

Sacred Heart School Newsletter



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Keep up to date with what is happening in the school, reminders of events and any news as it happens through the school Twitter feed at: **@shslton (95 families following)**

From the Principal:

Please visit our website for more detailed information, video and photo galleries of our school:

www.sacredheartl.tas.edu.au

Our P.B.S. Values are:

Respect for Ourselves

Respect for Others

Respect for our Learning

I recently read a post titled, Does Culture Eat Strategy For Lunch? In any business or school is strategic development more important than a strong vibrant culture in improving your organisation?

I speak from experience having been part of both healthy and unhealthy school cultures. When I talk about culture I see it from the point of view of the culture of staff, the culture of students and the culture of parents. Experience has taught me that you learn a lot from a poor culture. You see a side of a people that defines the inner character.

Because I've experienced both good and bad culture I feel very confident in saying that the culture I experienced from day one when I arrived at Sacred Heart was by and large positive. I hope that over the last two years and two terms that this has been enhanced, even if just a little!

My leadership is all about building culture and the individual capacity of people within the community to keep growing the culture. This is driven through the vehicle of trying to build positive relationships, open communication and honest feedback.

- ✓ If the culture comes and goes with the Principal or individuals then the culture is failing.
- ✓ If the culture is only maintained by some staff some of the time, or all staff some of the time, then it will eventually fail!
- ✓ If the culture is not supported by parents or students and the culture is not actively built up by the actions of people, then it will eventually fail.

My critical role as Principal is to keep working on enhancing or reducing the realities of the 3 points above. Here are five reasons why I believe it is critical to have a big focus on developing a strong positive culture:



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From the Principal:

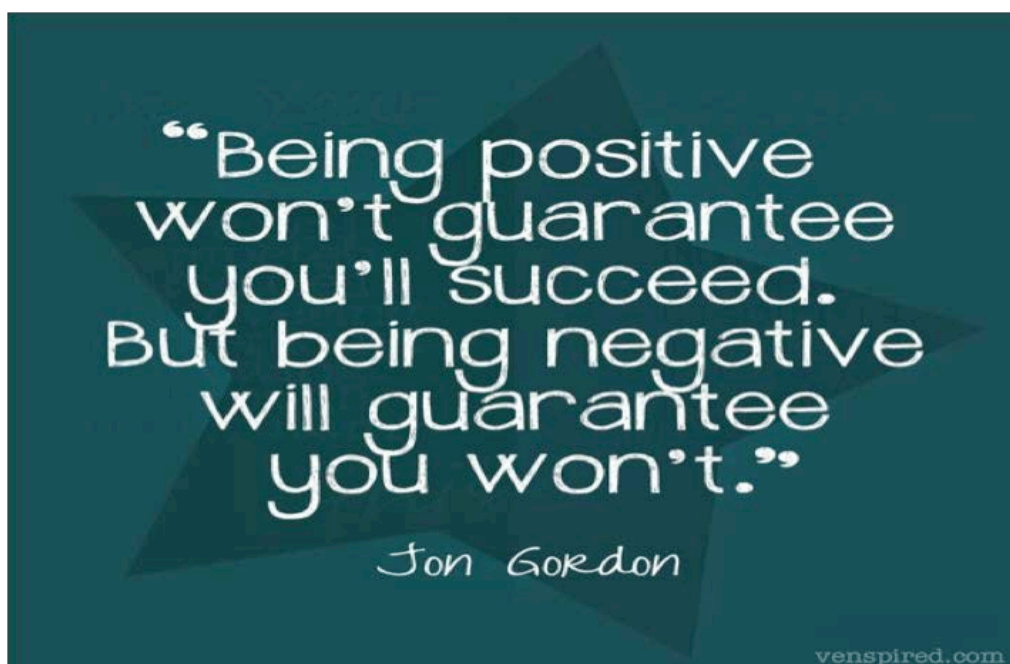
- 1) People are loyal to culture...not to strategies and standards. I can't be any simpler, being student-centered and focusing on relationships is much more important than the overall standardised test results.
- 2) A culture of continuous improvement is infectious throughout the community. The ultimate goal is to spread the culture to students and community. By modeling a life-long learning mentality we begin to shift mindsets.
- 3) Strategies and standards come and go, but culture defines an organisation. We need to be focused on improving our school for the future and in the process enable us to be our best current self. People always remember how you treated them, but they don't always remember the outcome.
- 4) Culture motivates and encourages everyone to be at their best. Scare tactics and discipline lead to an undercurrent and divisive feelings about the organisation. I much prefer positive peer pressure over an iron fist!
- 5) Culture shapes the future. Show me a student that looks back at their schooling and talks about standards learned. The culture of an organisation lifts everyone up. Simply put, a Rising Tide Lifts All Ships.



This Week's Big Questions:

Do you see our School Culture as healthy?

Is it healthier because of what you do to build it up or is it healthy in spite of what you do?



