Heart To Heart

Newsletter Of Sacred Heart School Mount Druitt South

Term 3 - Week 9 13 September 2017

Dear Parents and Children

As this is the last newsletter for Term 3 I take the opportunity to thank the staff for their dedication, the students for their hard work and the parents for your support throughout the term. Once again, we have had a very busy term with great learning, many extra-curricular opportunities and social justice initiatives. I hope the holidays are an opportunity to break the routine and recharge the batteries.

Last week Year 3 and Year 5 completed the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) online trial. From 2019 NAPLAN will be completed online in all schools for Years 3 and 5. This year schools were asked to take part in a trial in order to identify any problems such as connectivity and computer numbers. This was not an issue at Sacred Heart now that every student from year 3 has access to a Chromebook. The trial the students completed will not be marked, no feedback is given to the school about performance and the trial in no way affects the NAPLAN results the students achieved earlier in the year. Many thanks to our Year 3 & 5 teachers for their organisation of the NAPLAN online trial and to Mrs. Whitton, our Learning Technologies Support Teacher, for co-ordinating the trial. We are ready for 2019!

Building Update

The building continues to move along at a progressive rate. Mr. Tomczyk and I meet with the builders and architects every fortnight to discuss the progress of the project. Completion date for the first stage is early November. Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) has generously consented to fund artificial turf on the back playground. This was not in the initial plan. Weather permitting the installation of the artificial turf will begin next week and will be completed by the end of the holidays. The dustbowl will be gone, replaced by artificial turf. Thank you CEDP!

Week 10 Recess and Lunch Times

Recess and lunch times for the Infants and Primary will be different next week due to the unavailability of the grass area. In order to ensure the students have adequate room to play recess and lunch times will be split. Please note the times for recess and lunch next week:

Infants: K, 1 & 2

Recess: 10:20—10:50

Lunch:

12:50—1:00 Eating Time

1:00—1:30 Play

End of Day: 3:00pm

Primary: 3, 4, 5 & 6

Recess: 10:50—11:20

Lunch:

1:20—1:30 Eating Time

1:30—2:00 Play

End of Day: 3:00pm

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

Staff Development Day

This Friday September 15

Religious Education

All Staff will be attending this day which will be held away from school

No school for students on this day

Student Attendance: 84.7%

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Footy Colours Day

It was great to see students and staff get into the spirit of our Footy Colours Day last Friday. Through your generosity \$427.75 was raised to support the Fight Cancer Foundation. Thank you for your support of our social justice initiatives.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2018



There will be a Parent Information Evening

for Kindergarten 2018 parents early in Term 4.

All enrolments need to be finalised **before** that evening.

If you have a child who should be enrolled for Kindergarten in 2018

please contact the school office before the end of this term.

Family Reflection

Our God and Father

We claim to be your sons and daughters

Who know that you love us, and that you call us to

Live the life of Jesus, your Son.

Give us the courage to live this life consistently,

To walk with courage and support others,

Because we know that you are our Father and we are

Your sons and daughters, brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ Our Lord.

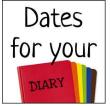
God Bless Mr Glenn Patchell Principal

Woolworths Earn and Learn



Please help us purchase school resources by shopping at Woolworths and sending in the Earn & Learn stickers. Make sure that there are only 60 stickers on each sheet, as any extra stickers on a sheet will not be counted. Sticker sheets are available from the office. Thank you for your support for this school fundraiser.

Students Return in Term 4 in Summer Uniform



IMPORTANT

September 15

Staff Development Day (no school for students)

September 22

Term 3 finishes for students

October 9

Term 4 starts for students (Summer Uniform)

Friday Assembly Awards

Friday 1 September

KB John Paul Ahad, Faith Tuliatu

KW Vincent Vuong, Carl Cruz

1B Raven Lotovale, Kuan Lual

1W Thou (Tony) Ker, Peter Yousif

2B Justin Tolentino, Sali Abdulazeez

2W Richard Ali, Nevada Hormiz

3B Jonathan Sandoval, Adrian Jabo

3W Upiro Dimo, Leyiana Matai

4B Angela Younan, Kevin Zhou

4W Marsleno Ghaly, Mercy Duko

5B Danica Caperlac, Julia Esteban

5W Mirna Yalda, Akuc Akol

6B Alex Kako, Randall DeLeon

6W Fatafehi Manakofua, Lana Kisur

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Friday 8 September

KB Rol Wol, Anthony Ross

KW Pitawat Aye, Nikolas Tabet

1B Tima Fagalei, Vaka Vailala

1W Tacy Manakofua, Kyrillos Mousa

2B Eizel Merjudio, Meron Mebrahtu

2W Murad Esah, Jaya Singh

3B Ayuen M, Emilia Reyes

3W Eli Deganos, Tamarah QraQuoshi

4B Jeeya Gawai, Max Mijocevic

4W Rachel Hanna, Anthony Kelly

5B Kalinda Telfer, Andrina Mekhael

5W Christopher Youssef, Izabella Keryo

6B Emily Rea, Aku Singh

6W Lana Kisur, Matt Aducayen

Social Skill Awards "Making good behaviour choices"

01/09/17 KW Alam Tuil 3W Davina Laigo-Klassen

1B Nyibol Diing2W Ninaveh Slewa4B Aiyanna Concepcion5B Sofia Corpuz

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KB Faith Tuliatu **4W** Bettina Mangahas

2W Maryam Lawi3B Angel Boniba6B Aku Sing

Year 1 Excursion

Penrith Lakes



On Monday 28 August Year 1 travelled by bus to the Penrith Lakes for some investigations of living things in our environment. They learnt about detention lakes, used nets to scoop water bugs and even got up close to some other creatures in the classroom. A great day was had by all.



Social skills



CHRISTMAS 2017 AND JANUARY 2018: COSHC OPERATION DATES

To assist COSHC families in planning their education and care needs over the Christmas closure period and to plan bookings for Vacation Care in January 2018, a calendar of Closure Dates and Operational Dates has been issued to all families enrolled with COSHC.

COSHC WILL BE CLOSED ON:

- Monday, 18 December 2017 and Tuesday, 19 December, 2017. COSHC staff will be participating in professional development in line with teachers and school staff.
- The Early Learning and Care team will be on annual leave from 22 December, 2017 to 5 January 2018.
 COSHC will not be operating during these days.
- COSHC will be closed on Australia Day, 26 January, 2018
- · COSHC will be closed on Monday, 29 January 2018 for professional development of staff.

FAMILIES, PLEASE NOTE:

1. Christmas Closure

The last day of operation of COSHC services will be Friday, 15 December 2017.

2. January Vacation Care

The COSHC Summer Vacation Care Program commences on Monday, 8 January, 2018 to Thursday 25 January 2018.

3. 2018 Commencement of COSHC operations for Before- and After-School programs

COSHC will re-open on Tuesday, 30 January, 2018.



Blacktown City Council—2017 Spring School Holiday Guide

Information regarding school holiday activities is available on the following link: https://www.blacktown.nsw.gov.au/News-Media/Spring-School-Holiday-Guide