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First Sunday in Lent

'Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days. There He was tempted to do wrong, but even though Jesus was tired and hungry, He did what was right.'
Luke 4, 1-13



Dear parents,

This has been a very busy week at Corpus Christi. On Saturday evening the Welcoming Committee of the P&F hosted a very successful Icebreakers evening. New families were welcomed over champagne and chocolate and swapped family stories. The evening also gave the parent body an opportunity to thank Maryanne Carrick for her four years as Principal here at Corpus Christi. It was wonderful to have her here even if it was only for a couple of hours.

Our thanks must go to the many parents led by xx and xx who transformed the deck into a beautiful setting on the evening and also to the Craig family for their generous donation of lighting that produced the perfect ambience.

On Monday while our students participated in our school swimming carnival, back at school, Interactive Whiteboards were being installed and the IT crew from the Catholic Schools Office were rolling out the new Information Technology Architecture to bring us in line with the Diocese. Staff are busily learning the finer details of both new applications.

Swimming Carnival

Results of the swimming carnival were announced on Tuesday and are as follows:

House Points
1 st Red
2 nd Gold
3 rd Green
4 th Blue

Spirit Cup
1 st Blue
2 nd Gold
3 rd Green
4 th Red

Congratulations to all students who participated in some way and to those who have made it through to the cluster carnival. Special congratulations to the following age champions and record breakers. It takes a lot of dedicated training to achieve at this level.

Age Champions

Age	Boys	Girls
8yrs	Liam Johnson	No competitors
9yrs	Matthew Davey	Angela Kim
10yrs	Michael Crawley	Katie Manning and Claudia Pinn
11yrs	Ryan Thompson	Lucy Pentelow
12/13yrs	Patrick Crawley	Shehara Bastianpillai
Record Breakers	Nick Onslow	

Trophies will be given out at Monday assembly on March 8th as all age champions will be at the cluster carnival this coming Monday.

My sincere thanks to parents and staff, especially Mrs Laura Bahri, without whom, the day would not have been possible.

Class Parents

Thank you to those parents who have offered to be class parents this year. The school office is currently organising grade contact lists with phone details to be sent home to all families. If you do not wish your home phone number or mobile to be included on this list please complete the tear off slip and return it to the school office by Monday 1 March. Email addresses will not be included on this list. If a parent wishes to email another parent they need to ask personally for their email address. Class notes sent home via your child's school bag will continue to be the means by which the whole grade is informed of events, changes to the program etc.

Staff Development Day Friday 1 April

On Thursday 1 April teachers will be engaged in professional development in the area of numeracy. If any family requires child minding on this day please inform Mrs Taylor in writing by Friday 12 March.

Band Leaders

Congratulations to xx and xx who have been appointed Band Captains for 2010. They will be presented with badges at assembly this coming Monday.

Canteen Meeting

Interest in forming a canteen committee has been overwhelmingly positive. A meeting will be held this Thursday at 2:15 in the staff room to discuss possibilities. Again thank you for your support.

Dates to remember

2nd March - Parent Reading Workshop for all parents wanting to help in classrooms

1st April - Staff Development Day

15th March - WS FM radio will be in the teacher's carpark from 3pm

19th March - Open Day – 9.15am to 11.15am

17th and 18th November - School Musical

Kind Regards

Mrs Fran Taylor
Acting Principal

Religious Education

'Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other readily as God forgave you in Christ.'

Eph 4:32

The Sacrament of Reconciliation program is underway in our parish. Parents have come together in prayer, in discussion and support of their children who will make their First Reconciliation. One question asked of the adults was, "What memories do you have of your First Reconciliation?" It would seem that a lot has changed. The experience of forgiveness is central to this sacrament and it is the parents who bring the child to this awareness. Through their insight, this special journey can be particularly meaningful for both.

At Sunday Masses last weekend, the parish community welcomed the candidates and was invited to pray for them. As part of the Corpus Christi parish, this invitation is extended to each of us.

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If you have any information that you would like to have published in the newsletter could you please have it sent via email to Gloria Flynn by Tuesday 12 noon. Thank you email: gloria.flynn@dbb.catholic.edu.au

CC PARISH NEWS

Children's Choir

The Parish Children's Choir sang at its first Mass for 2010 on Sunday, and we were lucky enough to be part of the Year 6 Grade Mass. The Choir has members from many schools in the parish, from age 7 up to senior years in high school. It is a wonderful arena for younger members to develop their singing skills and musicality in a supportive, experienced and seriously talented group. We sing at 10am Mass every 1st and 3rd Sunday, and we practise before Mass at 9am. If your children would like to be part of this experience, come along to our next practice, on Sunday 21st February, or ring Patricia Smith 9482 7935

P and F NEWS

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ICEBREAKERS THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

Approximately 80 people came to Icebreakers on Saturday night to see friends, meet the new parents and give Maryanne Carrick a warm farewell. The weather was excellent and the deck looked great, the great venue forevermore. Thankyou to x for choosing the perfect gift for Maryanne, a beautiful pearl bracelet with a gold clasp to match the necklace and earrings she had previously purchased.

The lighting and sound equipment was provided by x. Two of x colleagues at x actually came to the school to teach us how to set up the equipment. Thank you x for your incredible generosity. The glasses were donated to the school last year by x. Thanks again Alan because it makes such a difference to have glasses on hand.

As you know, organizing a function is a lot of work and I'd like to say thanks to x and x for putting in so much hard work and time to make it come together. One of the nice things about being on the welcoming committee is working with such lovely people.

