Dear Parents

Our carols evening last week was a lovely success. The rain held off and we were so lucky to have a beautiful evening to enjoy and reflect on the wonder of Christmas. Thank you to Ms Rudd for preparing the children’s choral items, Ms McFadden for practising the school band, Mrs Ngamu for organising the stage, Mr Grant Williams who put up fairy lights, Paul for light and sound, parents for dressing children in Christmassy clothes and especially to the children for singing and bringing us all so much joy.

What a fabulous year we have had here at Sacred Heart Mona Vale. Students have excelled not only in the academics but it has been an excellent year for debating, public speaking and sporting results, students representing at school, cluster, diocesan and state levels.

At Sacred Heart we are indeed fortunate to be connected with the Salvatorian priests. We are very fortunate to have for our spiritual guidance, our Parish Priests Fr George and Fr Broneck. Both men have been a wonderful support to our school and our families throughout 2016. I would like to thank them for the work they have done for our community this year.

We have many blessings here at Sacred Heart but we also have our challenges. To those in our community who are facing challenges be assured that the community is praying for you during this season and I wish you God’s peace during this Christmas season and into the future.

More than a hundred years ago Robert Louis Stevenson wrote the following Christmas prayer. It seems to have lost none of its relevance.

“Loving Father,
Close the door of hate and open the door of love all over the world.
Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting.
Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings and teach us
to be merry with clear hearts.

Amen.”

Thank you to the passionate leadership team who support me in my role as Principal at Sacred Heart, thank you for a wonderful year to the hard working teaching and ancillary staff who have for our students:
• designed engaging, rich, point of need learning tasks;
• differentiated for those who need some extra help or need extension;
• found lunchboxes, put on band aids, cared for each individual.

Our office staff at Sacred Heart are fabulous and I would like to thank Kerrie Andrews and Carol Bartlett for the great job they do attending to students, parents and teachers.

Thank you to the Parent Hub team for 2016. Thank you for providing a parent perspective, for raising funds and for supporting the parents at Sacred Heart with their children’s learning. Thank you for being the voice of the parent community at Sacred Heart.
A special thank you to our President, Mrs Julianna Johnson, and to Vice-President, Mrs Bec Capell, who complete their term as President — it has been another successful year with the Parent’s Golf Day, Children’s Fun Day, Mother’s Day Breakfast, Father’s Day Breakfast, Grandparent’s Morning Tea as well as a very successful and fun Back to the 80’s Dinner Dance.

Thank you to the Uniform and Canteen volunteers, DPC, Parish Liaison, Social Justice Team, Kiss and Ride volunteers, Book Club and School Band parents who have assisted in ensuring our students have every opportunity. The school is extremely grateful for your hard work and support. We really do have a tremendous volunteer network of people at Sacred Heart.

We farewell Mrs Fiona Ngamu and thank her for her contributions to Sacred Heart over many years. We wish her all the best as she takes up a leadership position as Assistant Principal at St Kevin’s Dee Why. We thank Mrs Pitcher, Mrs Neasmith and Miss Nader for their extra work in term 4.

We farewell families who are leaving our school, some of these families have had long associations with Sacred Heart and we thank them for their many contributions to our school community:

- Alexopoulos
- Berrell, H & H
- Blaivas
- Bohm
- Bowtell
- Browne
- Carr
- Carreras
- Caterina
- Cocks
- Coles
- Condon
- Crouch
- Devitt
- Georgeson-Smith
- Herringe
- Hicks
- Jennings
- Kelly
- Locke
- Lyall
- Maras
- McCarthy
- Monnock
- Morris
- Nichols
- Parker
- Parry
- Pluck
- Robertson, A
- Ryan
- Zemann
- Smith, J
- Smith, S
- Stackhouse
- Stephen
- Tunks
- Stephens

Class teachers for 2017

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Earlier this week all students who were awarded the “Principal Award” throughout term 4 celebrated at the Principal’s Morning Tea. This is a prestigious award and all recipients of this award throughout the year are to be congratulated for their exceptional behaviour.

