Dear Parents

Do you wonder how out of touch the church is with reality? Pope Francis has written a document titled *Evangelii Gaudium* or ‘The Joy of the Gospel’. It doesn’t set forth new doctrine but rather gives earnest advice on *how church teachings can be applied in today’s world*. It calls for a thoughtful response: listening, discerning, taking to heart the Pope’s words and examining our lives in this light.

**It’s about Joy!**

*Evangelii Gaudium*, the first words of the document, are Latin for ‘Joy of the Gospel’. Thus the central theme of this document is joy: living and proclaiming the good news of God’s love received through Christ. As Pope Francis says, “An evangeliser must never look like someone who has just come back from a funeral!”

*I invite all Christians everywhere at this very moment to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ or at least an openness to letting him encounter them. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her.*

**Friday 13th March** is Open Day at Sacred Heart for new families seeking enrolment. If you know of any families considering Sacred Heart for their pre-schoolers in 2016 please invite them along.

- **9.15am**  Principal Address
- **9.45am**  School Tours
- **10.30am**  Band in hall and morning tea

**SHMV SIP (School Improvement Plan) UPDATE**

One of the SIP goals for Sacred Heart this year is about continuing to implement the KidsMatter framework. One strategy staff has been working on is the completion of a *Think Paper* by students in the case of inappropriate behaviours. The purpose of the Think Paper is two-fold.

Firstly to inform parents of their students inappropriate behaviour and secondly for the student to reflect on their behaviour, what school rule they need to follow, what they should have/could have done and how they can restore the broken relationship. When parents receive a Think Paper home from school there could be a request to meet with the Principal, parents can also elect to meet with the Principal to discuss the child’s behaviour.

Also as part of the KidsMatter framework and our Pastoral Care SIP, our students from years 3-6 will view an anti-bullying Play performed by Mater senior students. The actors, as well as presenting different bullying scenarios present strategies and discuss responses dealing with such incidents.

**Parent Engagement:** I look forward to meeting up with the Year 5 parents at the Soul Mass 6pm on Sunday evening and parent helpers at the **Cross Country on Monday at Kitchener Park**.

For parents of children aged 0-8 years I recommend the session being held in our school hall titled **PLAYFUL PARENTING** on Thursday 19th March. An email was sent home today to parents of young children.
We are in the process of preparing a guest list for the Jubilee celebration. Do you know of any past student or teacher who would like an invitation? Please let the office know!

**Jubilee Photo Request**
In order to take our school Jubilee photo we are going to need a Cherry Picker. Would there be any Sacred Heart families that would have access to one. We would need it for a two hour period.

**Jubilee Book – Assistance Urgently Required**
HELP... HELP... HELP... Do you know how to use Microsoft Publisher and can spare a little of your valuable time? We urgently need advice/assistance in the use of Microsoft Publisher so as to enter all information in a format ready for printing. Please ring Marie Nero on 0410 556 777 or Judi Woodward on 9940 0350 if you can help.

Yours gratefully, Marie & Judi

May the Joy of the Gospel be with you.

*Mrs Suellen Garey*
PRINCIPAL

**Forward Planner**
13 Mar - Open Morning - New Kinder 2016 families (9-11am)
15 Mar - Yr 5 Soul Mass (6pm Sunday)
16 Mar - Sacred Heart Cross Country
18 Mar - Yr 3 Class Mass
24 Mar - Yrs 3 & 4 Soccer Gala Day
25 Mar - Yr 5 Class Mass
26 Mar - Yrs 5 & 6 Soccer Gala Day
26 Mar - Confirmation - Group Leader Training (1.30pm and 7.30pm at Sacred Heart Church)
28 Mar - Yr 2 Family Mass (5pm Saturday)
29 Mar - Palm Sunday
02 Apr - Last day term 1

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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**OSHC News (Out of School Hour Care)**

We have been overwhelmed with the interest in OSHC so far this term. We have some days with limited availability.