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From the Principal:

Mid-Year Reports Feedback

I hope the opportunity for parents and students to talk with classroom teachers was a positive and productive experience. I hope that from this, students can recognise their strengths and celebrations as well as identifying goals for Term 3 and 4.

Enterprise Bargaining Update

A potential full day strike action is to occur on Thursday 7th August. Like all involved I hope for a resolution before this occurs.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS:

At a recent P & F meeting it was agreed that each class will receive \$500 as part of the levy that parents pay to help with resources in classrooms for teachers. Our class teachers value these funds to help with purchasing resources.

Each year a specific area is identified to provide additional funds and this year \$2000 was allocated to the Music program. Mr. Nas is already purchasing equipment to help use iPads and music apps to create and mix music with our students in their music lessons.

It is important to know and understand that the funds from the P & F levy that parents pay goes directly towards resources and support to your children in the classrooms and not to general funds.

The Parents and Friends email, if you have any questions or comments about anything to do with P & F, is: shsl.pnf@catholic.tas.edu.au



Polo Tops : Sports Uniform

The survey feedback from parents and students provided a clear preference for Option 2. There was some feedback of providing the design of Rice House (Red) from Option 1 and the remaining Houses from Option 2

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~ July 2014						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27th	28th	29th	30th	31st	1/8	2/8
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7.30pm P & F Meeting 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11.30am Band Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.30am Strings Program • 2.20pm Assembly 	
PARENT / STUDENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS						
~ August 2014						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Band Program Today • Gr 3-6 attending the PCYC performance of CATS at the Princess Theatre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.30am Strings Program • 2.20pm Assembly 	
10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6pm Board Meeting 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11.30am Band Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.30am Strings Program • 2.20pm Assembly • 6pm SHS Rock'n'Roll night 	

Reminder : School Photos 26th & 27th August

KINDER - Gr.6 FATHERS DAY CELEBRATIONS

3RD SEPTEMBER

11am-1pm



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

TERM 1 Thursday 06.02.14 to Thursday 17.04.14

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 Wednesday 17.12.14

EASTER Good Friday 18.04.14 to Monday 21.04.14

ROCK'N'ROLL NIGHT

Come and join the fun and do the Macarena or get your Grease Lightning moves going.

Friday 15th August

6.00-8.00pm (doors open 5.45pm)

St.Ailbes Hall

\$10.00 per family

BYO Dinner and Drinks

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Recent students of the week

Prep Hills	Orla Kelly For consistently using the 5L's	Broden Harper For consistently working quietly and carefully on all tasks
Prep Best	Hugh Rickerby Welcome to Sacred Heart	
Grade 1 Crawford	Christian Doran For great improvements in handwriting	Isabella Spencer For great listening skills
Grade 1 Underlin	Meg Rickerby For her great start at SHS	Seb Page For being a great role model
Grade 2 van Ryn	Brodie Dobson For great work in his spelling this week	Xavier Rawlings For working hard on his listening poster and setting a goal for the future
Grade 2 Reid	Mia Goody For an excellent attempt at writing a book report	Torie Mansell For great application to all tasks this week, particularly in Literacy and Maths
Grade 3 Hood	Senay Todd For excellent work during our reading groups	Jackson Northeast For always producing well written texts in all genres
Grade 3 Symons	Ryan Lovell For being a great WEST person	Emilee Faulkner For great effort in her spelling
Grade 4 Smith	Hamish McKenzie For displaying team skill by co-operating with others	Ava Dowde For showing others respect
Grade 4 Wood	Hayley Lehner For always giving your best effort to your school work Maureen Bawden For excellent work in Division	Will Symons For an excellent recount of your Holiday Will Fox For always giving your best effort to your school work
Grade 5 McLeod/ Illingworth	Thomas Geale For always being a fantastic friend	Jade Nichols For excellent greet, treat and speak
Grade 5 Viney/Sydes	Thomas Feely For always putting 100% effort into every task	Joe Robinson For willingly and enthusiastically helping others when ever he can
Grade 6 Claessens/ Thompson	Nathan Cairns For being an extremely well organised and an outstanding assistant in class	Jack Beatty For working hard and making a fine start to the term
Grade 6 Davie	Connor Griffin For the great effort he is displaying towards his school work in class. Keep it up Connor!	Daniel Nicholas For his great attitude and application towards his school work. Fantastic effort!

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Guess What?
Exciting News!

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



Sunday 9th 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.

Move Well Eat Well



How to pack a rubbish-free lunch

Focus on fresh 'everyday' foods

- many types of fruit and vegetables don't need packaging, the scraps can then be added to the compost

Don't buy single serve packaged items

- reduce waste and save money

Use reusable containers

- (don't forget to name them!!)



