

Sacred Heart School Newsletter



Phone: 6331 1011

227 York Street, Launceston Tasmania. 7250

Email: shsl@catholic.tas.edu.au

From the Principal:

OUR P.B.S. VALUES ARE:

Respect for Ourselves

Respect for Others

Respect for our Learning

BeAttitudes: *Be Honest*



Random Acts of Christmas Kindness 2015						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Give a compliment to a friend.	2 Take change to a vending machine.	3 Make a card for a soldier.	4 Pick up litter.	5 Take coffee to your teacher.
6 Send a paper hug to someone you love.	7 Tell silly jokes to make someone laugh.	8 Give someone a hug coupon.	9 Donate a book to the library or hospital.	10 Leave a happy note for someone to find.	11 Do yard work for a neighbor.	12 Donate toys to your favorite charity.
13 Candy cane bomb a parking lot.	14 Call a faraway friend or relative to say hello.	15 Make a thank you for your librarian.	16 Do a chore for someone in your family.	17 Donate food to your local food pantry.	18 Leave a popcorn surprise in a DVD rental machine.	19 Smile at everyone you see today.
20 Take supplies to the animal shelter.	21 Pay for a stranger's coffee.	22 Give treats to the mail carrier.	23 Feed the birds.	24 Take cookies to the fire station.	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

The name Advent (From the Latin word Adventus, which signifies a coming) is applied, in the Catholic Church, to that period of the year, during which the Church requires the faithful to prepare for the celebration of the Feast of Christmas, the anniversary of the birth of Jesus Christ. The Advent Calendar is part of the tradition of this Catholic season and part of the tradition in broader secular society. The origin of the Advent Calendar can be traced back to the 19th Century. The first known Advent Calendar which was made by handwork is from the year 1851.

Other early styles were the Advent clock or the Advent candle - a candle for each of the 24 days until Christmas, like today's Advent wreath. So in religious families little pictures were hung up on the wall - one for each day in December. Another tradition was to paint chalk strokes on the door, one per day until Christmas Eve.

The Advent calendar above provides the focus of random acts of kindness for each of the days of December. Technically they are not random when each day has a specific act of kindness however I think you get the idea. As the quote states 'one small act of kindness' is much better than grand ideas that never happen.' It is also a little healthier than the chocolate hiding behind each date on traditional Advent Calendar.

Sacred Heart School Newsletter

From the Principal:

