

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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Term 1 Week 8 - 22 March

| Term 1 Core Value: | Respect |
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| School Rule: | Respect yourself, others and the environment |
| Expectation of Behaviour: | Listen to other people's opinion |

Dear Parents

As we approach Palm Sunday we pray:



Open Morning is on this Friday 23 March for prospective families who wish to join our school community. Current parents who have a pre-schooler ready for Kindergarten in 2019 also do need to complete an enrolment form and are also welcome to attend Open Morning. Open Morning is targeted to parents of pre-schoolers and thus pre-schoolers do not need to attend.

Each year the senior drama students from Mater present an Anti-Bullying play to our students. Once again we are fortunate to have these students present, on Wednesday 28 March, a play that promotes assertive and appropriate attitudes and behaviours when faced with a student who is bullying another. Following this presentation teachers will continue discussing with students a course of action, what to do, who to speak to, what to say if they are being bullied and parents are encouraged to begin a similar conversation at home.

Our school community was extremely saddened to hear that Natasha had lost her battle after being so unwell for such a long time. You will have seen our earlier email and app messages today and we ask that you continue praying for Natasha's loving family during this most difficult time.

Kind regards

Líving, Loving, Learning: Created in the Image of God

Mrs Suellen Garey PRINCIPAL

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Religious Education News



Fifth Sunday of Lent



Psyche Mae was living in a squatter settlement, on the edge of a giant rubbish dump outside Manila in the Philippines. Her family was forced to pick through the rubbish to sell what they could to survive.

In 2018, Psyche Mae is now a young social worker, achieving her dream of helping others struggling to leave poverty behind them – with plans to study a Master's degree, thanks to the support of individuals and Caritas Australia through Project Compassion and the Faithful Companions of Jesus program. It is estimated around 5000 people are assisted directly or indirectly by this program.

"It was always my dream to have a healthy environment where dwellers have positive relationships, families are strengthened and have access to permanent employment, livelihood and other social services. And women and children and vulnerable sectors are protected."- Psyche Mae

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help equip young people to succeed in the future, providing just futures for others like Bayan.

A Just Future starts with your support! You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting <u>www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion</u> or phoning 1800 024 413.



In Lent 2018, parishes of the Diocese of Broken Bay will be open during Lent for prayer and Reconciliation on **Fridays 7pm - 8pm** (Feb 16, 23, Mar 2, 9, 16, 23)

Adult Faith Education Opportunity

Pittwater Parish has engaged 2 scientists to lead conversations around Religion and Science during March. Refer to the parish newsletter link for further information.

Dates to Remember

Wednesday 21 March Yr. 3 and Yr. 2 Class Mass at 9:15am Wednesday 21 March First Reconciliation 4:30pm and 6pm Thursday 29 March Holy Week Liturgy Sacred Heart Church 9:15am

Prayers

Please keep in your prayers Mick P and Paul C (parents) and also the Sljokic family.



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

Chris McBryde - Religious Education Coordinator

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN can be found here

Year 6 Graduation Fundraiser



YEAR 6 EASTER EGG RAFFLE!

As part of the Year 6 Graduating class' fundraising efforts, the students will be selling raffle tickets for the highly anticipated Easter Egg Raffle!

10 beautiful Easter packs! \$2 each or 3 for \$5!

Please look out for Year 6 or their parents around school over the next week!

Premier's Reading Challenge

Welcome to the 2018 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC)

The 2018 Challenge commenced on **Monday 5 March** and closes **Friday 31 August** (midnight) for **students**. 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.

How to get involved:

All students at Sacred Heart have usernames and passwords for the Challenge located in each classroom and in the Library.

I believe that everyone can complete the Challenge with a little encouragement from home and a little help from me!

How it works:

Children are required to read a number of books, depending on their year level. YEARS K-2: 30 books YEARS 3-4: 20 books YEARS 5-6: 20 books We have a huge number of books on the Premier's Reading Challenge list in the school Library and the children

are welcome to borrow during class time, or Parents are welcome any time between 9am- 2:30pm on Fridays.

To find out more information regarding rules and how to complete student reading logs go to the PRC website: https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html

Happy Reading! Melonie Harrison, Teacher /Librarian/PRC Coordinator



ICAS Assessments

Reminder: ICAS Assessments

Students in <u>Years 3 to 6</u> have been invited to participate in the **2018 International Competitions and Assessment** for Schools (ICAS) in English, Mathematics, Digital Technologies, Science, Writing, and Spelling.

