Keep up to date with what is happening in the school, reminders of events and any news as it happens through the school Twitter feed at: **@shslton** (111 families following)

Please visit our website for more detailed information, video and photo galleries of our school:

www.sacredheartl.tas.edu.au

From the Principal:

OUR P.B.S. VALUES ARE: Respect for Ourselves Respect for Others

Respect for our Learning

'One of the basic causes for all the trouble in the world is that people talk too much and think too little. They act impulsively without thinking. Try to think before you talk."

Margaret Chase Smith

### **Schedule of Fee's**

Following a directive from the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office there will be a change in the way your fees will be invoiced next year. This will not only apply to our school but to all Catholic Schools in Tasmania.

The total amount of fees for the year will be charged to you on the 1<sup>st</sup> March and the due date for payment will be the 31<sup>st</sup> March.

### This will not mean you will have to pay the entire year's school fees by end of March!

The invoice you will receive will also have a Payment Arrangement Form which we ask you complete and return to advise how you would like to pay and over what period of time. For example you may currently have a direct debit once a fortnight and it is already organised through the bank and school. You would just write this on the payment arrangement form and continue with what you had in place this year.

We apologise for the need to go through this process however it is a system requirement made of our school and will provide much greater consistency across schools and help the Finance Team at Catholic Education Office in Hobart.

A more detailed letter with the information provided will go out to families shortly. Please if there are any questions, queries or concerns do not hesitate to contact our office or myself to discuss them further.

## Staffing 2015

A separate letter will be emailed out today confirming staffing for our school in 2015. There will be an increase in professional staffing (teachers) next year and beyond. There is some detail in this so we have decided to send a letter out separate to the newsletter to be able to outline what is happening in the detail that is needed. I hope when parents read this they see the fantastic possibilities that this will provide.

#### From the Principal:

## Working Bee Sunday 7th December 9am-12pm

We would like to invite any parents able to give a few hours on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December to be part of a working bee at our school. We are looking to:

- 1. Improve edging around some of the gardens and add some pine bark to these areas
- 2. Look to clear the area behind Grade 2 Reid and create a path that would allow students to be able to walk all the way around the back of Grade P 2 building.
- Looking to clear our Cellar to create a space for a learning program (to be announced soon) for our students

If you are able to give some time on this day please ring our office and add your name so we can work out the numbers available for the day. Many hands make light work!

## **State Primary Basketball Championships**

Congratulations to both our Gr 3 /4 teams who competed in the State Primary School Championships in Burnie. The 3 best teams from each region competed with up to 9 teams competing to be State Champions for their section. Our students were fantastic ambassadors for our school. Our Girls competed well and finished fifth. Our boys finished third with one quarter and a disallowed three point shot costing us a grand final berth. Thanks to Jamie Baldock for coaching and for the parents who transported their children down to Burnie for the weekend.





### **Before School Care**

We have had some inquiries from parents about the availability of before school care – as well as after school care. My understanding is that we need around 10 students for before school care to make this viable. If there are any parents who would use this service regularly or irregularly it would be great if you could contact our office and let us know.

We are hoping that if we offered and got a service going before school that we could get enough students to maintain this service.

#### From the Principal:

#### **Dance Fever**

In 2015 our school has signed up for Dance Fever. It is a program that runs in schools one lesson a week across a term. Dance Fever provides qualified and engaging instructors who teach formal dances to our students from Prep to Grade 6.

As part of the offer for next year they will also offer a Skipping program for one lesson a week for an entire term as well. Next year we will have skipping in term one and dancing in term 4.

The program is not cheap however in 2015 we have, as a school, made the decision to absorb the cost for families. We hope that families and students have a positive response to the program and that we can look to include this as part of our broader curriculum for students in a 2 year cycle.

## **Grade 2-4 Intensive Swim Program**

At the end of this week's Intensive Swimming Program our response has been generally very positive. The number of instructors, the venue not being impacted by inclement weather and the ability to continue to adjust groupings of swimmers across the week were real positives from the school perspective. Please if there is any feedback from parents let the school know as we will be looking to finalise planning for next year.

## Sacred Heart School Fair - 20th of March 2015

Preparations are well under way for the 2015 School Fair. The P&F would like to make this a great event after not running a fair this year. We are calling for **expressions of interest** from families who wish to be involved in or find out more about the school fair – MAKE CONTACT NOW!

If you would like to find out about our fair, or offer suggestions or assistance, please contact:

Kelly Cox by Mob: 0400 128 200 or Email: coxk13@gmail.com.

#### Ways families can assist include:

- Managing a stall on the night with the assistance of parents from your child's grade
- Donating or suggesting prizes for the raffle or chocolate wheel
- Sponsoring a stall or a spin of the Chocolate Wheel
- Assisting with fair preparations when Term 1 commences
- Ideas for new activities or stalls

Together as a school community we can make the 2015 Sacred Heart School Fair a wonderful event for our school and the wider community. We welcome your ideas and assistance.