HOMEWORK SURVEY FOR PARENTS CLOSES TOMORROW - LAST CHANCE TO GIVE YOUR FEEDBACK AND INPUT

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XGHZBCD>

LEVIES 2016

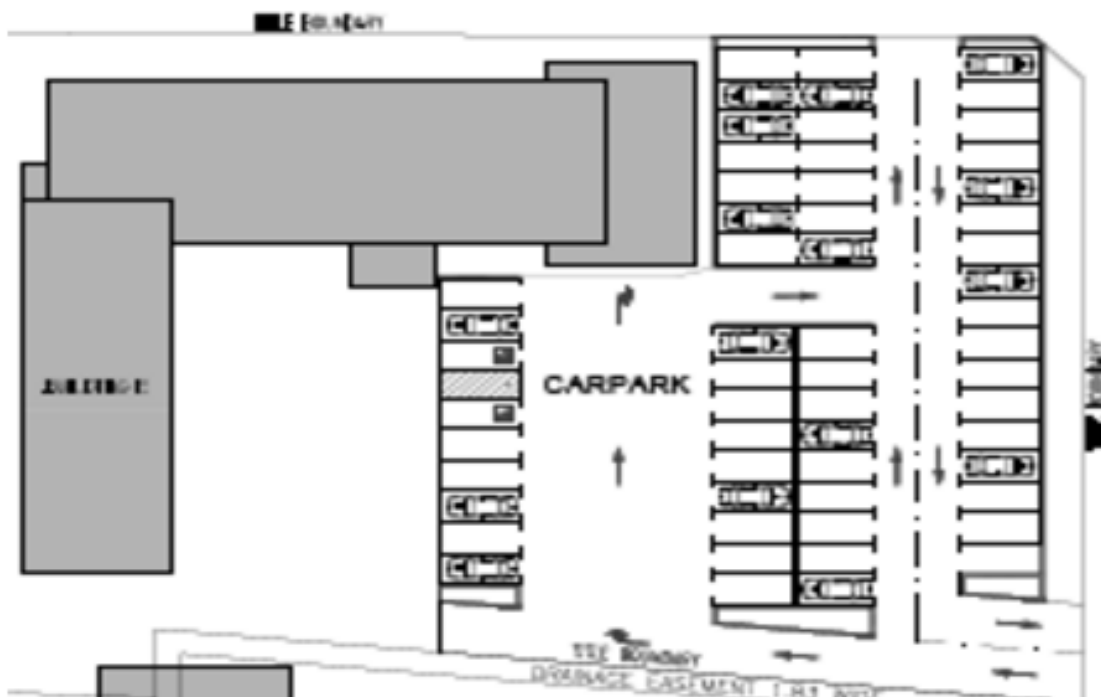
Parents and guardians were emailed a letter about 'Levies for 2016' earlier this week. We are increasing our levies that you pay with school fees for students in Kinder to Grade 6. Rather than having to pay money for things like Camps, Swimming Programs, 1;1 iPad program, MJR Journal, Excursions, I.C.T. costs and Dance Fever every second year, when they come up during the year, they will now be covered through your levy payments. All of these costs will be included in the levies that you can pay off either in full at the start of the year or through installments during the year.

MARGARET STREET CAR PARK

We have been working with the Parish to redevelop our Margaret Street Car Park. We have developed a plan that we are confident will:

- Increase the number of parking spots by up to 15 spaces.
- Increase the ease of traffic flow moving in one direction when collecting students after school and not needing to 3 point turn to get around the 'turning circle.'
- Create a pedestrian access to the Church that has a fence to protect pedestrian access.
- Increase the number of cars that can be waiting in line within the car park to collect students.

We are currently working through planning with the hope of being able to do work on the car park in the January and early February period. Even if this causes some disruption for a short period, this is worth the benefits gained in improving a frustrating aspect of accessing our school.



Sacred Heart School Newsletter

From the Principal:

CAROLS ON THE OVAL

The annual Carols on the Oval is again here. This coming Wednesday 2nd December our Carols are held on the oval and possibly inside the Presentation Gym. For new families the highlight (or lowlight) is the staff item that is performed and again I will be a reluctant part of this 'quality' performance.

P&F will be selling candles from 6.15pm till 7.30pm

Plain candle \$2

Multi-coloured candles \$3 each or 2 for \$5



TRIATHLON

Over 30 students from Grade 3 and above participated in a Primary Schools Triathlon competition today in Devonport. It is always great to see our students 'put their hand up' to be part of the many and varied opportunities that we encourage young people to be part of while at SHCS. We will share some of the results in next week's newsletter.

BAND/STRINGS CONCERT

Many of our students today had their final practice before the big end of year concert being held tomorrow night. We wish all of our students all the best on the night as they perform as a SHCS Band and as part of the broader foundation and development bands combined with other primary school students.

FACEBOOK/CLASS/PARENT PAGES

We are aware that there are some parent Facebook pages for some of our classes. They are a chance to help connect parents and network and share. We think this is a positive thing and a way to help parents connect with other parents.

If there are Facebook pages for a specific grade it is important from the school's point of view that the following things are in place and happening, that reflect the core values of our community:

1. All parents on that grade are invited to reflect the value of Welcome as a community.
2. If the name of the page includes the name of the teacher on that grade, as a matter of courtesy the teacher is asked if they are comfortable with this before the page goes 'live'.

