

# Heart To Heart

## *Newsletter Of Sacred Heart School Mount Druitt South*

Term 4 - Week 2

19 October 2016

### **Dear Parents and Children**

#### **Mercy Cross Liturgy**

Today Sacred Heart was honoured to have the Mercy Cross in the school. This was celebrated with a beautiful Mercy Cross Liturgy attended by students, staff and parents. The Mercy Cross will travel to every Catholic primary and secondary school in the Diocese as well as being venerated at special parish hub celebrations. The Mercy Cross was accompanied by relics of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop and St. Teresa of Kolkata which made our liturgy even more special! The relic of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop was a strand of her hair embedded into a cross. St. Teresa of Kolkata relic was a handwritten note given to Fr. Paul Roberts which he is kindly sharing with the Diocese. How special to have these relics in the school for the students to experience. The students were beautifully behaved at our Liturgy and every student had the opportunity to venerate the Mercy Cross. Every student was presented with a cross to commemorate the Liturgy. Thank you to all the staff who worked to prepare the liturgy and to our Religious Education Co-ordinator (REC) Ms Marie Prendeville for her organisation of the liturgy.

#### **Camp Site Writing Stimulus**

At the beginning of this week the teachers set up a campsite near the Mary Prayer Garden. The campsite was set up to encourage and stimulate the students' writing. Throughout the week every class has visited the campsite and upon returning to their classroom written about what they saw, who may have put it there and why, their own camping experiences and other ideas generated by the writing stimulus. We will share student writing examples in the newsletter over the next few weeks. I know you join with me in thanking the dedicated teachers at Sacred Heart who are continually thinking of new ways to motivate and improve student learning.



#### **Kindergarten 2017 Orientation**

Information for parents who have a child starting Kindergarten in 2017 will be posted early next week. This letter will contain very important information about Kindergarten orientation. All parents with a child starting Kindergarten in 2017 will receive this information next week.

### School Attendance

A major learning focus at Sacred Heart each year is making sure that every student is at school every day. Attendance at school has a huge impact on a student's academic success, starting in Kindergarten and continuing through high school. We realise some absences are unavoidable due to ill health or other circumstances. But we also know that when students miss too much school it can cause them to fall behind academically. Your child is less likely to succeed if he/she is absent. Absences can add up quickly and missing school will negatively impact on your child's learning and results. Written notes explaining the absence are required when a student is absent from school.

### Family Reflection

*Never see a need without doing something about it - St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop*

*Silence is Prayer, Prayer is Faith*

*Faith is Love, Love is Service*

*The Fruit of the Service is Peace - St. Teresa of Kolkata*

God Bless

Mr. Glenn Patchell

Principal

### Wow words - Year 3

Insufficient - The definition of insufficient is not sufficient; lacking in what is necessary or required.

Similar words - inadequate and not enough

Sentence - *There was insufficient food to feed the village.*

Attach - to join or fasten something to something else

Synonyms - fasten, fix, join, connect, link, secure tie up.

Sentence - *Portable soccer goals need to attach to the ground to make them safe.*

### Book Club Orders

All book club orders must be returned to school by Wednesday October 26.



### Can You Help?

The school would be grateful for donations of any out-grown girls' summer school dresses.

### School Fee Payment

There has been a payment made toward school fees. If you have made a payment that has not been receipted to your account, could you kindly contact Lesley Goodfellow at the School office with the payment details.

### Upcoming Dates & Events

Thursday 20 October

Dance Fever continues

Wednesday 26 October

Book Club orders due

Friday 28 October

9:30am Mass Kinder, Years 1, 5 & 6  
2:pm Year 3 Assembly

## Birthdays



21/10/2016	Jamille Esteban Jordan Telfer
22/10/2016	Julienne Paranis
25/10/2016	Joey Chen
26/10/2016	Joseph Lazar
27/10/2016`	Damien Fatukala Kyrillos Mousa Tang Kuan Makuac Mou
29/10/2016	Davina Laigo-Klassen
30/10/2016	Danica Caperlac William Grace-Jawed
31/10/2016	Kalaathan Mahendran

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**CCS SOLO PARENT SERVICES:** Stepping Beyond is a support group meeting on the last Tuesday of each month for those navigating their way through a separation or divorce. Next Gathering: October 25 Venue: CCSS Centre, 38 Prince St Blacktown time: 7:30pm—9:30pm Cost: \$5.00 Registration: Rita 8822 2222 or email [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)

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## Catherine McAuley Westmead Enrolments for Year 7 2018

Open Morning specifically for Year 7 2018

**Thursday 17 November 2016**  
**9:15am—11am**

Catherine McAuley is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2018. each year the demand for places exceeds what is available. Join us on our upcoming school tour especially for Year 7 2018 applicants, but open to any year group. To book places for a school tour on one of the tour mornings please contact the School Reception on 9849 9100.

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## BACK TO MCAULEY DAY

Sunday 6 November 2016, 12 noon—4:30pm

All past students, staff, parents and friends of Catherine McAuley Westmead (formerly known as Catherine McAuley Girls High) are invited to return to school to celebrate our 50th anniversary.

Golden Jubilee Mass to commence at 12 noon, Morley Centre, Catherine McAuley Westmead, Most Reverend Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv DD, Bishop of Parramatta. Following Mass enjoy a "trip down memory lane" with memorabilia, displays, hospitality and performances. More information: school reception 9849 9100 or email [mcauleywestmead@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mcauleywestmead@parra.catholic.edu.au)




  
**28<sup>th</sup> annual**  
**Doll, Bear & CRAFT SHOW**

**Saturday**  
**OCTOBER 29**

**Sunday**  
**OCTOBER 30**

**9:30am**  
**to 4:00pm**

**@ The Museum of Fire**  
1 Museum Drive, Penrith

**Jewellery & Craft**

**Reborn Dolls**

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