

# Sacred Heart Catholic School News



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## From the Principal

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Thursday 2.30-3.15pm

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Dear Families

This week I received a letter from the Executive Director of Catholic Education congratulating our school on achieving well above average gain for year 3-5 Reading evidenced by our NAPLAN results from 2017. Our major Professional Learning focus over the past two years has been Literacy. This year we will focus particularly on reading and comprehension strategies and skill development. As part of this process as a staff we will be establishing a common understanding and expectation of what level of reading would be expected by the end of each year level. This of course varies for each individual, just as learning to walk and crawl does, however what it allows staff to do is set attainable goals for students. This is our third year as a literacy focus school and part of this year's goal for professional learning will be the use of the Literacy and Numeracy progressions.

### Why were the National Literacy and Numeracy Learning Progressions developed?

Literacy and numeracy are fundamental to a student's ability to learn at school and to engage productively in society. Improving literacy/numeracy development is a priority for many schools. The development of the Literacy and Numeracy Progressions has been identified as an area for national action. The Education Council identified supporting STEM education opportunities in school systems as one of five areas for national action.

This action included the extension of the national literacy and numeracy continuums to: ... better assist teachers to identify and address individual student needs according to the expected skills and growth in student learning at key progress points from the early years through high school, given the evidence of the spread of student achievement within any classroom. (Education Council 2015, National STEM School Education Strategy, p. 9)

### What is the purpose of the National Literacy and Numeracy Learning Progressions?

Successful teaching and learning to address student needs in relation to literacy and numeracy requires the teacher to have an understanding of where the student is now and where the student needs to go next in their literacy and numeracy development. The National Literacy and Numeracy Learning Progressions describe common pathways or developmental sequences for the acquisition of aspects of literacy and numeracy development. The progressions complement key learning outcomes of the Early Years Learning Framework (COAG 2009) – particularly that children are confident and involved learners and effective communicators. The progressions provide a tool to: locate the literacy and numeracy development of students and identify the literacy and numeracy development that should follow facilitate a shared professional understanding of literacy and numeracy development.

Our Buddy reading program began last year to allow our students more opportunities to listen to and be listened to whilst enjoying the company of their buddy classmates. This program is not only for enjoyment (fantastic outcome though) it is aimed at developing reading confidence, fluency, correct pronunciation and to focus on comprehension strategies.



Enjoy the week ahead.

Michelle Wootton  
Principal

PBS Focus:-  
Let's have a positive attitude



## RE News

### Fr Mike, Fr Paschal and Sr Carmel Class Visits

Last week 5/6G welcomed Fr Paschal into their classroom for the first time and today Fr Mike visited 5/6B. Fr Mike, Fr Paschal and Sr Carmel will be working with all classes over the 2018 school year.

We are very lucky that Fr Mike, Fr Paschal and Sr Carmel are willing to bring their expertise to our students at Sacred Heart, especially given the fact that we do not have our church on school grounds. We thank them for their ongoing support of our school community. Sr Carmel's class visits will commence in term 2.



### Sacred Heart Catholic School Advisory Board

Please find attached our inaugural Board Newsletter for your information. We are seeking nominations from our school/parish community from interested people who would like to nominate for vacant positions on our Board. The Newsletter gives some detail as to what is involved. If you have any queries, please speak to any of our current Board members or Mrs Wootton or Mrs Butcher in the school office.



At our last meeting, we farewelled Mrs Karen Chugg from our School Board after six years. We thank Karen for the valuable contribution she has made to our school during this time including her years served as Board Chair.



### Have you returned the following?

- ICT Agreement
- Student Information Sheet

*If not, please do so as soon as possible.*

## Catholic Education Week Fundraiser

# Easter Dress Up Day

For all K-6 Students  
on  
Wednesday 21 March

We are kindly asking for a gold coin donation from each child to go towards our Project Compassion and Samaritan Fund Fundraising efforts.



### Our Great Achievers

Congratulations to the following boys and girls whose efforts were recognised at our assembly on Monday morning.

Hunter and Georgie from Kinder;  
Ethan and Luca from Prep N;  
Zane and Reid from Prep/1LC;  
Lucas and Blake from 1/2RB;  
Rocco and Sadie from 2Z;  
Finn, Miah and Spencer from 3/4JM;  
Kysen and Chloe from 3/4C;  
Tom, Logan and Maddie from 5/6S;  
Elliott, Brydie, Charlotte, Kobi and Phoebe from 5/6 G; and  
Mia and Thomas from 5/6B.

Class of the Week for Japanese goes to:-  
Week 3 – Prep N and Week 4 – 1/2R.



These students have cashed in their Sacred Heart Tokens for a well-deserved reward.

Tokens are given out to students following the school mantras – be your best, be safe and be respectful.



## Staff Whereabouts

This week those who have release include....

- Miss Stanfield away from 7 to 16 March – Mrs Mansfield in 5/6S.
- Ms McCormack away Thursday 8 March – Mrs Oakley in 3/4JM.
- Mrs Wootton attending Principals' Conference Thursday 8 and Friday 9 March.
- 3/4 Network Meeting on Tuesday 13 March – Mrs Banham in 3/4C, Mr Ward in 3/4HM and Mrs Oakley in 3/4JM.
- 5/6 Network Meeting on Wednesday 14 March – Mrs Oakley in 5/6BB and Mr Ward in 5/6G.

