



SACRED HEART NEWSLETTER

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Week 5

Term 3

14th August 2017

Dear Parents,

I hope all of you enjoyed your weekend and also thanks again for your understanding and patience with the Staff Development Day that was held last Monday. I do hope that last Monday gave you and your family a chance to do something together.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, Mrs Howarth, Mrs Goddard and myself went to Armidale last Monday and Tuesday to attend a seminar on 'Putting Faces on the Data'. All schools throughout the Diocese were represented and the focus on both days was lifting the results of all students by getting them to take more ownership of their learning. This can be achieved through partnerships and allowing each learner to develop the skills where they can articulate their own learning goals and what skills they need to further develop in order for them to achieve these goals. There were a lot of great ideas presented and we are already doing some of these at Sacred Heart but we can definitely get better! As the presenters raised the important issue that most learners not only act on good feedback from their teachers but also from their peers as well. So in the upcoming weeks all classes will see some modifications on what they are already doing, especially with the use of feedback and also establishing learning goals for each learner. In the upcoming weeks, it may be good to ask your child how well they are going at the moment with their learning and what they need to do to get better.

Very soon the school will receive the results from the Year 6 Religious Education Test and also the official NAPLAN results for our Year 3 and 5 students which will be sent home in the near future. Earlier in the term, I mentioned that the school is planning to host an information session for all parents on understanding the various terminology used in the NAPLAN report, how to interpret the BANDS and how schools identify the various strengths / weaknesses that their NAPLAN participants have with their learning. A survey will be going home next week regarding the interest of conducting such a session. If there isn't enough interest to have a session like this, but some parents still would like to know more about reading the NAPLAN report, I am willing to meet parents individually or in small groups to go through the report in more detail.

Last of all, I would like to welcome Leah Rees who will be working as an Educational Assistant every Monday until the end of the school year. I know Leah will enjoy her time working with us. Also, in the upcoming weeks our groundsman, Wayne will be having an operation on his knee and is taking a well deserved break. If you are interested in filling in for Wayne in the latter weeks of the term, could you please let me know?

Enjoy the fortnight!
Dallas Hyatt



Happy Birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthdays over the next two weeks: Mack (9) - today; Genevieve (11) - 17th; Darcy (9) - 24th and Jack (8) - 25th August. Hope you all have a great day!

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS



*Students Of The Week
for Attitude, Values and Study Habits
Week 3/4*

AQUA

Kayleigh

Evie

ORANGE

Tanikah

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Himaja: for always willing to lend a hand when needed.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Tomorrow is a very special day in the Catholic Church as they celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. Like Christmas, this Feast day is a Holy Day of Obligation as every Catholic around the world is expected to celebrate Mass where we acknowledge when Mary, Mother of Jesus went up to heaven. This feast day celebrates Mary's total sharing in the new life won by her son's death and resurrection. It is the national feast day of New Zealand.

In the readings for the day, we hear Mary's song of praise for the wonderful things God has done for her in making her the mother of Jesus. In life, she was the first among her son's disciples. In death she joyfully meets her own son in heaven.

As tomorrow is a Holy Day of Obligation, all the students and staff members will be celebrating Mass at 11.30am instead of the normal Wednesday time. You are most definitely welcome to join us to remember this remarkable woman.



RECONCILIATION
Please keep **Tori, Elliott, Kaiden, Cohen and Eileen** in your prayers as they continue their preparation for the **Sacrament of Reconciliation.**

The children will celebrate the sacrament on **Saturday 2nd September at 3.30pm** which is followed by a Family Mass commencing at 4.00pm. Everyone is invited to attend to support these children. Preparation lessons will begin tomorrow, **Tuesday 15th August at 3.30pm.**

Straight after the First Reconciliation Liturgy, the parish and school will be hosting a Family Mass, where the students and parents are encouraged to attend. The students will be doing various jobs throughout the Mass, eg presenting the gifts, reading the prayers of the faithful and many more. A note will be going home next week with more information.

*Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with you!
Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit
of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen*

SCHOOL FEES

Term 3 School Fees were sent home in Week 3. This is a 30 day account and is due by **Wednesday 30th August**. If you are having difficulty making payment, please contact me so alternative arrangements can be made.



Diocesan Athletics Carnival

The Diocesan Carnival will be held this **Friday 18th August** in Tamworth for those students who qualified. Good luck to Jack, Hallie, Cameron, Molly, Claire, Luke, Andrew, Sienna and Miah who will be representing our school.

Tennis

Tennis will continue each Tuesday until Tuesday 12th September.

Soccer Training

Soccer training is available for all children who are interested in soccer. You don't have to play in the local Gunnedah Soccer Competition to participate. It begins at 3.30pm and concludes at 4.30pm.

PTF NEWS

PTF/PAC JULY MEETING

The **September** meeting for the PTF/PAC will take place on **Thursday 14th September at 1:45pm**. The **Spring Fair** will be discussed. Everyone is welcome to attend.

CANTEEN

18th August - Kerryann & Sheren

25th August - Suanne Riley

ADIG NEWS



Rainy days

While we enjoy the rain, are you prepared for a storm?

ADIG's long-term savings accounts can be used to weather an unexpected storm.

Ask about our accounts today.

Join us and make a difference



Good for Kids good for life

EAT A RAINBOW

Fruit and vegetables come in all the colours of the rainbow! But did you know that each colour provides different nutrients so why not pack a different colour for each day of the week?

- Red:** Red capsicum sticks, cherry tomatoes, strawberries, red grapes
- Orange/Yellow:** Carrot sticks, yellow capsicum sticks, oranges, mandarins, pineapple
- Green:** Cucumber sticks, celery sticks, snow peas, green beans, kiwi fruit
- Purple/Blue:** Red cabbage in salads, plums, blueberries
- Brown/White:** Mushrooms, cauliflower rice, banana



Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

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EAT FRESH & WIN

Last week students began the Eat Fresh & Win competition sponsored by the Sydney Markets. To enter students need to eat fresh fruit or vegetables at school to receive a sticker to place on their entry form. When they have completed four (4) entry forms, they will win a fruit/vege character keyring. There are seven (7) different characters to collect.

WOOLWORTHS ~ EARN & LEARN

Woolworths/MTA have again this year continued the Earn & Learn program. When you shop at any Woolworths store you will receive one sticker for every \$10 spent. Drop these stickers into our box at Woolworths or at school. At the end of the promotion, the school will tally up the stickers and have the opportunity to purchase valuable resources for the school.



AUGUST

- Tues 15th - Assumption of Mary Mass - 11:30am / Tennis
- Thurs 17th - NAIDOC Activities
- Fri 18th - Diocesan Athletics Carnival - Tamworth
- Tues 22nd - Tennis
- Tues 22nd ~ Thurs 24th - AGQUIP
- Tues 29th - Tennis
- Wed 30th - Term 3 School Fees due

SEPTEMBER

- Fri 1st - Father's Day Stall

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NAIDOC Activities

Everyone is invited to attend our
NAIDOC activities on
Thursday 17th August 2017



9:30 - 10:00
~ Flag
Raising
Ceremony &
Liturgy



10:00-11am ~
Art Activity
Rotation 1

11-11:30 ~
Morning Tea

1-2pm ~
BBQ Lunch



11:30-1pm ~ Art/Craft
Activities Rotation 2-3

2-2:45pm ~
Aboriginal
Games

