

Heart To Heart

Newsletter Of Sacred Heart School Mount Druitt South

Term 2 - Week 10

29 June 2016

Dear Parents and Children

This term has been a very busy term for both teachers and students at Sacred Heart School. Teaching staff has been involved in much professional development aimed at improving teaching strategies through a targeted approach to improve student learning outcomes. The staff has been committed to continual learning within their profession in order to provide the best educational opportunities for the children in their care. The students have been working hard and doing their best in class and making progress across the various Key Learning Areas. Parent/Teacher interviews are a great opportunity to discuss your child's progress at school. This includes the areas of strength and areas in which they may need further assistance. If you have not made an appointment to see your child's teacher, I urge you to do so, for it is in partnership that the best possible results can be attained.

I take this opportunity to thank all children, parents and staff for your support of me during the term as Acting Principal of Sacred Heart School. It has been a marvellous opportunity for me to work and grow as a leader within the community of Sacred Heart. The school community is beautiful. I'm forever grateful for having the opportunity to work here. I count my blessings and I savour every moment I have at the school. Sacred Heart School, its children, families and staff are absolutely fantastic.

As from next term, Mr Glenn Patchel will take over the role of Principal at Sacred Heart School. Mr Patchel comes to us with much knowledge and experience as a teacher and leader. We are all looking forward to working and learning with him and I'm sure that he is looking forward to being a member of the Sacred Heart community.

With the holidays approaching, I wish every family a safe and happy holiday, where as much as possible everyone can relax and enjoy family time together.

Mrs Smith—Thank You & Farewell

Many, many thanks to Mrs Michelle Smith, who has been in the position of Acting Assistant Principal over the term. Mrs Smith has been a tremendous asset to the school over the time that she has spent here. She has worked tirelessly for the benefit of the children and staff and has made many friendships with staff, students, parents and carers. However, Mrs Smith has been appointed as Acting Assistant Principal at St John Vianney School at Doonside. Our loss is St John Vianney's gain. We wish Mrs Smith the very best in her role as Acting Assistant Principal at her new school. Congratulations on your appointment Michelle.

*Kind Regards,
John Tomczyk
Acting Principal*

Term 3 Starts Tuesday 19 July

School Fees

Term 2 School fees are now due. If any parents are having difficulties meeting school fee commitments, please contact the school Office and make arrangements to discuss the matter.

Resource Fees

Resource Fees have been kept as low as possible so that every parent could afford the fee. Our resource fee of \$85.00 covers the cost of all the books and materials the children need for their learning for the entire year. **ALL** parents are expected to pay the \$85.00 resource fee as soon as possible, as this money is required to pay for materials that have already been purchased for your children.

Important Road Safety

Please be aware of how you drive your car around the school. Safety for children is essential at all times. Parking in front of the school is not possible for every parent, so please park your car and take a walk to pick up your child. I welcome you into the school each morning and afternoon to pray with the children. After the afternoon prayer, when your child is dismissed, take the time to walk back to your car and talk to your child about their day. If all parents take some time in the afternoon and morning when picking up and dropping off children, the children will be safe and all will be well.

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

Awards



KW	Owenita Tuliatu, Benzo Fatukala
1B	Chantelle Pese, Adrian Karganilla
2B	William Grace-Jawed, Ayuen Majak
2W	Rhea Prasad, Malou Ater
3B	Julia Yousif, Kimberly Robertson
3W	Anthony Kelly, Solphia Saab
4B	Sofia Corpuz, Robert Orah
4W	Katia Younan, Angela Maroky
5B	Lillianna McInnes-Buckley, Aiebn Mebrahtu
5W	Aku Singh, Lourdes Fredericks

Important Upcoming Events

- June 30 Parent/Teacher Interviews
- July 1 **Last Day of Term 2**

Canberra - Year 6, 2016



On an extremely cold and early morning on the 23rd June, year 6 students and six teachers set off for an overnight excursion to Canberra. We explored many places in the nation's capital and we learnt more about Australia's government and history.

While we were in Canberra we enjoyed a fun visit to Questacon, a science museum, and the Australian Institute of Sport. We also visited both the Old and New Parliament House and the National Museum of Australia. At the Australian War Memorial, two of our students, Winston Vaka and Micaela Francisco, placed a wreath at the Pool of Reflection at a memorial ceremony.

During our excursion to Canberra we did a lot of walking and we were really tired by the end of each day but it was, overall, a very enjoyable experience.

By Jenclaire Maniebo 6B



Important Diary Dates

July 1: Last Day of School for Term 2

July 19: First Day of School for Term 3



1-2-3 MAGIC® & EMOTION COACHING PARENT COURSE

*Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children
2-12 years old*

A three-session program for parents and carers presented by Catholic Education,
Diocese of Parramatta.

Learn:

- ✓ How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
- ✓ How to sort behaviour
- ✓ How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
- ✓ Choosing your strategy, the three choices
- ✓ Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour
- ✓ 7 tactics for encouraging good behaviour

Parents will receive:

- A 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Parent Workbook (cost \$10 payable at first session)

Venue	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Phone to register
Corpus Christi, Cranebrook	6pm – 8pm (Tues) 9 th August 2016	6pm – 8pm (Tues) 16 th August 2016	6pm – 8pm (Tues) 23 rd August 2016	02 4729 0696
St Michael's, Blacktown South	1 – 3pm (Wed) 17 th August	1 – 3pm (Wed) 24 th August	1 – 3pm (Wed) 31 st August	9622 9910
St Bernadette's, Lalor Park	1pm – 3pm (Wed) 31 st August	1pm – 3pm (Wed) 7 th September	1pm – 3pm (Wed) 14 th September	9622 3535
OLOR, Kellyville	6pm – 8pm (Wed) 7 th September 2016	6pm – 8pm (Wed) 14 th September 2016	6pm – 8pm (Wed) 21 st September 2016	9629 2566

Registration Fee?

The course **costs \$10** (per parent or per couple) which covers the cost of the Parent workbook
Register for this course by contacting the school office at the venue of your choice.

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