

# NEWSLETTER



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## From the Principal:

### FUNDING FOR CATHOLICS SCHOOLS

In the past two weeks the Australian Government have released information regarding a proposed change to the way schools are funded. The impact on Catholic Schools is still being understood.

The Director of Catholic Education in Tasmania, John Mula, shared these comments last week.

“The plan (changes to funding) has received early support from bodies such as the Independent Schools Council of Australia (ISCA). At this stage, the plan does not have the support of the National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC) or the Tasmanian Catholic Education Commission (TCEC) because of a serious lack of detail in the announced plan.

The Catholic sector was not briefed on the detail of proposed plan before its announcement. It is very poor process that the Government has announced this new 10-year school funding proposal without consulting, through the NCEC, the second largest provider of school education in the country.

Our key concern at this stage is that the model is likely to result in the dismantling of Catholic school systems over the next 10 years, especially in regard to the removal of the System Weighted Average funding mechanism.

Last Monday night, the Federal Government launched a new website that lists the Commonwealth funding provided to each school in Australia based on their individual SES rather than the System Weighted Average and followed this launch with a letter from Minister Birmingham to Principals the next day. At best the new website and the subsequent letter is likely to promote prejudicial analysis of how funding is allocated to our schools by their managing authority and at worst the new website and the Minister’s letter could be direct attack on Catholic system funding.” (John Mula)

It is disappointing to read articles in the media that don’t include the full facts about how funding works in Australian schools. Catholic schools are NOT fully funded by governments and in fact in Tasmanian Catholic schools we rely on parents fees. Even when Federal and State Government grants are added with parent fees our schools DO not receive the same allocation as other schools from either Independent of Government Schools. This means that our Tasmanian Catholic Schools are required to operate on lower budgets that ALL other school systems in Tasmania. Each one of us who has children, or has had, children in Catholic Schools has the right to have a fair amount of government funding, after all we all contribute taxes. I believe Australians want a fair system where all schools, and ultimately children, are treated equally. It would seem under the proposed budget changes our Tasmanian Catholic Schools will be treated less than fairly. We will keep you informed of any further details.

**Brent Wilson**  
**PRINCIPAL**

## LAUNCESTON COMPETITIONS

**On Monday 350 children from our school participated in the Launceston Competitions.**

**WOW.....**

This means that every child from Grade 1 to 6 , excluding absentees, participated in a verse speaking competition against children from various Launceston schools. We should never underestimate the impact of events like these. The easiest thing for a school to do is to only select the children who are competent, use wonderful expression and ultimately are the “elite” performers.

I am proud that our school chooses to enter each class with each child performing. We know that performing in public in circumstances such as these enables children to develop confidence, perform before an audience and contribute to a class performance. What we all know is that it is sometimes moments/experiences like these inspire confidence to achieve even greater things. If our school doesn't offer this opportunity because we only allow the elite to perform then we may be holding back a future. Congratulations to each and every child for your exceptional performances on Monday. Thanks to the families who supported our school by practising with their children prior to the performance and ensuring they were beautifully dressed.

Thanks to our staff who had spent time preparing the children and “lighting the flame” inside our children. Our school is extremely fortunate to have such committed teachers.

### **Results**

***Grade 1 Gleadow - Highly Commended***

***Grade 1 Hegarty - Third***

***Grade 2 Reid - First***

***Grade 2 Crawford - Second***

***Grade 3 Symons - Second***

***Grade 3 Underlin - Highly Commended***

***Grade 4 van Ryn - Highly Commended***

***Grade 4 Wood - Third***

***Grade 5 Viney/Stevens - Second***

***Grade 5 Hood - Very Highly Commended***

***Grade 6 Davie - Highly Commended***

***Grade 6 McLeod - First***

## **BRENT AWAY THURSDAY - MONDAY**

I will be absent from school from Thursday 18th May till Monday 22nd May inclusive. I am attending a “Thinking and Learning” Conference in Melbourne from Thursday - Saturday. On Monday 22nd May I will be in Hobart for a School Performance meeting at the TCEO (Tasmanian Catholic Education Office).

Adele Murphy (Assistant Principal) will be available for compliments or challenges.

## STATE REPRESENTATIVES - UNDER 12 FOOTBALL TEAM

Congratulations to James Leake and Fletcher Harper for their selection in the State Under 12 Football Team. James and Fletcher will be competing in Darwin later this year. Our school is proud that two of Grade 6 boys have made a Tasmanian team of 24 players.



