

# NEWSLETTER



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## From the Principal:

### ANZAC DAY - It's more than just a march

"Have the courage to be happy..." (Pope Francis)

"Why do we march on ANZAC Day?"

I ask myself that every year when ANZAC Day comes around. Why do we ask our school to march?

Has it become just a "habit"?

All of us have habitual actions, most of those are ones we need to complete to ensure we continue as members of the human race and indeed to provide for our families. Brushing our teeth each day, eating regular healthy meals, helping raise our children, sleeping and exercising are examples of ones that we all maintain (or should), these habits are positive and productive.

Many of us have developed habits that we find hard to eradicate and indeed they may be habits that we could do without. Daily coffee breaks, biting fingernails, watching Friday night footy and putting on the right shoe first are examples of habits that have probably just become routine but effectively are all not necessary as we could do without them.

For those of us old enough to remember ANZAC Day hasn't always been a place for school children to march. I still remember times in the 1970's when the media painted the ANZAC Day march as a glorification of war. Fortunately as a nation we have grown to understand the significance of this most treasured day on our Australian calendars.

ANZAC Day is a day where we pay homage to our forefathers. Thankfully our school, along with thousands of others Australia wide, are able to march as a way of honouring the legacy of those who have helped make our country the safe, peaceful and beautiful country that it is. In the march alone the following examples of the "spirit of Jesus" were noticed from our school community

Just for a moment I would like to share a few of those that I can clearly identify in my role as Principal of Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School from Tuesday's ANZAC March.

- Children, parents, staff members put others first before themselves, by marching, getting up early, preparing uniforms all on a public holiday.
- The proud Grandparents and Great Grandparents whose memories were displayed across the chest of their grandchildren and great grandchildren.
- The parents and teachers who not only marched with our children but acted as shepherds as the younger children drifted towards the crowds.
- The children who giggled, chatted, waved and looked in awe as they noticed they were marching down a street lined with thousands of people
- The many parents and teachers who identified with our school and the pride they felt when they saw our children marching in their school uniforms
- The incredibly proud Principal who marched with his school community for the first time.

Our school prides itself on the values that it was founded on by the Presentation Sisters and the Christian Brothers. Our school mission statement, “Go forward and share God’s gift of love to make our world a better place” is no different to the values that the ANZAC spirit identifies with courage, loyalty, mateship, pride, selflessness and honour.

The samples of examples provided from our school community on ANZAC Day are replicated in our school each and every day. They are in your own homes and in the wider community. Sometimes it helps to stop, look back and reflect on those times. Then we can all appreciate that we truly are the lucky country surrounded by many examples of the “Risen Christ”. Ask your child this week where was Jesus in their life? Last week was after all more than a march, it’s a part of the traditions of our school. A tradition that we should all be proud of.

“Don’t wait until you’ve reached your goal to be proud of yourself. Be proud of every step you take toward reaching the goal.” (Anonymous)



**Brent Wilson**  
**PRINCIPAL**

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## UNIFORM

Welcome back to all members of our school community. Thanks to parents for helping organising children to be ready for classes on Monday. It was fantastic to see the children so beautifully dressed in Winter Uniforms this week.

## BUILDING UPDATE

Our builders have made steady progress in the holidays. You will have noticed the old toilet block has been demolished. Our School Board are forming a Playground Committee to oversee a Playground Master Plan that will consider a number of play spaces for development, this includes the area outside Grade 3 extending to where the toilet block was.

The new toilet block, located under Block B (new Grade 3 and 4 classrooms), adjacent to our Prep classrooms, is now in use.

The new Grade 3 and 4 classrooms and Library are taking shape. Frameworks for classrooms are almost complete, doors have been installed and plastering will take place within a fortnight and we are still hopeful of having these spaces in occupation by the end of this term.

## MONTHLY STATEMENTS VIA EMAIL

Monthly school fee statements will be sent out via email starting in Term 3. Please advise the office if you would like your statements to be sent to an alternative email address other than the one we have on record to send the newsletter link.



**Our P.B.S. Values are:**

Respect for Ourselves  
 Respect for Others  
 Respect for our Learning  
<http://MyTerncity.com.au>

***Please return your Payment  
 Plans to the office ASAP***

**School Families - Kinder 2018**

All school families who have a child who is 4 years of age as of the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017, please complete an enrolment form from our school office ASAP. I would also encourage you to make contact with families and friends who you know are looking at enrolling their children at S.H.S. to also make contact with the school as soon as possible.

