Term 3 Week 8 - 7 September 2016

Term 3 Core Value: JUSTICE
School Rule: Show Justice for self, others and the environment
Expectation of Behaviour: Stand up for someone you see being treated unfairly

Dear Parents

Many of our children will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in our church on Sunday. Thank you to Mrs Smit who has co-ordinated the Confirmation program and to our teachers who have supported parents and the parish in preparing children for this sacrament.

A Prayer for our Confirmation Candidates

Creator Spirit,
strengthen this child with your gifts of grace,
to love and serve as a disciple of Christ.
Grant that s/he may grow into the
fullness of the stature of Christ.
Fill her/him with the joy of your presence.
Increase in her/him the fruit of your Spirit:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of love, patience and gentleness,
the spirit of wonder and true holiness.
Amen!

Congratulations to our Senior and Junior netball teams who played at Penrith on Tuesday. The senior girls were Runners up and our Juniors played very well and enjoyed the day of competition and fun. Thank you to the parents who transported the girls and to Mrs Wheen and Mrs McNally for umpiring and supervising the children.

Our whole school Public Speaking event yesterday was once again a highlight for the audience. The standard again was superb and congratulations to all students K-6 who spoke so confidently and eloquently in front of an audience of over 400 students and teachers. The senior public speaker trophy was awarded to Sam C, the Junior trophy to Kai A and the Encouragement Award to Isaac W. Well done boys!

Yesterday an email was sent to all parents titled:

Our Vision for Learning in the 21st Century
Beginning the Conversation with Parents: BYODD - Bring Your Own Designated Device

The conversation will continue on Friday at the Sip n Sip with the Principal at 9 am. If attending please read this emailed document before the session on Friday. How students use technology in their learning at SHMV will be the focus of Friday’s Sip n Sip. Parents will have another opportunity to offer questions about our proposed BYODD (Bring Your Own Designated Device) initiative.
Staff News
This Friday we farewell Mrs Sheehan who has resigned due to family reasons. We thank her for her contribution to the Sacred Heart community and wish her all the best for the future.

Kind regards

Mrs Suellen Garey
PRINCIPAL

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

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Religious Education News

Week of Mercy Pittwater Parish
Pittwater Parish is celebrating the Year of Mercy with a “Week of Mercy” beginning on Monday 12 September. The week provides many opportunities for our own spiritual nourishment beginning with Dr Dan Fleming who will be speaking in our school hall on Monday from 9am-10:30. Dan will be focussing on: Mercy and Moral transformation: On making mistakes and growing from them.

Parents and grandparents are all welcome to attend. Morning tea is provided.

On Tuesday evening the parish welcomes Janiene Wilson, a clinical psychologist, who will focus on “Mercy and Mindfulness.” 7-9pm in the Church.

There are a number of other opportunities planned during the week please see the parish newsletter.

Religious dates to Remember
Sunday 11 September Confirmation at Sacred Heart Church at 11.30am
Wednesday 14 September Kinder and Yr 4 Mass at 9.15am
Wednesday 21 September Yr 2 Mass at 9:15am

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN can be found here

Christine McBryde – Religious Education Coordinator

School Photo Day is Thursday 8 September 2016
Photo day is tomorrow – full winter uniform for all students. No sports uniforms please.

Speciality photo orders (captains, sports captains etc) will be organised after photo day on a separate form.

Kinder 2017 – Request for Class Parents
We are still looking for parents to volunteer to be our Kinder 2017 class parents, to assist our new families joining the Sacred Heart Community in 2017.

Please contact the school office if you would like to volunteer.
Sports News

Sacred Heart Girls make AFL History!
Congratulations to Kira B, Olivia B and Charli M for winning the Grand Final of the Youth Girls Under 14 AFL competition playing for Pittwater Tigers. They made history by being the first Pittwater Tigers Girls team to make a grand final and it was a great achievement to win. There are many Sacred Heart girls and boys who play AFL for Pittwater Tigers. It was an extra special Father’s Day for Olivia B’s dad who is their coach. Well done Matt! I also have to mention that Roxi B (ex-student) is also a member of the team. Sacred Heart are proud of your achievements girls.

Michele Kerr – Sports Coordinator

Healthy Kids Association – Fruit & Veg Month

The Big Crunch
Thank you to all our wonderful, amazing and healthy teachers, staff and children for taking part in our first Big Crunch. There was such a variety of vegetables. We had carrots, celery, cucumber, capsicum, broccoli, lettuce and corn. It was fantastic to see such enthusiasm taking part in this great initiative. Healthy lunch checks will take place each Wednesday in September. Be sure to include fruit and veggies in the children’s lunches.

Let’s all try to eat more fruit and veggies!!

Sarah Russell – Yr 2 Teacher

School WHS

Testing & Tagging
As part of our ongoing commitment to student and staff health and safety, all electrical equipment at Sacred Heart will be tested and tagged tomorrow to detect damage, wear or other conditions which may make an item unsafe.

