Yesterday was Ash Wednesday, which signifies the commencement of Lent. During Lent, we reflect on our lives, knowing that Jesus is our friend and is always there for us. This encourages us to reach out and look for ways to help those less fortunate than ourselves such as through Project Compassion, Caritas, small acts of kindness and showing we care by the way we greet and care for each other. We ask God to keep us mindful of those who are marginalised, sick or injured that they find comfort in knowing others care.

How can you make a difference to others lives during Lent?

Congratulations:
To the following staff for their roles for 2015: Teaching Team Leaders are: Kinder & Prep – Renee Gottschalk, Grades 1 & 2 – Philippa Pacey, Grades 3 & 4 – Donna Banks and Grades 5 & 6 – Patrick Midson. Simon Treweek is the ICT Coordinator, Dana McCallum the Maths Coordinator, Indigenous Coordinator – Louise Paoli and Literacy and Formative Assessment – Philippa Pacey.

Congratulations to the Grade 6 Student Leaders for Term 1: 6M Mara Dalton and Alex Xintavelonis and 6KW Amelia Roberts and Harry Giltinan.

Congratulations to the Grades 3-5 Student Representatives for 2015:
Grade 3B – Harry Sylvester and Gracie Bradburn
Grade 3T – Tommy Direen and Holly Ward
Grade 4L – Jack Richardson and Sophia Di Venuto
Grade 4TL – Samuel Free and Reese Noye
Grade 5M – Sophie Hallsworth and Anthony Mamic
Grade 5H – Max Skelly and Bree O'Dwyer

Congratulations to the House Captains for 2015:
Swimming: Patrician: Elliot Franklin and Zali Nowacki  
Franciscan: Oliver Reinbach and Amelia Roberts 
Presentation: Chelsea Thomas and Tom McGann
Athletics: Patrician: Grace Lyden and Tim Cotton  
Franciscan: Edward Wright and Melodie Armstrong 
Presentation: Molly Gardner and Max Goodwin
Cross Country: Patrician: Mara Dalton and Ned Ward  
Franciscan: TJ Donaghy and Madeleine Hay 
Presentation: Sophie Rogers and Zach Mundy

All SRC School Leaders and House Captains will receive their badges during the Commencement Mass at 12noon on Tuesday 24 February.

Parent Information Sessions:
Thank you to the parents who were able to attend the Parent Information sessions offered this week. It was a great opportunity for parents to meet the teachers and find out about what happens in individual classrooms. All staff are very approachable and willing to discuss your child’s progress however, it is advisable to make an appointment with the class teacher if you have something you would like to discuss with them.
How full is your ‘bucket’?

With Lent beginning this week Grade 4’s have challenged themselves to complete acts of kindness. We spoke about how Lent is a reminder for us to keep giving to and thinking of others. Students brainstormed all the acts of kindness they could do for others e.g: make a thank you card, go out of our way to say good morning, hold the door open for someone etc. Each time we do something for someone else our bucket begins to fill. So with this in mind our challenge in Grade 4 is to fill our buckets every day with acts of kindness.
## Important Dates

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### PLEASE NOTE:
The next Newsletter will be Thursday 5 March.

### Fees & Levies

**FEE AND LEVY ANNUAL INVOICES** will be issued Monday, 2 March 2015.

5% DISCOUNT (on Net Tuition Fees) will be applied to annual payments where payment is made by no later than Monday, 30 March 2015. If paying by BPAY the payment must be received into the School’s bank account by Monday 30 March 2015.

### SCHEDULED PAYMENTS –

- **MONTHLY VPOS** payments commence on **Tuesday, 10 March 2015**
- **MONTHLY DIRECT DEBIT** payments commence on **Tuesday, 17 March 2015**
- Families who have chosen the one off Annual payment by VPOS will be processed on **Tuesday, 10 March 2015** and one off Annual Direct Debit will be processed on **Tuesday, 17 March 2015**

### UNSCHEDULED PAYMENTS

- Any unscheduled payments (ie, payments made by cash, cheque, BPAY or over the counter EFTPOS) are due by **no later than Monday 30 March 2015**.