Our year 6 students graduate tonight and after a beautiful liturgical celebration will celebrate afterwards at Cavallino’s at Terry Hills. We wish them all the best for the future. Thank you to the parent team of B Capell, A Berrell, R Molinaro and L Caterina who organised the dinner.

All parents are invited on Friday 16 December to our End of Year Mass when we give thanks for the wonderful year we have shared. We will farewell families and staff who are leaving, recognise and thank various people from our community and finally announce School Captains, Vice Captains, SRC, Liturgy and Sports Captains for 2017. Please join us for this beautiful celebration of our faith community.

Peace and blessings,

Blessed are the Merciful, for they shall receive Mercy 56:47

Mrs Suellen Garey
PRINCIPAL

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

Christmas Hampers
A very special thank-you to our wonderful Sacred Heart community for your overwhelming generosity providing much needed goods for families in need over the Christmas period.

Sacred Heart Christmas Eve Mass @ 5pm
There will be a Christmas Eve Mass in the school grounds at 5.00pm on Christmas Eve. We would love to share this special experience with our Sacred Heart community. Bring your ‘shepherds’, ‘angels’ or ‘sheep’ along to celebrate the birth of Jesus! Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful 2017!

Good News of the Week and Prayers
If you have any Good News you would like to share or if you need our community’s prayers, please see me at school, email me or contact me by phone.

Religious Dates to Remember
Wed 14 Dec Yr 6 Graduation Mass (5pm) and Dinner
Fri 16 Dec End of Year Thanksgiving Mass (11.30am)
Sat 24 Dec Christmas Eve Children’s Mass (5pm)
Sat 24 Dec Christmas Eve Youth Mass (9pm)

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN can be found here

Fiona Ngamu - Acting Religious Education Coordinator

Sports News

2016/2017 Swimming Carnival Results
Congratulations to Keenan, our winning colour house!

Junior Boys Runner Up .......... Harrison D
Junior Boys Champion ........... Myles N
Junior Girls Runner Up .......... Grace D
Junior Girls Champion .......... Macy B

Senior Boys Runner Up .......... Will M
Senior Boys Champion .......... Patrick D
Senior Girls Runners Up .......... Sophie O and Chelsea S
Senior Girls Champion .......... Hannah S

Boys 50m Freestyle Champion Patrick D
Girls 50m Freestyle Champion Hannah S

House Cup Winner Keenan
Spirit Cup Winner Gilroy

Northern Beaches Carnival Team (February 28 2017)

Patrick D Luke O Jackson Y Thomas G Grace D Sophie O
Will M Myles N Jackson M Hannah S Amelia L Carissa S
Bryn W Harrison D Tom D Macy B Sophie W Molly M
Ashley D Harry C Joel H Lily C Alana R Jacqueline L
Jesse D Will C Joe C Lexi B Chelsea S Jahla F

Michele Kerr – Sports Coordinator
Office Messages

Friday – Early Departure Sign Out Procedure – Last Day of School
Following our Thanksgiving Mass on Friday, students may leave school early with their parents. School will continue as normal for students remaining for the whole day.

Procedure: **All students must return to their classroom with their class teacher after Mass.** Parents must verbally notify class teacher, and have child’s name marked off by their teacher. There is no need to attend the school office on this particular occasion.

2017 Grade Parents
A very big thank you to our grade parents who have performed the valuable service of welcoming and social networking to enable everyone to feel part of the Sacred Heart community.

We still require grade parents for years 4 and 5 2017, if you are interested in the position for next year, please contact the office.

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Full set of Summer and Winter uniform for sale – Kinder size
We have a family who have recently moved away from the area and would like to sell their school uniforms. They have a full set of Summer and Winter for a kinder size girl. If you are interested please contact the school office for contact details.

