

Heart To Heart

Newsletter Of Sacred Heart School Mount Druitt South

Term 3 - Week 7

26 August 2015

Dear Parents and Children

Book Week at Sacred Heart was a brilliant success. Thanks to parents for purchasing books for your children from the Book Fair. It was so good to see children reading their books and actually enjoying them. It is also fantastic for children to have lots of books at home to read and enjoy.

The Book Character Parade once again was fantastic. The imagination of children and parents is always exceptional. Well done to everyone. The picnic after the parade was an enormous success. Thanks to the many families who came along with their food and enjoyed the picnic with their families and friends. This community at Sacred Heart is just delightful. Thank you to everyone. It is a pleasure to work with all of you.

Year 4 Cake Day

Congratulations to the Year 4 children who brought in cakes last Friday. You did a fantastic job and raised \$230. Thank you also to the parents who came along to help sell the cakes. Well done parents. We cannot do this without your support.

Diocesan Athletics Carnival

Last Friday four students from Sacred Heart School competed in the Diocesan Athletics Carnival. All competed exceptionally well at this level, with Veronica Dimo and Dimo Dimo qualifying to compete in the MacKillop Athletics Carnival in September. We wish Veronica and Dimo the best of luck.



Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 Mass

This Friday 28 August, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 children will have Mass at 9:30am in the school Hall. All parents are welcome to join us to celebrate a very special Mass.

Father's Day Mufti

This Friday is a Mufti Day for Father's Day. Children can wear their play clothes on Friday and donate a small gold coin. This will pay for the Father's Day gifts, which will be sold at the Father's Day Stall.

Looking forward to a fantastic week of learning.

Warmest Regards
Moya McGuinness
Principal

Woolworths Earn and Learn Tokens

Our current school tally for Woolworths Earn and Learn tokens is 7260 points. Please keep sending in the tokens, as this will help us to purchase new resources for the school.

Important Upcoming Events

- Wednesday 26 August: Year 4 Excursion—Pioneer Village Wilberforce
- Friday 28 August: 9:30am—Mass for Yr 2, Yr 3 & Yr 4—*Parents Very Welcome*
Father's Day Mufti— *Small Gold Coin Donation*
- Friday 4 September: Father's Day Stall
11:30am—Father's Day Liturgy— *Parents Very Welcome*

Birthdays

27/08/2015	Cassandra Bechara Andrea Huang
28/08/2015	Jessica Jose
29/08/2015	Eden McGinty
01/09/2015	Richard Ali Kalinda-Lee Telfer
02/09/2015	Kimberly Robertson

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Last Student Day of Term 3: Friday 18 September

First Student Day of Term 4: Wednesday 7 October

School Fees

Paying for your children's education is the most precious investment you will make in your entire life time. Thank you to those parents who will pay their fees on time. A reminder that there are several methods of paying fees from EFTPOS to paying weekly, fortnightly or as best suits your budget.

Those who experience difficulties with payments will need to make an appointment with me before the end of this Term. Those who have not made an agreement or who have not made any attempt to pay fees their account will be sent to the Catholic Education Office for collection from Debt Collectors. I do not want this to happen to any of our families at Sacred Heart, so please see me so I can support you.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2016

We have started taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2016. For your child to commence Kindergarten in 2016, he or she needs to turn 5 years of age before July 2016. Enrolment forms may be picked up from the School Office Monday to Friday, between 8:30am and 3:00pm.

SAFETY OF CHILDREN AT ALL TIMES!

A reminder to parents that they will be fined (booked) by police if they do not obey the road rules around the school. I do not want this to happen to anyone, so please be careful and obey all the road rules.

ملاحظة مهمة جداً

Car Park

لا يجوز للأهالي بالمرور بسياراتهم من خلال موقف السيارات ولا يسمح إطلاقاً بأيقاف سياراتهم في موقف السيارات في أي وقت من الأوقات وذلك لأمان السلامة لأطفالكم وحمائيتهم من التعرض لحوادث السير. يجب على كافة الأهالي بأيقاف سياراتهم خارج المدرسة وفي الأماكن المسموح بها.

يرجى الالتزام بقواعد المرور علماً بأن دوريات الشرطة تكون متواجدة في أوقات مختلفة وسوف تكون هنالك غرامات مالية لهؤلاء الأشخاص الذين لا يحترمون قواعد المرور فيرجى الالتزام بذلك

Hair Policy

A reminder to parents that boy's haircuts **MUST** be sensible, normal cuts short back and sides. RAT's tails are **NOT** permitted. **Heads must not be shaved.** Girls must have their hair tied back if it is long with blue or white hair ties or ribbon. NO colour should be put in children's hair at any time. Please note children's hair is **NOT** to be shaved or have shapes and designs in it. Boys are not to have earrings – girls must only have stud earrings.

ipads/Mobile Phones

Children are NOT to bring expensive items to school, such as ipads and mobile phones. Any child who has to bring a phone to school must put the phone in the Office Bag in the morning and can pick it up in the afternoon. They must only use the phones in an emergency. **We will not be responsible for the loss of any expensive items children bring to school.**

Child Protection Mandatory Briefing

A reminder to all volunteers that the Child Protection Briefing needs to be renewed every two years. If you wish to go on any excursions you cannot go unless you have completed the online briefing.

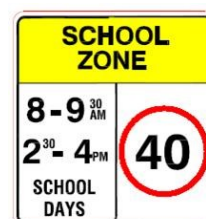
Using Child Protection for Volunteers

<http://ceo-web.parra.catholic.edu.au/asp/volunteerscpmodule/index.asp>

1. Open the module by clicking the Start link
2. Read through the presentation
3. Complete and submit quiz questions – this will take approximately 45 minutes
4. After successful completion of the module, fill out the form by typing name, email address, contact number, contact address and school
5. A notification of successful completion of the module will be sent via email to the school and also to the volunteer's email address.

Car Park

A reminder to parents that they are **NOT to drive through or park in the car park at any time.** The car park is for parishioners attending mass only. I would like to express my thanks to those parents who have been extremely supportive. **The Car Park will not be open for parents at any time.** While parking in the street, please remember to keep the road rules and do not park in the neighbour's driveways or make U turns over double lines or the crossing. Not keeping the road rules can result in you being fined a considerable amount. Police will be patrolling the streets to book those breaking the road rules.



Blacktown City Council—Increased Penalties for Parking, Speeding and Other Traffic Offences from 1 July 2015

Council's website has been updated with Fact Sheets showing the increased penalties for parking, speeding and other traffic offences. You will find them at this link:

http://www.blacktown.nsw.gov.au/People_and_Community/Community_and_Road_Safety/Road_Safety_-_Safer_Travel/Fact_Sheets.

Penalties apply to illegal parking on all roads in **SCHOOL ZONES**.



If you stop in a 'No Stopping' area

- Fine from \$319 + 2 demerit points

You must not stop your vehicle on a length of road or in an area in which a No Stopping sign applies.

No Stopping includes when the vehicle is not moving but the engine is still running.



If you disobey a 'No Parking' sign

- Fine from \$177 + 2 demerit points

You are allowed to stop your vehicle only to set down or pick up passengers, or goods.

Your vehicle must not stop for more than 2 minutes. The driver must not be more than 3 metres from the vehicle.



If you stop on or near a 'Pedestrian Crossing'

- Fine from \$425 + 2

demerit points

You must not stop or park your vehicle on or near a pedestrian crossing to drop people off or pick them up.



If you stop in a 'Bus Zone'

- Fine from \$319 + 2 demerit points

You must not stop or park your vehicle in a bus zone for any reason.

This includes when the vehicle is not moving but the engine is still running.