Term 1 Week 5 - 25 February 2015

Dear Parents

On occasion, it can be quite refreshing when an alternative is offered to something that makes us think that we have “heard it all before”, such as:

- **On the other hand** – you have different fingers!
- **To make a long story short** – don’t tell it!
- **Latest survey shows that 3 out of 4 people** – make up 75% of the world’s population.

With the Season of Lent upon us and the old problem of “what to give up for lent” circling around us, perhaps the following might offer some new alternatives:

- **Fast from anger and hatred** – be more patient and understanding.
- **Fast from judging others** – think kindly thoughts.
- **Fast from discouragement** – be full of hope.
- **Fast from complaining** – focus on gratitude.
- **Fast from resentment or bitterness** – turn to forgiveness.

Of recent times, Lent has lost some of its importance to Christians, but a Christianity that celebrates only the joyful times, like Christmas and Easter, leaves us with a fractured Spirituality. We need to have the balance of being challenged by the sometimes harsh truths of human life – our weaknesses and failings.

We need the Season of Lent if we are to live in imitation of Christ, to be Christians. We need to work out for ourselves what it is in our lives that needs to die, to be no longer part of our lives, that which makes us candidates to receive the forgiveness that Jesus gained for us when He died on Good Friday. If we are able to achieve this, to sweep out the negatives, then Easter will not be a shallow celebration but one full of meaning, for we will be totally aware of the new birth as stated in the Resurrection of Jesus.

The Season of Lent is a time to review the past, admit to our shortcomings, reaffirm our commitment to the higher values that we had actually lived, and prepare ourselves to try harder in the year ahead. It is a time to acknowledge our less than best choices and to feel sorry for the lost opportunities; it is a time to have a clean room to offer the new life of Easter.

The name “Lent” came from an Anglo-Saxon word, “Leetem”, which simply means Spring. Easter is always the first moon on or after the first day of Spring in the Northern Hemisphere. This association of Lent and Spring can carry with it the comparison of our house needing and having a spring cleaning after the difficulties and restrictions of winter, and our spirituality needing a spring cleaning after a year of negative influences and trying to live up to the ideals of being like Christ to others.

*Jesus,*

*May we be encouraged this Lent as we reflect on the difficulties You had in Your life.*

*Give us a like courage to face the challenges that daily enter our lives. Lead us to the joy of resurrection. Amen.*

What a lovely evening was held here at Sacred Heart for our welcome BBQ! Thankyou to our Year 6 students and parents for their fun stalls, thankyou to Mrs Steedman, Mrs Osborne, Mrs Nero and Mrs Neale for their organisation and catering, and to the parents who cooked at the BBQ on such a warm night. Parents spoke so positively of the evening and loved the class performances arranged by the very talented Mr Simon Hyland.
We are seeking helpers!
Memorabilia Display - we are seeking the help of a parent who would love to coordinate a memorabilia display in the hall for our Jubilee Celebration on 17th October 2015. Please contact the Principal if you can help out.

We are seeking information!
It is time to start asking around and or writing snippets of memories for our Jubilee book and memorabilia display.

Are you a past student? Do you know other past students? Please write some of you memories for us to include in the Jubilee Book eg: What was your classroom like? What lessons were you taught? What did you do for sport? Did you go on excursions? What did you buy from the tuckshop? What were the fun days at school? What did you have for lunch?

Have you any old uniforms? Books? Photos?

Were you in the first classes held here at Sacred Heart? Please contact the Principal we would love to hear from you and invite you to our celebration!

SHMV Curriculum Update
At our parent literacy session on Tuesday morning reading strategies were discussed that parents could try at home. Pause, Prompt and Praise is one very effective strategy for all children suggested by Professor Wheldall from the Macquarie University Special Education Centre.

- We pause for at least 5 seconds (count to 5 in our head). This gives the child time to work out the word.
- Give the child a suitable prompt depending on their mistake (don’t just, say, sound it out).
- Praise the child for their reading. This praise will depend on the particular reading behaviour, eg ‘That was good, you corrected that word by yourself’; ‘Good, you read that sentence again and fixed up your mistake’

May the Joy of the Gospel be with you.

