Term 1 Week 11 - 6 April 2016

Term 1 Core Value: RESPECT
School Rule: Respect yourself, others and the environment
Expectation of Behaviour: To maintain technology responsibly

Dear Parents

Find Jesus unexpectedly!
We find him at the moment of greatest aloneness.
Find Jesus joyfully!
We find him in the midst of a family celebration.
Find Jesus gratefully!
We find him when calm comes in the midst of crisis.
Find Jesus in the faith community!
We find him at work with others for justice and freedom.
Amen! Alleluia!

As the term draws to a close it is worthwhile to stop and reflect on an excellent term of learning. Considering we had a very disrupted beginning to the term, with the impact on SHMV of the unsettling threats made to our neighbouring school across the road we finally settled and got on with our core business of teaching and learning in a faith community.

The students had many exciting opportunities for learning including exploring a variety of thinking strategies such as 321 Bridge, See-Think-Wonder and Chalk & Talk. The Little Einsteins members listened to a geologist form UK, Year 1 invited a midget submarine expert and other grades enjoyed D Ella’s presentation on Indigenous people.

Much progress has been made in reaching targets for School Improvement Plans. Teachers have been involved in Professional Learning and increasing their skills using Google docs, “Visible Thinking Routines”.

It is pleasing to report on the progress of the School Improvement Plans so far this year.

**SIP School Improvement Plan “Learning and Teaching” Progress Term 1 2016**
- Teachers able to articulate the Vision for 21st C learning
- Learning walks for English, Maths and RE held
- Programs checked for new History outcomes
- Little Einstein’s club commenced
- Staff PL Meeting facilitated by Gifted co-ordinator, Learning Support teacher
- Students attended GATEWAYS, nominated using criteria
- Teachers attended Google docs workshop
- Staff sessions on Google Classrooms PL held
- Replaced IWB’s x 5

**SIP School Improvement Plan “Catholic Life and Mission” Progress Term 1 2016**
- Weekly Term 1 Core Value award commenced
- Classes rostered for SJ initiatives for the year
- Mini liturgies for St Patrick’s Day and the Resurrection held
- Caritas Yr 2 SJ fundraiser/awareness raising “Relay for Water”
SIP School Improvement Plan “Pastoral Care” Progress Term 1 2016

- Behaviour expectations related to school rule and to core value of RESPECT
- Circle Solutions commenced in Year 3
- Student leadership through the SRC explored and developed
- Pastoral Care role accepted as leadership opportunity for staff

You are invited to join us for breakfast on

Wednesday 4th May

7.00 am  Breakfast commences
8.15 am  Open classrooms
8.45 am  Assembly
9.15 am  Mass
10.15am  School Choir

Breakfast needs to be pre ordered on school 24 for catering purposes!

Thank you to the many parents who have supported our school this term in giving of their time and talents. We hope all our families have a restful break over the school holidays and return healthy and ready for another great term of learning at Sacred Heart.

Mrs Suellen Garey
PRINCIPAL

Blessed are the Merciful, for they shall receive Mercy Mt 6:7

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Like and follow us at: twitter.com/SHMV16
Religious Education News

Year 2 Caritas Water Relay
Due to inclement weather on 2 occasions, we are yet to attempt our water relays. The relays will take place this week in PE lessons on Thursday and Friday. A BIG thank you to everyone who have brought in their $1.25.

Mrs Sheehan and Mrs Russell

The funds raised for the Water Relay have been added to our school total of $970 so far, that will be donated to Caritas and Project Compassion for 2016. Thankyou to everyone for your generous support.

Sewing volunteers Needed!
I have had 2 people volunteer to assist with making some liturgical gowns but we need a few more. Even if you can’t sew but would like to assist with coordinating the making of the gowns that would be very helpful. If it suits we could hold a sewing bee or you could make them from home.

Please contact the office or Chris McBryde if you are able to help.

Dates to Remember
Anzac day Liturgy Wednesday 27th April at 9am in the hall
Wednesday 4th May Mother’s Day Mass at 9:15
Wednesday 11th May Yr 1 Class Mass at 9:15

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN can be found here

Good News and Prayers
Please pray for Natasha Sljokic who is undergoing further medical treatment
If you have any good news or if you need our prayers, please see me at school, contact me by phone.

Christine McBryde – Religious Education Coordinator

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Knitting Club

Just to let you know that the very popular Knitting Club will be back next Term on TUESDAYS.

Could all our Knitters from last year please bring back any knitting needles so that we can re-use or pass on to a new knitter.

Also if anyone has any 8ply wool at home that they no longer need it would be much appreciated.

