SEASON OF ADVENT

Many Christian churches in Australia, particularly Catholic churches, celebrate the start of the Advent season this week. Advent is the period of four Sundays and weeks leading up to Christmas – the birth of Jesus, so its length varies from 22 to 28 days. Advent candles and wreaths are used in many Christian churches during the Advent season. Advent is a time to reflect and prepare for Christmas in the same way that Lent is in preparation for Easter. The term “Advent” derives from the Latin word adventus, meaning “coming” or “arrival”. It refers to the period immediately before Christmas, during which one might prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. Contrary to popular culture and advertising, Jesus is the meaning of Christmas. Had that tiny baby not been born in the stable, in poverty and helplessness as God made man, we would not be celebrating Christmas 2000 years later. As we begin this Advent season and prepare for our Christmas celebrations, let us not lose sight of the real reason we have this preparation time and celebration.

WEEKLY FOCUS – COOPERATION

This week we are focusing on teaching our students the skills of cooperation. Cooperation is working together and sharing the load. When we cooperate we join with others to do things that cannot be done alone. We are willing to follow the rules which keep everyone safe and happy. Together we can accomplish great things.

STUDENT REPORTS

Student reports for Years 1-6 will be sent home with the students on Monday 8th December.

2015 TERM DATES

Term 1: 2nd February – 2nd April
Term 2: 20th April – 3rd July
Term 3: 22nd July – 24th September
Term 4: 12th October – 11th December

2015 SACRAMENTAL DATES

First Communion: 20/21 June
Confirmation: 8/9 August
Reconciliation: 15/16 September

God bless,
Carmel Costin
Principal

SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

After careful deliberation the Yidarra School Board has set the school fees for 2015. The Board is charged with the responsibility for the setting and collecting of tuition fees in accordance with the policies and guidelines of the Catholic Education Commission of WA as issued from year to year. The Board has followed the Catholic Education Office recommendations and increased tuition fees by 10%. A copy of the 2015 fees schedule and School Fees Policy will be sent home to all families this week.

BOARD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2014 Board AGM will be held on Monday 9th February 2015 at 6:30pm. As there will be vacancies on the Board parents are invited to nominate for a position on the Board. Nomination forms will be sent out this week or will be available from the school office.

Yidarra School Board
MERIT CERTIFICATES
Week 8
Friday, 5 December
‘Congratulations’ to the following students who will be receiving merits awards

Danica Jeremiah PB
Tobias Tanakusuma PB
Lily Moore-Neesham PG
Noah Pires PG
Olivia Whittaker PR
Lachlan Adams PR
Andreas Herrmann IB
Sebastian Morales IB
Jacob Munro IB
Xavier Rushton 2G
Georgia Waddy 4B
Liam McDermott 1B
Alik Papaphotis 4G
Michael Tichelaar 6G
Liam McDermott 4B
Giorgia Paltridge 6G
Alexia Jurkowski 6G
Olivia Whittaker PR
Xavier Rushton 2G
Georgia Waddy 4B
Alik Papaphotis 4G
Dylan Cockrell 6G
Lachlan Lanza Cariccio 6B
Lily Moore
Tobias Tanakusuma PB

PE Awards
Sophie Jones 6G
Riley Spinks 6G

CANTEEN ROSTER

Tue 2 Dec - Liesl Rose
Wed 3 Dec - Mairead Furlong
Thu 4 Dec - Volunteer Needed
Fri 5 Dec - Jennie Moore
Mon 8 Dec - Michelle Davey
Tue 9 Dec - Emma D’Alfonso
Wed 10 Dec - Mellena Vetrone
Thu 11 Dec - Natalie Toth
Fri 12 Dec - Volunteer Needed
Manager Jo Court
9332 2520
Email: cafeteria@corpus.wa.edu.au

SCHOOL BANKING

Tuesdays
8.15-9am
Undercover Area

YIDARRA LIBRARY FUNDRAISING

Over the next few weeks parents have the opportunity to buy good quality plain, clear contact to cover their student’s books for 2015. This contact is very easy to use. It’s the contact we use to cover library books. Many covering volunteers know how good it is. It will be available for purchase in rolls of 2m x 90cm for $20. Come in to the library to place your order now.

BOOK RETURNS

Well done to students and parents who have returned their library books by the cut-off date 21st November. The library staff will commence the annual stocktake very soon and all outstanding books need to be returned promptly so stocktake preparations can begin.

CHERYL LOPEZ
Teacher Librarian

SPORTS PHOTOS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Following our recent school photography by Kapture, you can now view and order any sports and/or special photos taken on the day.

When visiting www.kapture.com.au you will need to enter our school code to access the gallery - Code: 3XZCSH

INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS 2015 AT CORPUS CHRISTI

If your child is in Year 5 or 6 in 2015 they are able to take part in the Corpus Christi College Instrumental Program. This is a wonderful program that offers the chance for your child to learn a musical instrument. Lessons commence Week 3, Term 1 2015. For more information or to request the IMP Enrolment Form and/or Handbook please phone James Dove - Head of Arts on 6332 2500.
SUMMER READING CLUB AT MELVILLE LIBRARY

The Summer Reading Club is taking place at the City of Melville libraries throughout the summer holidays. The theme for the 2014 iteration of the Australian Summer Reading Club is **Adventure**.

At the City of Melville libraries, the Summer Reading Club will run from 1 December 2014 until 31 January 2015. Registration is FREE! When you register at one of our five Melville libraries you will receive a Summer Reading Club participation pack, including an activity booklet and a range of merchandise. Alternatively you can also register through www.summerreadingclub.org.au

There will be Hoyts movie passes to give away to avid summer readers, and national prizes including iPads and iPods are also up for grabs for those who participate in the program. For more information on this year’s Summer Reading Club, please contact Dominique Ward or Helen O’Brien on 9364 0104.

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CAMPION - BOOKLISTS


Your delivery order will be dispatched the week ending 16 January 2015.

**Please note:**
Any orders being returned to Campion by mail must be received two days prior to the cut-off date at the top of this page to ensure your order does not incur a late fee of up to $17.50. A booklist has been sent home for your convenience.

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Vince, Chris and Julie
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