Get your kids involved

- this can save you time and children enjoy taking responsibility

For more rubbish-free lunchbox ideas visit:
www.movewelleatwell.tas.gov.au/families

Department of Health and Human Services
Population Health Services

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Move Well Eat Well



Beware of food advertising

Many TV ads promote 'occasional' food and drinks that are high in salt, fat and sugar.

What families can do:

- Limit your child's TV viewing to less than 2 hours each day.
- Talk to your child about why food advertisements are made.
- Discuss why you are choosing not to buy the foods or drinks advertised.
- Discuss some 'everyday' foods that are better choices than the 'occasional' foods seen on TV.



For more information and for family ideas on healthy eating and physical activity visit:

www.movewelleatwell.tas.gov.au

Department of Health and Human Services

Last reviewed 2012

The Tasmanian Move Well Eat Well Award Program is adapted from the Kids - 'Go for your life' Program. © State of Victoria, Australia. It is a joint Australian and State Government initiative under the National Partnership Agreement on Preventive Health.



THE CARMEL SHOP

7 Cambridge Street
West Launceston

Special gifts for First Eucharist and Confirmation are available at our shop.

Missals, Prayer books, Bibles, Stories of saints and other topics, Rosary beads and a wide range of pious objects.

We are open every Wednesday from 11am - 4pm

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS 2015

TERM 1 Thursday 5.2.15 to Thursday 2.4.15

TERM 2 Monday 20.4.15 to Friday 3.7.15

TERM 3 Monday 20.7.15 to Friday 25.9.15

TERM 4 Monday 12.10.15 to Wednesday 17.12.15

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Tuesday Book Club

Trash

by Andy Mulligan



"Raphael is a dumpsite boy. He spends his days wading through mountains of steaming trash, sifting it, sorting it, breathing it, sleeping on it. Then one unlucky-lucky day, the world turns upside down. A small leather bag falls into his hands. It's a bag of clues. It's a bag of hope. It's a bag that will change everything. Soon Raphael and his friends are running for their lives. Hounded by the police, it takes all their quick-thinking and fast-talking to stay ahead. As the net tightens, they uncover a dead man's mission to put right a terrible wrong. And it's three street-boys against the world..."

The next meeting will be **Tuesday 5th August**

from 3.15pm - 4.30pm.

Everyone welcome from Grades 5 and 6.

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

P & F News

Mid Year Raffle Books

The P & F Mid-Year raffle has begun and raffle books were sent home last week. If you haven't received your book yet, spare books are available from the office. The raffle will be drawn at the Rock'n'roll night and Thankyou for supporting this fundraiser.



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 food 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!

Launceston Benevolent Society



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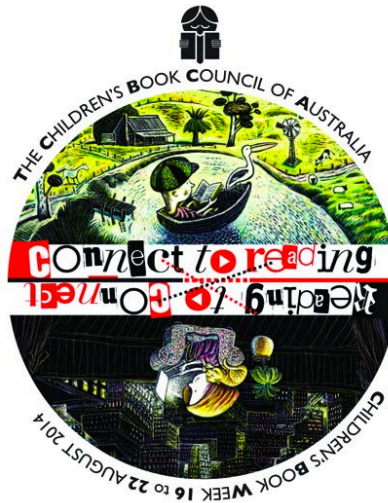
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Book Week 2014: Saturday 16 August - Friday 22 August



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/>

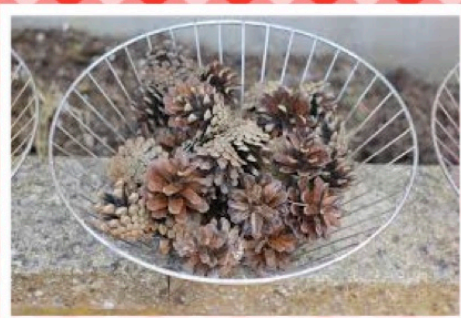
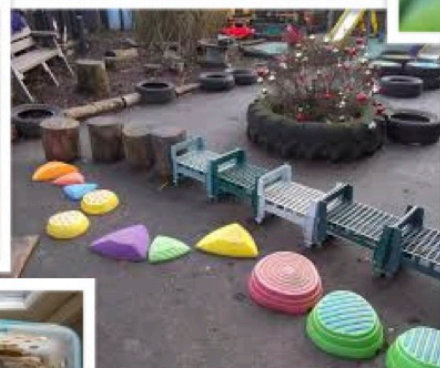
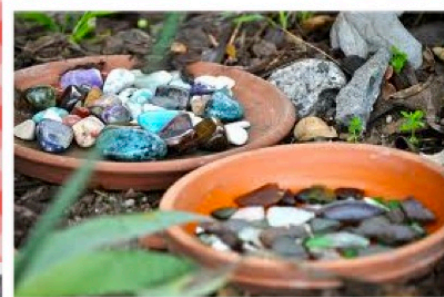
In our school, Esmae Morrow from Grade 5 is our Indigenous Literacy Ambassador.

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