## TAS CATHOLIC SURVEY LINK

Parents are encouraged to provide feedback to the Tasmanian Catholic Office (TCEO) about future directions in our system. The TCEO will be using the survey data to inform future directions.

<https://surveyplanet.com/58f81e6ababfd067d02dcd4b>

During the course of the next six months the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office, on behalf of the Tasmanian Catholic Education Commission, will be coordinating our Strategic Planning process.

All involved in our Catholic school communities are invited to participate in the CET Strategic Priorities process to inform our direction and priorities for the period 2018 – 2020. It is our hope that the process will engage as many people as possible gathering feedback and insights from all participants in Catholic education in a variety of formats including Focus Groups, Interviews and an Online Survey. Our CET Strategic Priorities are intended to provide a framework for school and college strategic priorities as well as that of the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office.

To individually participate in our strategic planning process online survey please access the links below.

Please note that the survey will be open from 1 – 21 May 2017 and that all responses are unidentifiable and confidential.

Thank you for your openness to contribute to the strategic priorities process – we are stronger as we work together using the best of all our talents and listening keenly to the insights that ensure we continue to meet the needs of the young people in our schools and colleges.

## STUDENT SAFETY

We take every child's safety seriously. Sometimes we need to change our practises because we believe they need changing to make our school even safer. To this end we will be locking all gates earlier than we have in the past and equally not re opening gates until later in the day.

This means

- Parents who come to school during school hours must access our school via the York Street entrance.
- Our gates in all other spaces will be locked at 9.15am and opened again at 2.55pm.
- For some families this will be an inconvenience. Please understand the purpose of our change is to not to make things awkward but rather to provide safer processes for the children of Sacred Heart.
- Equally we need your help, sometimes the gates are left open. We know this is not deliberate but it is everyone's responsibility to close the gates if they have been left open.
- We will also be discussing this with your children so they too can close gates if they see them open, and also ask children to inform an adult if they see an open gate.
- Families will notice we have already placed new stop signs on the gates to remind parents and children to close the gates.
- If your child is picked up by others please ensure they read this information or at least you pass it on.

Thanks for your support.



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 Respect for Ourselves  
 Respect for Others  
 Respect for our Learning  
<http://MyTerncity.com.au>

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 Payment Plans  
 to the office ASAP***

### **School Families - Kinder 2018**

All school families who have a child who is 4 years of age as of the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017, please complete an enrolment form from our school office ASAP. I would also encourage you to make contact with families and friends who you know are looking at enrolling their children at S.H.S. to also make contact with the school as soon as possible.

**Enrolments close on Friday 2nd June!**

### **The School App**

If you have not already got the app, it is a great idea to install it on your phone. **The app is used by our school to alert you of last minute changes to events like Friday Sports, Sports Carnivals, Camp, etc.** You can download it onto Iphones, I pads, Android and Windows Phones. You can use the app to select which alerts you would like to receive. Just click on the Alerts section on the app and choose the grades that your children are in. To find the app in your app store, search for **"Sacred Heart Launceston Skoolbag"**

#### **Term Dates Catholic Schools**

##### **2017**

**Term 1 Thursday 9.2.17 to Thursday 13.4.17**  
**Term 2 Monday 1.5.17 to Friday 7.7.17**  
**Term 3 Monday 24.7.17 to Friday 29.9.17**  
**Term 4 Monday 16.10.17 to Thursday 21.12.17**

##### **2018**

**Term 1 Thursday 8.2.18 to Friday 13.4.18**  
**Term 2 Monday 30.4.18 to Friday 6.7.18**  
**Term 3 Monday 23.7.18 to Friday 28.9.18**  
**Term 4 Monday 15.10.18 to Thursday 20.12.18**

#### **Canteen Help Required**

We desperately need canteen helpers on a Friday between 9am - 11.30am. Please advise the office if you are able to assist.