**FEE AND LEVY PAYMENT ARRANGEMENT FORMS** advising whether paying monthly or annual payments are now overdue. If you have not returned the same please do so as a matter of urgency.

### School News

**Play & Learn Program**

The Play and Learn Program is beginning at Corpus Christi Catholic School in a few weeks. It will be conducted in Ballygriffin House, which is the Before and After School Care house next to the Church. As a way of resourcing this program we would love and appreciate any donations of smocks, pre-loved games, puzzles, toys, dolls, prams, cars, scooters, trikes etc in good, clean condition. We are also after “collage stuff” like left over material, wool, cardboard or anything crafty which you don’t want anymore. So get in there and have a clean out as we will love it. Donations can be taken to the workshop before or after school, and the school office.

Thank you for your generosity and support

Lisa Cooper  
Kinder Teacher  

Mary Turnock  
Principal
IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR USERS OF THE METRO TRANSFER BUS PASS

Information has been received from Metro that the Transfer Bus Pass cannot be used for transfers to or from Metro services - and will not be accepted as a valid ticket from the beginning of the 2015 school term. The function of the card is to provide free travel for students who need to transfer between two or more non-Metro providers to travel to and from school. If a student qualifies for free travel on Metro services, he/she will be issued with a Student Bus Pass for free travel by State Growth in the form of a Greencard. Further information on free travel passes for students: contact the Department of State Growth or refer to www.transport.tas.gov.au/passenger/student_travel.

Sport

Justin Brasnja – Physical Education Teacher

Corpus Christi Catholic School Swimming Carnival
Parents/Guardians of students in Grades 3 to 6 are reminded that the Corpus Christi Catholic School Swimming Carnival will be held at the Clarence Aquatic Centre on Friday, 27 February 2015 from 10.00am to 2.00pm.

Information regarding the Carnival has been sent home with all students in Grades 3 to 6 today, together with the associated consent form. Completed consent forms must be returned to Class Teachers by no later than Monday, 23 February 2015. Students for whom consent is not received will not be permitted to participate in the Carnival.

Please note that this consent form is separate to the one that was issued earlier this month for the Corpus Christi Catholic School Swim Trials. In accordance with Workplace Health and Safety requirements, it is necessary to seek consent from parents/guardians on each separate occasion that a student may be participating in an aquatic activity. Students who are successfully selected to represent our School at the Catholic Schools Swimming Carnival on 13 March 2015 will need to complete another consent form specific to that event closer to the time.

The program of events for the Carnival will be available to families on the School Website next week. This innovation is consistent with the School's aim to more frequently utilise opportunities to electronically communicate with parents/guardians. This action will significantly reduce the cost of resources and will provide greater ease of access to information. Very limited numbers of hard copy programs will be available on the day on a first in first served basis.

If you have any queries in regard to the Corpus Christi Catholic School Swimming Carnival, please contact the Health and Physical Education Teacher, Mr Justin Brasnja.

School Services

Kylie Mayne – School Services Manager

Uniform Orders

In an effort to ensure a sufficient supply of varying styles and sizes of uniform items, families are asked to assess and order their requirements in advance. This process occurs during Terms 1 and 3 of each year and provides opportunity to achieve reduced prices through bulk purchases with suppliers.

At this point in time, of particular relevance is assessment of your family’s uniform requirements for the cooler weather that is expected during Terms 2 and 3. It is acknowledged that it is quite early to commence this process, however, it is necessary to collate orders at this time to ensure that each family’s uniform requirements are met within appropriate timeframes.

Order Forms, including further information, have been distributed to all families today and are to be lodged at the School Office by Friday, 6 March 2015. If you have any queries in regard to this matter, staff at the School Office can assist.
The next meeting of the Parents and Friends Association will be held Monday, 2 March at 7:00pm in the Library. All are welcome to attend.

