

Sacred Heart School Newsletter



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OUR P.B.S. VALUES ARE:

Respect for Ourselves

Respect for Others

Respect for our Learning

From the Principal:

In the Seasons of the Church we are ending the period of Lent and about to enter the Season of Easter. The Passion of Christ, in the lead up to his death and then Resurrection, is the essential cornerstone of our faith as Catholics and Christians.

"...The word 'Passion' takes its roots from the Greek, pascho, to suffer. In the Latin translation of the scriptures (the Vulgate) the word passio specifically referred to Jesus' suffering, his agony in the garden, his trial, his being stripped of his clothes and whipped, his humiliating crowning with thorns, the bearing of his cross, his crucifixion.

Passion came to mean something for which we would suffer for or endure. A young singer desperate to sing for Opera Australia might plot and plan to achieve that goal, will endure poverty, disappointment and lowly roles in order that their passion may be satisfied. What is your real passion? What would you endure for your passion? Like you, I suspect, my passion is my family...." (Peter Douglas Head of Services North- Catholic Education Tasmania.)

The events of Holy Week have the whole spectrum of life's realities: betrayal, cruelty, ego, politics, injustice and doubt, kindness, disappointment and then most important of all, HOPE! The key message is of hope! Hope amongst cruelty, injustice and betrayal. Sadly for many, if not most of us, we have experienced disappointment, loss, cruelty and sadness. Yet it is hope that moves us onwards and upwards, hope that motivates to try again, hope that makes us believe things can turn around or improve.

Faith is tested and questioned when we see the death of innocent people in wars waged across the world? When we see disease, drought, starvation and poverty? God is present in the hope and kindness of people that fight for cures, for aid, that are the voice of those that are voiceless, for peace amongst the violence and bravery amongst the actions of cowards.

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From the Principal:

In the newsletter there is some information around Overland Jack. The Duffy family along with other SHS Families including Rachel Williams, Damon Goody and Ivor Carins will walk the Overland Track (65km) from 14th – 19th April. Jack has cerebral palsy spastic quadriplegia. Later in the newsletter you can read more information about this. In part of the information they write:

" ...Jack's life and this adventure isn't about what he can't do, it's about how - with a little help from those around him - he can do just about anything. The sad thing is that Jack is one of the lucky ones. Those around him are healthy enough and able to support him in his adventures. Jack wants to raise money for other people who aren't so lucky and need help in breaking down their own real or perceived barriers."

This is the Easter Message right in front of us in 2015, living the same message of over 2000 years ago..... Hope!

Have a great Easter break and thank you to everyone who has, through big and small deeds, breathed life and positive energy into our SHS Community this term.

Marja Garwood Retiring

We wrote to parents on Monday announcing that Mrs. Marja Garwood would be retiring at the end of this term after 20 years working at S.H.S.

Marja has provided outstanding financial leadership within our school, which has directly lead to our School being in the position it is now; continuing to provide resources, facilities and support to students, staff and parents across a prolonged period of time.

What I want to recognize, though, is a person of integrity, a person who in focusing on a budget understood that it was about supporting people and in particular families. A person who is honest, direct yet compassionate and caring. A person who has supported our office team to be prepared and competent to take over responsibilities when she was ready to retire. On a personal level I want to thank Marja for her patience, professionalism and openness in working with a new Principal and allowing me to lead our school through a period of capital development using our funds to get fantastic buildings and facilities (with more to come this year!).

Mrs. Lidia Williams will, at least for the remainder of this year, take up Marja's role as Financial Officer. Mrs. Maree Mills will increase her hours in Office Administration to support Lidia in maintaining the high functioning administrative operation of our school.

Marja will leave a legacy in our school community that would be impossible to replicate or try to replace. We will still see Marja at S.H.S. as she helps us transition through the rest of 2015. I know that Marja will enjoy her retirement and on behalf of our entire school community I wish her every moment of enjoyment and success going forward.

