

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal:

“A ‘No’ uttered from the deepest conviction is better than a ‘Yes’ merely uttered to please, or worse to avoid trouble.” Gandhi

Things that might make you smile:

- ✓ A group of flamingos is called a flamboyance
- ✓ Every year millions of trees grow thanks to squirrels forgetting where they buried their nuts
- ✓ Cows have best friends

Stage One Building Program and Moving Classrooms:

As our new fence nears completion we are preparing for the first stage of our multi million dollar refurbishment which will begin at the start of term three.

Our Prep to Grade 2 classes will have to move out of their existing classrooms during this refurbishment.

We will be communicating with P-2 families throughout this term about how we plan to support our students and maintain key teaching and learning in new and shared learning spaces.

As you are aware our school does not have an abundance of spare rooms to accommodate 6 classes while the building and refurbishments take place. In light of this we will be reallocating our classrooms to the following areas:

Prep	Sharing in the library
Grade 1	Sharing old Hall – 1Best currently there
2SW	Gr. 6 ICT Lab
2VR	Music/Art rooms

CALENDAR

MAY

Term 2: 07/05/13 - 05/07/13

Friday 10th

9.00 - 11.00am Mother's Day Celebration

Monday 13th

• 8.00am Cross Country Training Gr 3-6 at Brickfields
• Matt - Leadership Course Devonport

Tuesday 14th

• Naplan Testing Gr 3/5
• 3.15pm Bookclub Gr 5 & 6
• Matt - Leadership Course Devonport
• 7.30pm Combined P & F and Board Meeting

Wednesday 15th

• 8.00am Cross Country Training Gr 3-6 at Brickfields
• Naplan Testing Gr 3/5
• 10.30am Class Liturgy Gr 6
• 12.00pm Buddy Mass Gr 1 & Gr 4

Thursday 16th

Naplan Testing Gr 3/5

From the Principal: (cont.)

The Term Ahead:

Some of the key things that will be happening and we will be focusing on this term:

NAPLAN Testing: ✓ Grades 3 & 5 2nd week of Term	Ipad trial ✓ continuing in Gr. 3 ✓ summarising parent survey data returned to school ✓ Beginning to look at options around I.C.T. for 2014 onwards	Professional Learning: ✓ Gifted Students workshop 2 of 3. ✓ National Teaching Standards
Launceston Competitions for some grades	Positive Behaviour School Program ✓ continuing to develop a whole school approach to teaching of social skills in enhancing positive behaviours	Stage 1 Building Program – ✓ finalising detailed plans for the refurbishment of P-2 classrooms beginning start of term3
Family Life Education Night ✓ sessions for Gr1-6 families ✓ workshops in Grade 5 and 6	Sacrament of First Reconciliation for some of our students	SHS Feast Day in June
Cross Country: ✓ Training before school ✓ School Carnival ✓ Interschool Carnival	Mid Year Reports ✓ Sent out end of this term ✓ Parent Teacher interviews re: student progress	N.A.I.D.O.C. Week ✓ Celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture.

Board Report:

A regular element of upcoming Newsletters will be a summary of key elements of our monthly School Board meetings. Part of this is to give an insight into the role and focus of our school board in strategically supporting and leading our school into the future.

Key Discussion points at the April meeting included:

- ✓ Annual General Meeting and election of Office Bearers
 - Chair Mr. Phil Illingworth
 - Vice Chair Mr. Lee Lewis
 - Treasurer Mr. Anthony Wright
- ✓ Update of financial statements and budget as of April 2013.
- ✓ Discussion of Ipad trial and initial feedback from parents. Discussion about the need to make decisions for next year *i.e. Whether we continue? Whether we broaden this out to other classes? Do we have Ipad move to Grade 4?*
- ✓ School Uniform 2014 – update of what other Catholic Primary schools are doing, costing of current uniform items such as new shirts, skirts etc. The key focus of discussion was minimising financial oncosts to parents.
- ✓ Building Program- discussion around start of stage one, costings and proposed budget as well as the transition to temporary classrooms for P - 2 classes during Terms 3 - 4. Discussion of the concept designs of classrooms.

From the Principal: (cont.)

Uniform 2014:

Currently our school board is looking into transitioning from our current school uniform to the new styled uniform that St. Patrick's College has implemented. Nothing will be happening any earlier than the start of 2014.

We will be looking to share and discuss possible options and timelines with parents initially through upcoming Parents and Friends Meetings.

Welcome Visitor:

On the Thursday before the holidays we were given a surprise visit by former student Julie DeSisto. Julie is currently on the T.V. show 'The Voice'. Some staff and students were equally excited about the visit. Julie, in particular, wanted to catch up with her former Music teacher Mr. Barry Nas.