2017 School Terms, Staff Development Days & Holidays

To assist parents who are planning holidays in January, please note school dates below. All children are required to attend a compulsory assessment in January. Assessment booking details can be found on the next page. Students attend only for their booked time slot.

**Students were advised their 2017 class/teacher yesterday.**
**Kinder 2017 should have received an email today.**
**Assessment bookings open today 14 December 2016.**
**Bookings close Wednesday 25 January 2017 (you have six weeks to book your assessments).**

Friday, 27 January.............. Assessment Day for Kinder – Yr 6
Monday, 30 January ............ Assessment Day for Kinder – Yr 6
Tuesday, 31 January .......... Assessment Day for Kinder
Tuesday, 31 January ............ Yrs 1-6 commence
Wednesday, 1 February....... Kinder commence

All students must attend a compulsory assessment. Booking details are on following page.

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<td>Friday 15 December (TBC)</td>
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Pupil Free Days in 2017
Fri 27 Jan   Mon 30 Jan   Mon 24 Apr   Fri 28 Apr   Mon 18 Dec   Tues 19 Dec

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When you click finish, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - check your junk mail folder if you do not receive your email immediately. You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code.

Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking.

**2017 CLASS TEACHERS**

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Happy Birthday

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

Abigail L  Milana G  Indi F  Isabella C  Angelica K  Taylor M  Jacqui L  Lucinda T  Felicity T  Kiki K
Alyssa L  Lewis C  James C  Cooper L  Declan R  Samuel M  Samuel J  William M  Isla F

School Awards

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Principal’s Award  N/A

Canteen News

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

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The canteen will be open this Thursday 15 and Friday 16 December for all online lunch orders and over the counter service. We will re open for the same on Thursday 2 February 2017.

**Urgent Help Needed:** This Thursday, 15 December, please contact Marie.

**Volunteers:** The canteen roster has been sent home this week. Please check your rostered day and note it down. If you are unable to make your day, we ask that you either swap with another volunteer or replace yourself using the contact list that has been attached to the roster. New Kinder 2017 volunteers will receive their roster in the first week of 2017.

**2017 Classes:** The children have been notified of their new classes for 2017. We ask that all families that are registered on school24 change their class details asap. This will avoid any mix ups, time and confusion when packing lunch orders first week back!

We wish all the families at Sacred Heart a wonderful Christmas, along with happy and safe holidays.

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

Kiss & Drop in 2017

We are seeking more volunteers for 2017! You will be required to help on a 3 week/monthly basis between 8:15am to 8:50am. All you have to do is collect your orange safety vest from the before school care area and away you go!

It is a wonderful way to start your morning, greeting students and parents. If your circumstances have changed and you can assist in 2017 please email Rebecca Molinaro on becmolinaro@outlook.com

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Back to School 2017

Kindergarten

The school will provide your child with many of his/her basic needs for learning when he/she arrives next year. There are a few things that need to be brought from home for the first day back to school. Please ensure that all supplies are clearly marked with your child's name and class.

Please send to school:
- 2 large boxes of tissues
- 4 large glue sticks
- A paint shirt
- A library bag

Back to School 2017

Year 1

The school will provide your child with many of his/her basic needs for learning when he/she arrives next year. There are a few things that need to be brought from home for the first day back to school. Please ensure that all supplies are clearly marked with your child's name and class.

Please send to school:
- 2 large boxes of tissues
- 6 large glue sticks
- A calculator
- A paint shirt

Back to School 2017

Year 2

The school will provide your child with many of his/her basic needs for learning when he/she arrives next year. There are a few things that need to be brought from home for the first day back to school. Please ensure that all supplies are clearly marked with your child's name and class.

Please send to school:
- 2 large boxes of tissues
- 8 large glue sticks
- Pencil Case
- A paint shirt
- A library bag
- Textas

Back to School 2017

Year 3

The school will provide your child with many of his/her basic needs for learning when he/she arrives next year. There are a few things that need to be brought from home for the first day back to school. Please ensure that all supplies are clearly marked with your child's name and class.