PARENTS / GRANDPARENTS- if you would like to volunteer please let Mrs Wheen know (12:45-1:30pm). Looking forward to having some lunchtime fun.

Library News

2016 Theme “Australia: Story Country”
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.

MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER
I would like to congratulate all students around NSW who are participating in the Premier’s Reading Challenge this year.
The Premier’s Reading Challenge allows students to experience a range of exciting stories, and explore issues that can challenge the way one thinks.
With thousands of books to choose from, students have the opportunity to embrace subjects that will widen their horizons and expand their vocabularies.
I encourage all participants to be courageous with their reading choices, and to approach the Challenge with great energy and enthusiasm.
The world of books is certainly an exciting one, and I wish all students undertaking the Premier’s Reading Challenge a fun, enjoyable and fulfilling experience.

Mike Baird MP - Premier

Partners in the Premier's Reading Challenge

Dymocks Children's Charities
Dymocks Children's Charities (DCC) is an Australia-wide, not-for-profit organisation which tackles Australia's low and declining literacy rates. DCC provides high quality books with a focus on children of pre-primary and primary school ages in priority locations. Their vision is to change kids' lives - one book at a time.
Ensuring all children reach an appropriate level of literacy remains one of Australia's major challenges. Dymocks Children's Charities has developed a unique literacy support program that encourages primary students to cultivate a love for books and read every day 'just because they want to'. Quite simply, it's about getting great books into kids' hands!
While their aims are relatively simple, the results can be profound, transforming a child's self-esteem and their entire relationship with learning. DCC knows that if a child reads for pleasure every day they will improve their literacy and become lifelong learners.
In 2003 Dymocks Children's Charities became the Principal Partner for the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge. Dymocks Children's Charities has remained the most significant supporter of the Premier's Reading Challenge to date.
If you would like to learn more visit the Dymocks Children's Charities website.
Please encourage your children to participate in the 2016 Challenge. I have given all students login and password details. Should you have any questions, take a look at the Website https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html, or come and see me in the Library.

Melonie Harrison - Librarian
**Sports News**

**NSWPSSA State Diving**
Good luck to Will M and Kira B who are competing at the NSWPSSA State Diving Carnival today at Homebush. It is a fabulous achievement to be competing against the best in the State. Below are photos of them competing this morning.

**AFL Sydney Swans Academy**
Congratulations to Ben C who has been selected in the under 11 Sydney Swans Academy Squad.

*Michele Kerr – Sports Coordinator*

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**Little Einsteins’ Club**

What a busy term we have had in the Little Einsteins' Club. Monday was a real highlight. We were lucky enough to have Joel P's Grandfather, Bob, enlighten us on his experiences of mapping the Sydney Basin Geologically. We learnt a great deal about types of rocks, locations and rock layers. Mr Harris also spoke about dinosaur fossils. It was a fascinating experience.

We have also had students attend the Gateways learning days at Oxford Falls Grammar. Below is an excerpt of Joel's experience attending the Primary session.

“Last Wednesday we went to Oxford Falls Grammar School for the day. We were studying the science of ‘Grossology’. We discovered how to use the life cycle of maggots and flies to solve a crime. We also learnt about oil spills and how difficult oil spills are to clean up. We learnt about bacteria on our skin. We got to see bacteria on our hands using a special chemical called glitter bug then we put our hands under ultra violet (UV) light. There were trillions of bacteria.

It was a bit gross but it was a really awesome day.”

We look forward to another exciting term to come. Have a relaxing break.

*Micheala Browne*

*Gifted Education Coordinator*
Happy Birthday

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

Sasha D  
Jade H  
Greta H  
Ella M  
Lily B  
Amber K  
Anthony C  
Orlando S  
William C  
Patrick B  
Daniel S  
Jesse H  
Byron B  
Taine C  
AJ J

School Awards

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Canteen News

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

| Mon 25 April | ANZAC Day Public Holiday |
| Thurs 28 April | Claire W, Shaunna R, Simone K |
| Fri 29 April | Rita Z, Margaux Z, Suzie P |

Volunteers: A big thank you to all our term 1 volunteers for all your support, it is truly appreciated. The Term 2 roster and contact list has been sent home and we ask that you note your rostered day. If you are unable to make your canteen day, please either swap or replace yourself with another parent. If you are no longer able to commit to canteen duty, please contact Kay as soon as possible.

Mother’s Day: thank you to all the families that have RSVP’d for our forthcoming breakfast on Wednesday, 4 May. There are still many more we would love to hear from, so please take this opportunity to reply over the holiday break.

