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** (101 families following)

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www.sacredheartl.tas.edu.au

From the Principal:

Phone: 6331 1011

'Today is another chance to get things right!'

Last Friday was an example of what is right and good about our school. The Rock and Roll Night is a busy, loud and energetic experience. It can be daunting for the uninitiated. It is a night that for many of our students is a highlight of their year. *I want to thank parents and students for how well they approached the night*. From my viewpoint, I found our students the most responsive and engaged that they have been in my time here, with large numbers on the dance floor the entire night.

Thanks as usual go to Barry Nas for making it possible! Thanks for our Parents and Friends for continuing to support and help organise the event!

# 'Everyone you meet is fighting a battle you may not know about. Be Kind. Always' 'Kindness is the life vest that keeps our school afloat.'

Schools, as a matter of reality, have to address situations that are sensitive in nature. We are made aware of information, personal or private circumstances and information. It is shared with school because it helps us to support children and families.

For many of our staff, who are parents as well as employees, this can place them in potentially difficult situations. At times they may be asked questions that really as professional employees they cannot give answers to. I would hope that most parents would not expect them to share this information!! What would this say about their professionalism *if they did* share? I have found the easiest way to avoid this is simple. Just don't ask!

What our school hopes and expects is effort by all members of our community to do the same. We need parents and children to do what is needed to help a situation get better or for the school to try to develop solutions to problems or challenges in the short and long term.

This may require people to share information with the school or to let us know about a situation or it may mean that parents and children don't involve themselves, refrain from 'over sharing' with anyone that wants to hear because this will do nothing to help fix the problem and potentially make it worse.

Sadly there have been too many times in my experience where (even with the best intentions) parents addressing problems directly with other parents or contacting parents about things they have witnessed before the school can go about responding, this has lead to the problem becoming more complex or the school having to deal with a situation that has escalated.

Our school will not always get things right or go about things in the best way. I am ok with this as long as we learn from it, make changes and improve how we do this the next time. This is called learning! We as adults, parents and members of a school community have opportunities to learn as well.

From the Principal:

#### OUR P.B.S. VALUES ARE:

Respect for Ourselves
Respect for Others
Respect for our Learning

#### **Collecting Students**

I again remind parents it is inappropriate, potentially dangerous and against what the school has in place (in terms of safety) to stop your car in the middle of the road and expect your child to walk out to the car. All teaching staff on bus duty have been instructed to have students stay on the footpath if this is requested, even if from their own parent!

Our school has one of the most difficult parking scenarios of any school and the majority of parents do an outstanding job being patient and accepting a situation we have little ability to change.

However this does not make it ok for individual parents to ignore what the school has in place. We makes no apologies for placing the highest expectations on the safety of all students. If these expectations are higher than a parent has for their own child, this is unfortunate however it won't change our approach. If you have any queries about this, direct them to me as Principal, rather than 'shooting the messenger' – the teachers on duty who are just doing their job: trying to maintain the safety of your children and the children of other parents.

#### **Primary Schools Basketball Tournament**

Tryouts for teams happened on Tuesday afternoon of this week. We have focused on having teams in Division A if is a majority of players capable of playing division A. There may be some instances where individual players may be good enough to play Division A but we believe the team is better placed in Division B.

All teams in Division B we have strived to make as equal as possible. If selection is close we have made preference for Grade 4 and Grade 6 students. Please if any queries direct them to Matt Jones, Julian Davie, Liz Illingworth or Phill van Ryn.

#### **Book Week**

Our students have celebrated events across this week as part of National Book Week. Tomorrow we finish the week with a traditional 'Book Week Parade' where students come to school dressed as their favourite character out of a book they have read. We will be sharing the parade as a whole school at 9am. THERE WILL BE NO ASSEMBLY IN THE AFTERNOON DUE TO THE BOOK PARADE.

## **Polo Tops**

Polo Tops: We have finalised the new polo tops. A letter will come out Monday outlining the process for ordering the new polo tops. Unfortunately the time frame will be tight for parents to place an order to make sure that we can have the polo tops arrive towards the end of this year.