Cross Country Training:

Beginning next Monday morning at 8am we are inviting any interested Grade 3 - 6 students who would like to begin training for our School Cross Country Carnival to gather at the Brickfields.

Once we have completed our School Cross Country Carnival students, who have been selected to represent the school in the Interschool Carnival, will then be asked to attend before school training in preparation for the Interschools.

Information will be sent home to parents to outline this further.

Family Life Nights:

Tuesday 21st, Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd of May, at 6.30 pm, the school is offering Family Life Nights. The sessions are for grades 1/2, 3/4 and 5/6.

The Family Life Nights are an opportunity for parents/guardians to come along with their child/children to share in conversation that range across different ages to include:

- ✓ understanding of the development of babies and how they are created, our bodies and how they grow and developing positive messages about our growth and development in these areas.

The school will also be running sessions at school, during the day, on Tuesday 4th June for Grade 5/6 students also. **If parents do not want their child to attend or be part of these discussions they need to let their class teacher know before Tuesday 21st May.**

Centacare runs the sessions. They range from 1 hour for grade 1/2 students to 90 minutes for grade 5/6 students. Flyers have been sent home providing more information about the specific elements of the different programs. The sessions are in the school library and there is a \$10.00 cost per family to cover Centacare costs and materials.

Car Parking:

A reminder to all parents (grandparents and significant others that collect children from S.H.S.) that you are unable to park and leave your car in the drop off zones outside York Street and Bourke Street entrances.

It is important that we support each other by honouring what is expected.

The school would prefer not to have to issue fines to parents for parking infringements but may be placed in situations where this has to occur.

I hope that we can continue to place student safety as the highest priority.

From the Principal: (cont.)

ANZAC Day:

Thanks to parents and students who joined in the ANZAC Day March during the school holidays.

Our student leaders laid a wreath on behalf of our school in honour and memory of the lives of fallen soldiers in war.



Kindergarten 2014:

If you have a child that is 4 years of age on the 1st January 2014 they are eligible to begin Kindergarten next year. Please contact our office for enrolment forms so that we can confirm numbers of existing families that we will be offering places to. This is important as it determines how many vacant Kindergarten spaces are available for new families wanting to attend S.H.S. next year.

If you would like to meet with Matt and discuss your child and their needs for 2014 please organise a time with our office. We will be beginning Kindergarten interviews this term but existing families can organise a meeting anytime from the start of this term.

Changes to Visitors and collection of students:

- ✓ All visitors to the school must sign in before going anywhere in the school
- ✓ If parents are collecting students early they need to sign the student out before leaving
- ✓ If a child is late to school they need to go to our school office first so that we can record that they are present as absentee data sheets have already recorded them as being absent.

It will be helpful if parents can make sure they follow these steps. If unsure, please speak with our office.

R E NEWS

Mother's Prayer

Loving God, we give thanks for mothers!
Thank you for mothers who gave birth to us
and women who have treated us as their own
children.

You teach us how to be good mothers,
cherishing and protecting the children among us.
Help us mother lovingly, fairly, wisely and with great
joy.
Help us raise our children to be the people they are
born to be.

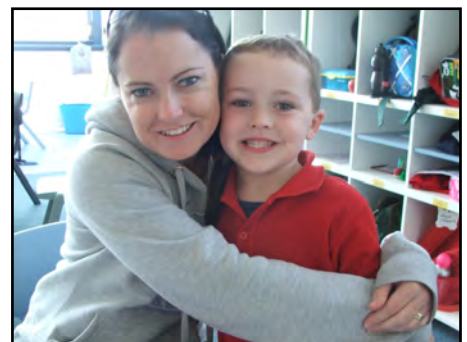
Help our school community be a space where
people can feel mothered,
their gifts and talents appreciated and nurtured.

We also pray for your comfort, Lord,
because some are missing mothers, some are missing
children,
some are parted by distance or death.

God of mothers, who created mothers, who came as
a child and had a mother,
God our Mother, loving us with a sweeter and
deeper love than we have ever known, hear our
prayer,
Amen.

Happy Mother's Day!