Kay & Marie – Canteen Coordinators
Please feel free to contact us via email at: sshmv.canteen@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Kiss & Drop Roster

Thank you to all our fantastic Kiss and Drop volunteers. We are on the look-out for new volunteers for next term. So if you can help in this rewarding role please contact Selina Nichols on nicholsselina@gmail.com
Mother’s Day Mass, Breakfast & Gift Stall Information

Sacred Heart Mother’s Day Breakfast

You are invited to join us for breakfast on

Wednesday 4 May 2016

7.00am  Breakfast commences  (concludes at 8.15am)
8.00am  Band in the playground
8.15am  Open classrooms
8.45am  Assembly
9.15am  Mass
10.15am  School Choir

Adults:  $8.00 per person
Children (5-12 yrs):  $2.50 per person
Gift:  $6.00 per gift  (MUST ORDER ONLINE – NO EXCEPTIONS)

ORDERS CLOSE 3PM ON MONDAY 2 MAY 2016
PLEASE DO NOT SEND IN ANY MANUAL PAYMENTS

FOOD & GIFT MUST BE ORDERED ONLINE

IMPORTANT - HOW TO ORDER:
1. Order under your registered school 24 account (www.school24.net.au). Please refer to the “How to Order Online” flyer on the canteen page of our school website here if you have not yet registered.
2. Place your order under the SPECIAL EVENT ORDER SECTION (on the right hand side of your home page) for MOTHERS DAY.
3. Select STUDENT – place order under your eldest child only then select START ORDER.
4. Select RSVP PAYMENT on the left hand side of the page under Mother’s Day Category.
5. Select QUANTITY attending for ADULT TICKET select ADD TO CART.
6. Select QUANTITY attending for CHILD TICKETS select ADD TO CART.
7. Select QUANTITY of gifts (optional) ADD TO CART.
8. Press the checkout tab, check your order, then scroll to the end and submit your order.

Any enquiries please contact Marie Nero 0410 566 777 or Kay Neale 0416 262 458 or email us at sshmv.canteen@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Volunteer helpers – We would love to have lots of dads, grandfathers or special men to help out on the day. Please fill out the volunteer note below if you are able to help

Volunteer help

Name____________________________ Phone & Email:____________________________________________

Times Available:  Tuesday (day before) 3 May  1.30 pm – 3.00pm □

Wednesday 4 May  6.00 am – 7.00am □  7.00 am – 8.00am □

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The Hub News

Golf Day – Friday 1 April
Golf day was a huge success and many thanks goes to Luke and Sam D for all the organising that goes into such a fun day. We here at the Hub really appreciate the huge effort given by them & to all those that attended this great day. Thank you for being apart of a this event which raises funds for our school community.

Mother’s Day Breakfast – Wednesday, 4 May
Friendly reminder regarding Mothers Day Breakfast: Wednesday May 4. Gifts and Breakfast must both be ordered on-line. Please jump on-line to RSVP. Orders close for this 2 May, 2016.

Agenda items are welcomed for our next Hub meeting which will be held on Wednesday May 18 in our school Library at 7pm.

Please email any items to be added to our Agenda to: sacredhearthub@gmail.com.

Please note that we will be holding important discussions regarding the future of our "Uniform Shop" at our next Hub Meeting, so please do mark this date in your diary. We really encourage as many Sacred Heart families to attend this meeting, we look forward to seeing you there!!

We are calling on any parents of Sacred Heart that may have some "silk style" (not wool) scarfs that they wish to donate to assist with dramatic play for the children. Please deliver these to the office. Thank you in advance.

Have a wonderful safe holiday break and we look forward to seeing you in term 2.

Thank you
Kellie Carroll – Hub Secretary
Hub Secretary – Hub President

*** SAVE THE DATE ***
Sacred Heart Annual Parent Dinner Dance
Saturday 17 September 2016
Bayview Golf Course

Mother’s Day Children’s Stall – Thursday 5 May – ALL GIFTS MUST BE PRE-PURCHASED ONLINE
This year we are planning a stall for the children to choose out of four different items a gift to purchase for their wonderful mums! We will arrange it so that no mum receives the same gift from siblings.

To ensure the smooth running with the purchase before the day, we are adding it onto the Mother’s Day Breakfast online order that you will complete on the schools24 website. The cost of each item will be $6 PER CHILD. This is not compulsory however from previous years most, if not all, children like to participate in choosing and the giving of a gift via school.

If there is a concern with this cost please come and see me or email the Hub and we will discuss other options. We would like this to be an ‘inclusive’ experience not ‘exclusive’ as you all deserve something for the wonderful job you do! If some children need to buy two for specific family set ups that will be accommodated.