If there has been an oversight with this, as can genuinely happen, please ensure that points 1 and 2 are followed up.

PARKING

Unfortunately the school has requested that the Launceston City Council increase their presence around drop off and pick up times at SHCS. Unfortunately a small number of cars are not following the parking regulations around the school which can compromise safety of students, particularly around parking in standing areas and on bus stops. Earlier this week police were also doing checks around Bourke and York Street for the same reasons. We hope that parents are not booked and won't be if the parking rules are followed.

CYBERSAFETY 1:1 iPADS

Earlier this week current Grade 2 parents attended an information session on 1:1 iPads. The parent tips we provided are also a useful reminder to all parents who have students in Grade 3-5. The iPads are school property until students leave at the end of Grade 6. The following are school expectations around using and taking the iPads home:

- iPads are not to be left in bedrooms over night.
- iPads must be charged in a public area of the house.
- Younger brothers and sisters are not using the iPads.
- Parents need to know the passwords for iPads
- Browsing history cannot be cleared.

Sacred Heart School Newsletter

MINI VINNIE'S

Just a short reminder that Vinnie's will once again be running the Christmas Hampers for needy families this year. Your kind donations will ensure that a number of under-privileged families will be having a better Christmas this year. Any non perishable food items or age appropriate gifts would gratefully accepted and collected by our Vinnie's team from classes.

Thanks in anticipation of your kindness.
From the Mini Vinnie's Team.

Classes are collecting for the following families

Prep - Mother, Boy 9, Girl 12

Grade 1 - Mother, Father, Boy 5, Girl 8, Boy 10

Grade 2 - Father, Boy 8, Boy 11

Grade 3 - Mother, Father, Girl 3, Girl 5, Boy 8

Grade 4 - Mother, Boy 2, Boy 5

Grade 5 - Mother, Father, Girl 1, Boy 3, boy 4

Grade 6 - Mother, Father, Girl 4, Girl 6, Boy 8



End of Term 4 Sausage Sizzle

Wednesday 16th December

Sausage/Hamburger orders along with payment need to be given to the class teachers by Wednesday 9/12

Hamburgers \$2.00

Sausages \$1.50



School Banking

Wednesday 2nd December will be the last day of school banking for this year

WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE REGISTRATION

Government legislation now requires all people working or volunteering with vulnerable people to be registered. It is an expectation placed on our schools that any person who is on an excursion, helping in the classroom, helping out with students getting changed after swimming, attending camps etc must have this registration.

If parents do not have registration or registration is pending you may not be able to volunteer and attend the excursion or school event. This is something that we do not want to have to do but as legislation and system policy we need to adhere to.

How to apply for a WWVP and Number

1. Complete the online application form www.justice.tas.gov.au/working_with_children
 2. Print the "Application Receipt" which is generated when the application has been completed in full
 3. Take the "Application Receipt" to a Service Tasmania shop, pay the fee (\$17.60) and have your 100 point check to confirm identity
- Once your registration has been approved and you receive your WWVP card, please bring it to the**

Sacred Heart School Newsletter

From the Principal:

~ December 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29th	30th Nov Prep Gymnastics @1.30pm	1st 11am Volunteer Morning Tea 3.10pm Art Club	2nd Gr.1 Gymnastics @1.30pm Last Day for School Banking 7pm Carols On The Oval	3rd SHS Orientation SPC Orientation Gr.7 2016 1.30pm Band/ Strings Instrument Collection	4th 2.15pm Assembly	5th
6th	7th 6.30pm Grade 6 Leavers Dinner & Liturgy	8th 9.30-11.30am Birth - 4 Playgroup, Christmas break up at City Park Prep - Gr.2 Excursion to the Tailrace Gr 3/4 Excursion to St Thomas More's 2pm Kinder Halley Nativity Play	9th Gr.6 Excursion to Kids Paradise	10th Dance Fever Gala Day 2pm Kinder Nas/Mercer Nativity Play St Pats College End of Year Mass	11th Gr.5 Excursion to Airtime 2.15pm Assembly	12th
13th	14th Gr.3 Pilgrimage Gr 5/6 Gorge Excursion 7pm SHS End of Year Mass	15th 2pm Gr.6 End of Year Awards Ceremony	16th End of Term 4 BBQ & Plain Clothes Day	17th	18th	19th

Uniform Shop News

The last open day for the Uniform Shop will be Thursday 19th November.