Helen Halley APRE



RECENT STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep Reid	Connor Davis For working well in Maths tasks	Charlotte Barrett For taking pride in her work
Prep Hills	Harry Costello For showing great listening skills	Christian Doran For great participation in Circle Time
Grade 1 Crawford	Molly Tanton For fantastic "Backyard Safari" homework	Will Saunders For excellent improvements in Mental Maths
Grade 1 Best	Alex Zegveld For taking great care and pride in his school work	Zavier Rawlings For excellent participation in the Home Reading Program
Grade 2 Sydes/Weir	Louisa Zupan For listening to instructions	Senay Todd For being such a pleasant and friendly class member
Grade 2 van Ryn		
Grade 3 Hood	Isabella Johnston For excellent completion of spelling homework	Amelia Duffy For excellent completion of spelling homework
Grade 3 Symons	Aidan Krushka For great work in Spelling	Elizabeth Hannah For excellence in Spelling
Grade 4 Smith	Jonte Adams For positive peer relationships	Kaitlyn Rice For positive peer relationships
Grade 4 Underlin	Wae-Mico Miller For giving 100% in all learning opportunities	Thomas Boric For his application and persistence in Maths
Grade 5 McLeod/Viney	Eboni Sydes For an outstanding journal contract	Edwina Jones For producing a convincing argument to stop homework
Grade 5 Illingworth	Meg Jones For an outstanding Imovie promoting Gr 5	Alana Whitmore For exceptional effort all term
Grade 6 Claessens	Myneika Morrow For doing a tremendous job representing Sacred Heart at the Grammar Challenge Maddie Johnston For doing a tremendous job representing Sacred Heart at the Grammar Challenge	Grace Jones For doing a tremendous job representing Sacred Heart at the Grammar Challenge Josh Rigby For doing a tremendous job representing Sacred Heart at the Grammar Challenge
Grade 6 Davie	Lily MacDonald For the super effort she shows on Super Thursdays Ella Boxhall For doing a tremendous job representing Sacred Heart at the Grammar Challenge Phoebe Saunders For doing a tremendous job representing Sacred Heart at the Grammar Challenge	Conor Healey For his positive attitude and excellent application to his work Cam Illingworth For doing a tremendous job representing Sacred Heart at the Grammar Challenge Matthew Cettolin For doing a tremendous job representing Sacred Heart at the Grammar Challenge

OUR WEEK IN PHOTOS

Mini Vinnies Stall

As you would know, Mini Vinnies had their first stall on Tuesday 16th April. We managed to raise \$173.60. We would like to say thank you to all our Mini Vinnies team for organising the event. We will keep you posted about our upcoming fundraisers.

Emily Withington & Makensy Adams



The Lemmings Mistake

By Sam Tys
Gr 6D

Once there was a fox, he was a cunning fox that delighted in eating young lemmings. All baby lemmings are told of this of course, but the fox had been hibernating all winter and the baby lemmings had grown foolish and gullible in his absence. One day a baby lemming was playing hide and seek. He thought he had found the perfect place to hide, a large raspberry bush. Baby lemming sat in the bush giggling and eating raspberries when he heard a muffled thump and something moaned "heelllp". Baby lemming squeaked in fright and spun around. Baby lemmings fear was replaced by curiosity, as he saw a large white creature with big white ears and a long muzzle. This was arctic fox, the most cunning creature you ever did meet.

"I'm an owl with a broken wing," he lied. "Please pass me some raspberries".

"Ok," said baby lemming, "But owls don't look like foxes".

"I'm a fox owl" lied fox again .

"Ok" replied lemming, "Here's some raspberries" .

"Come closer I can't reach them" moaned fox, grinning a toothy grin. Lemming obeyed,

"Closer" said fox, and lemming obeyed again. Then quick as a flash, fox grabbed lemming in his jaws. It was then that lemming remembered everything his mother had told him about foxes. It was all over then for baby lemming and fox is still out there waiting for another gullible lemming to step unknowingly into his jaws, never to be seen again.

The moral of this story is: not every tale should be believed especially if it comes straight from the mouth of the great white fox.....



SCHOOL NOTICES

MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION 2013

Friday May 10th

All Mother's Welcome.

All classes will be open from 9:00-11:00 so drop in anytime.

Collect your child, collect an ideas sheet and complete 1, 2 or all of the activities.

Put it in your diary now.



Centacare Family Life Program:



Flyers have been sent home with regard to the Family Life Program.

Evening sessions are at 6.30pm and run for approximately one and a half hours.

Please mark the dates on your calendar:

Tuesday 21st May - Grade 3 and 4

Wednesday 22nd May - Grade 1 and 2

Thursday 23rd May - Grade 5 and 6

Tuesday 4th June - In class sessions for Grade 5 and 6

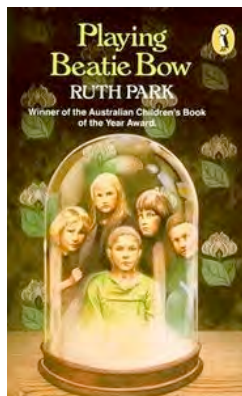
Cost is \$10 per family to cover Centacare costs and materials.

All sessions will be in the library via top and side school gates.

Tuesday Book Club

Playing Beatie Bow

by Ruth Park



An Australian Classic, published in 1980 and set in Sydney, where the main character, Abigail, finds herself transported back to 1873, after watching children playing a scary game called Beatie Bow.

