The Global atrocities that are dominating our world at the moment have provided extreme sadness and anger. The utter disbelief at the shooting down of the passenger plane in Ukraine has lead me to feel a sense of guilt for being grateful that I, my world, is far removed from this:

- We do not experience the threat to our lives on a daily basis that innocent people in Gaza and Israel do.
- We do not experience the realities of civil war.
- We do not experience militant regimes that pretend to be democratic governments that lead to people willing to risk their lives by becoming refugees.
- We do not experience the risk of our lives based solely on having a religious belief different to those in power or who hold power.
- We do not experience such poverty that basic sanitation, hygiene and running water are uncommon.
- We do not experience whole villages of young girls being kidnapped and removed unsure of what horrific fates await them.
- We do not experience starvation, severe drought, hurricane, twisters, tsunamis.
- We do not lack buildings, teachers, books, desks, pencils to educate our children.
- We do not experience serious violence, drug use or severe bullying and intimidation on a daily basis within our school.
- We do not experience teachers who fear for their safety as part of their day to day work.

Yes, our students do experience the disappointment of not getting all the friends they want in a class. Or the teacher they or their parents want! Or missing out on being selected in a team or for a student leadership position! Yes they do experience arguments and disagreements with friends in the playground.

*If this is as bad as it gets then our children are some of the most fortunate children in the world!*

There is an emerging culture within society and certainly on a more micro scale within schools of entitlement.

*I deserve this! This isn’t fair! I worked hard I should get this! I am not going to put up with this!*

The challenges and problems we face are real and I certainly am not being flippanant about their genuineness. At the same time wouldn’t it be great if we all just took a moment to put them into perspective in light of the millions of human beings across this world who would do anything to experience the ‘problems’ we are facing in our day to day lives.

#ATTITUDEOFGRATITUDE
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From the Principal:

Our P.B.S. Values are:
Respect for Ourselves
Respect for Others
Respect for our Learning

Entry foyer to Gr.5 / Kinder Building

The entry foyer to Grade 5 and Kinder Halley that is adjacent to the entry of the Kindergarten playground has developed some structural concerns. There is no immediate danger associated with the structure but advice to the school has established from a cost and safety point of view that the structure will need to be demolished. The school will at least in the short term establish a structure that provides cover for students and families when entering the building. I will also let parents know when any demolition work will begin.

Fire Drill

Yesterday the school had a fire drill, the feedback was positive from the fire brigade. One important point was that all visitors and PARENTS ON SITE must sign into the office first before they proceed to classrooms. The sign in/sign out book is what we use to ensure that no-one is left in the building in the event of a fire.

Mid-Year reports

This week we ask parents to finalise times for their parent/child/teacher interviews, using the reports as stimulus for the conversation. The note has been sent home and we ask it is returned by tomorrow Friday 25th July.

Loose Parts Play

Please if you have any of the following items we would really appreciate you donating them to our school to use as part of our playground time. You can drop them near the bottom of the stairs in the administration area and we will start organising them to use with our students.

✓ Rope
✓ Tarp material
✓ Plastic tubing – eg. plumbing

Students on the first day of this term had absolute fun playing creatively with cut tree trunks and branches

Thank you to all those who generously supported Project Compassion this year. A cheque was presented to Caritas for $1585.00. They were very grateful “Your generous gift is a display of compassion in action and makes a life-changing difference. From all at Caritas Australia, thank you for embracing Project Compassion and helping those who are the most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice”
Parents and Friends News

Mid-Year Raffle

At the beginning of the year families gave Parents and Friends a variety of fundraising ideas. To hold a Raffle was one of the many suggestions and was one of the most popular choices. Therefore P&F have followed up on this idea, sourced some really great prizes and will be sending one raffle book per family home this week.

The Raffle will be drawn on the Rock and Roll night so please ensure your book is returned to your class teacher or school office before 12.00 noon Friday 15\textsuperscript{th} August. If you would like an extra raffle book to sell they can be collected from the office.

Rock and Roll Night

Have you seen your children doing some new dance moves around the house lately? Well it’s nearly that time of year when we get ready for the ever popular

Rock and Roll Night

Friday 15\textsuperscript{th} August

St Alibies Hall at 6.00pm

Put this date on your calendar, all families are welcome and it’s not to be missed. More details to come.

CityProm Lego Competition

This is a lego sword and shield that Jaxon Ratcliffe (Grade 5) entered in the Cityprom Lego Competition that he saw advertised in the newsletter last term. He was lucky enough to be a finalist and had his creation on display in the mall.
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**KINDER - Gr.6 FATHERS DAY CELEBRATIONS**

**3RD SEPTEMBER**

**FATHER’S DAY**

11am-1pm

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**LOST PROPERTY**

There are several unnamed items in Lost Property - if you are missing any items of clothing, lunchbox’s etc, please check the Lost Property at the bottom of the stairs below the office.

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**Student absences**

Please remember to call the School office on 63311011 or email shsl@catholic.tas.edu.au if your child will be absent from school.

