

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal:

"If you blame others for something that happens in your life, then you must wait until they change in order to get better."

- Wayne Dyer



Dangers of sharing with social media:

The content I am writing about below is delicate in nature but, I hope parents understand, critical in importance. It is something that we need to be aware of for the benefit of our children. The excerpt below is taken from an article in The Age recently. The link to the complete article is below also:

"THOUSANDS of sexually explicit images of children and young people posted online by themselves and their peers are being stolen by porn websites, according to an internet safety organisation.

A study by the Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) reveals that 88 per cent of self-made sexual or suggestive images and videos posted by young people, often on social networks, are taken from their original location and uploaded to other sites.

During 47 hours, over a four-week period, a total of 12,224 images and videos uploaded by children and young people were analysed and logged by the IWF. The majority of these were then mined by "parasite" websites created for the sole purpose of displaying sexually explicit images and videos of young people. Of the 12,224 images and videos monitored on 68 websites, 10,776 were later found on parasite websites.

CALENDAR

Term 3: 23/07/13 - 27/09/13

AUGUST

Thursday 1st

- 100th Day of School
- 10.00am Band/Strings Program

Friday 2nd

9.00am Assembly

Monday 5th

1.30pm Birth - 4 playgroup in Kinder Nas

Tuesday 6th

3.15pm Tuesday Bookclub

Thursday 8th

10.00am Band/Strings Program

From the Principal: (cont.)

Organisations warned children and young people of the dangers of "sexting" – sending sexually explicit texts or emails – and allowing suggestive pictures or videos to be taken of them. Young people had to be made aware that once an image was available digitally, it was no longer under their control, said Susie Hargreaves, chief executive of the Internet Watch Foundation, set up in 1996 by the internet industry."

Read more:

<http://www.theage.com.au/technology/technology-news/parasite-porn-sites-stealing-images-and-videos-posted-by-teens-20121023-282bf.html#ixzz2aO11FsQv>

We need to be talking to our children about the images (innocent maybe in their eyes) that they are sharing across social media through a variety of Apps and websites. Many of these Apps and websites are restricted to students under the age of 12 or 13 anyway!!!!!!

Alarming Research:

In recent surveys of parents who indicated with confidence that their child had not accessed pornography via internet:

- ✓ 90% of their children had already accessed pornographic images (whether deliberately or accidentally)
- ✓ 25% of these via a older child off site (apart from their own home)
- ✓ In the most recent study 70% of boys had accessed pornography by 12, 100% by 15.
- ✓ 53.5% by girls 12 and under, 97% by age 16.

*Whilst I don't have direct access to the study that highlighted this, the information was presented at the recent International Principal Conference in Cairns that I attended and the presenter's name was **Melinda Tankard Reist**. She has a website that provides information for parents.*

I highlight this, not to shock, but to raise awareness of the importance of having high expectations and supervision, particularly with the use of mobile devices.

This is one of the reasons the school has a strong stance on mobile devices from home not being removed from school bags during the school day. These devices, if they have WiFi access, do not come under the filters the school places on our technology. The challenge of parenting continues to be increasingly difficult. Good people (children) can still make bad decisions and the implications can be more serious than what were initially intended.

Building Update:

A builder has been selected to take on Stage One of our building program; P - 2 building refurbishment. Some adjustments to documentation are needed and then site setting up and demolition works will begin in the next two weeks.

Prep - 2 Feedback:

Prep - 2 have been in their new spaces for just over a week. We are relatively happy with how things have been progressing. We would appreciate any feedback from parents by either email, a note or a comment to the child's teacher. We want to make sure that we are on top of all things to stop seeds developing into weeds.

Can Drive:

The school, through the Benevolent Society, is asking families to donate non-perishable canned food items that will be forwarded on to local needs. The number of families and people living below, or close to, the poverty line continues to increase and the simple donation of some food items can make a small but genuine difference to helping those in need.

Boxes are in classrooms for the items to be placed in and will be collected on Friday 9th August. Thanks for any support that families can provide to this cause.

Rock and Roll Night 23rd August:

Our Annual Rock and Roll Night is on 23rd August. Please take the opportunity to be part of the evening, which is great fun for adults and children alike.

Primary School's Basketball Tournament - Gr 3,4,5,6:

The forms for the basketball tournament were sent home last Friday. If your child wishes to participate could you please return the form to the class teacher by **MONDAY 5th AUGUST**.

R E NEWS

Letter to the Catholic People of Tasmania

The announcement of the Holy See that Pope Francis has appointed me as the new Archbishop of Hobart occurs while I am attending World Youth Day in Rio de Janeiro. I regret that I cannot be in Australia at this time.

I receive the news of my appointment as the eleventh bishop of Hobart with joy and expectation.

My years as priest and bishop have been within the Archdiocese of Sydney. I look at my appointment to Tasmania with the intention of making this beautiful island my home and its people my people.