Our Next meeting is on **Tuesday 14th May** from 3:15pm - 4:30pm upstairs in the Grade Five area.

If you are interested in joining then see Mrs Illingworth or Mrs McLeod.

Everyone welcome from Grades 5 and 6.

SCHOOL NOTICES

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2014

If you are a school family with a child eligible for Kindergarten in 2014 please forward a completed enrolment form to the office a.s.a.p. Applications for school families close 24th May.

WANTED

* old **Card table** - It doesn't matter about the state of the table top but needs sturdy legs please.

* used **Gumboots** - to fit boys and girls in Kinder (for lots of Winter fun!)

Please bring down to Helen Halley in Kinder.

Thanking you :)

Beginning and Ending Times of the School Day

First bell	8:55 am	Lunch begins	12:50 pm
Recess begins	11:00 am	Lunch ends	1:30pm
Recess ends	11:25 am	School finishes	3:00 pm

2013 TERM DATES

TERM 1	Wednesday 06.02.2013 to Friday 19.04.2013
TERM 2	Tuesday 07.05.2013 to Friday 05.07.2013
TERM 3	Tuesday 23.07.2013 to Friday 27.09.2013
TERM 4	Monday 14.10.2013 to Thursday 19.12.2013

REMINDER

A reminder to all parents when entering the school between 9.15am and 2.45 pm that they are required to sign in at the office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Woolworths Earn & Learn program.

We are again taking part in the 2013 Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Last year the school benefited greatly with a big range of products for the whole school.

For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths you will receive a sticker which is then placed on a special sticker card. Once the card is completed, it can be returned to the box at the school office and we can forward all completed cards on to Woolworths.

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of educational resources including Mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more!

Thanks to all in anticipation.

National Boys Choir

Would any families be willing to host and billet a student/s from the National Boys Choir? They will be need billeting on Tuesday 24th September. If you are able to help out in billeting a student overnight please contact our school office or Karen Cettolin at karen.cettolin@catholic.tas.edu.au.

Family Mass

6pm Saturday

Newstead Church

25 May

15 June

17 August

14 September

19 October

16 November

If you or your child/ren would like to help with our family Masses please contact your school's AP RE or Jacquie Wood 6344 5714 or wood1991@bigpond.net.au



COMMUNITY NEWS



Friday 24 May 2013

A Challenge to All Australian Primary Schools and Councils

The annual National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) – when all primary school children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school – will be held throughout Australia on **Friday 24 May 2013**. Enclosed is the WSTSD kit, which contains stickers and posters for school and council notice boards and a questionnaire.

We ask that every student receives a sticker and wears it on the day to help promote this community event which encompasses road safety, health, public transport and the environment. It's for our children and our future.

Download the WSTSD App and Take the Challenge

This year we have developed a fabulous interactive App. It will map children's walks to and from school. Participants can challenge themselves, their classmates, other classes and even other schools. And they can win great prizes. Take the Challenge and download it at walk.com.au

Objectives

- To encourage parents and carers to walk to school with primary school age children and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour.
- To promote the health benefits of walking and help create regular walking habits at an early age.
- To ensure that children up to 10 years old hold an adult's hand when crossing the road.
- To help children develop the vital road-crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians.
- To reduce the car dependency habits that are being created at an early age and which will be difficult to change as children become adults.
- To promote the use of Public Transport.
- To reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles.
- To reduce the level of traffic congestion.

Better Health and Road Safety - Cleaner Air - Less Traffic - Improved Transport

How your School and Council can be involved

On Friday 24 May 2013, we want to encourage all parents, carers and teachers to promote and encourage safe and regular walking to all Australian children. **Here's how:**

- Use our information in your newsletters.
- Encourage students to colour in the WSTSD poster at walk.com.au
- Ask your local council and P&C to help support the event.
- Host a Healthy Breakfast at your school (see recommendations at walk.com.au)
- Tell your friends, parents, carers and teachers about the event.
- Suggest to parents and carers who have to drive, to park the car at least a kilometre away from the school and walk the rest of the way: even better, do the same on the way home.
- Register your school as a WSTSD Ambassador to permit and assist with publicity.
- Use the teachers' tool-kit (download it at walk.com.au)
- Complete the questionnaire (enclosed or on-line)

Go to walk.com.au for the support you need to really get involved in a wonderful event.

We thank you for your participation and support.

Pedestrian Council of Australia

Take the Challenge

WIN GREAT PRIZES

Download the FREE APP
walk.com.au

Active kids are healthy kids

SUPPORTED BY THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT
AND ALL STATE, TERRITORY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

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Stickers available at the office