#### **BBQ**

If you're going to the Babies and Kids market this Saturday at St Albie's Hall, call in and have an egg and bacon sandwich. P&F will be cooking on the BBQ raising funds for our school. A huge thank you to our school families, Scott Alexander (Cripps) and Nic Duffy who have kindly donated bread and 100 eggs.





**Photos from Rock & Roll Night** please email maree.mills@catholic.tas.edu or contact the office 63311011

#### Timetable for School Photos

Tuesday 26th August	
9.25 9.45 10.10 10.35 11.00 11.35 11.55 12.25 12.50	Kinder Halley 5 Viney / Sydes Prep Best Prep Hills 1 Underlin RECESS 5 McLeod / Illingworth 1 Crawford 2 Reid LUNCH - Family Photos 4 Smith

Wednesday 27th August	
8.25 9.00 9.25 9.45 10.10 10.35 11.00	STAFF PHOTOS Kinder Nas 4 Wood 3 Symons 3 Hood 2 van Ryn RECESS 6 Davie 6 Claessens LUNCH

#### VINNIE'S WALK IN MY SHOES DAY

Vinnie's are conducting an activity to encourage children to better appreciate the things they are lucky enough to have in life, things they probably take for granted, things like a pair of shoes. Parents may have noticed a poster in some of the classes depicting a poor African man wearing a pair of sandals made out of used plastic cordial containers. We are inviting children to make some shoes/sandals/thongs or coverings for feet out of rubbish they may find lying around the house. They could even modify or fix an old pair of shoes using tape etc. Prizes will be awarded for imagination, ingenuity and effort. Children will parade their efforts early next term. This may provide children with a fun holiday activity and an activity from which they may gain some valuable experiences. So please get behind this fun activity and help provide the children with an opportunity to appreciate what they have and what others less fortunate don't have.

Mr Tony Claessens and the Mini Vinnie's Team





Gr 4 Smith excursion to Launceston College for morning tea, work experience for the college students. We were accompanied by Chris Duffy and Paula de Cani. We were given a tour of the facilities and learnt about the courses there.





#### **Information regarding School Fee Tuition**

Each month fee accounts are printed and sent out with your eldest child. There are many options for paying your school fees:

- 1. Cash, Cheque and Eftpos at the office
- Complete the credit card option on the bottom of the school account and you can send to the office with students, mail or email.
- Monthly credit card authority for regular payments can be arranged by completing forms available from the office.
- 4. Credit card payments by phone to the office.
- 5. Direct debit arrangement from Cheque or Savings account can be arranged by completing form available from the office. (these payments can be made on a regular basis either weekly, fortnight or monthly ongoing, all year round.)
- 6. Transfer funds directly from your internet banking:

#### Commonwealth bank

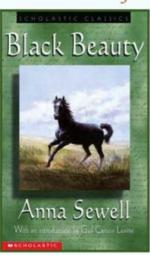
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**Description**: Your name, your account number



## Tuesday Book Club Black Beauty

by Anna Sewell



"Black Beauty is the tale of a young thoroughbred that captured the hearts of Victorian England in the early 1800s. It is told by its hero, a remarkable black horse born with one white foot and a white star on his

In his own unique voice, Black Beauty tells the story of his life from the time he was a young colt who grazed the meadow in idyllic country pastures, to his work pulling a cart on the cobblestoned streets in London.

His experiences with both kind and cruel treatment, and the last home where he finally finds love and happiness.

This is his amazing story, told as only he could tell it."

The next meeting will be Tuesday 2nd September from 3.15pm - 4.30pm. Everyone welcome from Grades 5 and 6.

# PLEASE JOIN US!

Ronald McDonald House Hobart® invites you to a fabulous night of 'fun-raising' in Launceston with special guests

Sam Kekovich & Craig 'Hutchy' Hutchison.