We have lots of families enquiring about before school care. If we have enough interest, it is something we would like to open for families. If you would be interested in using the before school care service please contact the coordinator, Kylie Trabi, to register your interest at [monavale.oshc@dbb.org.au](mailto:monavale.oshc@dbb.org.au)

Please note you can download an enrolment form for after school care [here](#).
Swimming Carnival Results
This year’s swimming carnival was very successful and considering the rain we endured all day, the children and spectators were very enthusiastic and did a marvellous job. A huge thank you must go to all our volunteers who helped to make the carnival such a great day. The following results were achieved from our carnival:

Record breakers – 5 records were broken at the carnival which is a huge feat!

Congratulations to the following students:

Luka M - Boys Open 100m Freestyle (swam 1.22:12) Record held since 2014
Jasper C – 12 yrs Boys 50m Backstroke (swam 45:58) Record held since 2006
Luka M – 11 yrs Boys 50m Backstroke (swam 45:56) Record held since 2014
Jasper C – 12 yrs Boys 50m Butterfly (swam 47:38) Record held since 2008
Myles N – 8yrs Boys 50m Butterfly (swam 1.08:58) Record held since 2009

Age Champions and Runners Up
The following students showed lots of stamina, strength, consistency throughout the entire swimming carnival. Some of them swam in 5 events or more and their overall achievements earnt them either the Age Champion or Runners Up titles. A huge congratulations to the following students:

Junior Boys Age Champion – Patrick D
Junior Boys Age Champion Runner Up – Myles N
Junior Girls Age Champion – Charlotte C
Junior Girls Age Champion Runner Up – Chelsea S
Senior Boys Age Champion (tied) – Luka M and Jasper C
Senior Boys Age Champion Runner Up – Joel S
Senior Girls Age Champion – Roxy B
Senior Girls Age Champion Runner Up (tied) – Charli M and Hayley M

The Spirit Cup was awarded to the Colour House which showed the most enthusiasm and spirit at the Carnival and the winner was KEENAN (Green) Colour House. Great effort Keenan!

The overall winning Colour House for this year’s carnival is CRAWFORD (Red) on 339 points, followed by Gilroy (Blue) on 297 points, 3rd Keenan (Green) on 239 points, 4th was Polding (Yellow) on 208 points.
Peninsula and Broken Bay Swimming Carnivals
All our students who represented Sacred Heart at the Peninsula and Broken Bay swimming carnivals did a tremendous job.

A special mention must go to these swimmers who competed at the Broken Bay Carnival last night: Molly M (8yrs Girls 50m Freestyle) and Angela M (replaced by Jamie Y due to being away), Charlotte C, Alana R and Chelsea S who were in the Junior Girls 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay. They all swam very well and we are very proud of you.

Congratulations to Molly M who will now move on to the NSW Catholic Primary Schools (Polding) Swimming Trials on Friday 20 March 2015 at Sydney Olympic Park in 50m freestyle.

Below are the result from the Peninsula Swimming Carnival held last Wednesday. The children proudly represented the school and achieved excellent results.

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Special Mention must go to the following children who came fourth overall at the Peninsula Carnival.

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Mrs Rachael Wiggins - Sport Co-ordinator

Sacred Heart Cross Country
Sacred Heart Cross Country event will be held next Monday, 16 March 2015 at Kitchener Park. Notes were emailed home today to parents of students in years 2-6. If your child intends to take part, permission notes must be returned by Friday 13 March 2015 (this Friday).

Peninsula Catholic Schools Soccer Gala Days
This term years 3-6 will be representing Sacred Heart at the Peninsula Catholic Schools Soccer Gala Days. **Years 3 and 4: Tuesday 24 March 2015**  **Years 5 and 6: Thursday 26 March 2015**  Information and permission forms were emailed to parents on 4 March and are due back to school by Wednesday 18 March 2015. Additional copies of the notes can be found on the school website here.

