignorance
or corrupted by fear or favour.
Unite us to yourself in the bond of love
and keep us faithful to all that is true.
As we gather in your name, may we tem-
per justice with love,
so that all our discussions and reflections
may be pleasing to you, and earn the
reward promised to good and faithful servants.
We ask this of You who live and reign
with the
Father and the Son, one God, for ever
and ever. Amen
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).

CORPUS CHRISTI PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION UNIFORM SHOP

The 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.

Thank you for your continued support, patience and co-operation.

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NO CREDIT is permitted at the Canteen.

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH EDUCATION BOARD

The next meeting of the Corpus Christi Parish School Education Board will be our General Meeting to be held on THURSDAY 14 June at 9.00am.

Hope to see new and familiar faces there to ensure the on going success of our Parish Education Board. A number of vacancies currently exist on the Corpus Christi Education Board. Interested parents can contact Mr Lucardie to express their interest in participating on the Parish Education Board.

The function of the Parish Education Board is:

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.

Over the next twelve months we are aiming to focus on developing/reviewing the role of the School Board, developing our School Board Constitution, documenting procedures, practices, protocols and role descriptions to ensure our School Board continues to work to support Fr. Giang and our school community.

FEES

Thank you to all families for your continued financial support.

Families who have not met their financial commitments and have not contacted the School Office will be contacted to discuss their situation.

IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT FEES COMMITMENTS ARE MET OR CONTACT WITH THE SCHOOL OFFICE IS MADE TO ASSIST US WITH OUR BUDGETTING AND FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS. Thank you.

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Our students and teachers have been investigating cybersafety as part of our focus on wellbeing and building positive relationships.

Tips to stay safe and cybersmart. Follow the link at www.cybersmart.gov.au

There are lots of different things you can do online. While most of the time it’s all great fun, sometimes things don’t go as well as you hoped and you don’t know why or what to do about it. This section has some really helpful tips to help you be cybersmart.

They include information about:

- cyberbullying
- unwanted contact
- inappropriate content
- playing online
- your digital footprint
- take care what you share
- staying legal
- netiquette
- online friend

**My Mobile**

Mobile phones are great for keeping in touch with friends and family. But there are some things you should keep in mind.

For example, if you download ‘free’ ring tones or other offers that are sent to you by SMS, you may find yourself with a very high phone bill. Cyberbullying, people making inappropriate contact, or coming across websites and other materials that you didn’t want to see can be problems as well.

Your privacy is also important. In the same way you protect your privacy online it’s important that you don’t share private/ personal details or photos using your mobile phone. It’s easy to forward SMS messages and photos but you never know where they might end up.

**Tips**

- Only give out your mobile number to people you know and trust. Respect your friends’ privacy by not giving away their details without permission.
- Don’t tell anyone your personal details such as your name, address or school.
- Always check with your parents before sending private information to anyone using your mobile phone.
- Think before you send. The person who you send information, pictures or videos to may not be the only one who will see them—so if you don’t want them to go public, don’t send them.
- Don’t accept offers that sound too good to be true. They probably are, and you or your parents could end up with unexpectedly high phone bills. Check with your parents before accepting any offers.

If your phone is lost or is stolen, ask your parents to notify your network carrier and the police immediately. If you can, tell them your IMEI number (generally found inside the battery compartment of your phone — your parents can help with this) and any other identifying features of the phone. The telephone carrier can use this number to block your phone from all networks in Australia once you report the phone lost or stolen, making it useless to any thief. More information is at: www.amta.org.au

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**5/6GB Internet Cybersafety Hint**

If you can’t tell someone face to face don’t publish it because **ONCE IT’S OUT IT STAYS OUT!**
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.

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

**Thursday 3rd May 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.

TERM ONE FUND RAISERS

**Friday 16th March—Casual Dress Day : Gold Coin Donation.**

**Monday 26th March Easter Raffle Draw.**
We are once again calling for donations of Easter Eggs, Chocolate Rabbits, chocolates, Baskets for our annual Easter Raffle. Please send donations to your child’s classroom where they will be collected by our Parents Association. **Donations due by Monday 19th March.**
Raffle tickets been sent home.
**Tickets and money due back by Friday 23rd March.** Thank you for you continued support.