**Enrolments close on Friday 26th May!**

**KINDER 2018**

Information for any new families considering enrolling their child in Kinder in 2018

**Monday 15th May - 7pm Kinder 2018 Information Evening**

**Thursday 18th May - 9am - 3pm Kinder Open Day**

**Enrolments close on Friday 26th May!**

**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 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**

**Canteen Help  
 Required**

We desperately need canteen helpers on a Friday between 9am - 11.30am.

Please advise the office if you are able to assist.



May 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>30th</b>	<b>1st</b> <b>FIRST DAY TERM 2</b> <b>FULL WINTER UNIFORM</b>	<b>2nd</b> Birth - 4 Playgroup 9.15am & 12.45pm  3.15pm Gr 5/6 Bookclub  3.30 Art Club	<b>3rd</b> School Banking  11.30am Band Program	<b>4th</b> 11.30am Strings Program  1.30pm Gr.1 Gymnastics @PCYC  Grade 4 Camp @ Hagley Farm School	<b>5th</b> 9am Assembly  1.30pm Prep Gymnastics @PCYC	<b>6th</b>
<b>7th</b>	<b>8th</b> 8am Gr.3-6 Cross Country Training (optional)	<b>9th</b> Birth - 4 Playgroup 9.15am & 12.45pm  3.30 Art Club  6.30pm Board Meeting	<b>10th</b> 8am Gr.3-6 Cross Country Training (optional)  School Banking  11.30am Band Program  <b>2pm Mothers Day Celebrations</b>	<b>11th</b> 11.30am Strings Program  4.30pm Gr 5 City Park Radio	<b>12th</b> 9am Assembly  Gr 5/6 Winter Sport	<b>13th</b>
<b>14th</b>	<b>15th</b> 8am Gr.3-6 Cross Country Training (optional)  3.30 Faith Sharing information session @ The Church of Apostles	<b>16th</b> 3.30 Art Club  3.30 Faith Sharing information session @ The Church of Apostles	<b>17th</b> 8am Gr.3-6 Cross Country Training (optional)  School Banking  11.30am Band Program	<b>18th</b> 11.30am Strings Program	<b>19th</b> 9am Assembly  Gr 5/6 Winter Sport  <b>1pm Prep -Gr 2 Cross Country @ Royal Park</b>	<b>20th</b>
<b>21st</b>	<b>22nd</b> 8am Gr.3-6 Cross Country Training (optional)	<b>23rd</b> 3.30 Art Club  7pm First Reconciliation @ sacred Heart, Newstead  7pm P & F Meeting	<b>24th</b> 8am Gr.3-6 Cross Country Training (optional)  School Banking  11.30am Band Program	<b>25th</b> 11.30am Strings Program  12pm Gr 3-6 Cross Country	<b>26th</b> 9am Assembly  Gr 5/6 Winter Sport	<b>27th</b>

## 2017 Sports Carnival

### Friday 19th May

Prep - Gr 2 Cross Country @Royal Park

### Thursday 25th May

Gr 3 - Gr 6 Cross Country @ Royal Park

### Tuesday 13th June

NIJSSA Cross Country @Windsor Park

### Monday 11th September

Gr 3 - Gr 6 Athletics Carnival @ St Leonards

### Friday 3rd November

NIJSSA Athletics Carnival

### Thursday 16th November

## 2017 Pupil Free Days

Monday 3rd April

Monday 16th October

**Webpage:** [www.sacredheartl.tas.edu.au](http://www.sacredheartl.tas.edu.au)

**Twitter:** @shslton

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/sacredheartl](http://www.facebook.com/sacredheartl)

**Pinterest:** Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

**S.H.S. Parents and Friends email**

[shsl.pnf@catholic.tas.edu.au](mailto:shsl.pnf@catholic.tas.edu.au)

## TERM 2 GR 3-6 CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING

This coming Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May and each Monday and Wednesday after this (last training Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May) we begin Cross Country Training for any students in Grade 3-6 who would like to do some early morning training for our upcoming School Cross Country. Each Monday and Wednesday morning from 8am students can gather at the Brickfields for a 20 minute training session with Mr. Anderson and other staff.

**Students can wear their sports uniform on these days if training for Cross Country.**



## ANZAC DAY

Thanks to the children who represented our school last Tuesday by marching on Anzac Day. Your school and community spirit was greatly appreciated.



**SACRED HEART SCHOOL MOTHER'S DAY ACTIVITIES**

**MAY 10TH 2017**

**2.00-3.00**

**.CRAFT**

**.READING**

**.CLASS ACTIVITIES**

**.MANICURE**

**NETBALL AND BASKETBALL**

**GYM AND OVAL ACTIVITIES**

**POETRY RECITAL**

**PLEASE MEET AT YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM**

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



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## HOLY WEEK LITURGIES





## Tasmanian Catholic Schools Parents Council



Parents  
AUSTRALIA



### Successful Learning

## Northern Tasmanian Program – 9 & 10 May 2017

*Create the very best start to early learning and literacy for your child.*

Actively engaging in your child's education journey from day one can make all the difference and attending a Successful Learning Workshop will help build understanding, knowledge, confidence and skills in early literacy development for your child.

