



CCS NEWS

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After reading the Prodigal Son, this week's Gospel, the following came to mind:

A sheep found a hole in the fence and crept through it.

He wandered far and could not find his way back.

And then he realised that he was being followed by a wolf.

He ran and ran, but the wolf kept chasing him, until the shepherd rescued him and carried him lovingly back to the fold.

And in spite of everyone's advice, the shepherd refused to nail up the hole in the fence.

Parents are a lot like the shepherd; God, as parent, is also like the shepherd.

Choice is offered to us in an environment of trust, loving acceptance, forgiveness and healing. It requires of us only that we surrender ourselves into these enduring gifts.

Dear Parents

Catholic Schools Week

Thank you to all parents who joined the WSFM fun on Monday. The students received free handouts and the school received a wonderful promotional opportunity on radio. The WSFM staff commented on the manners and gratitude displayed by our students.

Don't forget Friday is the next opportunity to celebrate Catholic education and our tradition of nurturing students academically, spiritually, and socially within a caring Catholic community. The school will be open to prospective new families and will be **accepting enrolments for 2011**. All families are invited to join us and contribute to the morning.

The following is the order of proceedings:

9.00am – Band

9.05am – Welcoming Prayer – Liturgy Leaders
- Principal's address

9.10am – Health Hustle

9.15am – What I like about learning at Corpus Christi

9.25am – Choir

9.35am – String Group

9.45am – Principal to outline morning activities

10.00am – Guided Tours and Classrooms Visits

11.00am – Conclusion

School Hours

Just a reminder that student supervision at Corpus Christi is from 8:30am until 3:30pm. Students arriving before 8:30am or being collected after 3:30pm, should use the Link Rd Kids Club facilities. It is also important to remember that students need to be present at school by 8:45am to begin their day at 8:50am.

NAPLAN 2010

Families of students in years 3 and 5 will have received NAPLAN information this week. The letter contained important facts regarding the dates set for the assessment this year and how data collected is used to determine your child's needs. Please check your child's school bag if you did not receive the handout.

Canteen

After 4 years of coordinating the canteen, Jane Mimmo (Nowland) has decided to step down in order to take on the role of secretary of our school soccer club. Our heartfelt thanks must go to Jane for the many, many hours of tireless work that she has devoted to the canteen. The rosters, ordering, cleaning, paperwork and research involved has meant that our children have been well fed and parents have had the opportunity to socialise while providing an important service to our school.

You will soon be hearing from a new committee of mothers who are presently working with Jane, with the view of taking over in Term 2. I urge you to show your support by making yourself available on the roster and encouraging your children to try the new menu items on offer.

Kind Regards

Mrs Fran Taylor
Acting Principal

Religious Education



Today, on the Feast Day of St Patrick, we remember a great missionary who brought the Christian faith to many people. Amongst other things, St Patrick is known for his simplicity and pastoral care and for his humble trust in God. As we continue to place our trust in God during this Lenten Season, today we pray the prayer of St Patrick:

***Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me.***

***Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, and in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.***

Monica Officer REC

DEBATING

Last Friday night our debaters put in an excellent performance against the Kings School. With a mid-week topic change adding to the already challenging task, our teams rallied to deliver well-prepared and presented cases. The topic for the debate was “*That technology causes more harm than good*” with Corpus Christi taking the affirmative case. Both teams did a fantastic job, with our Primary B team winning their debate - congratulations!
Mrs Delrennie

Important News for Drive-Through Parents

To ensure a free-flowing drive through area in the mornings and afternoons, please be aware that this facility is for children who can exit and enter the car quickly. **It is not a place for drivers to stop and enter the school grounds.** If your child needs any help with getting in or out of the car or if they need to return to school for forgotten equipment, please park your car in a designated parking spot.

CC PARISH NEWS

The two parent meetings for Confirmation are Thursday 18th and Thursday 25th March at 1.30pm and 7.30pm in the church.

Any enquiries can be made to Simone Huttery at the Parish Office on 9144 6998

It has been noticed recently that people have been leaving rubbish near the St Vincent de Paul clothing bin, instead of putting it inside the bin. If your donations do not fit in the bin, please take it with you and return in a week or so, when the bin will have been emptied. In addition, would you please not leave personal rubbish around the clothing bin as it is unsightly and is a health hazard. Thank you.



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



MERIT SCHOOL RULE AWARDS

Respect Self and Others:

KK	KF	1L	1/2L
2E	3GS	3/4 L	4M
5/6D	5/6M	5/6O	3/6S

LIBRARY AWARD	MUSIC AWARD

Library News

Thankyou to everyone who has returned permission slips for the 2010 Premiers Reading Challenge. Many of the children who previously completed the challenge have received their username and passwords to take home and begun recording their books. If your child is new to the challenge they will receive their passwords over the next week. A note will be sent home with children’s passwords in Years K-2 with some extra information.

I have a copy of all username/passwords, so if you lose the information your child has been given they should speak to me during their Library lesson. Unfortunately, I will not be able to respond to emails from Term 1 Week 9 to Term 2 Week 3 as I am away.