Rugby 7’s Gala Day
Congratulations to all the Year 5 and 6 boys who trialled on Monday for selection into the Sacred Heart Rugby 7’s Team. The enthusiasm and skill level was extremely high. The following boys were selected:

- Harris J 6W
- Sam C 6W
- Lucas N 6W
- Levi D 6W
- Cameron D 6F
- Brock D 6F
- Markus G 5N
- Ezekiel G 5N
- Joel S 5S
- Luka M 5S
- Jasper C 6F

These boys will be competing at Rat Park next Tuesday 17 March. Thankyou to Mark and Larisa Gerrard for assisting with this process and coaching the team prior to the event.
Religious Education News

Gems from Pope Francis
Fix your gaze on Jesus, not soap operas
We often say, ‘But I have so much to do!’ Yes, I know, said Pope Francis in his homily at Santa Mater (3 Feb 2015) before offering this 15 min/day plan: ‘In your home, 15 minutes, take the Gospel, a small passage, imagine what happened [in the Gospel story] and speak with Jesus about it. Thus your gaze will be fixed on Jesus and not on soap operas, for example. Your ears will be fixed on the words of Jesus and not so much on the gossip of the neighbours," he said. "Today, for example, look for 10 minutes -15, no more – read the Gospel, imagine and say something to Jesus. Nothing more; and in that way your knowledge of Jesus will be greater and your hope will grow. Do not forget, to have your gaze fixed on Jesus. And this is what the prayer of contemplation is for." (zenit.org)

Essential Food for Life
The Centacare Wilcannia-Forbes ‘Manage Your Income, Manage Your Life’ program (supported by Caritas Australia) is helping First Australians, like Karen, to take control of their money, and choose and prepare nutritious food to ensure a healthier future for their families. Your donation to Project Compassion 2015 helps First Australians in remote communities gain the skills to make healthier food choices, building a better future for their families.

www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion  Tel: 1800 024 413

Mini Vinnies News - Caritas Cupcake Cafe
The Mini Vinnies Team are pleased to inform you that we will be having a Caritas Cupcake Café on the Wednesday the 18th of March 2015. Students will be able to purchase from a selection of cupcakes, muffins and slices. We will be selling them for 50c to $2 at morning tea and lunch. All proceeds will be given to this year’s Project Compassion Campaign “Food For Life”

The Mini Vinnies Team

Sacrament of Confirmation – Important Dates

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Dates to Remember
15 Mar  Yr 5 Soul Mass at Sacred Heart 6pm (Sunday)
18 Mar  Yr 3 Class Mass (9.15am)
21 Mar  Induction of Altar Servers at Sacred Heart 5pm (Saturday)
25 Mar  Yr 5 Class Mass (9.15am)

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
Parent engagement in a child’s learning is about connecting the home back into the classroom and showing an interest in what your child is doing at school in their lessons. Sometimes it can be hard to get a child talking. To try and help with that here are some of the things that are happening in the classroom in years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Next week we will cover Kinder, years 1 and 2.

In year 3 they are looking at addition and subtraction and 3D space. They will be starting to learn about telling the time (analogue) very soon. They are writing stories - lots of stories at home will help give them lots of ideas to write about. They are still learning about mini-beasts. They are also learning about local government and how that works.

In year 4 they are looking at addition and subtraction. They are making brochures about the Guringai people of Kuringai. They are learning about how seeds grow and have their own in class to study.

In year 5 they are writing information reports about natural disasters. Natural disasters is the theme for art too. They are also studying rainforests. In maths they are learning about how to problem solve. These are maths problems with more than one part to it.

In year 6 Antarctica is the main topic and they have just received an assignment for that. They are looking at how animals adapt to the Antarctic environment and learning about explorers. In maths they are studying negative numbers and “number busting”. In literacy they are writing information reports and looking at how they are structured.