The competition is an initiative of Educational Assessment Australia (EAA) of the University of New South Wales. It should be noted that these are **NOT TESTS**. These are competitions and are not necessarily based on the stage outcomes the children are working on, as often, they are set at the stage above. All students receive a Certificate and an individual Student Report indicating which questions they answered correctly, as well as the average mark for their state.

<u>These competitions/assessments are NOT COMPULSORY</u>. Competitions are held at school on the following days:-

| Years 3-6 only | Digital Technologies (Closed) | Tuesday, 8 May 2018 | \$9.90 |
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| Years 2-6 | Science | Tuesday 29 May 2018 | \$9.90 |
| Years 2-6 | Spelling | Spelling Wednesday, 13 June 2018 | |
| Years 3-6 only | Writing | Thursday 14 June 2018 | \$19.80 |
| Years 2-6 | English | English Tuesday, 31 July 2018 | |
| Years 2-6 | Mathematics | Tuesday, 14 August 2018 | \$9.90 |

Certificates are awarded for each year level in each State as follows:-

- High Distinction to the top 1% of entrants;
- Distinction to the next 10% of entrants;
- Credit to the next 25% of entrants;
- Participation to all other participating students.
- Medals are awarded to the top student(s) in each year level in each state;
- Medals and Certificates are awarded at the discretion of EAA

Entries close for Science, Spelling, Writing, English and Maths on Wednesday 28 March 2018. All purchases are to be made via the QKR! App.

Caitlin Remeeus ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL.

Sports News

Polding Carnival

Congratulations to all our swimmers who competed at the Polding Carnival held at Homebush today. A special mention to Ruby D who now qualifies for the NSW PSSA Carnival.

Reminder:

Sacred Heart Cross Country Trials are being held on Thursday 5 April 2018 at Kitchener Park. Forms are due back to your class teacher by Tuesday 27 March. <u>Sacred Heart Cross Country Trials 2018 Note</u>



Northern Beaches Learning Community of Catholic Schools Soccer Cup is being held on Tuesday 10 April (Yrs 3 and 4) and Thursday 12 April (Yrs 5 and 6) at Cromer Park, Cromer 1. Forms are due back to your class teacher by Monday 26 March. Soccer Gala Day Permission Note

Happy Birthday from all at Sacred Heart to the following students who are celebrating their birthday this week: Gabriel K, Charlotte C, Joseph C, Aisling M, Joshua T, Leanne B, Indi W, Camila H, Flynn W, Sarah C, Jahla F, Ebbeny H Canteen News TERM VOLUNTEER HELPERS NEEDED URGENTLY

Happy Birthday

The canteen is currently very short of volunteers. In recent weeks, the canteen has been surviving with minimum help and at times, such as last Friday, we have had to close down our counter service. We need at least 3-4 helpers per day to run a successful day, at present we only have 1-2 helpers per day.

Our hours of help are 9.30am - 1.45pm however if anyone can spare a couple of hours from 11-1.30 it would also be very much appreciated.

We would love to have not only parents, but grand parents and extended family members are also welcome. Please fill in the form on this link Sacred Heart Canteen Volunteer Roster Note or contact us via email.

| CANTEEN ROSTER (start 9.30am - finish 1.45pm) | | | |
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| Mon 26 Mar | Meegan H, Emma W | | |
| Thurs 29 Mar | Lydia Nemcich | | |
| Fri 30 Mar | GOOD FRIDAY | | |

HELP NEEDED:

Friday 23 Mar – please contact Kay Friday 12 April – please contact Kay

Hours are flexible either from 9.30am-1.45pm or 11am-1.30pm.

Term 1 2018 Roster

Kay & Marie – Canteen Coordinators

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

Kiss & Drop Morning Volunteers

The morning Kiss and Drop Zone ensures that students arrive to school safely. We could not do this without our wonderful volunteers. If you would like to be added to the Kiss and Drop Roster please email Rebecca Molinaro at <a href="mailto:becmminate:becminate:becmminate:becmminate:becmminate:becmminate:becmminate:becm

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| | | 21 March | 22 March | 23 March |
| | | Rebecca M | Amber L | Georgina D |
| 26 March | 27 March | 28 March | 29 March | 30 March |
| Rebecca M | Karissa M | Tatiana N | Jasmine R | GOOD FRIDAY |
| 2 April | 3 April | 4 April | 5 April | 6 April |
| EASTER MONDAY | PUPIL FREE DAY | Rebecca M | Melinda B | Eloise C |

HUB

Amanda Lewis / Grant Howard

(Co-Presidents)

Email: <u>sacredhearthub@gmail.com</u> Website: <u>www.shmvparents.com</u>



If you can spare 20 minutes once a week before or after school and would like to join the team please contact us. admin@shmvparents.com

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School tours can also be arranged by appointment.

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