

Heart To Heart

Newsletter Of Sacred Heart School Mount Druitt South

Term 1 - Week 11

05 April 2017

Dear Parents and Caregivers

On behalf of all the staff at Sacred Heart we wish you a very safe and happy holiday period. With Holy Week occurring next week and Easter being celebrated on the weekend, we are reminded of the suffering Jesus endured for us but most importantly his joyous resurrection which encourages us to selflessly give to others - just as Jesus did.

May the Risen Lord be in your hearts and actions.

Mr John Tomczyk
Assistant Principal

Resurrection and New Life

When we rejoice in Jesus' Resurrection, we also celebrate Christ's gift of himself, which transforms us and enables us to become a self-gift to others. When this happens, we are renewed by the blessings that Easter gives us. On this day, we rejoice in Jesus' conquest of sin and death and anticipate the Holy Spirit's coming on Pentecost. Jesus continues with us through his Church, the ongoing gift of his divine presence. We rejoice that our hard times and pain, like his, will be overcome, and that we will be rewarded some day.

Each Easter, by the power of God's grace, given through the Holy Spirit, we renew our desire to cultivate our gift of self. We commit ourselves anew to our Risen Lord in his joys and suffering, so that one day we will rise and live forever in his Kingdom, where no more pain or sadness exist, only God's all-embracing love. Then will we see how firm faith, steadfast love, and enduring hope prepare us to celebrate eternal life forever.

An Easter Prayer

*Lord, the resurrection of Your Son
has given us new life and renewed hope.
Help us to live as new people
in pursuit of the Christian ideal.
Grant us wisdom to know what we must do,
the will to want to do it,
the courage to undertake it,
the perseverance to continue to do it,
and the strength to complete it.*



Important Date Reminders

Thursday 6 April	Raffle money & sold tickets to be returned
Friday 7 April	Last day of Term (Easter Raffle Drawn)
Monday 24 April	First day Term 2 (<u>all students</u> to attend day 1)
Tuesday 25 April	Anzac Day (public holiday—no school)
Wednesday 26 April	School continues after the public holiday

School Uniform Term 2

As the weather is changeable at this time, children may return to school after the holidays wearing either summer or winter uniform. Parents will be advised next term of the date when all students will be required to be wearing full winter uniform.

Student Management

Parents should always make an appointment to speak to their child's teacher if there is an issue of concern. Parents should not be entering the buildings to speak to teachers unless a previous appointment has been made.

NOTE: Under no circumstances should a parent ever approach, discipline or speak to a child about a problem. Any parent who does this will be breaking the **Child Protection laws** and will not be allowed to enter the school grounds again.

Importance of School Attendance

For students to succeed at school it is very important that they are at school every day unless they are sick. If a student misses one day of school a fortnight it will add up to missing 1 year of school over the course of 12 years of schooling! It is also very important that students are on time for school everyday. If students even miss a few minutes of the morning session they may be missing out on the set up and instructions for the Literacy block which includes reading, writing, speaking and listening. Every day counts!

Uniform Labelling

Please ensure that all your children's clothing items are clearly labelled. Please check the growing amount of lost property if your child is missing an item of uniform. All lost property is located in a white basket in the school amphitheatre.

A happy, holy & safe Easter to all!