## Delta Dog Safe Presentations

Today (and tomorrow) we welcomed Anne Boxhall from Delta Dog Safe Tasmania into our K-2 classrooms.



Anne spoke to students about recognising whether a dog is scared, angry or friendly; how to pat a friendly dog and how to behave when confronted with a strange or aggressive dog.

The 45 minute lessons are presented using a life size (not live) dog, role play and visual materials. We encourage parents/ careers to discuss these presentations with their children.

## School Fees 2018

Invoices for the whole year were sent out to **all families** last week. If you already have a direct debit set up to pay for your fees, this invoice and statement were simply sent to you for your information. Your direct debit arrangement will continue until you request it to stop.

**Those families who wish to pay in full before the end of March will once again be offered a 5% discount on their school fees. We would like to have all of our families who do not wish to take advantage of this discount set up on a payment plan as soon as possible.**

Please note that while ten monthly payments are our preferred option, weekly or fortnightly payments are also acceptable. If you have any queries in relation to school fees or you require a fees assistance form, please contact Mrs Butcher or Mrs Wootton to discuss same.



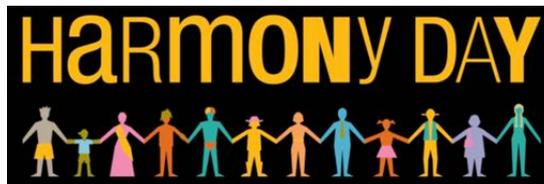
## Little Joeys

Every Tuesday morning during term time  
9 to 10.30am

All welcome, including this year's Kinders  
Free of charge

Facilitators Miss Laine Davis  
& Mrs Melissa Mudford

Hop into learning!



## Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March Harmony Day

**It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.**

Our diversity makes Australia a great place to live. Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity – a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home.

The message of Harmony Day is '**everyone belongs**', the Day aims to engage people to participate in their community, respect cultural and religious diversity and foster a sense of belonging for everyone.

### Our cultural diversity

Australia is a vibrant and multicultural country — from the oldest continuous culture of our first Australians to the cultures of our newest arrivals from around the world.

Our cultural diversity is one of our greatest strengths and is at the heart of who we are. It makes Australia a great place to live. Multicultural Australia is an integral part of our national identity. All people who migrate to Australia bring with them some of their own cultural and religious traditions, as well as taking on many new traditions. Collectively, these traditions have enriched our nation.

***We will be celebrating Harmony day with our buddies and participating in a range of activities during the day.***

### Parents & Friends Association News

We are asking each family to donate (if possible) at least one Easter Egg or Easter related item (eg chocolates, baskets, toy bunnies, Easter mugs, egg cups etc.) for our very popular Easter Raffle.



These baskets have always been extremely worthy prizes and your support would be greatly appreciated. Raffle items can be brought to school any time from now until Thursday 22 March. Raffle books were sent home last week. If you would like to sell more books, spares are available from the school office. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 29 March. Thank you for your ongoing support.

### 5/6 Cricket News

Unfortunately, we didn't get enough players to field a team in the 5/6 Cricket roster starting this Friday. We attempted to join in with another school, however this wasn't possible either. If we can get a team together before the roster recommences in Term 4, we have been advised that we can join in at that time. Those students who have paid their registration, please see the school office to arrange a refund.

### Coles Sports for Schools

We are registered for the Coles Sports for Schools programme again this year. If you do your shopping at Coles, please place your vouchers in the collection box outside Coles or at the school office. This programme allows schools to purchase sporting equipment by cashing in the vouchers.



### Important Dates

Monday 12 March	Public Holiday
Wednesday 21 March	Easter Dress Up Day
Thursday 22 March	North West Swimming Carnival
Wednesday 28 March	Sparkle Disco
6.45pm	School Board Meeting
Friday 30 March	Good Friday
Monday 2 April	Easter Monday Public Holiday
Tuesday 3 April	Easter Tuesday Public Holiday
School Holiday break	Monday 16 to Friday 27 April
Monday 30 April to	
Friday 11 May	Grades 3 to 6 Learn to Swim
Monday 7 May 6.45pm	Parents & Friends Meeting
Monday 14 to Friday	
25 May	Prep to 2 Learn to Swim
Thursday 31 May	School Photos
Friday 1 June	Cross Country
Monday 11 June	Public Holiday
Thursday 14 June	North West Cross Country
Friday 6 July	Student Free Day
School Holiday break	Monday 9 to Friday 20 July
Monday 23 July	Student Free Day
School Holiday break	Monday 1 to Friday 12 October
Sunday 28 October	School Fair
Friday 2 November	Athletics Carnival
Monday 5 November	Recreation Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 21 November	North West Athletics Carnival
Thursday 20 December	Last day for students

### Art Tuition Lessons

For ages 9 to 90 with Dorothy Elliott  
 105 Stony Rise Road, Devonport  
 Sessions run for 1 ½ hours for \$15.00 per student  
 Phone 64245271

## Sacred Heart Sparkle Disco!

Wednesday the 28th of March

•Kinder - Year 2 from 4:00-5:00

•Year 3 - Year 6 from 5:30-7:00

**Gold Coin Entry Fee**

**In memory of Ms Hofer**

There will be food, drinks and games!  
 Come along and have fun!



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