



# Corpus Christi Newsletter

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## Acknowledgement of Country

Corpus Christi Primary School acknowledges and pays respect to the past, present and future Traditional Custodians and Elders of this nation and the continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



## Principal's Message:



Dear Corpus Christi Families,

As this is the first newsletter for Term 3, welcome back!

This is a short 9 week term, and with so much planned, it promises to be a busy and exciting one. I encourage you to keep an eye out for all the upcoming events and communications throughout the term.

Last week, we celebrated the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents, with our very own Grandparents Day. It was a joy to welcome so many grandparents into our classrooms for a morning of fellowship, learning, and morning tea. The smiles on the children's faces said it all, grandparents hold such a special place in our hearts, and it was wonderful to celebrate them together.

A big thank you to Ms Jennifer for organising this year's Corpus Christi Book Fair for our community. Thanks to her efforts, students will enjoy the opportunity to explore a wide range of books and share their reading wish lists with their families. The Scholastic Book Fair will be open from Wednesday 6th August to Friday 8th August, and families are welcome to come in and browse as well.

This Saturday, Melbourne University and Rotary Pascoe Vale will once again be offering Hearing and Vision Screening Tests onsite here at Corpus Christi. We thank both organisations for continuing to support our students' wellbeing.

## Term Three Events

**Thursday 7th August,  
HOOP TIME for Year 5/6  
Students**

*Friday 8th August,  
Whole School Mass-  
St Mary of the Cross  
Mackillop, 10.00am*

**Wednesday 13th August,  
1/2MW Learning  
Conferences**

*Friday 15th August,  
Whole School Mass-  
Assumption of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary, 10.00am*

**18th-21st August,  
Book Week Events**

*Friday 22nd August,  
School Closure Day-Staff  
Professional Learning*

**Thursday 4th September,  
Treasure Hunt Musical  
Performance,  
Fathers Day Stall**

*Wednesday 17th  
September,  
Family Science Night*

**Save the Date**

**Friday 22nd August** is a **School Closure Day**. Our staff will be engaging in professional learning, and students are not required to attend school on that day.

**Community Pantry – Donations Welcome!**

We are continuing to collect non-perishable food items for our Corpus Christi Community Pantry. If your family is able to donate, please drop off items at the school office. Your generosity supports members of our community who may be in need, thank you in advance for your kindness and support.

Wishing you a smooth and joyful start to the term.

*Peace and Blessings*

Ange Ferro

**Prayer to Saints Anne and Joachim**

Holy Saints Anne and Joachim,  
grandparents of Jesus,  
come close to our grandparents and the elderly  
guide their hands and hearts to pass  
on to us, the young generations,  
the meaning of the gift of life -  
and following your example they continue  
to teach us the origin of love, hope and faith.

Amen.

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**Deputy Principal  
School Improvement and Innovation Leader**



Dear Corpus Christi Families,

Welcome to a short but busy Term 3. You can see on the front page of this newsletter just a few of the events we have coming up. Please remember should you have any questions you can always contact your child's classroom teacher or the school office.

**BUILDING WORKS**

Visitors to the school may have noticed some temporary fencing sectioning off a small section of the yard near the school hall. This has been installed around the sports cupboard attached to the hall on the asphalt side. An issue with the wall has been found and a past repair was determined to be non-compliant. We have had the wall inspected by an engineer and whilst it is not an immediate risk we have scheduled a permanent fix to occur later this term.

**FIRST STEPS at CORPUS CHRISTI**

Corpus Christi Primary School warmly invites community members to join our 'First Steps' Preschool Sessions this term for children aged 3-5 years old. These free sessions, led by our dedicated Corpus Christi staff, offer families a wonderful opportunity to explore and experience the beginning of school life in a welcoming and supportive environment. Thanks to Miss Vanessa for sharing this great initiative with local Kindergartens and Day Care centres.

**'FIRST STEPS' AT  
CORPUS CHRISTI**  
9.30 - 10.30AM

**Storytime**  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August

A group of children and an adult are sitting around a table in a library or reading area, looking at books.

**Physical Education**  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August

Children in yellow school uniforms are playing with large, colorful balls in a gymnasium.

**Visual Arts**  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Children in yellow school uniforms are sitting at a table, working on art projects with various materials.

*Have a great fortnight, God Bless.*

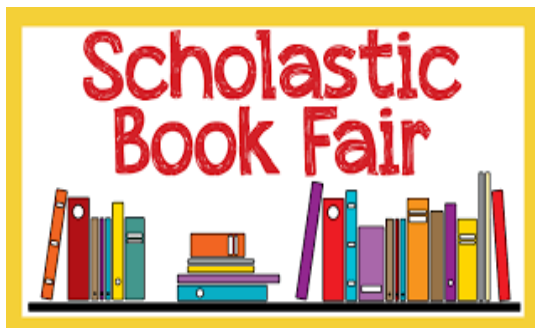
Shane Calthorpe

## Corpus Christi's Festival of Reading

In celebration of our Term Three Festival of Reading many special reading focused events are planned. Some of these include:

### **Scholastic Book Fair**

**Wednesday August 6th - Friday August 8th (Week 3)**



Scholastic Book Fair will be onsite Wednesday August 6th to Friday August 8th. A range of affordable, age-appropriate books will be available for purchase each morning before school from 8:30am to 9am and again after school from 3:30pm to 4pm.