After this date uniform orders will need to be emailed to shs.clothingpool@catholic.tas.edu.au. Last day for orders will be 27/11/2015.

The Uniform Shop will open on January 28th between 10.00-4.00pm for back to school orders.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS 2015

TERM 1 Thursday 5.2.15 to Thursday 2.4.15

TERM 2 Monday 20.4.15 to Friday 3.7.15

TERM 3 Monday 20.7.15 to Friday 25.9.15

TERM 4 Monday 12.10.15 to Wednesday 16.12.15

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS 2016

TERM 1 Thursday 4.2.16 to Friday 8.4.16

TERM 2 Tuesday 26.4.16 to Friday 1.7.16

TERM 3 Monday 18.7.16 to Friday 23.9.16

TERM 4 Monday 10.10.16 to Thursday 15.12.16

Webpage: www.sacredheartl.tas.edu.au

Twitter: @shslton

Facebook: www.facebook.com/sacredheartl

Pinterest: Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

S.H.S. Parents and Friends email shsl.pnf@catholic.tas.edu.au

Sacred Heart School Newsletter

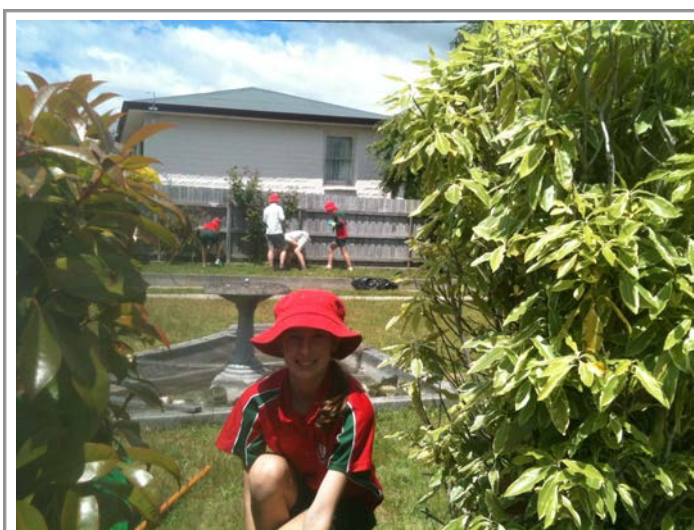
The Spirit of Jesus is Alive in:

Prep Hills	Kayleb Barker For doing some great work and writing his name neatly	Amalie Miller For being a kind, mature helper
Prep Best	Beau Furlonge For outstanding listening and concentration	Charlize Spencer For improved effort with her school work
Grade 1 Crawford	Geordie Kotynia For a brilliant effort at the Athletics Carnival William Bevis For always being a WEST person	Lucas Mineall For awesome work at Dance Fever Hannah Zegveld For being an extremely co-operative student
Grade 1 Underlin	Jayda O'Keefe For her excellent work in Maths Elaria Acquarola For her excellent attitude to learning	Luwanna Beeton For simply being outstanding Ada Beveridge For her amazing reading Meg Kotynia-Soley For her excellent reading
Grade 2 Reid	Eloise Heather For great note taking for the Geography poster	Jackson Radley For great enthusiasm for literacy tasks
Grade 2 van Ryn	Isabella Olding For a great effort in swimming	Elyse Campbell For a great effort in swimming
Grade 3 Hood	Alice Mathers For your accurate recording of time	Nick Saunders For great expression in your reading
Grade 3 Symons	Ruby Dawkins For being exceptionally kind to her friends	Isla Cooper For a great attitude in Art Seb Stone For creative art work
Grade 4 Hegarty	Xavier Barker For great work in Maths this week	Mitchell Bevis For your great efforts with persuasive writing
Grade 4 Wood	Sam Cowley For trying hard in Maths	Abigail van Niekerk For being a great helper
Grade 5 McLeod	Liam Ford For his resilience and teaching us all how to be happy	Laura Elmer For respecting learning by presenting a super history report
Grade 5 Viney/Badcock	Laura Hodgetts For the care and consideration you give to your work	Chelsea Whitchurch For always striving to be your best in everything you do
Grade 6 Davie	Ally Brown For her kind, caring and happy nature	Evie Dawkins For her splendid silent film production. A great insight into your amazing talent
Grade 6 Claessens	Lachlan Norton For showing consistency with his work and his cheerful pleasant nature	Jonte Adams For his fine organisational skills

