



SACRED HEART NEWSLETTER

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Week 1

Term 3

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Dear Parents, Carers & Students

Welcome back to Term 3! I hope everyone had a great break and got to spend some quality family time. I know keeping to routine plays a very important role in my life but I don't know why I go to Uralla during the coldest time of year! Like last year, my parent's wood heater and myself became the best of friends once again, as I experienced some of the coldest weather I have ever gone through where most days it struggled to get over ten degrees. Even my parents acknowledged that it has been cold over the last fortnight. Anyway, I am glad to be back and enjoying the warmer weather.

Unfortunately due to the recent outbreak of COVID-19 in other parts of the country, a number of restrictions are still in place. Hopefully this virus will not appear in our region, but it is essential that all of us still engage in regular hand washing and sanitising as well as observing and keeping social distancing. To ensure the safety of all members in our school community, the procedures employed by the school last term in regards to parent drop off and pick ups will continue until further advised. As mentioned in the sporting section of the newsletter, we are planning to conduct our annual athletics carnival later than normal this term in the hope that current restrictions can be lifted. Late last term I was advised that with any event that the school is associated with, spectators including parents and carers are not permitted within school grounds or at sporting events held during school hours. It would be great if we can have our parents/carers at our athletics carnival, especially for our Year 6 students as it will be their last sporting carnival at Sacred Heart. Fingers crossed!

Today saw the commencement of the school's front garden being relandscaped. This project includes installing a new self watering system as well as removing and replacing most of the trees to improve the overall general appearance of the school entrance.

There will be some other renovations/projects that will be commencing very soon. In the September/October school holidays, renovations will commence on the students toilet block. Also recently the school has been successful in obtaining an

Australian Government Grant under the Saluting Their Service Commemorations program to create a memorial garden at the front of my office. This will be officially opened on Remembrance Day. I would like to thank the Groves family for completing a lot of work behind the scenes in obtaining this grant.

Next week all schools in the Armidale Diocese will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week. The theme for this year is: Nurture, Grow, Celebrate Our Catholic Schools. Unfortunately we are unable to hold our annual House/Grandparents Day as well as our leaders celebrating Mass at Armidale this year due to the pandemic we are currently experiencing. This year the Catholic Schools Office is celebrating and prompting the wonderful and professional work of all the school staff. A representative from the Catholic Schools Office will be coming out to the school next Wednesday for morning tea and will be presenting a certificate to the staff acknowledging their dedication, enthusiasm and professionalism.



Have a great fortnight and I will see you in the very near future.

Dallas Hyatt



Happy Birthday to Rex who will celebrate his 5th birthday this Saturday 25th July as well as Brayden who also will be turning 5 this upcoming Sunday. We hope you both enjoy your special day!



*Students Of The Week
for Attitude, Values and Study Habits
Weeks 9 and 10*

K-1 - Lachlan, Kale

2-4 - Evie, Shakira

5-6 - Hallie, Tanikah

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Matilda M: for improvement shown with the use of expression with her oral reading.

Hannah: for excelling across various key learning areas last semester.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This Wednesday is the feast day of St Mary Magdalene. Mary Magdalene was very dear to Jesus. She went with him on his preaching journeys. She followed him to Calvary and stayed with him until he died. She was also one of the women who went to the tomb to anoint his body.

As we hear in the Gospel reading on this day, Mary was the first to see the risen Lord. Because Mary Magdalene brought the good news of Christ's resurrection to the Twelve, she is called 'apostle to the apostles.'

Besides being Catholic Schools Week next week in The Armidale Diocese will also be celebrating **Marriage and Family Week** as well. This year's theme is "The Family: Passing on the Faith". Bishop Kennedy has instructed that all students in diocesan Catholic schools dedicate a lesson specifically to the Sacrament of Marriage during Marriage and Family Week. Marriage and Family Week concludes on Saturday 1st August with a parish Mass and celebration. Throughout the week, all of us are strongly encouraged to pray for all families and to actively invite students and families to the parish celebration on the 1st August.

Also on Wednesday **12th August**, the school is hosting an afternoon twilight prayer session commencing at 3.30pm. All parishioners and members of the school community are welcome to join us.

RESCHEDULING OF SACRAMENTS

Later this week, Fr Vince will be meeting with Mrs John to reschedule/finalise dates for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation this semester. The dates of these sacraments will be included in the next edition of the school newsletter.

*Loving God,
through the joyful words of Mary Magdalene
you bring the good news of your love
to all the peoples of the earth.
Strengthen us to carry that good news
in our lives, in our hearts and in our words.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

SPORT

Athletics Carnival

With a lot of school associated sporting events being cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are planning to conduct our School Athletics Carnival later than normal as there will be **no Diocesan Athletics Carnival for this year**. At the moment our Athletics Carnival will be taking place on **Wednesday 9th September** and hopefully by then a number of restrictions will be lifted. More details will be sent home in the very near future.

It is great to see that the COVID-19 pandemic hasn't caused all of the organised sporting competitions to cease this year. I know junior soccer as well as rugby union will be commencing their modified seasons very soon. I am looking forward to hearing from our students how they are going with both of these competitions as well as any other sporting and cultural events that they may be involved in.

**FOR SALE - MAKE AN OFFER
DELL PRINTER**

The school has 1 x Dell printer (E310/E514/E515 compatible cartridge) for sale. This printer doesn't come with a toner cartridge, but they can be purchased online. To make an offer, please contact Robyn in the office.

SCHOOL FEES

Term 2 Fees are overdue. If you haven't made payment, please do so as soon as possible.