Please send to school:
- A pencil case – reasonable size and cost
- Highlighters x 4
- Coloured pencils and pencil sharpener
- Textas
- Scissors
- 2 large boxes of tissues
- 4 large glue sticks
- A calculator
- A paint shirt
- A library bag
- USB
- Dictionary – Macquarie Children's Dictionary
2017 Student Stationery Lists

Back to School 2017

Year 4

The school will provide your child with many of his/her basic needs for learning when he/she arrives next year. There are a few things that need to be brought from home for the first day back to school. Please ensure that all supplies are clearly marked with your child’s name and class.

Please send to school:
- A pencil case – reasonable size and cost
- Highlighters x 4
- Coloured pencils and pencil sharpener
- Textas
- Scissors
- 2 large boxes of tissues
- 6 large glue sticks
- A calculator
- A paint shirt
- A library bag

Back to School 2017

Year 5

The school will provide your child with many of his/her basic needs for learning when he/she arrives next year. There are a few things that need to be brought from home for the first day back to school. Please ensure that all supplies are clearly marked with your child’s name and class.

Please send to school:
- Geometry set - including protractor and compass
- A pencil case - reasonable size and cost
- Textas
- Highlighters x 4
- Coloured pencils and pencil sharpener
- Scissors
- 2 large boxes of tissues
- 5 large glue sticks
- A calculator
- USB
- A paint shirt
- A dictionary

Back to School 2017

Year 6

The school will provide your child with many of his/her basic needs for learning when he/she arrives next year. There are a few things that need to be brought from home for the first day back to school. Please ensure that all supplies are clearly marked with your child’s name and class.

Please send to school:
- USB stick
- Geometry set - including protractor and compass
- A pencil case - reasonable size and cost
- Textas
- Highlighters x 4
- Coloured pencils and pencil sharpener
- Scissors
- 2 large boxes of tissues
- 4 large glue sticks
- A calculator
- A paint shirt
- Head Phones
Online Uniform Shop Now Open!!

Cowan and Lewis, our new uniform providers, are now up and running and ready to begin retailing our uniforms, with orders to be delivered to school every Tuesday and Thursday. Orders can also be delivered to alternate addresses.

- Uniforms can be purchased online at their store [here](#). Hover over the SCHOOLWEAR link, click ON CAMPUS and look for the Sacred Heart School logo.
- Uniforms can also be purchased from their retail store at 1315 Pacific Highway, Turramurra (Monday to Friday 9am-5pm or Saturday 9am-12noon).
- Items can be shipped to school (free of charge, twice per week) or to a home address for an additional postage charge.

Returns/Refunds can be arranged by completing the Exchange Form found on our school website [here](#) and returning to the school office with your clothing to be exchanged. The replacement item will be delivered to the school office on the next delivery day (Tuesday and Thursdays). You can also exchange instore at the shop.

We have a dedicated page on our school website for uniform ordering and links to Cowan and Lewis [here](#). All enquiries regarding school uniforms should now be directed to Cowan and Lewis by email or telephone.

Opal Card Information from Transport NSW

Transport NSW have now moved the “endorsement” aspect of School Opal Card applications to an online portal. All applications completed after 24 November no longer need to be printed and handed to the school office. Applications completed after 24 November will be electronically endorsed by the school. Transport NSW will advised the school when an application is awaiting endorsement.

Printed application forms which have already been handed to the school office for 2017 Opal Cards have already been endorsed by the school and forwarded to Transport NSW.

Eligible children in year 2 who have not already updated their details, must update their details and submit a new online application form. A street map showing the eligible distance from Sacred Heart school for a free School Opal Pass can be viewed at the school office. An information flyer from Transport NSW can be found on our school website [here](#).

Students in year 6 who require an Opal card for high school should complete an application for their high school to endorse.

Additional information for parents can be found on our school website [here](#).