Sacred Heart School Newsletter

MINI VINNIE'S NEWS

Last Wednesday a keen and enthusiastic team of helpers from Mini Vinnie's arrived at Mrs D'Ambrosio's house to do some general gardening and clean up duties. "Team work makes the dream work"!! was certainly evident on the day. Everyone worked extremely hard and did a fine job. Thanks to Mrs D'Ambrosio for the lovely icy poles and drinks which were certainly appreciated.



Sacred Heart School Newsletter

Rice

DANCE FEVER GALA DAY THURSDAY 10TH DECEMBER

Young

9.15-10.30 - PREP, GR.1 & GR.2

11.30-12.30 - GRADE 3 & 4

12.30-1.30 - GRADE 5 & 6

DRESS UP IN YOUR HOUSE COLOURS

Nagle



MacKillop

Dear Children and Families

You are cordially invited to celebrate the

Sacred Heart School Community End of Year Thanksgiving Mass

Our Thanksgiving Mass is for children and families here at Sacred Heart School. It is a beautiful and special thanksgiving time for us all. We especially give thanks for our blessings this year and remember those who need our prayers. We give thanks for and wish our Grade 6 students as well as our leaving children and families farewell.

Date: Monday, 14th December

Where: Church of Apostles

At: 7.00pm

We would like all children and families

to be seated by 6.50 please

To wear: School summer uniform

Children may sit with their families unless they are involved in some aspect of the mass.



Sacred Heart School Newsletter



Christmas Eve Family Mass

Church of Apostles 24th December @ 6.30

Any children who want to be involved in this year's Nativity at the Christmas Eve family mass, we will be having two practices on Tuesday 8th and 15th December in the church after school @ 3.15pm

Please contact Helen Halley if needed @ helen.halley@catholic.tas.edu.au

Birth - 4 Christmas at City Park



Join us for our last B-4 for 2015
Tuesday 8th December
9:30 - 11:30

Please bring along a small plate to share for a Christmas picnic (& a gold coin if you would like a train ride).

Meeting at the playground

Move Well Eat Well



Cheap, creative ways to play...



Use:

- Cardboard boxes
- Blankets
- Ropes
- Buckets/baskets
- Balloons

Visit and explore:

- Playgrounds
- Parks
- Beaches
- Reserves



Try:

- Balancing
- Climbing
- Jumping
- Chasing
- Hopping
- Rolling

For more information and for family ideas on healthy eating and physical activity visit:

www.movewelleatwell.tas.gov.au

Sacred Heart School Newsletter

PREP BUILDING A CUBBY

The Prep Building team decided to construct a Cubby House! The ideas came in thick and fast. From sliding doors to electronic security systems, we were all very excited. We researched and planned and even had an architect come in and draw with us. We then went to the Tip Shop and collected resources for our Cubby. Then we had a building day! The kids were great on the tools and extremely creative in their thinking. Thank you so much to the Parents and Grandparents who made it all possible!