### Mini Vinnie's News

#### Market On The Green

We would just like to say thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to the Mini Vinnie's Market On The Green stall. We raised \$140 and sold most of our "bits and bobs". Once again thank you for your kindness, it was a great success.

### **Hamper Drive**

Its that time of year again when we band together to help make someone else's life that little bit brighter. To do this Vinnie's is launching the 2014 Christmas Hamper Drive, the items that we are asking for are non perishable foods and gifts for children and adults. We are asking families to bring their donated items to their classrooms for collection from the Vinnie's team.



Your sincerely Aleigha and Bethany





~ November 2014							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
23rd	24th	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th	
	• Teddy Bears picnic - 5VS & Kinder H • 7.00pm iPad meeting for Gr.2 parents	• 7.30pm P & F Meeting	rehearsal day @SPC	• Band/Strings Annual Concert & Awards Evening @ SPC	<ul><li>Advent Pageant</li><li>NO ASSEMBLY</li><li>Prep - Gr.1</li><li>Swimming</li></ul>		

Sun	Mon	Tue	~ December 201 Wed	4 Thu	Fri	Sat
30th		2nd	3rd  • 7.00pm Carols on the Oval	4th  SHS Orientation Morning  St Patricks orientation for Gr 6 students  Band/Strings instrument collection party  4.30pm Gr.3 @ City Park Radio  Final Day for Uniform shop orders	<ul><li>5th</li><li>2.20pm Assembly</li><li>Prep - Gr.1</li><li>Swimming</li></ul>	6th
7th	8th  • 6.30pm-9.30pm  Gr.6 Liturgy/ Leavers Dinner	9th • 2pm Kinder Halley Nativity Play	10th • Gr.6 Excursion to the Tailrace	11th  • 2pm Kinder Nas Nativity Play	• 10am early Childhood Picnic Prep-Gr.2 • 2.20pm Assembly	13th
14th	• Gr 5 & 6 Gorge Excursion • Gr 4 Aquatic Centre Excursion	• Reports to Parents • 2pm End of year Assembly & Gr.6 Awards	17th •Term 4 Ends Sausage Sizzle & Plain Clothes day	18th	19th	20th

#### **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 17.12.15

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

### **Student absences**

Please remember to call the School office on 63311011 or email <a href="mailto:shsl@catholic.tas.edu.au">shsl@catholic.tas.edu.au</a> if your child will be absent from school.

# Recent students of the week

Prep Hills	<b>Tyler Scolyer</b> For fantastic thinking in Maths	Sam Tyson For working hard to improve his handwriting		
Prep Best	Rory McMahon For fantastic work with 2 and 3 digit numbers			
Grade 1 Crawford	James Hogarth For an excellent retell of the Good Samaritan story	Breanna Harper For an excellent piece of Space Artwork		
Grade 1 Underlin	Fletcher Crosswell For being resilient	<b>Isobel Leake</b> For her brilliant reading		
Grade 2 van Ryn	Dillan Norton For developing amazing spelling skills	Max Roney For constantly challenging himself to improve his amazing maths skills		
Grade 2 Reid	Molly Tanton  For outstanding work in Maths - making nets of 3D shapes and writing their attributes	Lucas Powell For excellent application to his work in all areas this week		
Grade 3 Hood	<b>Ella Feely</b> For your leadership skills during our dance rehearsals	Senay Todd For your excellent listening skills during our art lessons		
Grade 3 Symons	Xavier Barker For excellent work in fine motor skills with Mrs.Murfet	Louisa Zupan For terrific writing with Mrs.Bunton		
Grade 4 Smith	Aiden Krushka For improvement in reading levels	Jaimie Duffy For diligence in completing all tasks		
Grade 4 Wood	Ella Purcell For her patience and maturity in working with others	Liam Jones For his outstanding work habits and always thinking of others		
Grade 5 McLeod/ Illingworth	Matthew Carins For enthusiasm and commitment to our class fundraising efforts	Ruby Brown  For an exceptional effort in making a movie to show her understanding in science		
Grade 5 Viney/Sydes	Brad Morgan For more often producing work that show what you are capable of. Keep it up	Nieve Halley For the care and detail you put into your work		
Grade 6 Davie	Claudia Agostini For her endless effort and perseverance with all tasks	Emma Duyst For her continued improvement in public speaking and personal development		
Grade 6 Claessens/ Thompson	Reed Hodgetts For really working hard and giving his very best	Ella Maloney For being a great influence in the classroom and being so enthusiastic		

# **Prep - Gr.2 Measurement Day Tuesday 11th November**

Last week the Preps, Gr.1 and Gr.2 children participated in a measurement day. Children worked in small groups to solve measurement problems involving length, mass and capacity. Thanks to all the wonderful parents who came along to assist us on the day.















# **Grandparents Day Thursday 19th November**













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Pony Rides, Jumping castle, Food, Beer + Wine stalls!