All years in the library this week are looking at how the premiers reading challenge works. Last week they played bananagrams!

Ask your child to explain something to you that they are learning about in class or the library.
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](#).

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**FREE WORKSHOP for PARENTS**

**Playful Parenting**

“Creativity is the greatest gift of human intelligence”

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Playful ideas to help encourage confidence, support emotional-intelligence and grow connections.

**Thursday 19 March – 9.30am**

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Library News

2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge
Welcome to the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge. The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students in Kindergarten to Year 9, in government, independent, Catholic and home schools. Passwords remain the same from year to year. For those who have lost their password, they are available from the Library.

Rules
1. The Challenge opens on 2 March 2015. You must complete your online Student Reading Record by 21 August 2015 (11:59pm) to complete the Challenge.
2. You must read a certain number of books to complete the Challenge.

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3. Books you read after the Challenge closes can count towards the next year’s Challenge.
4. K-2 students, you can read the books on your own, read them with someone, or someone can read them to you.
5. 3-4, 5-6, 7-9 students, you must read the books on your own, but someone can help you choose them.
6. In a series on the PRC booklist, you can read any two books as PRC books. You can read up to five other books from the same series as Personal Choice books.

Melonie Harrison - Teacher / Librarian

Messages from the Office

Sibling Enrolments – Kinder 2016 - Enrolment packs have been sent home to all families with a child of an age for enrolment in Kinder 2016. Please return completed documentation as soon as possible. Sibling screenings will take place on 27, 29 and 30 April 2015. There is a compulsory sibling parent information evening on Tuesday 26 May 2015.

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 washed.

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 not receiving our emails, your mailbox could be full or your security or junk mail settings may need changing. Please 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. If you do not have a record of the expiry date on your child’s medication, please telephone the school office.
Thank you from the Firmans

We would like to sincerely thank everyone for all the prayers, gifts, meals and help that has been given to us during my pregnancy and very early birth of our triplets, Patrick, Sophie and Elise. We have been overwhelmed with the love and generosity that we have received during this wonderful but very difficult time in our lives. We simply couldn’t do it without all the help that we have received and continue to receive from the Sacred Heart Community.

Patrick, Sophie and Elise have been home with us since Australia day and have come a long way since they were born 13 weeks prematurely. We have been blessed with three perfect, healthy babies who are thriving.

We would particularly like to thank the current Year 5 families who generously gave us a gift card that we used to hire three hospital bassinets. We would also like to thank the parents and teachers who have been coming to help me during feeding times and providing us with beautiful meals. Your help is invaluable and has made looking after three babies much more manageable.

With sincere thanks,
Lisa, James, Leila, Patrick, Sophie and Elise Firman

P&F News

Voting has commenced on a new name for your P&F, here is a list of the proposed names:

- Family & Friends Engagement Network
- Sacred Heart Hub
- The Pulse
- Sacred Heart Community Links
- Connect Committee

These names aim to provoke engagement with the whole community. We will be taking votes for the next couple of weeks before announcing the ‘winner’ and hence new name.

Please have a say by emailing your choice to shpandf@gmail.com

3rd Annual Sacred Heart Golf Day - Friday March 27
The 3rd Annual Golf Day is approaching. This day is the brainchild of two Sacred Heart dads (& brothers) who love to play a round of golf with family & friends. The invite to attend this Golf Day is open to everyone even those who have never step foot on a golf course before. You can get a team together perhaps Year 3 vs Year 5 or Dads vs Mums – I’m sure you get the idea. It is not about how well you play but about who can have the most fun – come along & show your support. Entry forms can be found at school, on the school website and with this newsletter.

Save the Date – A Touch of Gold
Saturday 13 June 2015 - 50 Year Jubilee Parent Social Night, Bayview Golf Club, dinner and childrens’ artwork auction.

