27TH OCTOBER 2016 "OPEN THE DOOR TO MERCY" 1873-2016 OUR 143RD YEAR

Sacred Heart School Newsletter



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From the Principal:

Our P.B.S. Values are:

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Respect for Ourselves
Respect for Others
Respect for our Learning
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From the Principal:

During the last week I have had probably one of the biggest disagreements I can recall with a colleague. It was professional but felt personal! A frustration around what I believe to be incorrect and wrong, a frustration that is obvious to me as the right way to go, is not seen in the same light by them. At no stage did I really try to listen to understand rather listen to prepare my response, defend my position and win!

In this last week I responded broadly to something in the school in the hope of proactively dealing with what I could see was going to grow from a 'seed to a weed'. For some, they perceived it as directed to them individually. The intention of my response was to help and address something broad while the perception was it was specific and pointed. None of the people involved, including myself, knew the complete picture and assumed what was to be right based on the knowledge at the time. Once the conversation was held and we all saw all the perspectives, a better outcome emerged.

I overheard a conversation this week (not on site at SHCS) between teachers critical of the lack of support that they were receiving from someone in regards to a child in their class. Knowing one of the people in the conversation I also knew they themselves have done little to proactively make the accommodations needed, or follow through on the plans collaboratively developed and take responsibility to actually support the student and family.

We must take co-responsibility for the situations we create and the responses we make. It is easy, cheap and lazy to expect others to do all the heavy lifting and that our opinion and voice is the one that everyone wants to hear! I write this out to the community not thinking of any of you. I do know though who I am thinking of when sharing these examples above, someone who has made similar mistakes. The person has failed across this last week to try to understand the reality behind the perception and had opinions before facts. That person was me!



God Moment No.1 this week:

The first God Moment I wanted to share was how well I thought the young Prep and Grade 1 students got dressed and organised after their swimming on the first day, Monday. Through my 'motivation' of prizes for the quickest dressed our young Prep and Grade 1 boys did a fantastic job. Feeling quite chuffed with this, I was quickly 'deflated' by an email the next morning from Mrs. Hills informing me many of the boys arrived home not wearing underwear under the shorts. Some of my 'spies' informed me that when parents mentioned this to Jane, she was very quick to throw 'Mr. Jones under the bus!'

From the Principal:

God Moment No.2 this week:

Having a mum from another Catholic Primary School in Launceston, pass on her thanks to one of our basketball teams on the weekend. Their team were given the wrong venue for their game, our players had to wait for the team to arrive. They included her son in their 'parent versus player scrimmage' until the other players arrived. Even though entitled to claim the win due to forfeit, our team agreed to play the game with reduced time. The other school then won the game! Our coach Mr. Chris Duffy and the sportsmanship of the boys was a great God moment this week.

Gr 3-6 Primary Basketball Tournament

The last two weekends have been an extended example of the great participation of our school community in school events, the pride our students (and parents) take in representing our school along with the 'sporting talent' within SHCS. From players who have never played to experienced representative basketballers all players and teams I saw just showed so much determination and effort. I was genuinely proud of each of our players, teams and our school.

Each of our Division 1 teams made the Grand Final, with both 5 /6 Girls and 5 /6 Boys winning their Grand Finals. All four teams will now be invited to the State Championships along with the best teams from the north west and the south of the state



Updates

Oval:

Our oval is still going to be dug up and redeveloped this year. Original plans were for this to have started by now. Ironically due to the ground being overly wet from larger downpours the works have been postponed and will now begin in November. The positive of this delay is our Athletics Carnival for P-2 can go ahead on our Oval, rather than having to be relocated.

Stage 2 Building Program:

Unfortunately our building program will not begin this year as stated in previous newsletters. Having planned for this to begin last year, we are now looking at a start date in January 2017. The current information the school has been given is a middle of January start to our Library to be finished by the 6th February 2017. We will provide exact information when we can confirm details and dates. I want to thank our school community for the patience you have shown in this extended period of preparing for the work to start.

From the Principal:

Staff Placements 2017

We will be able to confirm all teaching positions for 2017 in this next week, which teachers are on what grades and all leadership positions.

Term 4 Priorities

Term 4 our focus is on finishing off the year positively, celebrating our achievements individually and collectively as well as planning for 2017. Key areas of focus include:

- Planning for the building program completed and work started on the Library towards the end of this term
- Our school oval works begin and be finished by start of 2017 School Year.
- Staffing Appointments, teacher allocations and student allocations to classes.
- Individual Educational Plan meetings for students with specific needs.
- · End of Year Reports
- Athletics
- End of year celebrations.
- Annual Planning for 2017.