May 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>21st</b>	<b>22nd</b> 8am Gr.3-6 Cross Country Training (optional)	<b>23rd</b> 3.30 Art Club 7pm First Reconciliation @ Sacred Heart Newstead 7.30pm P & F Meeting	<b>24th</b> 8am Gr.3-6 Cross Country Training (optional) School Banking 11.30am Band Program	<b>25th</b> 11.30am Strings Program <b>12pm Gr 3-6 Cross Country</b>	<b>26th</b> 9am Assembly Gr 5/6 Winter Sport 9am MYTERN Parent Information Session	<b>27th</b>
<b>28th</b>	<b>29th</b>	<b>30th</b> 3.30 Art Club 3.15pm Gr 5/6 Book Club 7pm MYTERN Parent Information Session	<b>31st</b> 11.30am Band Program	<b>1st June</b> 11.30am Strings Program	<b>2nd June</b> 9am Assembly Gr 5/6 Winter Sport Kinder 2018 Enrolments close	<b>3rd</b>

June 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>4th</b>	<b>5th</b>	<b>6th</b> 3.30 Art Club 5pm Band Soiree	<b>7th</b> School Banking 11.30am Band Program	<b>8th</b> 11.30am Strings Program 5pm Strings Soiree	<b>9th</b> 9am Assembly Gr 5/6 Winter Sport	<b>10th</b>

## 2017 Sports Carnival

### Friday 19th May

Prep - Gr 2 Cross Country @Royal Park

### Thursday 25th May

Gr 3 - Gr 6 Cross Country @ Royal Park

### Tuesday 13th June

NIJSSA Cross Country @Windsor Park

### Monday 11th September

Gr 3 - Gr 6 Athletics Carnival @ St Leonards

### Friday 3rd November

NIJSSA Athletics Carnival

### Thursday 16th November

Prep - Gr 2 Athletics Carnival @ SHS

### Gr 3-6 SHS Cross Country @ Royal Park

#### Thursday 25th May

Grade 3 - 12:10pm (1.6km)

Grade 4 - 12:40pm (1.6km)

Grade 5 - 1:10pm (2.4km)

Grade 6 - 1:50pm (2.4km)



## 2017 Pupil Free Day

Monday 16th October

**Webpage:** [www.sacredheartl.tas.edu.au](http://www.sacredheartl.tas.edu.au)

**Twitter:** @shslton

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/sacredheartl](http://www.facebook.com/sacredheartl)

**Pinterest:** Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

**S.H.S. Parents and Friends email**

[shsl.pnf@catholic.tas.edu.au](mailto:shsl.pnf@catholic.tas.edu.au)

**The Prep - Grade 2  
House Cross Country  
will be held on  
Friday 19th May  
at Royal Park.**

**\*The Program is as follows:**

**Prep: 1:00pm (500m) – girls first**

**Grade 1: 1:25pm (1km) – girls first**

**Grade 2: 1:50pm (1.5km) – girls first**

\*Students will eat lunch at school (12:00pm) and begin to walk to Royal Park at 12:30pm.

\*Please remind the children to go to the toilet at school before leaving for Royal Park.

\*Students will wear full SHS PE uniform.

\*Parents must let classroom teachers know if they are taking students home from Royal Park at the end of the carnival.

\*Parent volunteers will supervise the runners.

**Gr 5 / 6 Friday Sport 19/5/17**

**Football**

**Hockey**

**Netball**

**Soccer**

**Scotch**

**Div 1 - Northern Hockey Centre**

**Div 2 - Broadland Park**

**Div 1 - Scotch**

**Div 2 - Hobblers Bridge**

**Div 1 - Faulkner Park**

**Div 2 - St Patricks College**

## The Spirit of Jesus is Alive in:

Prep Hills	<b>Heidi Newman</b> For great solving with our measurement tasks this week	<b>Charudurka Sivadass</b> For excellent listening skills
Prep Best	<b>Max Miller</b> For great work when using comparison to solve measurement problems	<b>Lucas Austen</b> For outstanding effort and progress with his reading
Grade 1 Gleadow	<b>Addison Dennis</b> For learning all the key word signs to our poem "My Lunch". Well done Addi!	<b>Georgia Freeman</b> For her enthusiasm towards writing
Grade 1 Hegarty	<b>Bella-Rose Marquis-Lopes</b> For amazing efforts in your reading this week	<b>Angus Brock</b> For having a fantastic attitude towards your learning
Grade 2 Crawford	<b>Emily Davern</b> For her outstanding preparation for the Launceston Competitions	<b>Harrison Millwood</b> For his outstanding preparation for the Launceston Competitions
Grade 2 Reid	<b>Ivy McCullagh</b> For being kind and thoughtful class member	<b>Oliver Austen</b> For his enthusiasm and effort in all subject areas
Grade 3 Underlin	<b>Oscar Marsden</b> For stepping up and always doing his best	<b>Lily Smith</b> For always being a leader
Grade 3 Symons	<b>Annabelle Pyke</b> For working hard in spelling	<b>William Zhu</b> For great work in Maths
Grade 4 Wood	<b>Jack Lehner</b> For your excellent retelling of the story of Easter <b>Abbey Berlese</b> For your great work on Angles this week	<b>Lucy van Zetten</b> For your excellent work on retelling the Easter Story
Grade 4 van Ryn	<b>Zac Rayner</b> For great work on angles this week	<b>Layla Brown</b> For great spelling work this week
Grade 5 Hood	<b>Ava Jones</b> For an excellent example of a short story narrative	<b>Sebastian Stone</b> For making good decisions in the school yard
Grade 5 Viney/Steven	<b>Montana Di-Maio</b> For fantastic effort and attention to detail in her work	<b>Dillan Norton</b> For his excellent work ethic and dedicated approach to his learning
Grade 6 Davie	<b>Sam Cowley</b> For his enthusiasm and positive attitude towards all areas of school life. Keep up the good work Sam!	<b>Corey Guiver</b> For his positive contribution to Grade 6. Well done Corey!
Grade 6 McLeod	<b>Cayley Quill</b> For consistent effort in the presentation of her work	<b>Brady Meek</b> For being confident and proud of his understanding of fractions. Keep up the good work





