

NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal:

“BRINGING OUT THE INNER GENIUS”

“Talent is a gift, but character is a choice.” (John Maxwell)

Each and everyone of us has talent, there are specific things that we are especially good at. Our children are no different. Part of our role as parents and teachers is to work towards encouraging these talents to emerge. What support do children need from teachers and parents to develop the cognitive skills, values, attitudes and attributes needed for lifetime success?

I read an article recently by Wendy Berliner & Deborah Eyre entitled “Great Minds and How to Grow Them”. They write about a way of thinking and a way of behaving.

THINK RIGHT

- **If children get stuck at something, don't sort it out.**

Ask “How could you do this?” “Have you done anything similar before?” “What did you do then?” This helps them develop their own learning ideas and makes them much less likely to say they can't do things.

- **Build big picture thinking.**

Ask “What would happen if ... it never got dark/the rivers ran dry/ everyone ignored the law?” A key characteristic of students labelled as gifted is their ability to see how learning connects to the wider world.

- **Build imagination.**

Ask “How would you weigh a giraffe/rhinoceros/bridge/house/star?” Creativity builds learning capability and is vital for high performance.

- **Develop critical or logical thinking.**

Ask ‘Why do you think ... bread goes mouldy if you don't freeze it/babies cry/ leaves fall when autumn comes?’ The ability to deduct, hypothesise, reason and seek evidence is probably the characteristic most associated with academic success.

- **Help them monitor their own progress.** Ask: “What do you need to be able to do this? How can you check you're on track? How can you tell whether you are doing it right?” This is the key to maximising thinking skills.

BEHAVE RIGHT

- **Intellectual confidence.** This is a “can do” approach to learning, even when it's hard. If a child says they are no good at something, say: “I know you can learn how to do this if you work at it.”

- **Open-mindedness.** Being open to new ideas is the hallmark of an advanced learner. Start with being open-minded yourself so you model what it's like to be receptive to ideas that differ from your own.

- **Curiosity.** Children ask lots of questions if you answer them. The desire to know more – curiosity – is at the heart of all learning. The more curious children are, the better they do at school and in life.

- **Practice.** It's the only way to get good at something. Make sure it is regular, deliberate and planned, working towards achievable incremental goals. Practise what you can't do well.

- **Perseverance.** To keep going when it's tough is the most important behaviour in high performance. With younger children you can talk about what would happen if no one persevered – the farmer who didn't bother to harvest his crops, the builder to finish the house, the surgeon to complete the operation. With older ones, encourage a sense of pride in what they do so that they are motivated to persevere.

At the Coaching course Adele Murphy and I attended last week one of my greatest “takeaways” as Principal of SHS was a quote.

“People live in the world our questions create.”

The words reminded me that we all have two ears to listen and one mouth to speak. I will always learn more about other people by “observing”, “listening to understand” and “empowering” than I ever will by “telling”.

My role is not to solve others’ challenges. Ultimately I walked away from the course, understanding more clearly that we will be more effective as teachers and parents if we facilitate conversations with the goal of “asking the right question” which then leads to empowering children to provide better responses and working towards solving their own challenges.

“When I stand before God at the end of my life, I would hope that I would not have a single bit of talent left, and could say, ‘I used everything you gave me.’” — [Erma Bombeck](#)



Brent Wilson
PRINCIPAL

ROCK AND ROLL NIGHT

Last week was another outstanding example of the community spirit alive and thriving at Sacred Heart. On Friday night I was able to watch for the first time a SHS Rock and Roll Night. My observations were the following

- Children, Parents, Grandparents, Past Pupils and Staff all had fun
- Our tireless, dedicated and enthusiastic P and F Committee were instrumental in planning for, setting up and cleaning up on the night.
- A large contingent of staff gave up their personal time to attend and actively partake.
- Our Music Teacher is amazing. Barry Nas facilitates 4 Rock Roll nights for our Launceston Catholic Primary School, every year. Barry (and Greg) are engaging, fun and entertainers who actively support and encourage others to have fun.

To each and every person... thanks for your contributions to a fantastic night.

BRENT AWAY NEXT WEEK

Next week I have meetings on Monday, Thursday and Friday (14th, 17th and 18th August). On Monday I am in Hobart as the Catholic Primary Principals representative for a School Performance Committee. Our role, as a committee is to consider, reflect and support schools in achieving better outcomes for students.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday ALL Tasmanian Catholic School Principals will gather for the third time this year. Our key focus at our meeting next week is unpacking and understanding how the Refreshed Archbishop’s Charter impacts on SHS.