Michael Woods was amazing as usual, setting up all the fairy lights, carrying all the tables from the Church Hall (with the help of his son x), putting the jute box together and many other things. He was there on Friday evening, most of Saturday and Sunday morning. Michael you're a legend! I would also like to thank Fran Taylor, Gloria Flynn and Mary Sillince for their endless help and patience.

Our lucky winner of the lucky door prize of a Villaroy and Boch vase was x, a Kindy mum. Congratulations x!
x – Welcoming Committee

Canteen Jane Mimmo 0407 944 071

Due to a poor response for volunteers the canteen will be closed on Mondays until further notice.

If you can help in the canteen this term, please contact Jane. Thank you

Friday 26th February - x (from midday) NEED HELP X3



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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN WHO CELEBRATE
THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Sport

The start of the school week was very exciting with the Annual Corpus Christi Swimming Carnival held at West Pymble Pool. This event was a great success and the day was enjoyed by all. The quality of the swimming was exceptional and the overall winner was the Red colour house.

We had two records broken at the Carnival:

- x broke the 12 years 50m butterfly record, with a time of 45.24 seconds
- x broke his own record from last year for the Open Individual Medley, with a time of 3minutes, 45.25 seconds.

Congratulations to all our swimmers on their wonderful achievements. A special thank you also goes to the colour house captains who led their houses through a fantastic range of cheers and war cries. The spirit cup for all this great cheering throughout the day was won by the Blue House.

I would also like to thank all the parent volunteers who generously gave their time to help out at the swimming carnival; your support is greatly appreciated.

The following 29 students will be representing Corpus Christi at the Cluster Swimming Carnival on Monday 1st March at Lane Cove Aquatic Centre: xxx

We wish them well for Monday.

Laura Bahri (Sport Coordinator)

SOCCER NEWS

We will be holding a soccer information meeting next Tuesday the 2nd March at 7.30pm in the AP Room. The purpose of this meeting is to go through team sizes, game formats and training options. It would be great to see as many as possible attend, as the more parents who know what's happening the less confusion come the start of the season. If you have any questions regarding the soccer please make an effort to come along and we will endeavour to answer them.

Michael Woods
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BAND NEWS

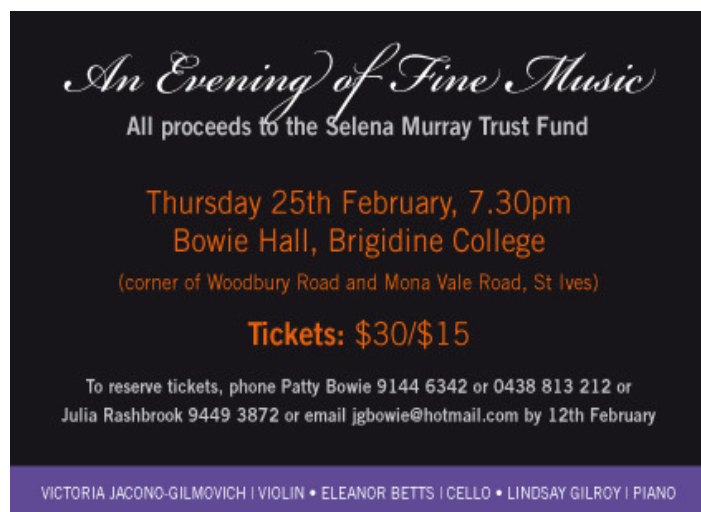
CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL BAND BACK IN ACTION

Our school band for 2010 is now rehearsing in preparation for another busy and exciting year. It already has two public performances in the diary. The band of 2009 had many year 6 members which gave it great expertise but we have some excellent experienced and developing players in our new ensemble. Several beginner children are now having private music lessons on selected instruments and they will be joining our school band at the end of this year. Unfortunately, for the first time in 11 years, there are not enough beginner players at Corpus Christi School to form a Training Band. It is well documented that there are many educational and social benefits for children who play in bands and the Corpus Christi School bands have a long history of success. If you would like to give your child that opportunity please leave a letter at the office expressing your interest. We have a range of school owned instruments available for hire at "non commercial" rates.

Finally, I am delighted to announce that our Band Captains for 2010 will be x and x.

Colin Smith, Band Master.

Selena Murray Trust Fund Concert - Brigidine College - Thursday 25th February, 7.30pm



An Evening of Fine Music
All proceeds to the Selena Murray Trust Fund

Thursday 25th February, 7.30pm
Bowie Hall, Brigidine College
(corner of Woodbury Road and Mona Vale Road, St Ives)

Tickets: \$30/\$15

To reserve tickets, phone Patty Bowie 9144 6342 or 0438 813 212 or
Julia Rashbrook 9449 3872 or email jgbowie@hotmail.com by 12th February

VICTORIA JACONO-GILMOVICH | VIOLIN • ELEANOR BETTS | CELLO • LINDSAY GILROY | PIANO

STRELITZIA PIANO TRIO

Strelitzia has come together to present fine music in the classical tradition. Each member of the Trio is a talented musician in her own right and together they will perform a wonderful program. They were awarded the Musica Viva Chamber Music Award in 2009. All three are donating all proceeds of the evening to the Selena Murray Trust Fund.

Lindsay Gilroy, Class of 2000, has initiated this fundraiser for Selena; Lindsay played at the very first function for Selena in 1999 at the home of Ken and Virginia Anania. She graduated with Honours from the University of Sydney and now holds a Masters Degree as

well. She was awarded the University Medal for Music. It will be a wonderful evening of fine music and good company.

CLOTHING POOL

CHANGE OF DAY

Clothing Pool will now be open **Wednesday** mornings from **8.30am until 9.15am**. Please feel free to leave any unused clothing in the office or at clothing pool. For those of you new to the school we are located around the corner from the canteen. Any queries please contact:

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