Mrs Suellen Garey
PRINCIPAL

Forward Planner
04 Mar Confirmation - Parent Information Session (1pm and 7pm at Sacred Heart Church)
04 Mar Yrs 2 and 6 Class Mass
10 Mar Confirmation - Parent Information Session (7pm at Sacred Heart Church)
11 Mar Yr 4 Class Mass
13 Mar Open Morning - New Kinder 2016 families (9-11am)

Our full school calendar can be accessed on our school APP or on the school website on the Significant Dates page: here

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SHMV Sports News

Yes we got wet! However, it was great to meet many enthusiastic and involved parents at the swimming carnival today. When school and families work together it only improves outcomes for students. Thank you for your support. The winning colour house, age champions and Peninsula team will be announced on Friday at our special sport assembly.

Next week, Wednesday 4th March, a team of swimmers from Sacred Heart will compete in the Peninsula Swimming Carnival at Warringah Aquatic centre. Swimmers will qualify from times taken at our own school carnival today.

Soccer skills for students in years 3-6 commenced on Tuesday this week. Between the showers, students dribbled soccer balls and shot for goals. There was lots of fun as the finer points of the game were explained to our keen students.

We wish our team from years 5 and 6, who are competing in the Paul Kelly Cup on Thursday the best of luck. Students have been reminded about their responsibility of earning our school “a good name” through their behaviour, appearance and sportsmanship.

NSW Junior State Cup Touch Competition

Congratulations to the following children who competed at the NSW Junior State Cup Touch Competition which was held in Port Macquarie last weekend:-

- Lauren B
- Roxy B
- Zoey M
- Luka M
- Joel S
- Levi D
- Angela M
- Chelsea S
- Alana R

All teams made it through to the finals which unfortunately had to be called off due to the horrendous weather conditions.

Broken Bay Winter Sport Trials for 2015

Broken Bay Winter Sport Trials for 2015 are coming up in March. Trials are for current representative players in their respective sports in years 5 and 6. It is the responsibility of parents to arrange travel to and from the trials as well as supervision during trials.

The Winter sports and their trial dates are as follows:

- Boys Soccer: Thursday 12th March 12-3pm @ Lionel Watts Oval Frenchs Forest
- Girls Soccer: Thursday 12th March 12-3pm @ Lionel Watts Oval Frenchs Forest
- Open League (boys only): Monday 16th March 1-3pm @ St Peters College Tuggerah
- 11yrs League (boys only): Tuesday 17th March 12:30-3:30pm @ Forestville Oval, Forestville
- AFL: Wednesday 18th March 3:30-5pm @ Mackillop College Warnervale
- Netball (girls only): Thursday 19th March 12pm @ Northern Beaches Indoor Sports Centre Warriewood
- Hockey (boys and girls): Thursday 19th March @ Harbord Kikoff Centre Curl Curl
- Touch (Girls): Tuesday 24th March 4-5:30pm @ EDSAAC Bateau Bay
- Touch (Boys): Tuesday 24th March 3:30-5pm @ EDSAAC Bateau Bay
- Rugby Union: TBC in term 2

Please see Miss Euers for a player profile form to be completed and returned by Monday 2nd March.

ICAS Competitions

ICAS – International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

Students in Years 3 to 6 have been invited to participate in the 2015 International Competitions and Assessment for Schools (ICAS) in English, Mathematics, Digital Technologies, Science, Writing, and Spelling. Year 2 have been invited to participate in English, Mathematics and Science.

All entries need to be submitted by Monday 9 March 2015. Unfortunately late entries cannot be accepted. Additional copies of the note can be found on our school website here.
A Lenten Prayer
Loving God,
you call us back to you with all of our hearts.
I feel your call for me deep in my heart
and I know you want me back
as much as I want to return.
Please, Lord,
give me the wisdom to know how to return.
Make my journey back to you this Lent
one of grace, forgiveness and gentle love.

