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Term 2 Week 5 - 27 May 2020

Term 2 Core Value: Compassion

School Rule: Show Compassion for ourself, others and the environment

Expectation of Behaviour: Return lost property to the owner

Dear Parents

This week we celebrate the beautiful feast of Mary Help of Christians.



Memorare Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to you do I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your clemency hear and answer me. Amen.

The return to school in Week 5 has been extremely smooth, the children were incredibly excited to meet with their classmates and teachers after their many weeks of Home Based Learning. On Monday we invited all students to tie a ribbon on the front fence as a symbol of tieing the children back to our Sacred Heart school community.

With the return to school and COVID-19 restrictions in mind, Northern Beaches Council will be putting up temporary signs on all existing kissing drop areas. Our school has also requested that Council temporarily expand kiss and drop around Sacred Heart which would give parents more space to drop the children off quickly and safely. These signs will be installed hopefully by next week. Thank you to our parents for their patience as we try to manage the drop off and pick up, for all of our children, safely, smoothly and quickly. Please note that when the new signs are in place they are enforceable regardless of the current parking signage restrictions.

In the case of a positive result to the coronavirus of any student or staff member at Sacred Heart, the school has processes in place. Parents are asked to contact the school Principal immediately and not to post on social media. Maintaining a calm orderly environment is essential for the safety of all. Processes to manage this situation involve New South Wales Health, the school Principal, Parish Priest, Schools Consultant, CSO Work Health and Safety officers, the Director of Schools, the Bishops Office and cleaning contractors.

As parents and visitors are unable to enter our school at this stage, the canteen and second hand uniform shop will remain closed until further notice.

Parent teacher interviews will take place in week seven and week eight Term 2 via a zoom interview. Parents will be invited to book a time with the classroom teacher through the COMPASS portal. The Semester 1 report will be emailed home in Week 10 to parents, after the parent teacher interview has taken place. The parent teacher interview will allow discussion about achievements of the student during the first weeks of Term 1 and the homebased learning period as well as setting a goal for student learning in Term 3. The report will provide information on your child's achievement in the priority areas of English, Mathematics and Religious Education and that learning during Semester 1 2020 has been both school-based and homebased due to COVID-19.

Thank you to the parent representatives who attended the Zoom with the Principal last Friday. There was much discussion about the possibility of Hub events over the next few weeks. The meeting was focussed on "what is possible" in the current climate of Covid-19 and the restrictions. Generally the feedback received was that parents would like some type of Gala Dinner without a major fundraising focus, later in the year. This week's Friday zoom for parent groups with the Principal will focus on discussion around the design of the new playground equipment.

Offers for placement in Kindergarten 2021 have been sent home. If you have not accepted please do so ASAP so we can plan, prepare, budget and either continue advertising or close classes. Thank you to the parents who have been sharing on social media our advertising regarding booking School Tours. Our website has been updated with a lovely virtual tour and many gorgeous photos of our students.

Mrs Suellen Garey

PRINCIPAL

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Like and follow us at: <u>twitter.com/SHMV16</u>



Religious Education

Thankyou to the many families who have already supported the "Vinnies Winter Appeal."

The Appeal will continue until Monday 1 June.



Vinnies Winter Appeal Wish List

This year St Vincent De Paul in their Winter Appeal through Youth Vinnies, need help gathering donated items for their clients who are Homeless or have No Fixed Address. These are the items that are desperately needed to be able assist these people. Imagine you have no access to a kitchen, fridge, microwave, stove, plates, or cutlery, and need to try to stay nourished and healthy. This is what these clients go through daily. Some have access occasionally to hot or boiling water, or a microwave, but sadly many of our clients do not have access to any of these for prolonged periods of time.

Sacred Heart is asking families to support the Vinnies Winter Appeal by donating the items listed below. We will be collecting items from **Monday 18 May- Monday 1 June.** Year 6 will create "snack packs" from the items donated that will be distributed to the homeless through St Vincent De Paul. Students are asked to give the items to their class teacher.