Unfortunately this is not a stall to buy for grandmothers as well, as volume is limited to the number of mums in the school only. We look forward to sharing in this special event and if any mums would like to assist after lunch on Thursday 5 May we would welcome the help!
Juliana Johnston – Hub President
Kellie Carroll - Hub Secretary
If you have any items that you would like to forward to the Hub Committee please email sacredhearthub@gmail.com

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Diocesan Parent Council

Information from the Diocesan Parent Council can be found on their website [here](#).
Did you know DPC are now on Social Media:
- Twitter [https://twitter.com/BrokenBayDPC](https://twitter.com/BrokenBayDPC) - Follow, retweet, mention
- Facebook ... [Broken Bay Diocesan Parent Council](#) - Like & share our page & posts

The Parish Pulse

ITALIAN NIGHT – A WORLD YOUTH DAY FUNDRAISER
Come and join us for our Italian Night, 7pm Saturday the 30th of April at Mater Maria Catholic College. Tickets are $60 per head or enjoy our special offer of a table of 8 for $440 (a saving of $40). Tickets includes a 3 course meal and entertainment provided by Simon Hyland, Samantha Shaw, Scott Irwin and other fantastic performers. Plus a special performance from the children’s cast of the recent production of The Sound of Music.
Please call the Parish Office on 9997 7311 to purchase your tickets.

POWERPOINT VOLUNTEERS
We are looking for adults or children (in year 6 and above) to volunteer to do the power point at the 5pm Saturday night mass at Sacred Heart. Volunteers will be placed on a roster which would mean that you would be needed approximately once a month.
If you are interested, please contact the Parish office on 9997 7311. Full training will be provided.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ENROLMENTS
Online enrolments for First Holy Communion will open on **Tuesday the 26th April at 6pm**. To register via trybooking, you will need to visit the First Eucharist page of our parish website [https://www.pittwaterparish.org/en/Sacramental-Programmes/the-sacrament-of-first-eucharist-holy-communion/menu-id-58](https://www.pittwaterparish.org/en/Sacramental-Programmes/the-sacrament-of-first-eucharist-holy-communion/menu-id-58) and click the “Register Now” button.
You will also need your special unique code, which was given to you at the parent information session. I will be emailing all families closer to the date to give them all the relevant information.

Angela Smit – Director of the Sacramental Ministry & Catechist Coordinator for the Avalon Community
The Catholic Parish of Pittwater
1 Keenan Street Mona Vale NSW 2103 - 02 9997 7311 (Ext 13) - [www.pittwaterparish.org](http://www.pittwaterparish.org)
**Messages from the Office**

**Forward Planner**
07 Apr - Yrs 5 & 6 Soccer Gala Day
08 Apr - Last day term 1
25 Apr - **ANZAC Day (No Students)**
26 Apr - First day term 2 {**Winter Uniform**}
04 May - Mother’s Day Breakfast & Mass

**School Calendar** - Our full school calendar and social calendars can be accessed on our **school APP** or **website** on the Significant Dates Calendar page [here](#). Dates are constantly being added to our calendar and should be checked regularly by parents.

**School Newsletter** - Our school newsletter is published on the school **website** and APP every Wednesday afternoon.

**Sibling Enrolments – Kinder 2017** - **Enrolment Applications must be received by the school office by Tuesday 31 May 2016 to be considered for enrolment in 2017. If possible, we would like sibling enrolments returned prior to the April school holidays.**

There will be a group session for sibling parents outlining the opportunities the parish and school have to offer. This meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, **24 May 2016** from 7.00 to 8.00pm in the school hall. Either one or both parents **must** attend as this is an integral part of the enrolment process.

**School Fees** – All families should have received their 2016 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.
Standard Instalments: First payment was due on 26 February 2016 - now overdue if not already paid.
Monthly Instalments: Payments are due on the 15th of each month.

**Email** - All correspondence from the school is 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 / Opal Cards** - Applications for School Opal cards must be made via the online application form at [www.transportnsw.info/school-students](http://www.transportnsw.info/school-students). Forms should then be printed, signed and dropped into the school office. Forms are posted each Friday to Transport NSW. For more information on the School Opal card and the School Student Travel Scheme (SSTS) please visit Transport NSW’s website above. All enquiries regarding new and/or replacement Opal cards should be directed to Transport NSW.

Children who do not qualify for a free school Opal card can still catch a school bus provided they have a “Child Opal Card” which has credit on it (available to purchase/top up in Woolworths).

**APP** – Links to download our school APP are below. A Tip Sheet for the app can be found [here](#).


**School WHS**

**Head Lice**
The school holiday break is a great time to check your child’s hair. If your child has head lice, it is recommended that hair be checked each day for three weeks following infestation, to break the cycle. Please advise the school office and a general email will be sent to your child’s grade requesting all parents check their child’s hair (no students identified).