In the spirit of Pope Francis’ joyful and action-oriented pastoral approach, here are three ways to live the Joy of the Gospel
1. Pray at the grave of a loved one. Reaffirm your belief in the gift of eternal life.
2. Ponder the miracle of new life. Gaze upon a newborn baby. Let your contemplative gaze draw you into the heart of God.
3. Look for an opportunity to genuinely affirm a family member’s appearance. Who is the most joyful person you know? Tell them. ‘Catch’ their joy, and spread it!

Caritas Australia Project Compassion appeal
Last week the season of Lent began with Ash Wednesday, which also marks the beginning of the annual Caritas Australia Project Compassion appeal. This year’s Project Compassion stories focus on the ways in which Caritas Australia is working around the world to empower vulnerable people to establish sustainable food sources and develop income streams for life.

Your donations to Project Compassion allow Caritas Australia, the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development, to work towards a more just and fair world, where the basic human right for food is met and sustained.

Each family will receive a Project Compassion box and/or can order a set of leaflets for their donations. You can also donate online via the website at www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion. Please put your compassion into action this Lent by supporting Project Compassion 2015.

Dates to Remember
4 Mar Year 2 and Year 6 Class Mass at 9.15am
11 Mar Year 4 Class Mass at 9:15am
15 Mar Year 5 Soul Mass at Sacred Heart 6pm (Sunday)

Good News of the week and Prayers
If you have any Good News or if you need our prayers, please see me at school, contact me by phone.

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN can be found here

Christine McBryde – Religious Education Coordinator

Confirmation

Confirmation, the next Sacrament after Baptism, is open to all children in year 2 and above. All parents interested in enrolling must attend one of our information sessions.

Please visit the Parish website here for dates, the school website here or contact Angela Smit on 9997 7311 (Ext 13) for more details.

Angela Smit – Sacramental Coordinator
Pittwater Parish

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Well-being Week, Term 1

As you know, KidsMatter is all about looking after the mental health of our children and our school community. A big contributor to positive mental health is having time to connect with each other. Each term, we will hold a WELL-BEING WEEK at school to allow some time for us to connect with each other and enjoy each other’s company.

Next week, Week 6, will be WELL-BEING WEEK at Sacred Heart in Term 1. This will be a week where students, families and staff all take a breather in our busy lives and be kind to ourselves and each other. It should be a time where all families make time for each other and reconnect. To help families do this, there will be NO HOMEWORK in Week 6 for any class. We hope that you will spend the extra time this frees up perhaps having a special dinner or picnic together, playing some families board games, going for a bike ride or walk together, or just sitting down together to have a chat. Well-Being week is a perfect time for family prayer or going to Mass together. Another idea has been to make WELL-BEING WEEK an ‘e’ free week (electronics free!) – Now there’s a challenge!

We have some fantastic activities planned at school for the children to celebrate Well-Being Week as follows:

ALL WEEK – No homework
WEDNESDAY – Joyful Colours Day – Mufti – Students are to wear mufti clothes in Joyful colours that make people feel joyful and happy.
WEDNESDAY – Shared Story and Friendship Lunch – Children will be grouped together into their Respectful Relationships Groups for 2015. They will eat lunch with their group and get to know their new friends. Children are to bring a picnic lunch with one small item to share (no nuts please). Healthy choices are MOST welcome! Children will meet up with their Respectful Relationships group in an allocated classroom where they will share a story before lunch that focuses on bucket filling.
DURING THE WEEK – Free play activities – each class will enjoy a session of free play games and activities with their teacher.
DURING THE WEEK – Social and emotional learning in the classroom – teachers will focus on the particular social and emotional needs of their own classes and plan some fun activities to explore these.

They will also be carrying out some mindfulness activities as a means to help the children:
• Clear their head
• Increases their self-awareness
• Slow down their thoughts
• Increase their concentration
• Relax
• Cope with stress

We have some fun activities planned for teachers too and encourage all teachers to also go home early next week and spend much needed quality time with their families.