Adele Murphy, as our Assistant Principal will be available for compliments and challenges.

BASKETBALL NEXT WEEK

Parents are reminded that on Monday 14th August all children from Grades 3-6 who have returned their basketball form to play in the October School Championships should wear **SPORTS UNIFORM** for the day. It would be wise to pack an extra water bottle.







The Spirit of Jesus is Alive in:

Prep Hills	Harrison Vinar For showing a great improvement in listening skills	Lily Champ For making excellent progress with her reading
Prep Best	Sam Cameron For outstanding work on learning about Aliterations	Sophie Johnson For showing amazing attitude and effort in her Speech Program
Grade 1 Gleadow	Sebastian Hardinge For making excellent choices and remembering "right time, right place" this week. Keep up the great work	Darcy Priestly For always having a positive attitude towards school and greeting others in the morning
Grade 1 Hegarty	Georgina Hart For detailed recount writing	Jackson Quill For amazing efforts in reading this week
Grade 2 Crawford	Gianna Acquarola For working hard in Letters & Sounds	Kade Norman For working hard on his spelling
Grade 2 Reid	Jeremy Churchill-Bakes For a great week and great writing and illustration of a bunyip	Macy Watts For great work in subtraction this week
Grade 3 Symons	Quentin Jones For excellent work in place value activities	Annabelle Pyke For always respecting others
Grade 3 Underlin	Geordie Kotynia For his mint cooking skills	Elizabeth Hoyland For simply being exceptional
Grade 4 van Ryn	Elyse Campbell For a fantastic effort in Science	Sebastian Johnston For his fantastic Scientific knowledge
Grade 5 Hood	Anna McNeair For an excellent example of a narrative	Piper van Emmerik For a well researched digital presentation of "our place in space"
Grade 5 Viney/Steven	Amalie de Jong For her persistence and growth mindset approach to fractions	James Humphreys For his focus and determination to succeed in Maths this week
Grade 6 Davie	Isabella Davie For being a Go-Kart.. a self motivated and responsible student. Well done!	Leah Ellings For her warm caring nature
Grade 6 McLeod	Cayley Quill For engaging with all opportunities both in and out of the classroom	Liliana Ercole For displaying outstanding skills in our puppet presentations



The Little Athletics season is commencing SOON!

Sacred Heart have an affiliated Little Athletics Club and we would love you to come and join us.

Our VISION is to provide an inclusive and family orientated little athletics club that has a strong and proud reputation for being there to support, nurture and encourage all children.

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We invite your child to the 2017/18 Little Athletics season. Little Athletics is a wonderful building block for all physical activity. It builds balance, strength, agility, endurance and speed, but it also provides a fabulous basis for the development of self awareness, social awareness and goal setting. Little Athletics is for all children, at all stages of development. Parent involvement is a necessary component of Little Athletics and with that comes the building of great family experiences.

- First competition day is Sunday October 1st, 8.30 – 12.30 (approx)

Newcomers are able to compete at two meets before full payment is required. Proof of age must also be cited for newly registered athletes.

COME AND JOIN US. Develop skills for life and have fun doing so.

For further information contact - **President – Anna Davie (0437237141)**

Find us on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/SacredHeartAthletics>

Or email us at: sacredheart@slac.org.au



August 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6th	7th	8th 3.30pm Art Club 6.30pm Board Meeting	9th School Banking 11.30am Band Program K-Gr 3 Bravehearts presentation	10th 11.30am Strings Program	11th 2.10pm Assembly	12th
13th	14th 9am-1.30pm Basketball Tryouts	15th 3.30pm Art Club	16th School Banking 11.30am Band Program	17th 11.30am Strings Program	18th 2.10pm Assembly	19th
20th	21st	22nd 3.30pm Art Club 7.30pm P & F Meeting	23rd School Banking 11.30am Band Program 7pm Sacrament of Reconciliation @ Church of Apostles	24th 11.30am Strings Program	25th 2.10pm Assembly	26th
27th	28th	29th 3.15pm Gr 5/6 Book Club 3.30pm Art Club	30th School Banking 11.30am Band Program 1.15pm Fathers Day Celebration 7pm Sacrament of Confirmation @ Church of Apostles	31st 11.30am Strings Program	1st Sept 2.10pm Assembly	2nd

