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Dear Parents.

This term Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School will be holding a Whole School Public Speaking competition. All students will be required to prepare and present in their classroom a 2-3 minute speech on a topic chosen from the list below. A timetable will be provided by each class teacher. A finalist will then be selected from each class to compete in the Whole School competition. Parents are most welcome to attend this event.

The Whole School competition will be held in Week 5, on Monday 19 August in the school hall. Finalists from Years 3 – 6 will also present an impromptu speech. The impromptu speech will have a preparation time of ten minutes. Topics will be drawn out of a hat and provided on the day. The order for this day will be:

- Years 3-6 children will present their 3 minute speeches at 10 am with Morning Tea at 11:00-11:30am.
- After Recess children in **Kindergarten to Year 2** will present their speeches whilst the students in Years 3-6 prepare their impromptu speeches.
- At the conclusion of the Kindergarten to Year 2 children's speeches the Year 3-6 children will present their impromptu speeches.

Preparing and presenting a speech is a part of the Speaking and Listening Curriculum.

During the coming weeks the students will have speech writing included in their homework school wide. There will be a junior division and senior division.

The junior division will consist of Years K-2 and the senior division will consist of Years 3-6.

The topics to choose from for **Years 1 to 6** are as follows: (Information for Kindergarten will be sent separately).

"Hardships often prepare ordinary people for an extraordinary destiny." C.S. Lewis	 What is more important, doing what's right or being popular?
The best advice I ever got	Football is too dangerous for the players
Does technology make us more alone?	 Brothers and Sisters: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly
My invention and how I sold it	TV shows have too much influence on children
"A friend is someone who gives you total freedom to be yourself." Jim Morrison	My life as a plastic bag
 Should athletes be regarded as role models for children? 	We should strive for a paperless society

As mentioned, each child will receive a scheduled time for presenting their speech within their classroom.

We look forward to this exciting whole school annual event. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Regards

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