We hope that Well-Being Week will provide us all with the opportunity to appreciate the important people in our lives and consider how important companionship, family and free time are in fostering good mental health.

Enjoy your week!

KMAT ACTION TEAM
Did you know we have a Parent section in the Library? There are a number of titles to help us as parents which are available to borrow on Fridays. Come up and have a look next time you are at school.

*The bestselling author and psychologist whose books have topped 240,000 copies in print now addresses the trait of “high sensitivity” in children—and offers a breakthrough parenting guidebook for highly sensitive children and their caregivers.*

With the publication of *The Highly Sensitive Person*, Elaine Aron became the first person to identify the inborn trait of “high sensitivity” and to show how it affects the lives of those who possess it. Up to 20 percent of the population is born highly sensitive, and now in *The Highly Sensitive Child*, Aron shifts her focus to highly sensitive children, who share the same characteristics as highly sensitive adults and thus face unique challenges as they grow up.

Rooted in Aron’s years of experience as a psychotherapist and her original research on child temperament, *The Highly Sensitive Child* shows how HSCs are born deeply reflective, sensitive to the subtle, and easily overwhelmed. These qualities can make for smart, conscientious, creative children, but with the wrong parenting or schooling, they can become unusually shy or timid, or begin acting out. Few parents and teachers understand where this behaviour comes from—and as a result, HSCs are often mislabelled as overly inhibited, fearful, or “fussy,” or classified as “problem children” (and in some cases, misdiagnosed with disorders such as Attention Deficit Disorder). But raised with proper understanding and care, HSCs are no more prone to these problems than nonsensitive children and can grow up to be happy, healthy, well-adjusted adults.

In this pioneering work, parents will find helpful self-tests and case studies to help them understand their HSC, along with thorough advice on:
- The challenges of raising an highly sensitive child
- The four keys to successfully parenting an HSC
- How to soothe highly sensitive infants
- Helping sensitive children survive in a not-so-sensitive world
- Making school and friendships enjoyable

With chapters addressing the needs of specific age groups, from newborns through teens, *The Highly Sensitive Child* delivers warm-hearted, timely information for parents, teachers, and the sensitive children in their lives.

**2015 PRC Update**

2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge opens in March. All passwords will remain the same, you can start reading now and keep a record of the books you have read. Students must complete a set amount of reading to meet the Challenge, see table below:

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*Melanie Harrison - Teacher/Librarian*

**Uniform Shop News**

A quick reminder that children will return to school in term 2 in their winter uniforms. Please visit the uniform shop before the end of term 1 for any items you require.

*Veronica & Clare – Uniform Shop Coordinators*
Messages from the Office

School items on loan
Could we please request all items of clothing, slings and bandages which are out on loan to children following accidents be returned to the school office freshly laundered.

Confirmation, First Communion and First Reconciliation – information brochures with all relevant dates from the Parish can be found on our school website here.

Curriculum Notes can now be viewed on our school website here.

School Fees – By now all families should have received their 2015 tax invoice by email. This was sent direct from the Catholic Schools Office. If you have not received your tax invoice, please contact the office.

Email - All correspondence from the school is now sent home via email. If you find you are no longer receiving our emails, your mailbox could be full or your security or junk mail settings may need changing. Please ensure you advise the school office if you change your email address.

School Buses – information on bus numbers and routes can be found on the Sydney Buses website here. Select Sacred Heart from the drop down menu and navigate.

School App – Download links and Tip Sheet

Tip Sheet for the app can be found here.

Medication held in sick bay - we ask parents to take responsibility for noting expiry dates of medications supplied to the school. Please ensure your child’s medication is in original packaging and labelled with student’s name and dosage. If you do not have a record of the expiry date on your child’s medication, please telephone the school office.

Parent to Parent

“Parents and the home environment they create are the single most important factor in shaping their children’s achievements.” (Harris, 2007)

Take 10 minutes to have a look at the ideas and resources on the DPC website - it has links to information and ideas for parents on how we can support our children to flourish and this can be really helpful at the beginning of the year when things change and we can have a tendency to forget the positive things that happen.

