

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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Term 4 Week 4 – 6 November 2019

Term 1 Core Value: Service

School Rule: We are of service to others and in the environment when we...

Expectation of Behaviour: Help another student at school

Dear Parents

The children were delighted to see the re-painted basketball handball and games on the playground. Thank you to the parents of Sacred Heart for the fundraising for these games.

As I'm sure you would realise it is "Book Week" and the book fair has been in full swing in the library. The book week parade on Friday is a fun tradition at our school. The parade will begin after the morning assembly and parents are welcome to attend. Please encourage your child to know the title of their book character.

Every class has a family Mass, once a year on the weekend at our parish church. We look forward to welcoming all the Year 1 students and their families on Saturday evening at 5pm.

Next Monday, 11 November our school captains will represent our school at the Remembrance Day ceremony to be held at the Pittwater RSL. At school we will pray our own Remembrance Day liturgy at 11am in the hall, parents are welcome to attend.

Parents who are interested in being a part of an Advisory Council at Sacred Heart are invited to an information session on Wednesday, 13 November at 9am. Some of our reasons for forming an advisory council include:

- to encourage the voice of all school community stakeholders,
- support the provision of learning opportunities for students,
- maintain momentum and continuity of school community priorities,
- to help the principal and other members of the school community make more informed decisions.

On Wednesday evening, 13 November, the Hub Term 4 AGM will be held in the library. Parents are encouraged to consider joining this team as we work towards goals for Sacred Heart in 2020. As indicated at the Gala dinner one major goal for 2020 will be the refurbishment of the playground equipment.

The BYODD information session for Year 3 parents will be held on Friday, 22 November at 2 pm. The specifications and apps for the iPad to be used in 2020 will be shared as well as some of the excellent work using technology that has been done by students at Sacred Heart this year.

At the Gala dinner two families were successful in bidding for the Principal for the day. Our first Principal for the day will be held on Friday, 15 November where Kingston and Eliza will be two Principals for the day. Kingston and Eliza have requested all students K to 6 have a pyjama day on Friday 15 November.

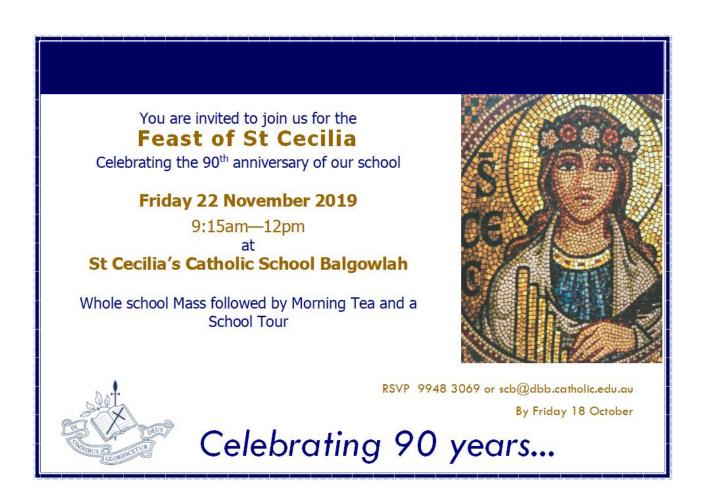
Year 5 will soon be busy preparing their leadership speeches to present to the school on Tuesday, 26 November. There are many leadership positions for the Year 5 students including school captain and vice captain, sport captain and liturgy captain. There are many roles and all students in Year 5 will have a leadership portfolio.

The band showcase for 2019 will be held on Wednesday, 27 November at 9 am in the school hall. After the showcase, students interested in joining the band will be able to try out different instruments. The band have had a wonderful year under the leadership of Mrs Jane Nelson and membership to the band is open and children are encouraged to join either the junior or senior band in 2020.

Teachers are beginning to sort classes for 2020. Teachers sort classes using a variety of criteria including academic needs, social needs, achieving a gender balance, if taught previously by a teacher. If parents have previously requested placement there is no guarantee that this will happen again. Parents are asked to put in writing to the Principal any specific requests and the reason for the request. It cannot be assured that all requests can be accommodated however all requests will be considered.

Mrs Suellen Garey
PRINCIPAL

An Open Invitation to the Catholic Community...



Religious Education

National Prayer Campaign for Drought





Prayer

Eternal God,

In wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our drought-stricken land, on our starving animals, on our failing crops.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them.

In your loving providence, send abundant rain and restore our parched earth. Father of all compassion,
hear our prayer
through Jesus Christ your Son,
in whom the promise of new life
has dawned, and
through the power
of the Holy Spirit,
the Lord the giver of life:
Renew your faithful people;
Renew the face of the earth.

Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Mary, help of Christians – Pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop – Pray for us. The Catholic Church in Australia is dedicating the month of November 2019 as a time to pray for those affected by crippling drought conditions and to pray for the gift of rain.

Parishes, schools, families and other Catholic communities across the country are being encouraged to participate in the National Prayer Campaign for Drought, which also invites people to provide assistance to those most in need. The month of prayer is an additional response to the local work being done in affected communities.

Remembrance Day Liturgy

Year 3 are leading the Remebrance Day whole school liturgy on Monday at 10:30. Please join us in remembering and praying for all people who have fought for our country.

All Saints Day Liturgy

Thankyou to Year 1 for leading a beautiful liturgy for All Saints Day last week.

Dates to Remember

Saturday 9 November @5pm Year 1 Family Mass, Sacred Heart Church Monday 11 November @10:30am Remembrance Day Liturgy, Hall

Wednesday 13 November @ 9:15am Year 5 and Year 2 Class Mass, Sacred Heart Church

Saturday 23 November @5pm Blessing of Kinder Mass for 2020, Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday 27 November @ 9:15am Year 3 Class Mass, Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday 4 December @ 9:15am Year 1 and Year 4 Class Mass, Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday 11 December @ 5pm Year 6 Graduation Mass, Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday 18 December @ 10:30 am Whole School Mass of Thanksgiving, Sacred Heart Church

Prayers

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

Chris McBryde, Religious Education Coordinator

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN can be found here

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Wellbeing

Social and Emotional Learning

Respectful Relationships Groups this week students worked on the Social and Emotional skills of Self-Management –making connections. The children explored the themes of Book Week and took part in a trivia quiz organised by Mrs Harrison's about Book Week. It was great to see children across classes engaging in a positive way with other students of different ages and delighting in the experience of books.



Waste Audit 2019- At Sacred Heart, we undertook a Waste Audit of one day's rubbish from Monday's Waste collection. During Respectful Relationship Groups each class's recycling, general waste as well as the playground rubbish from a canteen day was collected and bagged ready for Tuesday's audit.

We had Catherine Judd from the Catholic Schools Office, Jessica Arundell from Cleanaway, our school's waste management provider, come and work with classes from Kindergarten to Year 6 at auditing our rubbish.

We found out that our school is doing a really good job at composting and recycling soft plastics. We however identified that we would like to put more soft plastic bins and return and earn more easier to access.

Skye Nolan-Brown, Co-ordinator

COMPASS – Parent Portal

Thank you to all the parents who have registered to use the new Parent Portal in Compass. As you will now know, all school reports will ONLY be accessible through this new application.



Absences / Late arrivals and Early Departures

To clarify, whole day absences should be entered via the Parent Portal.

A few key points, given that Compass is a "real-time" entry system:

- Late Arrivals and Early Departures can only be entered at the Kiosk at the front desk by an accompanied parent. Should your child/ren arrive unaccompanied, your child/ren will be recorded as an "unexplained absence" and a green slip to explain the reason will be sent home for your prompt completion.
- If you know your child will be late, do not enter this through the Parent Portal. Late arrivals and early departures can only be entered at the Kiosk as the parent portal does not record your child's information correctly into the system. ie. If you know at 7am that they have a before school commitment and will not arrive until after 8:45am, the system will not capture the "attendance note" and you will still get a "please explain" email or note. Your parent portal entry will be deleted.

If you have any questions regarding Compass, please contact the office or email your classroom teacher.

Carol Bartlett, Senior Admin

Birthdays

Happy Birthday from all at Sacred Heart to the following students who had their birthday this week:



Anna B, Alex G, Olivia W, Samuel R, Annabelle B,

Otis L, Macy B

Canteen News

| CANTEEN ROSTER (start 9.30am - finish 1.45pm) | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Mon 11 Nov | Jess M, Lily C | | | |
| Thur 14 Nov | Angie K, Peita Raso | | | |
| Fri 15 Nov | Katrina S, Melanie S, Sally T | | | |



Kay Neale - Canteen Co-ordinator

Kiss & Drop Morning Volunteers

If you would like to volunteer for the Kiss and Drop Roster please contact Rebecca Molinaro at becmolinaro@outlook.com. Volunteers are always needed.



| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 28 October | 29 October | 30 October | 31 October | 1 November |
| Amber L | Rebecca M | Tatiana N | Rebecca M | Eloise C |
| 4 November | 5 November | 6 November | 7 November | 8 November |
| Karissa M | Leonie S | Tatiana N | Melinda B | Georgina D |

Rebecca Molinaro - Kiss and Drop Co-ordinator

Sport News

Tennis Gala Day

Good luck to the students competing in the tennis gala day next Tuesday at Oxford Falls Queenwood Tennis Centre.



