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Newsletter – Week 4 Wednesday, 21st February, 2024

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

FROM THE REC

ARCHBISHOP'S CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

We have received the certificates for the students who entered the competition. Jenny, the director of Catholic Communication. Apologies for the lateness of these certificates but there were over 1000 entries.

The students who entered will have their certificate in their family newsletter wallet.

SAINT OF THE WEEK: SAINT CATHERINE OF BOLOGNA



This link is from Christian Family TV:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=PiOgUIkPI3k

SAINT CATHERINE OF BOLOGNA

Patron Saint of: Artists

Feast Day: March 28

Why are they a saint?

St Catherine of Bologna was a talented painter, musician, and writer.

Her beautifully painted miniatures are preserved at the convent of Corpo di Cristo in Bologna to this day.

We will often see paintings of St Catherine of Bologna with a paint palette and quill.

ST JOSEPH'S DAY, 19th MARCH

Fr Chris has notified me that the Diocesan Assembly is on Tuesday, 19th March. This is St Joseph's Day and we had scheduled a mass at 11:45am. We will now have a **Liturgy in the MPLA**. This will be at 12:15pm followed by a sausage sizzle and an afternoon of activities and fun.



Please change this on your school calendar.

SEWING THANKS



Thank you to Izabella Maris for sewing and to Kylie Pligl and Amy Whelan for organizing someone to hem our prayer cloths. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

If anyone can spare some time to help with hemming, please get in touch with me.

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PRAYER MATERIAL DONATION

We have been fortunate to have received a generous amount of material from Lisa Caffyn and her family. Some of it is exquisite and hard to come by. At Christmas time, they donated a Nativity Scene. Thank you again, Lisa.



PROJECT COMPASSION

Each week, leading up to Easter, we will read the stories of three resilient women from three different corners of the world. They are facing vastly different challenges but are all united by one dream: to create a better tomorrow for all future generations.



FIRST WEEK OF LENT

(Week beginning Monday 19 February)





Meet **Ronita** from the Philippines. Ronita lives with her husband and two children in a barangay (local district) in Quezon City, which is situated in Metro Manila in the Philippines. She went back to school to finish her education so that she could earn income to support her children.

Meet **Leaia** from Samoa. Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for Leaia and her family. But, with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.

Meet **Memory** from Malawi. Memory, the eldest daughter from a rural Malawian family, trained to become a carpenter and is now a trailblazer for future generations of women in her village.

Throughout Project Compassion, you will get to know the stories of Ronita, Leaia and Memory. Journey with them as they forge a path to a brighter future for all generations.



Watch a short film: <u>Introduction to Project Compassion</u> (Primary school version) or <u>Introduction to Project Compassion</u> (General)

Please donate to Project Compassion.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes, online by visiting <u>caritas.org.au/project-compassion</u>, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Photo: Richard Wainwright/Caritas Australia

SACRAMENTS – BAPTISM, RECONCILIATION, FIRST EUCHARIST, CONFIRMATION

The Parish is now responsible for coordinating the sacramental preparation between the school and the parish. The Copper Coast Catholic Parish's Sacramental Programme is based on the guidelines of the Port Pirie Diocese, and therefore takes place primarily in the family. However, our parish supports the family with a Parish based preparation programme. We believe it will be a richly blessed time in your family life.

As the Parish Sacramental Coordinator, I met with 3 of our parishioners and their families to discuss receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. These children will make their Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, 28th April 2024.

On Sunday 17th March, I will meet with the children and parents who are interested in receiving their First Eucharist in June. If you would like further information about this or other Sacraments, please contact me.

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PARISH NAME CHANGE

At the end of last year, Bishop Karol proclaimed our Parish be renamed *The Copper Coast Catholic Parish under the patronage of St Mary MacKillop*. This Parish embraces the communities gathered around Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo, Snowtown, Bute, and Port Broughton.

You'll find us on Facebook too!

Shine like the whole universe is yours.

Mrs Francesca Tully
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR



ICT INFORMATION



Thank you to the students and families who have returned the ICT User Agreement. If you have not done so, please return these as soon as possible to ensure a clear understanding of how devices are to be used throughout the year.