Kinder	Up&Go	Year 4	Chips and Biscuits
Year 1	Fruit Cups	Year 5	Le Snack
Year 2	Fruit Juice Poppas	Year 6	Muesli Bars / K-Time type Bars
Year 3	Ring Pull Tuna, Chicken, and Salmon	One of the best items we can supply our clients with no fixed address with is tinned individual Tuna, Chicken, or Salmon with a ring pull top. These provide vital protein, and as a result are a very high demand item to provide to our clients to maintain their health and nutrition. These are always greatly appreciated, and come in a widerange of flavours, whilst also being very inexpensive.	

Pentecost Sunday

Day of fire!

What child doesn't love a birthday? This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday, and it is sometimes described as the 'birthday' of the Church. Pentecost is one of our most ancient feasts, and it is celebrated 50 days after Easter. It recalls the gift of the Holy Spirit coming down upon the disciples in Jerusalem (Acts 2:1-13), unifying them as a community and sending them forth to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.



Pentecost at home

Celebrate at home

Red is the liturgical colour for Pentecost. Add a red festive touch to your meal table: e.g., red candle, red flower, red serviettes, red balloon. Enjoy!

Pray at home

Teach your child this simple, powerful prayer:

"Come, Holy Spirit. Kindle in us the fire of your love."

Remember

As a parent, you are doing an amazing job! Ask the Holy Spirit for whatever grace, gift or strength you most need this week.





Prayers

If you have any Good News or if you need our prayers, please, contact me by email.

Chris McBryde, Religious Education Coordinator chris.mcbryde@dbb.catholic.edu.au

PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN can be found here

Wellbeing

Welcome Back

On Monday there was much celebration as children returned to school. Sacred Heart celebrated this day with the morning drop off being a time where children were invited to tie a colourful ribbon onto the school gate and fence at the main entry. The 'Tie a Ribbon' signified for children that they were tying themselves back into the Sacred Heart Community. The ribbons were selected of different colours to represent all the unique and different individuals we represent, though are joined through community. The 'Tie a Ribbon' idea was suggested by the Wellbeing Team - a group of teachers and parents who meet twice a term to discuss the school's Wellbeing initiatives.



Friends of Soibada

Each year at Sacred Heart we support the *Pittwater Friends of Soibada*. This year due to COVID-19 we are supporting Soibada by selling bracelets that the ladies made for a Gold Coin donation.

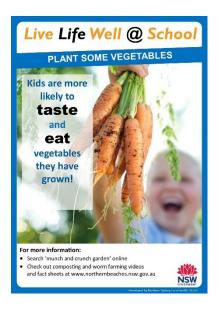


Wellbeing Week-Term 2 Week 7 (8 - 12 June)

This term we will celebrate Wellbeing Week with the theme: Bounce Back!!!

Bounce Back has been chosen by the Wellbeing Team to focus on the theme of Resilience. Resilience is a skill that all people need to demonstrate. It is what clinical psychologist Andrew Fuller refers to as "the happy knack of being able to bungy jump through the pitfalls of life – to rise above adversity and obstacles."





During Wellbeing Week, the children will be celebrating in a variety of ways.

On **Wednesday 10 June** children across K-6 will be taking part in a day called **Bounce for Battens.**



#Bounce4Battens is to develop an awareness of Batten Disease. It is a day of bouncing to create positive energy. It will create the opportunity for the children to be vigorous and healthy. On this day we are asking that all children wear **Silver, Teal or Pink**. The children will be playing a variety of games such as handball, basketball skills, skipping and many fun games with the theme of bouncing. The day will be about feeling good and having some fun. The children will take part in many planned activities which will cater for developing Resilience and bouncing back.