This will not disrupt any classes and is in line with legislative requirements.
Year 6 St Vincent de Pal ‘Mini’ Winter Sleepout Wrap

As part of our Social Justice program at Sacred Heart and on Mrs McBryde’s suggestion, Year 6 decided to participate in St Vincent de Paul’s Winter School Sleepout, which is a fundraising activity that helps to raise money to support the homeless.

Last week we researched what it means to be homeless and found some shocking statistics about the numbers of homeless people in our own Australian community. In response to this, we published brochures to help raise awareness at Sacred Heart about the plight of the homeless in Australia and we hope students enjoyed our visits to their classes last week to share that information.

On Friday night, we all came together at school at 6.30pm to try and experience some of the living conditions that homeless people might endure. We ate a small bowl of soup and a bread roll for dinner and only drank water during the evening. We listened to Adrian Calleia, Georgie’s dad, talk about the great works of mercy that St Vincent de Paul do in our local Northern Beaches area and beyond. We shared in a liturgy. Finally, we created cardboard shelters and attempted to ‘sleep’ in these (not for very long though), to help us walk in the shoes of the homeless and think how difficult life is for those without the comforts that we enjoy.

It was a great night, but challenging, and the experience really opened our eyes to how difficult it must be for these people. We also realised how lucky we are.

As part of our commitment to the Winter Sleepout, we also created a Go Fundraise page, and asked family and friends to sponsor us for our participation. People are still donating, but currently we have raised over $2000 to donate to St Vincent de Paul.

Thanks to all the mums who cooked for us and served us, and to Adrian for sharing his knowledge about Vinnies with us.

If you would like to donate to our Go Fundraise page, there’s still time! Please click on this link to make a tax deductible donation:  https://nswvinniesschoolsleepout.gofundraise.com.au/page/Year62016SHMV
Thank you for helping us to show compassion to those less fortunate than ourselves.

Year 6 2016
Happy Birthday

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

Abigail C  Charli M  Matthew M  Marlow M  Joel P  Oliver N  Erin S

School Awards

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Principal’s Award  Rory M (1L), 1N Award will be presented this Friday

Canteen News

Canteen Roster (start 9.30am - finish 1.45pm)

| Mon 12 Sep | Julie F, Cathy G, Maria K, Zoe W |
| Thurs 15 Sep | Linda M, Kammi B, Jade C |
| Fri 16 Sep | Jenny O, Leonie S, Helen K, Margaux Z |

Healthy September: In conjunction with Healthy September, why not try the canteen’s fruit salad boxes and cups, as well as salad boxes for lunch. Available every canteen day.

Birthdays: A gentle reminder that the canteen does not accept store bought ice blocks for birthday celebrations. If your child is celebrating their birthday and would like to share something special with their class/friends please consider that ice blocks and chocolate iced cupcakes (50c) can be purchased through the canteen on any canteen day. We require 24 hours notice either by phone, email or in person.

Volunteers: We are currently working on the term 4 roster which will be sent home the last week of term 3. If you will not be available for canteen duty in term 4 please contact Kay asap. This does not apply to any volunteer that have already spoken with us already.

Kay & Marie – Canteen Coordinators

Please feel free to contact us via email at: sshmv.canteen@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Kiss & Drop Roster

We are looking for someone to take over the coordination of the Kiss & Drop morning roster in 2017. If you are interested or would like more information on what is involved, please contact Selina at nicholsselina@gmail.com. Calling on more volunteers for this important service to the school community. We have a number of gaps in our Kiss and Drop roster. Your duty would take half an hour every three to four weeks. If you can help, please email nicholsselina@gmail.com. We’d love to hear from you.

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The Hub News

We hope all the Dads had a wonderful time at our Sacred Heart Father’s Day Breakfast last Wednesday, and we trust all the Dads loved their gift purchased through the Father’s Day stall. We would like to give a huge thank you to Kay and Marie from our school canteen for coordinating the Father’s Day breakfast. A massive thank you also goes to Tina M, Bec D, Kammi B and Jacqui C. Thank you to all those involved that helped make this event so special.

If you have any second hand uniforms please donate these to our uniform shop. As advised recently, plans are moving forward for our uniform shop in 2017 to be outsourced. Please consider supporting our school by purchasing any uniforms needed from our school uniform shop between now and the end of year.

Our Gala Dinner is coming up, 17 September, please be sure to bring in your hamper donation ASAP.

Sip n Sip with the Principal is this Friday, 9 September, straight after school assembly at 9am.

If you have any items that you would like to forward to the Hub Committee, please email sacredhearthub@gmail.com

Juliana Johnston – Hub President  Kellie Carroll - Hub Secretary

Sacred Heart goes ... Back to the Eighties - Saturday 17 September

The Major Fundraiser is approaching. It won’t be long before Sacred Heart goes Back to the Eighties! Additional ticket order forms can be found on our school website here.

A reminder that we need everyone’s help to make the fundraiser a success. Please bring in any hamper items – see the list on our school website here.

The Major Fundraising Committee

Artwork Auction sneak peek... All artworks are now on display in the school office.