Grandparents' Day Wednesday 9th November 12.30 – 2pm



School has certainly changed!

You are invited to spend some time in our School.

Come to share the classroom of 2016 with your grandchildren.

You may have something from your School days to share.

We would love to hear your School stories.

You may like to bring some lunch to enjoy with your grandchildren at lunch time.

We are excited to spend some time with you just talking.

~ November 2016							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
30th	31st October	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	
	3.30pm Faith Sharing Session @	3.15pm Book Club		11.30am Strings Program	2.10 Assembly		
	Church of Apostles			12.45pm Band Program	NIJSSA Athletic Carnival		
6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	
	Public Holiday	3.15pm Art Club	Grandparents Day	Development Band Workshop day	2.10 Assembly		
		3.30pm Art Exhibition	12.30-2pm	11.30am Strings Program			
		6.30pm Board Meeting		1pm Prep - Gr.2 Athletics Carnival			
13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	
				11.30am Strings Program 12.45pm Band Program	2.10 Assembly		

COMING UP - TERM 4

Monday 21st Nov - Friday 2nd Dec

Gr.2 - Gr.4 Intensive Swim Program

Thursday 24th November

7pm Catholic School band & Strings Concert @ SPC

Wednesday 30th November

5.30pm Carols on the Oval

Tuesday 6th December

Gr.6 Leavers Dinner & Liturgy

Monday 12th December

7pm End of Year Mass

Thursday 15th December

Last day term 4

The Spirit of Jesus is Alive in:

Prep Hills	Gabriella Agostini For great thinking in Maths	Finn McManamey For making a great start to term 4		
Grade 1 Murphy	Frankie Page For excellent work with persuasive writing	Molly Dick For excellent improvement with handwriting		
Grade 1 Crawford	Jasmine Hartley For her amazing attitude towards school	Matthew Doran For always making good choices		
Grade 2 Reid	Laura Stevens For great work in all subject areas this week	Annabelle Pyke For being a kind and caring friend and a willing helper in our classroom		
Grade 3 Hood	Charlotte Barrett For being a kind and generous friend	Fletcher Crosswell For always working to the best of your ability		
Grade 3 Symons	Isabella Olding For a great week at school	Sebastian Page For excellent results in English		
Grade 4 Hegarty	Noah McCullagh For having resilience	Zoe Gillow For great work on your persuasive writing this week		
Grade 4 Wood	Mackenzie Bowman For your excellent work on decimals in Maths	Asha Lowe For your outstanding presentation for the Launceston History Prize		
Grade 5 McLeod	Cayley Quill For being a welcoming person to 5M	Leah Ellings For the understanding shown in the probability unit		
Grade 5 Viney/Steven	Grace Campbell For the positive and affirming way she treats others	Jackson Northeast For always being willing to take on challenges and expand his knowledge		
Grade 6 Claessens	Georgia Hoyland For her amazing work ethic and attitude to others	Gabriel Kirk For his improved ability to remain on task and get the job done		
Grade 6 Davie	Emmanuel Lockley For his participation and thoughtful insights in our Advertising units	Liam Ford For interacting beautifully with his peers		

Sacramental Fun Day

Last Friday our Sacramental candidates participated in a Sacramental Fun day. It was a chance for all students to come together as a community of believers in preparation for their First Eucharist. Students from many other schools joined us to celebrate the day. Special thanks to Rosie Caelli, our sacramental co ordinator, who ran the day along with students and staff from St Patrick's College Ascent group. Thanks also to the volunteers who helped out on the day. Thanks also to Fr Anthony who displayed some terrific soccer skills!

A great time was had by all!









Mini Vinnie's Christmas Hampers

Mini Vinnie's are doing the Christmas hampers again this year. Christmas hampers are baskets that contain goods for those in need or less fortunate people than ourselves. We will ask families to donate non perishable food items. such as canned food, blankets etc.

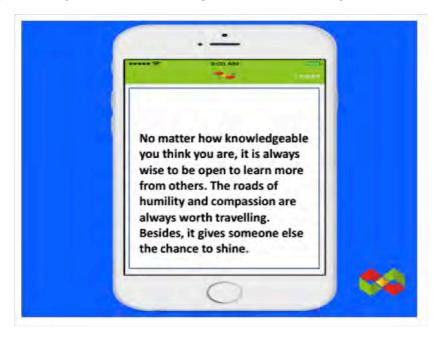
Each year group will be provided with a family to help. We hope you can all bring something in that we can donate to those in need. We will come and collect items from your year group starting next week.

Thank you, Grace Wesley, Ella Pursell & The Vinnies Team





Unpacking the daily MYTERN Message: You don't always have to be the expert



It can be tempting to always be the person who knows everything. Allowing others to share their knowledge or expertise (even if you believe that you have more experience) can be a powerful moment for you both.