Two simple ideas include journaling:
"What went well today?"...write down 3 things every day that went well!
"Grow your strengths!"...focus on what of your strengths and use it every day in a different way!

http://www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/wellbeing.html

Start a conversation with your child about their learning...

Eloise Critchley (DPC rep), Fiona McCallum (KidsMatter parent rep)

You can visit the Diocesan Parent Council website here.
Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday from all at Sacred Heart to the following students who celebrate a birthday during the coming week:

Ruby D  Jack R  Hartley R
Maya H  William D
Jaime Y  Samuel D

School Awards

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Principal’s Awards: Niamh M, Emma D

Morning Kiss & Drop Zone Roster

Morning Kiss and Drop Zone
Thanks to the parents who have volunteered to be on the morning Kiss and Drop roster. If you are able to volunteer a half hour of your time between 8.15am and 8.45am to do this valuable role, please contact Selina Nichols on 0416 157 198 or nicholsselina@gmail.com

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Canteen News

**CANTEEN ROSTER (start 9.30am - finish 1.45pm)**

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On-line ordering: Just a reminder that as of Friday 27th February 2015, direct debit bank transfers will no longer be an option for account top ups. School 24 offers pay pal and credit card or you can pay cash over the counter to the canteen on any Monday, Thursday or Friday. These options will all mean an instant top up to your account.

*Kay & Marie – Canteen Coordinators*
P&F News

Friday March 27 is the Sacred Heart Golf Day at Bayview Golf Club. Now in its 3rd year, the day is a lot of fun and great way to engage with our wonderful school community. Golfing ability is not required in this event. As long as you know the ball from the stick you should be fine. The golf day will be an “Ambrose Event” which means you pick the best shot from your team of 4 to play on every shot. It’s a very forgiving form of golf where individual golfing prowess is not important. Hopefully all who have played in previous years will return this year as well as some new challengers keen for a whack.

So get a group of 4 together and sign up. If you don’t have 4 or even if it’s just you keen to play, we’ll team you up with another team. Cost is $125 per person and this includes lunch, 18 holes and carts. Please note carts are may be limited - so get in early or you could be walking! Application forms are available at the School Office...

Entry forms can be found on the school website here.

Community Notices

Open Day - Sunday March 15, 2015 11.00am - 2.00pm
A warm welcome is extended to all prospective families to join us for Open Day on Sunday March 15, 2015 from 11.00am to 2.00pm. We are now enrolling students currently in Year 5. Please visit the College website www.matermaria.now.edu.au or contact our Enrolment Registrar for a prospectus, Application for Enrolment or to register for a College tour. Applications for Year 7, 2017 close on April 1, 2015.

OPEN DAY
Sunday March 15, 2015 11.00am - 2.00pm
Embrace our spirit of freshness, innovation, community and wonder
www.matermaria.now.edu.au
Community Notices

Mercy Catholic College
Chatswood

Open Day
Sunday 8 March 11am - 2pm
Providing Excellence in Teaching and Learning
Celebrating 125 years (1890 - 2015)

For further information, contact College office:
Mercy Catholic College 101 Ancliff Street, Chatswood NSW 2067
Phone: 02 9412 2500 | www.mercycatholiccollege.school.au

Marist College North Shore

Courage Conquers All

Expo Day
Saturday 7th March 2015
10:00am - 2:00pm

“The great strength of our College are our students.
Our hope for these young men is that they will through their time
at the College become independent men, men of faith,
men who will make a difference.”

- Rev Tony Galias, Headmaster

Come and visit our staff and students and learn about Marist College North Shore’s integrated and comprehensive curriculum program that, for every student, promotes faith, encourages excellence, engenders responsibility and develops respect and dignity.

Currently accepting enrolments for Year 7, 2015.
For an application, www.maristcollege.com or contact the
Raglan on 9437 3883. Applications close 31st March 2015.