As Archbishop I embrace the call of Blessed John Paul II at the turn of the millennium to "start afresh from Christ". I invite you to join me in the time ahead to seek a deeper relationship with Christ that he may shape our thoughts, words and actions. Christ is our sure foundation and the hope that inspires us to embrace and live our Catholic faith to the full. In and through Christ the Catholic faith is our treasure and our joy.

The great mission of the Church in our time is the New Evangelisation. All Catholics are called to discover our task in the world of enabling individuals and cultures to be transformed by the power of the Gospel. I want to make the New Evangelisation the pastoral strategy to my service among you.

I look forward to formally taking up my role as Archbishop. I look forward to meeting you all that we might grow in mutual love and serve the needs of all in Tasmania.

May we grow together, united in our faith in Christ. May he be the inspiration of all we do together. May he be glorified in our lives and in the Church in Tasmania.

May the blessing of God be upon you all.

Yours in Christ,

Bishop Julian Porteous.



Helen Halley APRE

RECENT STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep Reid	Oliver Woolley For great co-operation	Isabella Spencer For always being friendly and helpful
Prep Hills	Lily Tyson Welcome to Sacred Heart School	James Hogarth Welcome to Sacred Heart School
Grade 1 Crawford	Thomas Mineall For excellent listening skills	Jack Reynier For a fantastic week work in Maths
Grade 1 Best	Oliver Tys For fantastic work in creating his Space collage	Brodie Dobson For starting the term with a smile and a positive attitude
Grade 2 Sydes/Weir	Paige Warren For trying so hard to improve her reading and writing strategies	Zak Costello For his efforts in trying to improve his pencil grip
Grade 2 van Ryn		
Grade 3 Hood	Connor Leeflang For his detailed recount of an Aboriginal Dreaming story	Liam Ford For his fantastic effort at a "See-Saw" mime
Grade 3 Symons	Aspen Chugg For great reading in Prayer time	Liam Jones For excellent preparation and participation in Prayer time
Grade 4 Smith	Kaitlyn Rice For positive peer relationships	Thomas McLellan For positive peer relationships
Grade 4 Underlin	Ava Connelly For her hard work and effort in English	Evie Dawkins For her hard work and attitude to Maths
Grade 5 McLeod/Viney	Amelia Hoyland For fantastic preparation of Creation Powerpoint	Lauren Waddington For patience and persistence in difficult Numeracy tasks
Grade 5 Illingworth	Harrison Blyth For excellent thinking during Maths	Heath Sackley-Akacich For making an extremely positive start to the term
Grade 6 Claessens	Arabella McCall For trying really hard and making a great start to the term	Jacob Boutcher For making a cracker start to the term! - Fantastic work
Grade 6 Davie	Sam Tys For an excellent, informative presentation on energy types	Stephen Talbot For an excellent, informative presentation on energy types

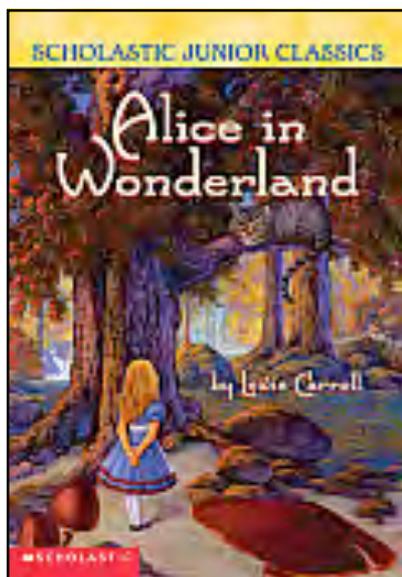
MEDITATING IN GR 2 S/W



BIRTH - 4 PLAYGROUP



SCHOOL NOTICES



Tuesday Book Club *Alice in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll

Alice in Wonderland is one of the most popular, inviting, and adventurous stories of all time.

One normal summer day, Alice is sitting on the riverbank when a big, white, talking rabbit runs past. He pops into a big rabbit hole, and Alice follows him down, down, down into a strange and magical land.

Alice has many exciting adventures in this extraordinary place called Wonderland. Here, anything can happen: All the animals talk, a deck of cards comes to life, and everything gets curiouser and curiouser.

This is the timeless tale of Alice's adventures in Wonderland.

The next meeting will be **Tuesday 6th August** from 3.15pm - 4.30pm.

We meet upstairs in the Grade Five area.

If you are interested in joining then see Mrs Illingworth or Mrs McLeod.

Everyone welcome from Grades 5 and 6.