Children arriving late to school need to report to the school office on arrival to update our records and avoid unnecessary absentee text messages.

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**2014 TERM DATES**

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**Recent students of the week**

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<td><strong>Ava Boyle</strong></td>
<td>For her enthusiasm and joy towards her learning this term</td>
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<td><strong>Matthew Williams</strong></td>
<td>For showing a great attitude this week</td>
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<td><strong>Luke Kuech</strong></td>
<td>For being a valued class member of Prep Best</td>
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<td><strong>Eva O'Shea</strong></td>
<td>For always having a go</td>
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<td><strong>Chinalle Miller</strong></td>
<td>For simply being amazing</td>
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<td><strong>Henry Stingel</strong></td>
<td>For great work in ICT</td>
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<td><strong>Alice Mathers</strong></td>
<td>For displaying great thinking skills</td>
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<td>For excellent application to all his tasks this week</td>
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<td>For outstanding art work this week</td>
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<td>For giving 100%</td>
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<td>For great work in 3D shape construction</td>
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<td><strong>Piaf George</strong></td>
<td>For endeavouring to always complete her tasks to the best of her ability</td>
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<td><strong>Ally Brown</strong></td>
<td>For the genuine interest and care she shows for others</td>
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<td><strong>Nick Collins</strong></td>
<td>For being a great WEST person in our class</td>
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<td><strong>Amy Pereira</strong></td>
<td>For her caring nature and fine application to everything she does</td>
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<td><strong>Lochie Dalton</strong></td>
<td>For his great word choice and effective language in his descriptive writing</td>
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<td><strong>Alessia Kirk</strong></td>
<td>For the excellent effort and careful word choice in her descriptive writing. Well Done!!</td>
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Guess What?

Exciting News!

Did you know that Sacred Heart Parents and Friends are having a

**MARKET**
**On the Green**
**SACRED HEART**

Sunday 9\textsuperscript{th} November 2014

9.30am to 1.30pm

On the School Oval

Markets are fun! You can always grab a bargain and is a great way to sell all your preloved, unwanted items.

You may have new products to promote and sell? Come to the Market and show off your wares.

**Trestle table sites are selling for $20** (discounts if own table supplied)

Don’t miss out. Book your table today!

For enquires and table bookings email shsl.pnf@catholic.tas.edu.au

Another Sacred Heart Parents and Friends event, supporting our school and promoting community spirit.
Uniform Shop News

-Winter Items now available

Girls Lemon Long Sleeve Shirts

Boys Long Sleeve Shirts

Girls Bottle Green Winter Trousers available in sizes 8,10 & 12.

Polar Fleece Bottle Green Scarves $7.00 each

Gloves $6.00 each

Fleecy Lined Bottle Green Raincoats, great value at $38.00 each

Orders can be sent to shs.clothingpool@catholic.tas.edu.au or visit the shop each Thursday between 2.00-4.00pm

can drive 2014 allows the people of Launceston to help the needy through winter

and you can help...

If you are able to donate any cans of food or non-perishable items, please bring them into school and leave them at the bottom of the stairs under the office

Get involved and support this great cause and the Launceston Benevolent Society.

If everyone in Launceston donated just one can, we would make an amazing difference!
Connect to reading ~ Reading to connect

Connect to reading is about enjoying the experience of exploring story, and travelling to other worlds.

The reflected slogan, Reading to connect, has a broader social meaning, suggesting that reading assists in creating a bond with others. Within the world of the contemporary child, this is also relevant as they read books and they read to connect through a variety of media.

Book Week is an exciting time at Sacred Heart School. We are going to have 3 exciting events occur during Book Week this year.

**Wednesday August 20th**  
**Buddy Reading Time:** On Wednesday, each student brings in their favourite Book from home. After lunch, we will go the Gym and meet with our Buddies to share our favourite book. Big Buddies can bring a book they can share with their little Buddy.

**Thursday August 21st**  
**The Great Book Swap,** we are asking students to bring in a Book from home and a Gold coin. Students can swap their Book and donate a gold coin which supports the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. You can read more about the Indigenous Literacy Foundation at: http://www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au/

In our school, Esmae Morrow from Grade 5 is our Indigenous Literacy Ambassador.

**Friday August 22nd**  
We will hold a **Book Week Parade** on Friday at 9:00am in the School Gym. Students can dress up as their favourite Book Character. It doesn't have to be fancy, just fun.
Loose Parts Play

We are asking for donations of any items that can be used for Loose Parts Play in the playground.

TYRES, NETTING, WHEELS, PIPES, LOGS, TREE STUMPS, WOOD, CABLE BOBBINS, FABRIC, MILK CRATES, POTS, ROCKS, COTTON REELS, OLD PICTURE FRAMES, CARDBOARD BOXES, PINECONES, BUCKETS, SHELLS, CAKE TINS, EGG CARTONS, HOOPS, FEATHERS, CUSHIONS OR ANYTHING ELSE THAT CAN BE USED FOR PLAYING.....