

Heart To Heart

Newsletter Of Sacred Heart School Mount Druitt South

Term 2 - Week 4

18 May 2016

Dear Parents and Children

On the weekend we celebrated the great feast of Pentecost when the Spirit of God was given to the disciples and the Church of Jesus was born. We all share in his Spirit which gives us joy and peace and reminds us that Jesus is with us as our Lord. As the disciples were called to spread the Good News of the Lord, we to in our lives are called to do the same through our positive words and actions in the name of Jesus Christ.

Year 3 Cake Day

Congratulations to the Year 3 children and their parents on an extremely successful Cake Day. The cakes were particularly beautiful, with many homemade cakes as well as beautiful cakes which had been purchased. Well done Year 3, you raised \$265.

Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 Mass

On Friday 20 May, Years 2, 3 and 4 will be celebrating Mass at 9.30am. Mass will take place in the Hall. All parents are welcome to attend.

Year 1 Assembly

This coming Friday 20 May Year 1 will be presenting the assembly. All parents are invited to come along and support their children. The assembly will begin at 2.00pm.

Change to Winter Uniform

As the weather has become cooler, all students are expected to be in their winter uniform by next **Monday 23 May**.

Arrival at School

It is important that children arrive at school on time ready for the day. This promotes a healthy attitude towards all that occurs at school. Good routines established provide students with a sound structure to work in, which allows them to be more successful in their learning. As parents, please make every effort to get your children to school on time so that solid routines are formed to allow your children to successfully engage in learning opportunities.

Parent Pick-up in the Afternoon

In order for an organised dismissal of children in the afternoon to occur, I ask parents to remain where they are sitting or standing and the children will be directed over to you. This will help to stop congestion around where children wait and sit on the steps as well as the area in the amphitheatre where children walk to be collected by parents. In doing this, parents will be able to pick up their children in a safer and easier manner.

National Simultaneous Storytime for Students

On Wednesday 25 May, the students at Sacred Heart school will be celebrating National Simultaneous Storytime, with all grades enjoying a special book in the hall together. National Simultaneous Storytime is an annual campaign that aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books. It is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using Australian children's books.

On Thursday 26 May there will be a one-day Book Fair which will be held in the Library. The Book Fair will be open to students and families from 8:30am, during recess and lunch, and after school until 3:30pm.

Sacred Heart Winter Appeal

Sacred Heart School is again conducting a Winter Appeal. We are asking for contributions of non-perishable foods such as pasta, rice, sauces, canned foods, packet foods etc. These will be given to the Emerton Food Bank for distribution to needy families. More information is contained in a note coming home with students today.

*Kind Regards,
John Tomczyk
Acting Principal*

Paying for School Excursions

When paying for all excursions we ask that parents please send the correct money in with your child to be given to the classroom teacher. The teacher will keep a record and know that your child has paid. The money should be placed in an envelope **with your child's full name, class and the excursion clearly written on the front.**

Kinder 2017 Enrolments

Enrolments are now being taken for Kindergarten 2017. Applications can be collected at the school office. Interviews for Kinder 2017 have already commenced.

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 Upcoming Events

- Friday 20 May: 9:30am—Mass for Year 2, 3 & 4 *Parents Welcome*
2:00pm—Year 1 Assembly *Parents Welcome*
- Monday 23 May: Students to be wearing **Winter** uniform
- Tuesday 24 May: Crazy Sock Day *Note coming home today*
- Wednesday 25 May: National Simultaneous Storytime for Students
- Thursday 26 May: Book Fair from 8:30am in the Library
Stage 3 Girls' Soccer Excursion
- Friday 27 May: Choir Practice —St Pat's Guildford

Awards



KB	Matea Lepad, Thomas Yousif
KW	Greyson Nio, Alyssa Georges
1B	Sienna Seijas, Amos Edejar
1W	Mark Elea, Gilliana Casidsid
2B	Jocelyn So, Jonathon Sandoval, Abby Neely
3B	Dora Palackic, Emilio Bellido
3W	George Mousa, Olivia Lepad
4B	Christopher Youssef, Achol Lual
4W	Sienna Kotarac, Adam Yousif
5B	Phillip Mekhail, Luke Matti
5W	Eden McGinty, Bradley Kirby
6B	Jenclaire Maniebo, Abhinav Gandham
6W	Nicholas Englezos, Mathushika Mahendran



Birthdays

19/05/2016	Sophia Stratikopoulos
20/05/2016	Owenita Tuliatu
21/05/2016	Eloise Delacruz
22/05/2016	Joshua Kako Martha Nucup
23/05/2016	Raven Lotovale
24/05/2016	Shanell Hanna
25/05/2016	Josephine Lotovale

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.

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

لايجوز 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. Children are not to have colour in their hair.

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.

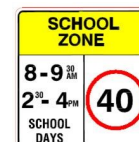
Using Child Protection for Volunteers

<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.



CCSS Solo Parent Services

Younger Widowed Support Group: Please note change of venue—now gathering at Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion Street Blacktown.

Seminar—Dealing with the Legal System. For anyone interested in gaining a greater understanding of how to choose a lawyer for your situation, how best to deal with lawyers to minimize your legal fees and how to protect your rights regarding family assets. When: Tuesday 7 June, 7:30pm-9:30pm at CCS, 38 Prince St Blacktown. Guest Speaker: Mr Richard Brading, (Solicitor at Wesley Legal Service Castlereagh Street).

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