The Book Fair will be held in the hall. Payment can be made onsite using cash or credit card or at home via a QR code. QR code order forms will be sent home next week.

Prior to buying, students will visit the Book Fair and add 2 or 3 books to a Wish List. These lists are non-binding as buying is optional. Please do not feel any pressure to purchase.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the **Treasure Hunt!** musical performance previously advertised for Week 3 has been rescheduled for Week 7. See below for more details.

### **Children's Book Council of Australia**

#### **(CBCA) Book Week**

**Monday August 18<sup>th</sup> - Thursday August 21<sup>st</sup> (Week 5)**

**Book Parade Thursday August 21<sup>st</sup>**



This year, CBCA Book Week celebrates its 80 year anniversary with the theme Book an Adventure. Lots of fun events are planned for Book Week including a whole school Book Parade on Thursday August 20th, so start planning your costume. To assist with this, in the coming weeks, examples of simple costumes will be displayed outside the library.

Keep a look out for these. Please keep in mind that home made costumes look terrific and are fun to create as a family. There is no need to spend money on store bought costumes.

### **Treasure Hunt! Musical Performance**

**Thursday September 4<sup>th</sup> (Week 7)**

Treasure Hunt! Written by Craig Christie will feature a selection of the 2025 (CBCA) Shortlist books. It will send the students on a treasure hunt exploring themes of sustainability and our relationship with the environment, as well as celebrating how books and reading create understanding and bring people of different backgrounds together.

There are lots of fun things to come. Keep checking the Newsletter and Story Park for updates.







An Australian Government Initiative

Dear Treasured Families and Carers,

As an awareness to you all, like many schools across the state, in the coming weeks, we will be engaged in the NCCD (Nationally Consistent Collection of Data) count. This reports the number of students who receive additional adjustments or support in schools. This NCCD helps the government to continue to plan for and support the needs of students. Thank you for all your ongoing collaboration and support in helping us work best to accommodate the needs of our community, which is so wonderfully rich in diversity. You can find further information about the NCCD in the following documents.



In wisdom and grace,

Emma Hinss  
*Student Engagement and Compliance Leader*

- [NCCD Parent Information Sheet \(Translated versions\)](#)
- [As a parent, guardian or carer, what do I need to know? - Nationally Consistent Collection of Data](#)
- [Privacy Policy](#)
- [Standard Collection Notice](#)

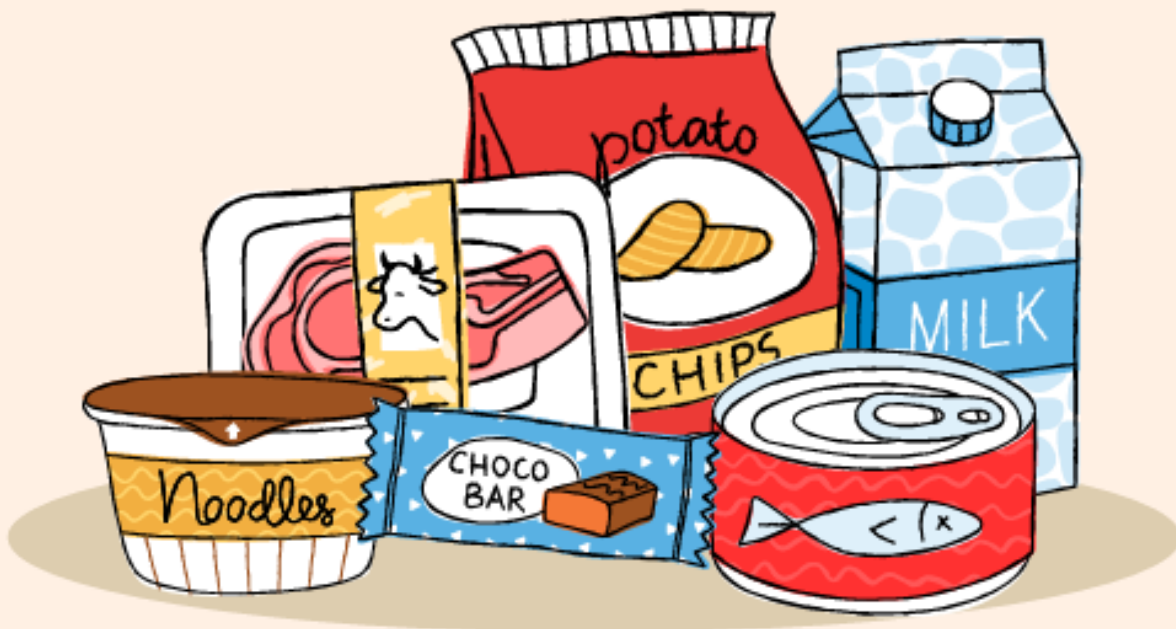
Everyone is welcome at the Corpus Christi table, for we welcome one another, as Christ has welcomed us.  
Romans 15:7

**Corpus Christi's**

# **COMMUNITY PANTRY**



**HELPING THOSE FAMILIES IN NEED**



## **ITEMS NEEDED:**

**CANNED FOOD  
NON PERISHABLES  
CLEANING ITEMS  
ESSENTIAL SUPPLIES**

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For more Information, please see Mrs Ferro