St Paul’s Catholic College - Manly
EDUCATING BOYS IN YEARS 7 TO 12

OPEN EVENING
Thursday 5th March 2015 4pm - 7pm

Come and experience the St Paul’s difference for yourself
Here is your chance to visit our College in its unique North Head location overlooking Sydney Harbour.
Meet our fantastic staff and students, take a tour of our newly renovated facilities and view our soon to be completed multi-purpose hall and technology centre.

Free BBQ - Guided Tours - Demonstration Classes - Music Performances - Science Experiments

Respect - Responsibility - Results - Reverence

Applications for enrolment for Year 7 2017 will close on Friday 17 April 2015

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Community Notices

ST LUCY’S SCHOOL
OPEN DAY

You are invited to tour St Lucy’s to learn about the school entry program.

St Lucy’s School provides excellence that empowers students with disabilities with the values, knowledge, attitudes and skills to flourish and participate fully in society.

St Lucy’s programs are for children with cognitive or language delay, Autism, or other disability that makes learning difficult. Its purpose is to lay foundations to enable children to succeed.

Classes of approximately 10 children have a specially trained teacher and aide who provide intensive instruction in areas like literacy, numeracy, social competence, personal organization and independence. They enjoy specialist classes in Drama, Dance, Visual Arts and have access to a full therapy support from speech pathologists and occupational therapy.

Free government transport exists for children who are eligible and bursaries are available. Come along and learn more about the program.

St Lucy’s School
21 Cleveland Street
Watsonia North, Vic

Thursday 12 March 2015 at 9am

St Lucy’s: The hidden gem

ST LUCY’S BY THE SEA
OPEN DAY

Come and see why St Lucy’s community is like being in a family! It provides the best start to education for children with special needs. The open day is for parents, teachers and other professionals.

Start Right is a two-year program for children with cognitive or language delay, Autism or other disability that makes learning difficult. It has a strong foundation that will enable children to transition successfully to mainstream school or to St Lucy’s College.

St Lucy’s College has introduced a new and unique program involving speech pathologists and occupational therapists to provide a range of therapy and support services. Come along and learn more about the program.

St Lucy’s College
108 Church Street
Kamloops, Vic

Monday, 16 March at 9.30am

T: 9490 6200 / F: 9490 6200

Monte Sant’ Angelo Mercy College
126 Miller Street, North Sydney / 9490 6200 / www.monte.nsw.edu.au

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**Community Notices**

**Care & Connect**

Support group for family & friends of kids with ASD

As parents & friends of children with autism, we’re reaching out to connect with other families who understand what it’s like to share life with special kids. Join us to connect, chat, share ideas, receive support & make new friends...

It’s completely free!!

**Tuesday 10 March - 10am to noon**

The Community Lounge, Brookvale Oval, Alfred Street, Brookvale

For information & to RSVP

Call Kylie 0412 556 232

**WANNA BE A TIGER?**

Come and join us at Narrabeen Junior Rugby Club!

**FREE PARENT EVENT**

How to Help Your Child Become a Better Reader

This event is a Kids First Community Service Seminar

Tickets are absolutely FREE, however places are limited. Bookings are essential.


Or call Kids First now on 9938 5419

**TUESDAY 10 March 2015**

7:30pm - 9:30pm

The Chairman's Lounge

Brookvale Oval

Alfred Street, Brookvale

Level 4, 107 Pittwater Road, Brookvale NSW 2100 - 0937 1097 - reservations@kids-first.com.au

We are still taking Registrations!

If you are aged 4 to 17 years we have a team just for you.

Joining is easy! Simply download the Rego Form from our website at www.narrabeentigers.rugbynet.com.au and send it to us.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Catholic school parents in NSW paid $943 million in school fees in 2012.

You also contributed $161.5 million in school building levies and other capital funding that year.

That’s more than $1.1 billion invested by Catholic school parents in our state’s education system in just one year!

Despite this extraordinary support, Catholic schools still rely on Federal and State Governments for more than 75% of our funding needs each year.

This is why funding support from Federal & State Governments must keep pace with rising education costs - to maintain education quality and to ensure a Catholic education remains affordable for all families.

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