Giving others a chance to shine can not only increase the other person's self-esteem, but it can also improve your ability to listen.

Family activity: Encourage each family member to share their knowledge about something, while the rest of you sit back and listen. It is amazing what you can all learn from each other.

Grade 3 City Park Radio

Last week some of our Grade 3's volunteered to appear on Launceston's City Park Radio, the programme is called 'school's out' and it can be heard every Thursday at 4:30 pm, the children chose their own topic to















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 will 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
- 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 school office so your name, registration number and expiry date can be recorded and verified.

CATHOLIC PARISH OF LAUNCESTON — MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Thursday, 3rd November 2016 at 7.30pm in St Finn Barr's Church, 247 Invermay Road, Invermay

An invitation is extended to everyone who has lost a loved one, especially during the last year to come along to our annual Mass of Remembrance. Relatives and friends are also invited to attend. You may wish to bring a photo or memento of your loved one and there will be an opportunity to place this at the altar during the Mass if you wish. You are also invited to stay for refreshments after Mass. All are welcome to join in this very special celebration of our faith.

For further information, please contact the Parish Office on 6331 4377.

Church of the Apostles, Launceston Sesquicentenary

Over the weekend of 25 - 27 November 2016 the Launceston Parish will be celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the Opening and Blessing of the Church of the Apostles.

The celebrations begin with the **Sesquicentenary Dinner** at the Tailrace Centre, Riverside on Friday evening, 25 November at 7.00pm. The dinner will include the launch of Mike Dunphy's Commemorative Book, *I have loved O Lord the Beauty of thy House*. Tickets are \$40 and must be pre-purchased through the Parish Office.

An Open Day is planned for Saturday, 26 November from 11.00am – 5.00pm. An *Historical Display* (which includes a Commemoration of the Archbishop Guilford Young Centenary) will be held in the Pastoral Centre with refreshments available. In the Church a *Promenade of Music* will be presented with performances each half hour commencing at 2.00pm. Between the items four treasures of the Church of the Apostles will be highlighted for those present.

On Sunday, 27 November at 10.30am Archbishop Julian Porteous will be the celebrant of the *Mass of Solemn Dedication* of the Church. This will be followed by a shared lunch in Presentation Hall at Sacred Heart School.

All parishioners, friends and families associated in any way with this magnificent Church are warmly invited to join in any or all of these celebrations. Please contact the Launceston Parish Office (phone: 6331 4377 or email: apostles@bigpond.com) for more information and to register your interest in these events.

Invitation to a free Math's Club at Launceston Grammar for Grades 5 & 6 students

Dear Parent

Launceston Grammar is pleased to be able to run our free Maths Club programme for students in Grades 5 & 6 from the local community again this year.

The Maths Club is a fun way of extending some of the maths taught in class. Students who have attended previous sessions found them most enjoyable.

Term 4 there will be one Maths Club session held on Wednesday 16 November. The session will be held in the Junior Campus Library, situated in Lyttleton Street, East Launceston (Refer to map attached). The session will be run by teacher, Miss Laura Watts with the assistance of other Grammar staff members.

The session will commence at 3.30pm and conclude at 5.00pm. Afternoon tea will be available from 3.15pm. Students are asked to bring the following items with them:

- * Note pad
- * Pencil case including pencils, eraser and ruler
- * Calculator

Our session is limited to a maximum of 30 students so it is important to register your child. Online registrations will be open on Monday 31 October.

Use this link to register your child: http://www.lcgs.tas.edu.au/BookingRetrieve.aspx?ID=58362 Please feel free to pass this on to family and friends that may also be interested.

Should you have any queries or questions please contact me.

Kind regards

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Term Dates 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 Thursday15.12.16

Friday 20th May 2016 Student Free day

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 Monday 16.10.17 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

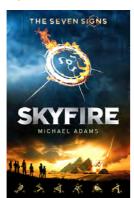
Term 3 Monday 23.7.18 to Friday 28.9.18

Term 4 Monday 15.10.18 to Thursday 20.12.18



Tuesday Book Club 2016

by MICHAEL ADAMS



The next meeting is
Tuesday 1st November
from 3.15pm - 4.15pm.
in the staff room
Everyone welcome
from Grades 5 and 6.

Uniform Shop News

For the first few weeks of Term 4 the Uniform Shop will operate out of the Art Room

Open 2pm - 4pm each Thursday but as there will be limited space only necessary items will be available.

Available items:

Summer Dresses

Boys Short Sleeve Shirts

Shorts

School Socks

Please ring the office for any queries.