School Sports Australia Touch Football Competition – match report...

Last week I went to Deakin in Canberra to represent NSW at the School Sports Australia Touch Football competition (Girls u12s).

Across the 4 days we played 7 games and won six of them, which meant we qualified to play in the grand final against Queensland! They were the only team that beat us in the rounds on a score of 7-2 so we went into the grand final with our heads up and we were ready to play as a team and work hard for our state!

The final score of that game was 7-2. We flipped the score – we won! I scored during this game and most of the girls in the team did too. It was a great experience to mix and meet new friends in other States and not just playing 4 days. On the Wednesday, there was an educational excursion to Questacon, we got placed with other girls from different States to make groups of 8 and work together to find answers around Questacon. My group came 4th but that's not the main point – I met so many new people and my favourite moment was holding my medal and the shield up to say we were the winners.

NSW had a great tournament with the 12 boys coming 1st, the 15 boys coming 1st and the 15 girls coming runnersup. We were all so proud of each other we all felt like family and we spent every minute together. The sportsmanship was the biggest thing, saying thanks to the ref was the best, 'cause it made them feel they did a good job and we got to get photos at the end of each game and pin switching was the best thing.

Thank you, Sacred Heart, for helping me reach my goals and my dreams . Lacey C, 6F

Steph Munro, PE Teacher

Library News

IT'S HERE! Reading is My Secret Power



"DEAR" TIME

We are having lots of fun this week with "DEAR Time". i.e. Drop Everything and Read.

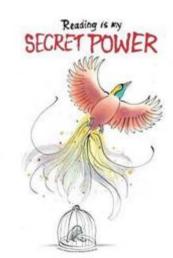
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR - Tuesday 5 November- Friday 8 November

The Scholastic Book Fair continues this week. There is a lovely selection of books to choose from, of which the proceeds from sales allow us to purchase more books for our wonderful students.

An EFTpos (debit & credit) machine will be available at the Book Fair. Online purchases also available

Opening hours: Tuesday 5- Friday 8 November

8:00-8:45am 1:00-1:30pm 2:50-4:00pm



If you have time to either accompany your child/ren to purchase some books or even assist with the sales, you'd be most welcome.

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK PARADE - Friday 8 November, 9:00am

The children can come to school dressed as a BOOK CHARACTER or as something related to "Reading is My Secret Power". Be creative, think 'outside the square', and surprise everyone! Parents welcome. Bring their uniform to change into if you think they may be more comfortable following the parade. Prizes will be presented to the most creative costumes in each grade.

"Today a reader, tomorrow a leader." - Margaret Fuller

Melonie Harrison - Teacher Librarian

Community News



Registrations for the 2020 Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon series are officially open!



Dear Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Registrations for the 2020 Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon series are officially open!

The Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon is a non-competitive triathlon, designed to help kids aged 7-15 get active in a friendly and supportive environment. Our research* has shown that taking part in the Kids TRYathlon has a marked improvement on children's confidence and self-esteem.

We're looking for schools across Australia to help us get more young Aussies outside and active.

We've developed a tailor-made kit for schools, packed with tips, videos and downloadable resources, all designed to help you spread the word about your local Kids TRYathlon event.

Download Our Resources

To learn more about the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon, head to our website.

Thanks for getting involved!

The Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon Schools Team

Contact Us: Schools@activeedge.com.au

*Sanitarium online parent survey 2014

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Summer Holiday Camps



16th December 2019 - 29th January 2020

Join our Holiday Camps and play soccer indoors on grass

CLINICS FILL FAST, SO BOOK NOW!

Here at the Football Factory we acknowledge the necessity to focus on the development of an individual's skills. It is important that children have fun whilst they learn new skills, and that's why we've tailor made our school holiday camps to be both fun and engaging!

- Professionally qualified & engaging FFA & AFC coaches
- Learn new tricks, skills and techniques to improve your overall ball mastery and game play. We will teach you how to execute a 'Zidane Turn', 'The Socrates', 'Rabona', 'Maradona Spin', 'Cryuff Cut', 'Ronaldo Chop', or learn how to do an 'Oxford'!
- Play football, no matter what the weather, in your boots!
- Finish the day with Laser football

Half Days 9.00am-12:00pm | Full Days 9.00am-3.00pm | Extended days 8.30am-5.30pm For 5-14 year olds Book from 2 days to 10 days