Shrove Tuesday
Thank you to Jane Kirk, Kylie Cooper, Jo Joseph, Charmienne O’Brien, Kerry Mulcahy and Kimbra Hallsworth for helping out with cooking and serving pancakes for all the children on Tuesday morning.

Welcome BBQ
The Welcome BBQ is at Oceana tomorrow from 5.30pm – 7.30pm. We have had a huge response and we thank Oceana Health and Fitness for kindly donating the use of their pool area. Oceana will also have staff available on Friday night if you want to discuss swim programs.
A reminder for anyone swimming that they need to be wearing a swimming cap.
IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT while at this event parents are solely responsible for supervision and safety of any children in their care.
We hope everyone has a great time.

P&F AGM
Next meeting of the P&F will be the Annual General Meeting where new Executives will be elected. The P&F Association would like to thank Sandra Hall who has been President for the last 3 years, Paul Curtis who has been the Treasurer and Hayley Nurse who was Vice President last year and Secretary before that, for their work and dedication in the past years with the P&F.

The P&F is a great way to meet parents at the school that are from different grades to your own children and that otherwise you may not get to know. The larger the group of parents on the P&F, the less workload for the parents that are there and more ideas we can have contributed.

The roles on the P&F that are open for nomination are President, Vice President and Treasurer.
If you would like to discuss the roles, please contact P&F Secretary, Kylie Cooper on p&f.ccs@catholic.tas.edu.au or complete the nomination form below and return to the Office by Friday, 27 February.
Outside School Hours Care

For all enquiries regarding Outside School Hours Care please contact:
Centacare Tasmania – Childcare Services
Phone: 1300 119 455
Email: ccs.admin@aohtas.org.au

Community Information

HOBART CHILDREN’S CHOIR
For children aged 6 years to 16 years.
Location: Bellerive Uniting Church, corner of Cambridge Road and York Street, Bellerive.
Time: Wednesdays 4.15pm to 5.45pm during school terms
This is an exciting opportunity for children to join a new choir. No auditions required, just a desire to sing and perform with others.
Bookings essential.
For enquiries and bookings phone 0419 312 041 or email: sally_vance@hotmail.com
Sally Vance B.A., Dip. Ed.,
Member of Tasmania Music Teachers Association.

2015 Primary School Netball Roster
Roster One: Tuesdays 3rd March – 26th May (10 rounds in total)
No Games: 7th and 14th April
Matches are played at 4pm and 5pm.
Entries are due by Friday 27th of February
Team essentials: Coach, Bibs, Ball & First Aid Equipment. All umpires provided.
Court fees for the roster are $275
Roster fees to be paid by the first match.
For any queries contact Phillip Stoneman at the STNA office on 62280760 or info@stna.asn.au

Term 1 MILO in2CRICKET Programs
MILO in2CRICKET is a fun skill based program for boys and girls aged five to eight to get a taste of cricket!
The entry level program involves fun, safe activities that teach kids the basic skills to play cricket, in a supportive, non-competitive environment.
The active, inclusive program allows kids to make friends, develop social skills and team work.
The program is run by trained volunteers and each participant receives a pack containing a MILO backpack, hat, shirt, bat, ball and lots more!
To find your local Term 1 program or more information, please visit www.in2cricket.com.au

SURF GROMS
5-12yr old Surfing Programs
For more information call 0419 324 921 or visit www.coastrider.com.au
Basketball Skill Sessions – Saturday mornings in four locations
The skills sessions are ideal for all junior levels wanting to improve their game with skill development and fun.
The sessions are conducted in Hobart every Saturday morning with the following times:
- 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 year olds – 9am to 10am.
- 10, 11, 12 and 13 year olds – 10am to 11am.
Sessions for Term 1 start on Saturday 14 February and run through until Saturday 28 March.
Participants can pre-register for the 7 weeks through the BTAS website at a cost of $40 or pay $10 per session at the door.
All enquiries can be directed to enquiry@basketballtas.com.au
Further details on our website at www.tas.basketball.net.au / Development / Basketball Skills Sessions