2017 Sports Carnival

Monday 11th September

Gr 3 - Gr 6 Athletics Carnival @ St Leonards

Friday 3rd November

NIJSSA Athletics Carnival

Thursday 16th November

Prep - Gr 2 Athletics Carnival @ SHS

Assembly 2.10pm every Friday

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S.H.S. Parents and Friends email

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Student absences

If your child will be absent from school please remember to either:

- call the School office on 63311011
- email shsl@catholic.tas.edu.au
- use the Skoolbag app, fill out an eForm

Please note that children arriving late to school need to enter the school via the York St entrance and report to the school office to update our records and avoid unnecessary absentee text messages.

Term Dates Catholic Schools

2017

Term 1 Thursday 9.2.17 to Thursday 13.4.17

Term 2 Monday 1.5.17 to Friday 7.7.17

Term 3 Monday 24.7.17 to Friday 29.9.17

Term 4 Tuesday 17.10.17 to Thursday 21.12.17

2018

Term 1 Thursday 8.2.18 to Friday 13.4.18

Term 2 Monday 30.4.18 to Friday 6.7.18

Term 3 Monday 23.7.18 to Friday 28.9.18

Term 4 Monday 15.10.18 to Thursday 20.12.18



2017 Pupil Free Day
Monday 16th October

Our P.B.S. Values are:

Respect for Ourselves

Respect for Others

Respect for our Learning

<http://MyTerncity.com.au>

TOILET ACCESS AFTER HOURS

Student toilets are locked daily at approximately 3:15pm-3:30pm. There is a toilet located in the administration building, which is opened until 4:00pm daily.



The Challenge:

- Read 10 books in 10 weeks from Tuesday 13th June to Friday 18th August
- Keep a record of the books you've read in your reading log
- Give your finished reading log to your teacher by Friday 25 August
- If you finish your 10 books before the Challenge ends – see how many more you can read in the 10 weeks! You can get another page for your reading log, or ask your teacher for one

What to read:

- Read any book you enjoy, on any subject, fiction or non-fiction
- You can read at home, at school or anywhere
- Check out some popular kids' authors and series
- Ask your teacher or a librarian to find some books you'll like
- If you are just starting to read, share books with an adult, older brother or sister or a book buddy
- You can include any book you read for the MS Readathon and any other reading programs, as long as you read it during the Challenge time
- Check out your school library or ask your parents if you can join your local LINC or library where you can borrow a great range of books for **FREE**

This year the Hawthorn football club supports the challenge. Students have the opportunity to write an online book review during the Challenge to be in the running for one of 60 \$15 book vouchers. They are also invited to join 'team Rioli', 'team Shiels' or 'team Birchall' to support their favourite Hawthorn player when they submit a book review. More details can be found here;

<https://premiersreadingchallenge.tas.gov.au/>

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2017

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From **Wednesday 26th July to Tuesday 19th September** we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent. Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school.



Grade 5 and 6 Tuesday Book Club

SPIRIT ANIMALS

Brandon Mull



Tuesday 29th

August

3.15pm - 4.15pm.

in the staff room

ANDERSEN'S FAIRY TALES

Hans Christian
Andersen



STAY TUNED FOR A NEW DATE !

MOVIE CONCERT!

SUNDAY 13TH AUGUST
CROAGH PATRICK CAMPUS
 ENTRY OFF PEEL STREET
 ADMISSION- GOLD COIN DONATION

Popcorn, fairy lights and cold drinks

POSTPONED

'WATCH THE BIG SCREEN TO LIVE MUSIC !'

STAR WARS

Fresh POP CORN

Spider-Man, Mickey Mouse, and other characters are featured in the background.

Show times 1.30 & 3.30pm



Airbrushing Workshop

2 day Beginners/ Intermediate course

19th & 20th August from 9.30-3.30pm



**Learn how to Airbrush in a fun way,
teaching you the basic technique and know
how in this workshop.**

Professional Artist from Western Australia with over 20 years in the airbrushing industry will be visiting Launceston sharing his airbrushing skills on the weekend of the 19th & 20th August. The classes will be held at Sacred Heart School and all materials and equipment supplied. \$250.00 per person, early payment \$220.00 per person if received by 15/8/17. For enrolment details contact:

www.happysackair@outlook.com

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