The 2014 RMHC® Ride for Sick Kids VIC/TAS will kick off in Tassie for the first time with a short



Join the cyclists in Launceston after their ride for some fun & help raise funds to support Tasmania families caring for a seriously ill or injured child needing treatment in Hobart.

All funds raised from this RMHC® Ride for Sick Kids event will go to Ronald McDonald House Hobart to help families from Launceston and surrounding areas have a home in Hobart when they need it most

We will be auctioning some fantastic items -including road bikes & AFL Footy Show

Tickets are limited so get in first! Secure your table, have some fun and support Tasmanian amilies and Ronald McDonald House at the same time



			~ August 2014			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
17th	18th	19th		<b>21st</b> • 11.30am Band Program	22nd • 9.30am Strings Program • 2.20pm Assembly	23rd
				<b>Book Week</b> The Great Book Swap	<b>Book Week</b> Book Week Parade	
24th	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th
	• Gr 2 Excursion to The Gorge	• 7.30pm P & F Dinner Meeting		• 11.30am Band Program	•9.30am Strings Program	
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		School	photos		,	

~ September 2014						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31st	1st	2nd	3rd			6th
	• SHS Gr 3-6 Athletics carnival	<ul> <li>Gr 6 Excursion to the Maritime College</li> <li>Kinder Halley - Hagley Farm Excursion</li> </ul>	• 11am - 1pm Fathers day celebrations	Triodam Bana	<ul><li>9.30am Strings</li><li>Program</li><li>2.20pm Assembly</li></ul>	

S.H.S. Parents and Friends email <a href="mailto:shsl.pnf@catholic.tas.edu.au">shsl.pnf@catholic.tas.edu.au</a>



Reminder - Please return your School Photo order forms by Friday 22nd August at the latest!

#### 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

#### Student absences

Please remember to call the School office on 63311011 or email <a href="mailto:shsl@catholic.tas.edu.au">shsl@catholic.tas.edu.au</a> if your child will be absent from school.

## <u>UNIFORM SHOP NEWS</u>

shs.clothingpool@catholic.tas.edu.au.

### **2014 Opening Days**

Thursday's 2.00pm - 4.00pm

## Recent students of the week

Prep Hills	Elaria Acquarola For great thinking in Maths	Jayda O'Keefe For being a good friend	
Prep Best	Isobelle Beety For an excellent effort in learning the first 100 Magic Words	Max Matthews For an excellent effort in learning the first 100 Magic Words	
Grade 1 Crawford	Jack Adams For being resilient	Molly Ross  For using excellent detail in all of her work	
Grade 1 Underlin	Isobel Leake For her awesome, positive attitude	Oliver Wright For his work in Maths	
Grade 2 van Ryn	Sebastian Stone For using good problem solving skills in Maths	Alice Mathers For making big improvements in English	
Grade 2 Reid	<b>William Saunders</b> For being a WEST person - always helpful and friendly to all	Molly Tanton For great application to all tasks. Always of a high standard	
Grade 3 Hood	Isabella Davie For excellent aboriginal dreaming narrative	Hayden Gardner For your thorough understanding of our science unit	
Grade 3 Symons	Sereya Millwood-Mackenzie For helping others when they need it	Jorja Rayner For sharing what she knows with others in class discussions	
Grade 4 Smith	Laura Hodgetts For displaying maturity and excellent social skills	Connor Leeflang For detailed and well presented geography powerpoint presentation	
Grade 4 Wood	Mia Baldock For your great motivation and hard work in completing your History poster	Quinn Hardy For your great work and creativity in completing your History movie	
Grade 5 McLeod/ Illingworth	Amelia Cox For honesty when giving feedback to class mates	Zane Fagan  For giving all tasks a go, especially the impromptu speeches this week	
Grade 5 Viney/Sydes	Isobelle Mathers For being an amazing example to others in the way she approaches all areas of school life	Shelby Tubb  For the friendly, caring and open way she interacts with others	
Grade 6 Claessens/ Thompson	Aleigha Gumley For being a great help around the classroom for the good of the whole class. A real team player	Remi Gardner For continuing to challenge herself and in doing so inspiring others to do the same	
Grade 6 Davie	Edwina Jones For the discipline and determination she is now displaying to her studies. Fantastic effort!	Lachlan Dalton For respecting others, respecting himself, respecting learning and looking out for ALL his peers. A true role model!	