Co-Teacher Positions

I am happy to announce the following appointments in co-teacher positions from start of Term 2.

- ✓ Mrs Brownyn Lang will continue working in the 3 /4 co teacher role for the remainder of the year.
- ✓ Mrs. Mel Heathorn will replace Miss Lauren Thompson who is soon taking maternity leave as co-teacher for 5 /6.
- ✓ Mrs. Lisa Smith will cover Grade 2 when Mr. van Ryn is working with students on I.C.T. every second Friday and cover Mr. Hood's class when we have Team Leader Days.

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Student Free Day : Monday 20th April

A reminder that **Monday 20th April** is a student free day.

Students do not begin Term 2 until Tuesday 21st April.

Dance Fever

Thanks to Courtney, Michael and Benny for their fantastic energy, enthusiasm and engagement with our students in the Skipping Program this term. They will be back in Term 4 to run a Dancing unit with the students with the same energy and engagement we have seen this term.

The school has made a significant financial commitment to the program as the cost is \$3.50 per child per week. We see great value in the program and the feedback from students, teachers and parents has been overwhelmingly positive.

Winter Uniform

From the start of Term 2 students are to be wearing their full winter uniform. As written in past newsletters, if uniform orders have not arrived for individual students at the start of Term 2 accommodations will be made for these students until the stock arrives.

Kinder 2016

We are close to beginning Kinder Interviews for 2016. To help us know how many enrolments we can accept of new families to SHS, we really need to know with confidence how many existing families will have a child beginning Kinder in 2016. Please let us know as soon as possible please.

Cross Country Training

Beginning at the start of May we will invite any students from Grade 3 - 6 who would like to train for the School Cross Country to several trainings at the Brickfields. We will also, once teams are selected for the Interschool Carnival, have training for students in the SHS Cross Country Team. More information to come at the start of Term 2.



~ April 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
19th	20th STUDENT FREE DAY	21st Term 2 Begins Full Winter Uniform 6pm Board report	22nd Gr 3 & 4 going to "The King and I" Princess Theatre	23rd 10am Strings program 1.30pm Band program Gr 5 & 6 going to "The King and I" Princess Theatre Grade 4 Camp	24th 9am Assembly Grade 4 Camp	25th
26th	27th	28th 3.15pm Gr 5/6 Book club 7.30pm P & F Meeting	29th	30th 10am Strings program 1.30pm Band program	1st May 9am Assembly 12.30 Gr 5/6 Winter Sport	

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HOLY WEEK

Holy means "set apart." Christians set apart an entire week - Holy Week - to recall the events surrounding the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

As a current Kinder teacher, it is always a bit challenge as well as spiritual experience, to share what this time might mean to a four and five year old child. It is difficult to explain that a long time ago crowds of people enjoyed the company and teachings of a man called Jesus, yet the leaders of that time were threatened by Jesus' growing popularity and followers and wanted to him out of the picture. When explaining why those leaders would feel like that, I likened it to that some people preferred living in their own selfish, mean and dark world instead of living a new way of life which Jesus spoke about and lived - a life of love and light for others.

But the voices of goodness were overshadowed and the land was covered in darkness and Jesus' life was over. Was this really the end to the new life Jesus spoke about and lived! No. God promised goodness and light. And on the third day Jesus' body was resurrected. This truly was the new life that God had promised! Jesus' Spirit lived in the hearts of faithful. This was the new life - living through and in others! What happened during Holy Week was only way for this new life of love to come to complete fruition. This is why we remember Jesus' suffering during Holy Week. And this is why we celebrate with great joy Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday!

Back in Kinder, we do remember (simply) but we mostly celebrate. We celebrate new life - Jesus' new life and the new life of love and light in us!

Wishing you a happy and holy Easter time.



Helen Halley - Faith, Mission and Wellbeing

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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 16.12.15

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.