### Catholic School Parents from all Northern Catholic Primary Schools

are invited to attend these cost free workshops being sponsored by the Tasmanian Catholic Schools Parents Council.

Successful Learning is a parent-to-parent interactive workshop series drawing on parent interest and experience, designed to support you in:

- parent knowledge and skills to be an active partner in your child's learning
- understanding the way schools are teaching reading
- knowledge of reading conventions
- engaging proactively in early literacy and practical ways you can actively be involved to enhance learning at home
- understanding children's developmental milestones
- building a partnership mindset between home, school and between parents and teachers and sustaining positive relationships

*Parental engagement makes an important difference to children's readiness for school, their interest in learning, their academic success and wellbeing.*

### “Reading Workshops”

**Tuesday 9 May 2017**

**7:00 to 9:00 PM**  
**Sacred Heart Catholic School**  
 227 York Street, Launceston  
 Sign in at the Office by 6:45 PM

**Wednesday 10 May 2017**

**9:00 to 11:00 AM**  
**St Anthony's Catholic School**  
 382A West Tamar Road, Riverside  
 Sign in at the Office by 8:45 AM

**12:45 to 2:45 PM**  
**Larminier Catholic School**  
 38 Station Road, St. Leonards  
 Sign in at the Office by 12:30 PM

RSVP by email to  
[catholicparents@bigpond.com](mailto:catholicparents@bigpond.com) or  
 phone or text 0418 589 888





**MYTERN™**  
Take Emotional Responsibility Now

## MYTERN Parent Information

If you would like to find out more about MYTERN or would like a refresher on MYTERN we will be holding sessions on:

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> May @ 9.00am and  
Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> May @ 7.00pm  
in the Staffroom.

All classes are having their MYTERN introduction session or refresher session during this time too.

MYTERN is a valuable tool in assisting our children (and ourselves) to **Take Emotional Responsibility Now** of their (our) own emotions. They (and we) have the capacity to do this and can apply to their (our) lives in everyday situations.

Hope to see you there.

Helen Halley - Wellbeing



**Sam Cowley, Fletcher Harper, Alex Luttrell & James Leake were selected in the Northern Tasmanian under 12 football side. They played at Ulverstone and Campbell Town successfully winning all matches. Two of the boys - James and Fletcher were then selected as part of the state under 12 squad. We were all very proud of these talented champions!**

### What is NAPLAN?

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. All students in these year levels are expected to participate in tests in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. All government and non-government education authorities have contributed to the development of NAPLAN materials.

### Why do students do NAPLAN tests?

NAPLAN is the measure through which governments, education authorities, schools, teachers and parents can determine whether or not young Australians are meeting important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy. The tests provide parents and schools with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests. They also provide schools, states and territories with information about how education programs are working and what areas need to be improved.

NAPLAN tests are one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process; they do not replace the extensive ongoing assessments made by teachers about each student's performance.

### What will be tested and how?

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. NAPLAN content is aligned with the Australian Curriculum. For more information on this, please see the NAP website:

[www.nap.edu.au](http://www.nap.edu.au)

Questions are multiple-choice or require a short written response. The writing task requires students to write a text in response to a prompt.

To give you an idea of what the tests look like, sample questions and a sample writing task are available on the NAP website.

### Who will run the tests?

NAPLAN tests are conducted at schools and administered by classroom teachers, school deputies or principals. Each state and territory is responsible for marking the tests in accordance with strict guidelines and processes.

### How can I help my child prepare for the tests?

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy skills that students have already been learning through the school curriculum. Teachers will ensure students are familiar with the test formats and will provide appropriate support and guidance.

Help your child prepare for NAPLAN by reassuring them that NAPLAN tests are just one part of their school program, and reminding them on the day to simply try their best. The use of services by coaching providers is not recommended.

If you have any questions about your child's preparation for NAPLAN, you should make a time to speak with their teacher.

### What additional support can schools provide for students with special needs?

All students are encouraged to participate in NAPLAN tests. Students with disability may qualify for adjustments that reflect the support normally provided in the classroom. Students who have a temporary injury may also be reasonably accommodated.

A formal exemption may be granted for a student with significant intellectual disability and/or significant coexisting conditions, or for a student who has recently arrived in Australia and has a non-English speaking background.

Your school principal and your state testing authority can give you more information on special provisions or the process required to gain a formal exemption.