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

community spirit.

#### **St Patricks College Clothing Store**



The Clothing Store is open Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:30am - 4:00pm

Lay-by's are welcome.

#### **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

## 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









## **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

www.movewelleatwell.tas.gov.au/families





On Tuesday our Kinder Halley and Prep to Grade 3 students attended the Bravehearts Ditto Show.

They would have come home with an activity book as well.

They learnt Ditto's 3 Rules during the session.

Rule #1 We all have the right to feel safe with people.

Rule #2 It's OK to say "NO" if you feel unsafe or unsure.

Rule #3 Nothing is so yucky that you can't tell someone about it.

The other key messages from the show were about:

#### Yes and No Feelings:

To help children begin to identify and recognize the differences between a 'yes' and a 'no' feeling. To help children identify how 'yes' and 'no' feelings can make them feel. To encourage children to talk to an adult when they have a 'no' feeling.

#### Warning Signs:

To help children to begin to identify warning signs in the body

To help children to identify 'where' the warning signs can be experienced in the body

#### Private Parts:

To help children identify the private parts on the body To help children understand that their private parts belong to them

#### Secrets:

To reinforce the message of 'run and tell' to gain support Provides examples of secrets that need adult support

#### Run and tell someone you can trust

To encourage children to find a safe person to talk to

To help children to identify who they can talk to

To encourage children to continue to find a safe person to talk to and if an initial contact does not assist, find someone who can

This information may be helpful in some discussions with your child.

Liz Illingworth





Grade 2 van Ryn created these posters in Pic Collage on the iPads. They were asked to make a poster about what is great about Sacred Heart for **Catholic Education Week.** 



## **Catholic Education Cyber Awareness Week August 24 – 30**

During this week all classes in our schools will have a focus on Cyber Awareness as it is an important issue in today's world. Mobiles, ipads and the internet have certainly changed our world, becoming an essential part of our lives. But how do we balance all the great things that come from our digital and online world with the potential risks? Keeping children safe online, aware of what to do and how to behave online will be a focus of the Cyber Awareness Week. In the next three weeks there will a focus on what you, as parents and guardians, can do to help your children be safe online at home for 5-7 years, 8-10 years and 11 - 13 years. Also a brochure published by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) called "Cybersmart Parents' Guide to online safety" will be sent home to each family.

#### 11 - 13 years olds

This age group are growing up fast and to them the digital world might seem as important as the real world. They will spend lots of time texting or 'chatting' to friends on Facebook, even if, according to the rules, they are not age eligible, watching and uploading videos from YouTube or downloading tracks from iTunes or playing online games. At school they may be using lots of technology and therefore also using the internet to help with homework. As they get older they may begin to rely on online social networking sites to explore issues such as body image ,sex and relationships. They are keen to have independence and their digital world becomes more portable and more private. They may also take on the role of the 'Technology expert' at home eg programming Foxtel iQ but that doesn't mean that as parents and guardians you can sit back and lose touch with what they are doing. They may think they are in control but they are still vulnerable to scams, cyberbullying and other online threats.

#### Something to think about:

- Ask your child where they are, and who they're with online
- Teach them about behaving responsibly in their digital world eg downloading games and videos legally, respecting others on line, keeping personal information private
- Explain that any photos, comments or videos they post now could be seen by their teachers, complete strangers and later by universities and employers
- Set some rules for mobile use and explain how large bills can be rung up just by game downloads, ringtones, etc
- Give them the Kids Helpline Number 1800 55 1800, download the Cybersmart help button for their devices and bookmark the Cybersmart website <u>www.cybersmart.gov.au</u> for resources, help and reporting offensive content
- Set rules about the time spent on digital devices and remember children should have an hour before sleep time free of using digital devices.