**MYTERN™**  
Take Emotional Responsibility Now

## MYTERN Parent Information

If you would like to find out more about MYTERN or would like a refresher on MYTERN we will be holding sessions on:

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> May @ 9.00am and  
Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> May @ 7.00pm  
in the Staffroom.

All classes are having their MYTERN introduction session or refresher session during this time too.

MYTERN is a valuable tool in assisting our children (and ourselves) to **Take Emotional Responsibility Now** of their (our) own emotions. They (and we) have the capacity to do this and can apply to their (our) lives in everyday situations.

Hope to see you there.

Helen Halley - Wellbeing

## RE NEWS

**Tuesday 23 rd May 7 pm at Sacred Heart Church Newstead  
First Reconciliation**

**If you have missed this week's Faith Sharing sessions you must contact Rosie Caelli immediately.**

**[rosie.caelli@gmail.com](mailto:rosie.caelli@gmail.com)**

**It would be greatly appreciated if all attending on Tuesday night are punctual and acknowledge the importance of this special sacrament.**

# PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS



Back by popular demand The Entertainment Book Fundraiser for 2017/18 is now available

Many thanks to the families and friends who have preordered a Entertainment Book/Digital Membership. We have already sold 25 memberships which is fantastic. Preordered books are now available for collection from the school office.

***Are you looking for a Mother's Day gift idea??? Then purchase an Entertainment Book/Digital Membership and give a gift that will save your Mum dollars while enjoying her favourite venues and stores.***

**Sacred Heart Parents and Friends Association are raising funds for the Sacred Heart Birth-4 Program.**

**Monies raised from this fundraiser will enable the program to purchase much needed age appropriate resources to support families with children aged birth to 4 years.**

Order your NEW 2017 | 2018 Entertainment Book or Entertainment Digital Membership now. You'll receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and help our fundraising for classroom resources at the same time!

Entertainment memberships are \$65.00 each with \$13.00 from each membership going towards the B-4 Program.

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For more information contact Rebecca Millwood on 0418 721 952

[rebecca.millwood@catholic.tas.edu.au](mailto:rebecca.millwood@catholic.tas.edu.au)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

**Family  
Mass**

Saturday 6pm  
Sacred Heart Church  
Newstead

All Welcome

- 25<sup>th</sup> February
  - 18<sup>th</sup> March
  - 8<sup>th</sup> April
  - 20<sup>th</sup> May
  - 10<sup>th</sup> June
  - 1<sup>st</sup> July
  - 12<sup>th</sup> August
  - 16<sup>th</sup> September
  - 28<sup>th</sup> October
  - 25<sup>th</sup> November
- If you would like to help by reading at Mass please email [jacque.wood@catholic.tas.edu.au](mailto:jacque.wood@catholic.tas.edu.au)

Join us to discover what St Thomas More's Kindergarten can offer your child.

Parent Information Evening Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 7:00pm  
Open Day Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 9:00am - 2:30pm

All welcome

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**TICKETS** available from **PETRARCH'S**

This is a ticketed event\* (ticket costs below);  
Admit 1 = \$15  
Admit 1 + 1 Signed copy of 91 Storey Treehouse = \$25  
Admit 4 + 1 Signed copy of 91 Storey Treehouse = \$60

\*All attendees are required to have a ticket for entry. Note under 2's are free of charge if not requiring a seat.

For more information or to secure your ticket please go to  
<https://www.petrarchs.com.au/events>

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