For those students wishing to do the Challenge for the first time that **have not** returned the permission note, please do so ASAP. Any additional usernames and passwords will not be issued now until next term, so please keep a copy of the books that are being read.

I hope you have a safe and happy Easter.

Penny Delmage
Teacher/Librarian

Sport

The Cross Country trials last Friday morning were a great success. The children must have run so fast that we ran ahead of schedule! All children ran exceptionally well, and the teachers and parents were very impressed with how well each child tried their best.

The overall winning house was the Blue house, followed by the Green house in 2nd, the Red house in 3rd and the Gold house in 4th place.

The following children have been selected to represent Corpus Christi at the Cluster Cross Country Carnival next term:

	BOYS	GIRLS
8 YEARS		
9 YEARS		
10 YEARS		
11 YEARS		
12 YEARS		

Congratulations to all our athletes.

A big thank you to the teachers and parents who helped out at the trials - without your help and support we would not be able to run such successful sporting activities - thanks!

Canteen

Jane Mimmo 0407 944 071

If you can help in the canteen this term, please contact Jane. Thank you
Friday 19th March -

P&F NEWS

Fun Fair

On Wednesday the 31st March we will be holding our first Fun Fair meeting for this year at 8.00pm in the AP Room (demountable). If you are considering helping out or are new to the school please come along and find out what you can do to help. *If you have volunteered before we would love to see you again.*

The Fun Fair is our major fundraising event for the year and we need the support of as many people as possible. Over the years monies raised from this event have gone to fund many items around the school that your children are now benefiting from, so please come along and support this event.

Michael Woods
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NETBALL

Competition begins this Saturday at Canoon Rd for netball and Lofberg for netta. The draw for the first 5 games is now available on the website www.kna.com.au

Good luck to all teams, *Jackie Watts*

20% off at Rebel Sport

On Thursday 25th March Rebel Sports at Hornsby will be having 20 % off everything.

As well as the sale, players from the NSW Waratahs (including TAH MAN!) will be in store for signings and photographs from 6pm till 7pm.

If you do not have your MVP card just ask for one at the desk. It is under 'The Corpus Christi Netball Club.' Don't forget that whatever you spend using the MVP card the school receives 5% of the value in store credit. We are in the process of buying 12 new stopwatches for the school.

SOCCER

Thank you to the U6 players who attended their first training session last Saturday morning at the school. All the children were very keen and no doubt will have a fantastic season ahead. Don't forget that training is on again this Saturday at 10.30am.

Team lists will definitely be going out this week for all other age groups and we are looking forward to seeing you all out on the field over the coming season.

Season starts on the 17th April so get your boots ready and don't forget if you need new boots this season, SportsFirst are offering 10% off for all Hawks players. They are on the corner of Mona Vale Rd and Memorial Ave St Ives and I have discount cards from them to hand out.

Michael Woods

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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

Year 5/6 Morning Tea

First term is rapidly drawing to a close, so it's time we had a morning tea to welcome the new families across 5/6 and reacquaint the old

Where: Thursday 25th March, at Bonds Nursery Cafe, Terrey Hills

From: 9.30am onwards. RSVP by Tuesday 23rd March to Class Mums.

Kind regards

Therese Cain

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KELLY RAMIREZ

Dog Training

IS YOUR DOG DRIVING YOU CRAZY?!

Look no further, help has arrived. My name is Kelly Ramirez and I am a professional dog trainer from Vancouver, Canada. I relocated to Australia in January 2009 and am now pleased to call Hornsby home.

Not only am I an experienced obedience trainer, I specialize in helping dog owners combat problem behaviours such as: digging, barking, jumping, biting, and various forms of aggression and anxiety.

I believe the most effective approach to dog training is one in which the owner takes a 'hands on' role in their dog's education. Therefore, I work one on one with you and your dog and I offer a variety of training options to suit your needs, such as:

- In-home behavioural consultations (50% off with this ad)
- Discounts upon purchasing 6 or more basic obedience sessions
- Dog walking and dog jogging
- Dog walk and train combo (NEW!)

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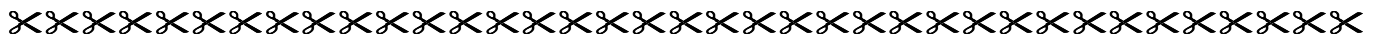
How would I know if my child had an eye problem?

We encourage all parents and teachers to be alert for signs that may indicate a vision problem:

- Headaches
- Frequent blinking and squinting of the eyes
- Short attention span
- Poor reading / comprehension
- Avoiding close work
- Reading with head too close to the book
- A drop in school performance

Amanda Macknight has nearly 30 years experience with children's vision and Behavioural Optometry.

For appointments please phone 9144 5515



Extra Curriculum – Language Club

Just a reminder if you are interested in your children having language lessons after school. Please complete the slip below and return to the office. Replies need to be in to the office by this Friday.

I am interested in my child/ren _____ attending the language club after school. I understand there is a cost of \$145 per term. (please number your preferences)

My language preference would be _____ Italian
_____ French
_____ German

Signed: _____ Date: _____ Ph: _____