Canteen Price Increases

Raspberry Twists	20c ea
Ice Mony (icypole)	60c ea

SCHOOL BANKING

All interest is due on School bankbooks

2013 TERM DATES

TERM 3 Tuesday 23.07.2013 to Friday 27.09.2013

TERM 4 Monday 14.10.2013 to Thursday 19.12.2013

REMINDER

A reminder to all parents when entering the school between 9.15am and 2.45pm that they are required to sign in at the office

BEGINNING AND ENDING TIMES OF THE SCHOOL DAY

First bell	8.55am	Lunch begins	12.50pm
Recess begins	11.00am	Lunch ends	1.30pm
Recess ends	11.25am	School finishes	3.00pm

2014 TERM DATES

TERM 1 Thursday 06.02.14 to Friday 19.04.14

TERM 2 Monday 05.05.14 to Friday 04.07.14

TERM 3 Monday 21.07.14 to Friday 26.09.14

TERM 4 Monday 13.10.14 to Thursday 17.12.14

EASTER Friday 18.04.14 to Monday 21.04.14

COMMUNITY NEWS



Science Week Events for Schools

National Science Week is on again from 10 - 18 August 2013, with an exciting program of activities showcasing everything to do with science! Look out for more Science Week activities at www.scienceweek.net.au

Here's an update of what's on offer for schools in 2013 hosted by the Faculty of Science, Engineering & Technology at the University of Tasmania, in conjunction with the Imaginarium in Devonport, the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery in Launceston, and National Science Week. All events are FREE unless otherwise stated.

Young Tassie Scientists at the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery

Come along and find out what real scientists do, meet some of the amazing young people working in science in Tasmania right now and find out about their research. Meet Rosie, a neuroscientist from Riverside, Sonita, a Parks and Wildlife employee and Esme, an analytical chemist.

Tuesday 13 August

3:30 – 4:30pm

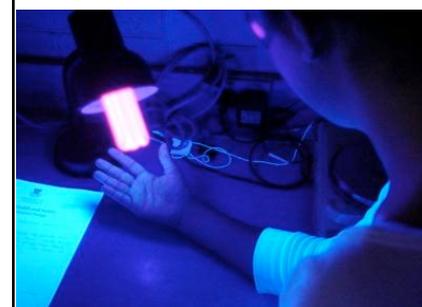
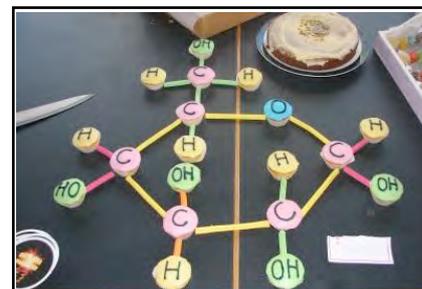
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RSVP by 8 August on 6323 3798 or email

bookings@qvmag.tas.gov.au Or email

Sarah.Bayne@utas.edu.au for more information.

www.youngtassiescientists.com



COMMUNITY NEWS

The Tasmanian Association for the Gifted will hold an information evening about Early entry to Kindergarten, for parents in the Launceston region, on **Wednesday August 7th from 7pm - 8pm.**

The evening will be held at Larmenier Catholic Primary School, 38 Station Road, St Leonards

TAG members; Free. Others \$5 (for family/couple or individual)

The evening will cover aspects of early entry including

- * State legislation
- * Is my child eligible for early entry?
- * Pro's and con's of early entry
- * How to apply for early entry
- * When to apply

and will provide an opportunity to discuss your own child's needs and ask questions at the end.

RSVP essential. RSVP to tasgifted.north@gmail.com or phone Allison on 0421396 777



Raising Boys---An Evening with Steve Biddulph

Staff, parents and friends are invited to the next St Patrick's College Parents & Friends Forum – an evening with Steve Biddulph on 'Raising Boys' to be held on Tuesday September 17th from 7.30 – 9pm in the Guilford Theatre at St Patrick's College.

For further information and bookings please access the following website,

<http://aneveningwithstevebiddulph.yolasite.com/>

or go to the St Patrick's College website and find the link in the P & F section under the Community tag.



LYTE
Launceston Youth Theatre Ensemble

LAUNCESTON YOUTH THEATRE ENSEMBLE

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE PART OF OUR 2013 MAJOR THEATRE PRODUCTION?

Enrolments are now open for the term three and four theatre program with LYTE. This is your chance to be part of our exciting major productions for the year!

LYTE is currently taking enrolments for our Junior Company (grade 1-4) and Middle Company (grade 4-7).

Being a member of LYTE is a fun, challenging and rewarding experience that develops creativity, confidence, communication skills, fabulous new friendships and helps young people realise their full potential.

Formerly known as Second Storey Youth Theatre, LYTE is recognised, by both the community and arts industry, for producing skilled, passionate and professionally minded young actors.

LYTE is a company for everyone, those who may wish to become actors and those who may not. No previous experience is required.

We'd love the opportunity to welcome you to our ensemble.

Contact:

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W> lyte.virb.com

FB> Launceston Youth Theatre Ensemble



Newstead Baptist Scout Group

Newstead Scout Group have vacancies for

Joey's (6 & 7 year olds)

Cubs (8 - 11 year olds)

Scouts (11 - 15 year olds)

Scouts encourage leadership and skills building through a program of hall based and outdoor activities.

Joey and Cubs meet on Thursday nights

Scouts meet on Monday nights

New members are welcome to come for 6 sessions to try out the program with no obligation

The group meets in the Newstead Baptist Church Hall on the corner of Wentworth and Douglas Streets, Newstead.

Enquiries can be directed to Group

Leader Mary Landers on 0419 545 237

or mary.landern@internode.on.net