Project Compassion during Lent

Just a reminder to please return your Project Compassion boxes to the office or classroom by early next term. Your donations to Caritas' Project Compassion give expression to the Gospel imperative to pursue justice and help those who are the most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice.

Helen Halley – Faith, Mission and Wellbeing

Tuesday Book Club

20
15

THE IMPOSSIBLE QUEST ESCAPE FROM WOLFHAGEN CASTLE

BY
KATE FORSYTH

Wolfhaven Castle has been attacked, and only four escape capture ... Tom, trained to scrub pots, not fight; Elanor, the Lords daughter; Sebastian, a knight in training and Quinn, the witch's apprentice.

Somehow, if they are to save their people, these unlikely heroes must find four magical beasts from legend. But first, they have to make it out of the castle alive...



The next meeting is
Tuesday 28th April
from 3.15pm - 4.30pm.
Everyone welcome from Grades 5 & 6

ART CLUB

Dear parents and students,

We are taking expressions of interest for an after school Arts Club, starting Term 2, for any students in Grades 3 to 6. The proposed day and time will be every second Tuesday from 3:15pm - 4:15pm. Please note that there will be a small cost involved to assist with purchasing the art supplies.

If you are interested in joining Arts Club, could you please email me with the following details:

Name & Class

Which mediums/areas of art would you enjoy learning about?

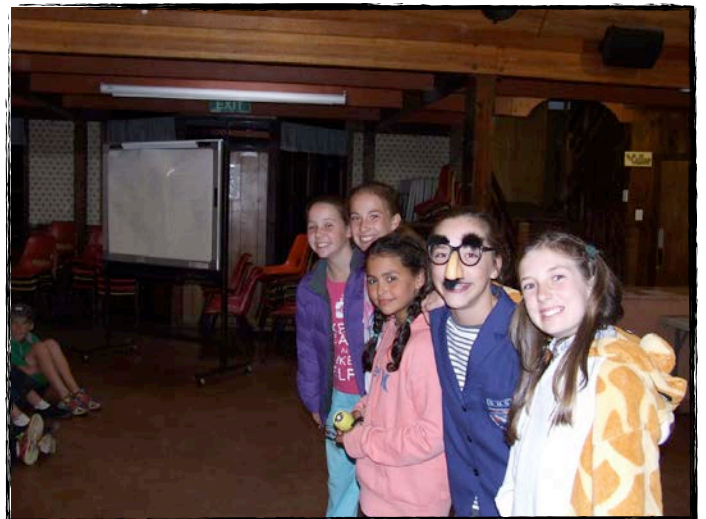
This is purely an expression of interest to gain an idea for possible numbers of students and preferred mediums in Arts Club. It will not guarantee the student a place in the club. Registration forms will be sent out later in the term.

Sincerely,
Melissa Heathorn
Art Teacher
melissa.heathorn@catholic.tas.edu.au

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Grade 6 Claessens Camp

Grade 6 Claessens went on camp last week to Woodfield Lodge. We were blessed with fine weather for most of the camp. some of the exciting activities included flying fox, shelter building, archery and bush walking. The highlight of the camp was the liturgy where we each received a letter from our Mum's and Dad's. We all had a great time and worked extremely well as team players.