Lynette Suchanek – P&F Secretary
Happy Birthday

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

Logan T  Sienna B  Lauren K
Antonio Z  Alana R  Anabella N
Amelia L  Mia B

School Awards

| 1F  | Cayla S, Indi F, Seth M    | 1D  | Benjamin C, Kayla P        |
| 2B  | Hartley R, Elena C, Conor B| 2D  | Finlay M, Arianna F        |
| 3R  | Joel H, Holly L            | 3C  | Annelise S, Sebastian H    |
| 4B  | Koko T-C, Oliver R         | 4N  | Jackson M, Hester G       |
| 5N  | Brooklyn C-B, Logan T, Abbey L| 5S  | Declan T, Alex B          |
| 6F  | Brock D, April O           | 6W  | Charlotte NO, Mia Ockerby  |
| 3-6S| Matthew H, Arturo V        |

Principal’s Awards: Ava C (4N), Luciana C B (4B)
Community Award: Ruby R

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)

| Mon 16/3 | Andy D, Kylie D, Nick B, Anna R |
| Thur 19/3 | Yvette D, Belinda Y, Kylie S, Dan C |
| Fri 20/3 | Trish W, Vanessa B, Mary T-C, Dee N |

Reminder: When you are placing a large lunch order or have hot items as well as a drink we kindly ask that you order an extra lunch bag.
Help: Friday 13th March from either 9.30am-1.45pm or 11am-1.30pm please contact Marie

Kay & Marie – Canteen Coordinators
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.

Veronika & Clare – Uniform Shop Coordinators

Community Notices

MATER MARIA CATHOLIC COLLEGE
Open Day
Sunday 15 March 2015
11.00am – 2.00pm

Enrolment forms must be obtained from Mater Maria and submitted to the college.

Closing date for Year 7, 2017 is 1 April 2015
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DID YOU KNOW?
According to the most recent figures available (2012), the average net cost of educating a student in a NSW Catholic school was $11,532 per year. This is less than the cost of educating a student in a government school ($12,118) or in an independent, non-government school ($16,654). Despite this efficiency, Catholic schools still rely on Federal & State Governments for more than 75% of our funding needs. 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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FREE PARENT EVENT
How to Use iPads and Apps TO HELP YOUR CHILD Learn
This event is a Kids First Community Service Seminar
Technology is part of your child’s world... learn how to use it to its full potential!
Bronze Donovan is a speech pathologist who has helped hundreds of parents, teachers & therapists in Australia & the USA use iPads & apps to support children’s development. At this free event, Bronze will share how you can support your learning & social skills using your iPad, smart phone & apps.
She will teach you how to set your device up so that it is safe & easy for your kids. She’ll also share excellent app ideas for kids ages 1-8.
Don’t miss this great opportunity!
TUESDAY
24 March 2015
7.30pm – 9.30pm
The Chairman’s Lounge Brookvale Oval
Alfred Street Brookvale
Located in the Parramatta Golf Course near main gate at Alfred Street.
Ample parking available.
To reserve your place, book online at www.kidsfirst.com.au/free-event-using-ipads-to-learn/
Or call Kids First now on 9938 5419

...KEEP THE DATE FREE...
At Jack & Jill Kindergarten Mona Vale, we are about to celebrate Mrs Maria’s 30 years of service at our Centre. We think it is such a wonderful achievement, we would like to invite past and present families to a celebration Afternoon Tea at the Kindy on
Saturday 20th June 2 – 4 pm
If you have any photos you would like to share, stories about your time here with Mrs Maria, or messages you would like to say, please email by Friday 29th May, to jackandjillmonavale@bigpond.com
Attn: Afternoon Tea
We will compile those photos/messages into a book for Mrs Maria. Finger-food/Canapes will be provided, but it will be B.Y.O. Drinks/picnic rug.
Please R.S.V.P. by Friday 5th June either by phone or email. If you have any other ideas, please contact Bethany on 9999 3757.