### How is NAPLAN performance measured?

NAPLAN is not a pass-or-fail type test. Individual student performance is shown on a national achievement scale for each test. Each test scale has 10 bands and all year levels are reported on the same scale. Six bands are reported for each year level for each test. One of these bands represents the national minimum standard for students at each year level. A result at the national minimum standard indicates that the student demonstrated the basic literacy and numeracy skills needed to participate fully in that year level. The performance of individual students can be compared to the average performance of all students in Australia.

### What happens if my child is absent from school on test days?

Where possible, schools will organise for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during the testing week. Individual students are not permitted to sit tests after Friday 12 May 2017.

### Will I receive a report on my child's performance?

A NAPLAN report will be issued by your school later in the year. The same report format is used for every student in Australia. The school will notify you when the reports are being sent to you. If you do not receive a report, you should contact the school. Individual student results are strictly confidential.

### How are NAPLAN test results used?

- Schools use results to identify strengths and weaknesses in teaching programs and to set goals in literacy and numeracy.
- School systems use results to review programs and support offered to schools.
- Students and parents may use individual results to discuss progress with teachers.
- Teachers use results to help them better identify students who require greater challenges or additional support.
- The community can see average school NAPLAN results on the My School website: [www.myschool.edu.au](http://www.myschool.edu.au)

### Where can I get more information?

For more information about NAPLAN:

- visit the NAP website [www.nap.edu.au](http://www.nap.edu.au)
- contact your child's school
- contact your state or territory's education authority (details available on the NAP website).

For ACARA's privacy policy, go to:

[www.acara.edu.au/contact-us/privacy](http://www.acara.edu.au/contact-us/privacy)

### NAPLAN 2017 tests timetable

	Tuesday 9 May	Wednesday 10 May	Thursday 11 May
Year 3	language conventions 40 minutes writing 40 minutes	reading 45 minutes	numeracy 45 minutes
Year 5	language conventions 40 minutes writing 40 minutes	reading 50 minutes	numeracy 50 minutes
Year 7	language conventions 45 minutes writing 40 minutes	reading 65 minutes	numeracy 60 minutes
Year 9	language conventions 45 minutes writing 40 minutes	reading 65 minutes	numeracy 60 minutes

- Language conventions test includes spelling, grammar and punctuation.
- Numeracy test includes number and algebra; measurement and geometry; and statistics and probability.
- Calculators are **not** permitted in the numeracy test in Years 3 and 5. In Years 7 and 9, each student will sit one numeracy test. This test will have two parts: one where calculator use is permitted and one where it is not.

**Family Mass**  
 Saturday 6pm  
 Sacred Heart Church  
 Newstead  
 All Welcome

25<sup>th</sup> February  
 18<sup>th</sup> March  
 8<sup>th</sup> April  
 20<sup>th</sup> May  
 10<sup>th</sup> June  
 1<sup>st</sup> July  
 12<sup>th</sup> August  
 16<sup>th</sup> September  
 28<sup>th</sup> October  
 25<sup>th</sup> November

If you would like to help by reading at Mass please email [jacquie.wood@catholic.tas.edu.au](mailto:jacquie.wood@catholic.tas.edu.au)



*Airbrushing Workshop 2 days  
 Beginners / Intermediate Course  
 17th & 18th June 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 17th & 18th June. \$250.00 per person, early payment \$220.00 per person if received by 17/5/17. All materials and equipment supplied. Maximum class size 8. For enrolment details contact:

[www.happyshackair@outlook.com](mailto:www.happyshackair@outlook.com)  
 or phone Paul on 0437 418 031



## CROSS COUNTRY RUNNERS this is for YOU!

- Sacred Heart runners here is a fabulous opportunity to prepare for our school cross country, NIJSSA and All Schools Cross Country. What better way to get fitter and faster, than to race.
- NEWSTEAD ATHLETICS CLUB offer a School Series as part of their winter program.
- There are 6 school series races in total. You do not have to attend them all.
- Open to all energetic and enthusiastic students.
- All primary aged races are 1.5km and there is an age group for you - u7/u9, u11/u13.
- It would be terrific to see a sea of the RED and GREEN racing on these courses.

Dates	and	Venue
1) 6 <sup>th</sup> May		Heritage Forest
2) 13 <sup>th</sup> May		Clarendon
3) 27 <sup>th</sup> May		Grindelwald
4) 10 <sup>th</sup> June		Hadspen
5) 24 <sup>th</sup> June		Hagley Farm School
6) 1 <sup>st</sup> July		Trevallyn Reserve

\* Competition begins at 1pm

If you are interested please let Mrs Davie know.

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