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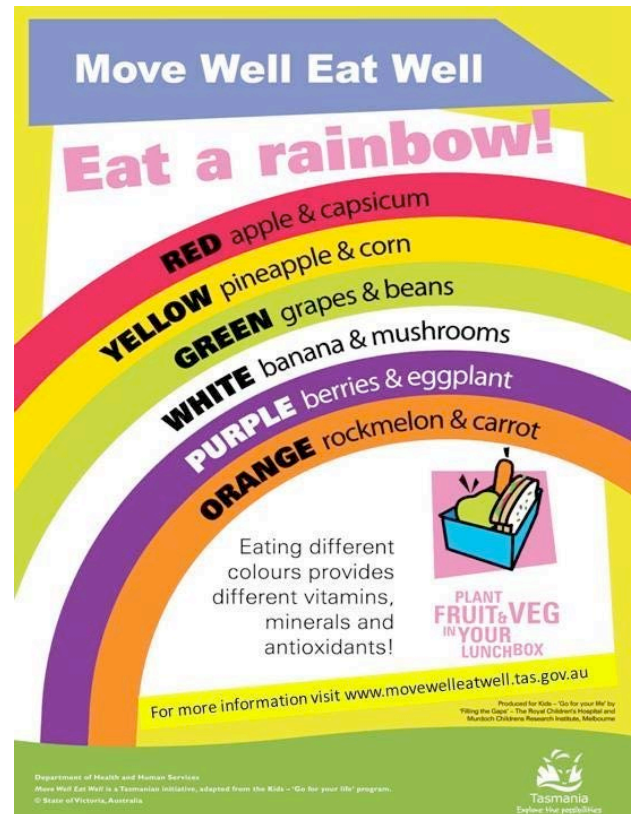
Emergency Practise

We recently held an unannounced emergency practise with staff & students, to test our response to a potential scenario that staff identify a threat warranting the school go into lockdown (opposite to evacuation). Like for fire evacuation drills, we recognised the worth to test this process. If you have queries you are welcome to call our Safety officer Simon Natoli on 0400 105 476



We caught these people being a
"Walking God Moment"

Fletcher Howe
Isabella Olding



CELEBRATING HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2015

LAUNCESTON PARISH

PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION (2ND RITE)
7.30PM, WEDNESDAY 25TH MARCH AT ST FINN BARR'S CHURCH, INVERMAY

HOLY THURSDAY, 2nd April
MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

7.30pm Church of the Apostles
44 Margaret Street, Launceston
7.30pm Carmelite Monastery
7 Cambridge Street, West Launceston

GOOD FRIDAY, 3rd April
STATIONS OF THE CROSS (OUTDOORS)
10.30am Church of the Apostles
COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION
3.00pm Church of the Apostles
3.00pm Carmelite Monastery

HOLY SATURDAY, 4th April
1ST RITE OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)
10.00am Church of the Apostles
EASTER VIGIL & MASS OF THE RESURRECTION
7.30pm Church of the Apostles
11.00pm Carmelite Monastery

EASTER SUNDAY, 5th April
8.30am Carmelite Monastery (Please note time)
9.00am St Patrick's College Chapel (Family Mass)
Cnr Mt Leslie & Westbury Roads, Prospect
9.00am St Finn Barr's Church
247 Invermay Road, Invermay
10.30am Church of the Apostles

Please Note
NO 6.30pm EVENING MASS
at Church of the Apostles on Easter Sunday

Family Mass

6pm Saturday

Newstead Church

21 March
25 April
16 May
27 June
25 July
22 August
19 September
17 October
21 November

If you or your child/ren would like to help with our family Masses please contact your school's APRE or Jacqui Wood 6344 5714 or wood1991@bigpond.net.au

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The Spirit of Jesus is Alive in:

Prep Hills	Kayleb Barker Welcome to Sacred Heart!	Cameron Nicholas For fantastic engagement in our building project
Prep Best	Ivy McCullagh For always having an enthusiastic attitude to school	Thomas Tanton For great listening in class
Grade 1 Crawford	Ruby Martin For excellent writing this week	Aria Spencer For her amazing attitude towards her learning
Grade 1 Underlin	Luke Hardy For extending his friendship network	Molly Harvey For her kind and caring nature
Grade 2 Reid	Oliver Viney For great enthusiasm and participation in all areas	Max Powell For an enthusiastic approach to all subjects this week and excellent work on telling the time
Grade 2 van Ryn	Elyse Campbell For completing an excellent science report about oil, ice and water	Sebastian Johnston For completing an excellent science report about oil, ice and water
Grade 3 Hood	Annaliese Leeftang For an excellent recount of the Nano Nagle story	George Worsley For an excellent science classification chart
Grade 3 Symons	Ruby Dawkins For your enthusiasm in all your work	Sienna Drew For working hard in all areas
Grade 4 Hegarty	Elina McCormack For always "having a go" with your learning	Alex Brown For your hard work in all of our Maths lessons
Grade 4 Wood	Lily Scholyer For being a caring and helpful member of our class	Brady Meek For your excellent efforts in completing all homework tasks early
Grade 5 McLeod	Lucie Slevac For consistently applying herself with a great attitude to all tasks	Grace Wesley For consistently supporting and encouraging her team mates in Friday sport
Grade 5 Viney/Sydes	Parker Shea For the respectful and positive way he interacts with others	Elizabeth Hannah For being an example to others in the attitude and effort she gives to everything
Grade 6 Davie	Adam Bevis For his outstanding contributions to our history discussions. Well done!	Ripley Martin For composing an entertaining and effective fable. Great writing!
Grade 6 Claessens	Jackson Armour For working hard and making a fine start to the year	Hannah Sydes For always giving her very best and being extremely attentive

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Please Join Us

Easter Sunday Family Mass
St Patrick's Chapel
9am Sunday 5th April

Followed by pancakes
and an Easter egg hunt
ALL WELCOME!



Newstead Athletics

Founded 1933



Newstead Athletics Club Inc.
Cross Country 2015

School Series Events

1pm start

- Round 1 - April 18th Tailrace Park
- Round 2 - May 2nd Heritage Forest
- Round 3 - May 16th Clarendon house
- Round 4 - May 30th Queechy High School
- Round 5 - June 13th Inveresk (Behind Aurora stadium)
- Round 6 - June 27th Waverley Primary School (presentations on conclusion)

For more information, entry forms, and enquiries
Barbara 0408238329 elzyian@gmail.com

WEBSITE www.newsteadathletics.org.au

Run as an individual or make up a school team and earn points towards end of series trophies and medals.



Will Reilly, representing Sacred Heart School at the Palm Sunday Pilgrimage, part of the Holy Week celebrations for our Archdiocese

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Overland Jack



Many of you know Jack and for those of you that don't we would love to take a second of your time to tell you about Jack and his next big adventure. Jack is 8 years old and suffers from cerebral palsy spastic quadriplegia. He can't walk, talk or eat on his own. Despite this, Jack is going to complete the 65km Overland Track, Tasmania from 14-19 April 2015. Jack will be riding on his Dads back over the 65km journey and will be supported by an amazing team of volunteers. There are 4 Sacred Heart families participating in the walk and there have been an even greater number that have helped out in the lead-up to the big event.

Jack completed Kinder at Sacred Heart back in 2011 and his older brother and sister still attend. We wanted to take this opportunity to thank the school community for the fantastic support they have shown Jack and our family over the course of our many adventures. Jack loves nothing better than picking his brother and sister up at school and being greeted by the many smiling faces that he sees.

Jack's life and this adventure isn't about what he can't do, it's about how - with a little help from those around him - he can do just about anything. The sad thing is that Jack is one of the lucky ones. Those around him are healthy enough and able to support him in his adventures. Jack wants to raise money for other people who aren't so lucky and need help in breaking down their own real or perceived barriers.

Life Without Barriers is a national not-for-profit organisation, providing a range of care and support services to children, young people, adults, families and communities across Australia and New Zealand, with a significant presence in Tasmania. The organisation provides family support and out-of-home care, disability services, home and community care, and support to refugees and asylum seekers. They also work in the areas of mental health, homelessness and youth justice. The ethos of Life Without Barriers - championing opportunity for all - resonates with Jack and his family, and the partnership for Overland Jack was born.

If you want to help Jack break down barriers and raise awareness for Life Without Barriers please like and share his Facebook page; www.facebook.com/OverlandJackLWB