Wellbeing Week Term 2 Week 7 (8-12 June) **Home Ideas** Queen's Birthday Plants can bounce Grab a skipping rope! Have a family paper Bounce your way into Get outside and back- get outside How many jumps can basketball game into the weekend by bounce around- in and into your your family do? the garbage bin having your families a puddle, bouncing garden. Which plants favourite dinner or a ball, bouncing need some love and dessert over bumps care or which plants

Skye Nolan-Brown, Co-ordinator

are thriving due to the weather conditions

From the Office

COMPASS

Now that we are back to school and recording attendance has returned to normal, we thought it timely to list a few key points for parents when using Compass:

- Whole Day Absences are to be entered at home through the Compass parent portal.

Please do not change the timeframe, just choose the date and note the reason.



- Partial Day Absences (arrive late, leave early) are to be entered at the front office KIOSK.
NB. <u>Please do not enter partial absences on Compass at home</u> – this causes a "conflict" in the system.
<u>Students are to be signed in/out only at the KIOSK as a late arrival or early departure</u>. If the child is "unaccompanied" into school, we will note the child as "unexplained" and send a green note home to the parent to complete and return to school.

Of course, if you have any questions on Compass, please call the office and we will try to assist.

TRANSPORT



Friday, 22 May 2020

To our school community,

Re school bus services and what the new physical distancing measures mean

I know each of you would be working hard to get ready for the full-time return of your students next week but I want you to know we are ready and here to help.

State Transit has been there to drop off and pick up your students every school day throughout COVID-19, and we'll be there again on Monday as your classrooms fill.

Earlier this week the NSW Government announced new physical distancing measures for public transport. These physical distancing measures do not apply to dedicated school services, which are the buses we deliver to your school gates.

On non-dedicated school services, school students and people who require assistance, such as those with disability, will be given priority access. No school children will be turned away, even if this means physical distancing won't always be possible on non-dedicated school services where there are capacity limits for customers.

Our increased cleaning regime is still in full swing. The entire bus fleet is sanitised daily, with a focus on high-touch areas like handrails, stop buttons and Opal readers.

Please encourage students travelling with us to tap on and tap off with their Opal card, which helps us better understand travel patterns and service capacity. We will continue to work with schools and monitor school services over the coming weeks.

I'm proud State Transit's bus drivers have kept our 570-plus dedicated school bus services running throughout the Coronavirus outbreak, and we've done so safely.

From one essential workforce to another, we'd like to thank you for the work you do. Like myself, many of my State Transit colleagues have school-age children and we appreciate the role you play in educating our children as we go about our daily lives.

The safety of your students and our bus drivers remains my top priority. If you have any concerns during this time please contact your local State Transit depot.

Kind regards,

Daniela Fontana

Executive Director Customer Operations

State Transit Authority

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Karen Calleia, Admin

Canteen News

Canteen is closed until further notice. However, we are hopeful the canteen will reopen soon for on-line lunch orders only, so watch this space.



Kay Neale - Canteen Co-ordinator

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

Kiss & Drop / Kiss & Ride

The morning Kiss and Drop is not being attended by parent volunteers. Parents **are** still able to drop off their children at the Kiss and Drop area for them to safely walk into school.



Kiss and Ride of an afternoon remains the school's preferred method for collecting your children or, alternatively, will be escorted to a waiting parent or bus by a teacher, or attend after school care.

Karen Calleia, Admin

The Hub



Uniform Shop Opening Hours

Our Second Hand Uniform Shop currently is not open.

However, should you require items from the uniform shop, please email the school office (shmv@dbb.catholic.edu.au) with size and type. The office staff will arrange a selection (if available) for you to look at via the office. Collection is by arrangement only.

All items \$3 and paid via Qkr!

Currently, there are monies still owing from Term 1, so we would appreciate your prompt payment so we can reconcile the first term asap. If you are unsure if this is you, please call the office who will look this up for you.

Donations always welcome of any uniform items in good condition. Please note we can no longer take white sports shirts as donations.

SHMV HUB (P&F)

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Community News



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