**2012 CORPUS CHRISTI PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION**
Thank you to all parents who attended the Annual General Meeting of our Corpus Christi Parents’ Association. Special thanks to our 2012 Executive –
President – Tina Kalaitzis
Vice President – Rita Carino
Secretary - Leah Jones
Assistant Secretary –Georgina Biondi / Rina Polastri (Staff Representatives)
Treasurer – Lyella Long
Canteen Co-ordinators - Leonie Trabert, Maria Baronessa
Uniform Shop Coordinators - Tina Kalaitzis, Rita Carino, Leah Jones, Margaret Palmer

**Corpus Christi Parents Association Committee**
**Important Dates to Remember**

**March**
Friday 16th - Casual Clothes Day.
Monday 19th – Donations for Easter Raffle.
Friday 23rd – Tickets and money due for Easter Raffle.
Thursday 22nd – Wrapping Easter Raffle Prizes.
Monday 26th – Easter Raffle Draw.
Thursday 29th - Canteen Closure

**May**
Wednesday 9th - Mothers Day Stall.
Thursday 10th – Mothers Day Breakfast.

**June**
Friday 15th – Disco.

**August**
TBA – School-a-thon fundraiser.
Wednesday 29th – Fathers Day Stall.
Thursday 30th – Fathers Day Breakfast.

**September**
Monday 17th – Footy Fun Day

Meeting DATES

**Thursday 3rd May 9.00am**
**Thursday 7th June 9.00am**
**Thursday 9th August 9.00am**
**Thursday 6 September 9.00am**
**Thursday 11th October 9.00am**
**Thursday 8th November 9.00am**
**December To Be Advised**

Canteen will be closed on Thursday 29th March and Friday 30th March. (No Lunch Orders or Snacks)
Extend After School Care at Corpus Christi Primary School

What’s on next week?
A recap from the Team Leader:
“Last week at After School Care we were busy as can be, despite us approaching the end of Term 1! Students are still energetic and enthusiastic which is fantastic to see. We enjoyed hand painting as well as various games with the new grip balls at our program. Students really had a blast playing dodge ball against staff members!”
- Ayse

Our stars for the past fortnight are:
Christian N. for being a woderful role model to other students at After School Care.
Wennie L. for listening to instructions and painting a wonderful picture.

School Holiday Program enrolments now open at a location near you!

Friday 30 March – Monday 16 April
(dates vary according to location)

We have heaps of jam-packed activities and incursions ranging from a Jungle Party to Easter crafts. Visit the Extend website at extend.com.au for locations, program timetables, enrolment forms, and activity descriptions.
Enrolments close Friday 16 March – book now to avoid disappointment.

STEPHEN LUCARDIE
PRINCIPAL
IMPACT STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
On Monday 5th March 10 of our student leaders and senior SCRs went into the city to learn how to be a good leader at the IMPACT STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. We learnt how to lead like a strawberry leader and not like a watermelon leader. Strawberry leaders are the same on the inside as they are on the outside, which means they lead with integrity.

We played lots of games and volunteered for games. Thisuna and Ranitha were lucky enough to go up on the stage.

Over 1,000 student leaders from across Melbourne attended and we all made heaps of friends. We had booklets that we had to fill in with lots of activities. Now we are trying to be the best leaders we can be.

Written by Nicholas Valentino (Student Leader, Grade 6)

National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence, Friday 16 March
On Friday 16 March 2012 schools throughout Australia will join together to celebrate the annual National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence. The focus of the 2012 day will be on parents and families taking a stand together with school communities and recognising the important role everyone plays.

BULLYING is when someone, or a group of people, who have more power at the time, deliberately hurt another person or their property more than once. HURTING can be physical, verbal or emotional and includes cyberbullying. STAND UP to bullying by NAMING IT to a trusted adult.

http://www.bullyingnoway.com.au

National HARMONY DAY is celebrated on 21st March. Our students will be acknowledging this day in classroom based activities. Corpus Christi is a wonderfully diverse community of many cultural backgrounds. Let’s celebrate this day by working

http://www.harmony.gov.au