SPORTS DAY VOLUNTEER ROSTER TIMETABLE

Thank you to families who have offered their assistance on Sports Day. Many hands make light work, so if you are able to help, please return the reply slip in last week's newsletter or advise the front office. Thank you.

SET UP OVAL - MORNING - 7.30am

Depledge

Maris

Crosby

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PACK UP OVAL – AFTERNOON 2.00pm

Clifford S

Maris

Liddy/Wellgreen

Miller

Wall A

Donnellan

Dennis

SERVING DRINKS

10-10.30am	Crosby, Adams, Robinson
10.30-11am	J Davey, Kochupural-Veneesh
11-11.30am	Depledge ?
11.30-12pm	Whelan, Crawford
12-12.30pm	S Clifford, Rooney/Pligl
12.30-1pm	Burnell, A Wall
1-1.30pm	D Miller ?
1.30-2pm	?

STUDENT LEADERS 2024

Congratulations to Year 5-8 students who wrote and presented leadership speeches, putting themselves forward. This takes commitment and courage.

The following students have been elected to leadership roles:

SCHOOL CAPTAIN: Adelaide White

JOSEPH HOUSE CAPTAINS: Adelaide White, Mitchell Depledge

MACKILLOP HOUSE CAPTAINS: Kye Smith, Jayden Malone-Hosking, Nevayah Karpany, Isabelle Crawford

TAPPEINER HOUSE CAPTAINS: Trae Wellgreen, Eloise Crosby, Charlize Bartlett-Dunn

WOODS HOUSE CAPTAINS: Lachlan Donnell, Serena Hartley, Bentley White, Madison Wall





SEMESTER 1 - CLASS SRC STUDENTS



Back: Isla Prosser (3-4 W), Aarvin Kochupurackal-Veneesh (3-4 K), Armani Donnellan (Year 5), Jordy Graham (3-4 W), Maisey Simpson (3-4 K)

Front: Lucy Morris (Rec MG), Madalynn Malone-Hosking (1-2 WP), Henley Marks (1-2 N), Arum Darling (1-2 N), Mackenzie Mattner (Rec H), Ryker Kaiser (Rec H)

Absent: Madeline Dennis (Year 5), Isaac Dennis (1-2WP), Mack Milhuisen (Rec MG)

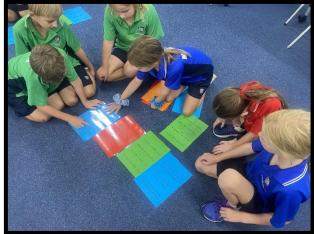
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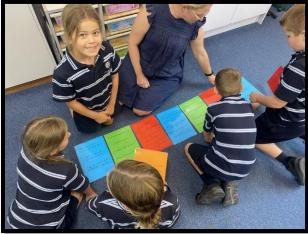
As we are in a new year, I wanted to share this research by the Tony Foundation in Australia. "Music learning improves students' confidence in their sense of self and a realistic sense of their capacities & abilities". Of course, our main goal in Music is to build musical skills but there are so many great by-products of music learning. Increasing confidence is one of them. Here's the <u>link</u> if you'd like to read more

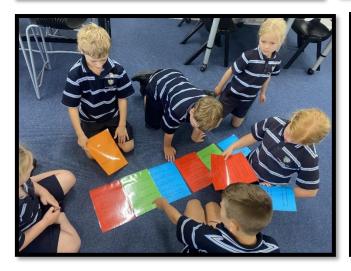
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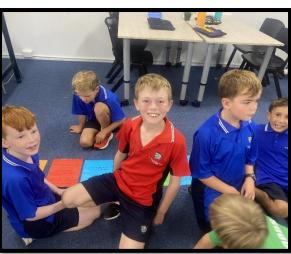
Mrs Chloe Bacher
MUSIC TEACHER











COMMUNITY NEWS

The services and events contained in Community News are in no way connected with the school and are included in this newsletter for your information only. Parents and caregivers need to make their own enquiries and assessments about the suitability of these events and services for their needs and those of their children. Notices will be placed if time and space permits.



