



SACRED HEART NEWSLETTER

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Week 5

Term 4

9th November 2020

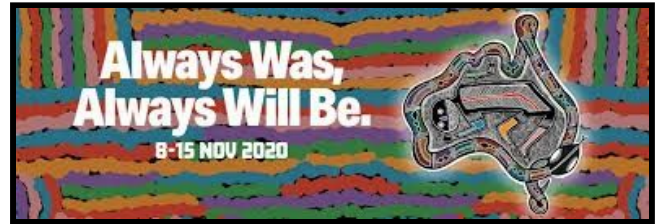
Dear Parents, Carers & Students

Wow! Doesn't the front of the school look absolutely fantastic with the completion of the front garden as well as the ANZAC Memorial Garden? Also very soon a NAIDOC themed project will soon begin taking place on the outer wall of the Year 5-6 room facing Laidlaw St. I have seen the initial designs and I can definitely tell you that this project will enhance the school's appearance. A big thank you goes out to our AEA, Cathie, who is the main instigator behind this project.

Last week the new principal, Nick Baird visited the school alongside some other dignitaries from the Catholic Schools Office. Nick had the opportunity to meet with the staff as well as the students. Nick commented that he is definitely looking forward to working with all members of the Sacred Heart Learning Community in the very near future. Nick plans to visit us again in the upcoming weeks.



As mentioned previously in past newsletters, this upcoming Wednesday is Remembrance Day and at 9.15am, all students will be taking part in our Remembrance Day Memorial. This occasion allows us to remember the sacrifice of those men and women who have died or suffered in the various wars and conflicts that our nation has been involved in. Also it gives us the opportunity to officially open our brand new ANZAC Memorial Garden. I know some members of the local RSL Branch will be joining us for this occasion. Later on that morning the school captains and myself will be taking part in the Annual Boggabri Remembrance Day Memorial at the cenotaph.



This week also marks NAIDOC Week with the theme for this year is: *Always Was, Always Will Be*. This morning all of the students and teachers had taken part in a special prayer ceremony. On Friday besides helping out with the creation of the project that I had mentioned previously, the students will be completing a number of activities organised by Ms Wise. It definitely looks like it is going to be a fun day!

Although my contribution to this edition of the newsletter is very short compared to recent editions, there are a large number of notices/dates about various items that are happening in the upcoming weeks. Please take note as there will be a large number of major events taking place in Week 9.

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

Dallas Hyatt



Happy Birthday to Felicity who will celebrate her 10th birthday tomorrow! Also to Hallie who will be 11 years old on Thursday the 12th November and Lane who is celebrating his 12th birthday on Thursday the 19th November and the following day Saxon will be celebrating his 8th birthday. We hope all of you enjoy your special day!

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS



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

TRANSITION - Samuel & Hayley

K-1 - Kiarah & Dougie

2-4 - Saxon & Evie

5-6 - Kayleigh & Steven

CULTURAL IMMERSION

Steven

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Elliott- for doing a brilliant job reading at Mass during the week.

Molly- for doing a wonderful job leading Health Hustle at various times throughout the year.

HOME READING AWARDS

Ava S, Shakira, Evie, Vicky, Grace, Kiarah & Coen



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

NAIDOC PRAYER

God of all creation, all things and all people are in your care.

May your vision for the world be effective in our lives. We pray for understanding and respect for all peoples and peace and justice for all nations.

We pray for a better understanding and respect between all peoples of our world. Help us as we grow to appreciate one another.

In your eyes we are one. Help us not to see colour, race or creed, but to see you Lord, in each person created by you to be accepted and loved.

Amen

Catholic Mission Success!

This year, students across Australia are encouraged to learn about Cambodia, and through fundraising and prayer, be part of the life changing work of the Catholic church as we support children with disability. Last week Sacred Heart students raised **\$188** which will go directing to Catholic Mission. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR WONDERFUL SUPPORT.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Elliott, Hannah and Tanikah are preparing to receive The Sacrament of Confirmation. During Confirmation the children receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The seven gifts are **Wisdom, Understanding, Knowledge, Courage, Right Judgement, Reverence and Wonder and Awe.**

Wisdom helps us when making decisions.

Understanding is the gift of thinking and reflecting.

Knowledge helps us make wise and fair decisions.

Courage is the strength to speak the truth and put oneself on the line for what is right.

Right Judgement helps us to develop the ability to consider the thoughts and understandings of others.

Reverence is the gift of honouring God and others.

Wonder and Awe are present when we celebrate God's life giving and sustaining presence in all of creation.

The Confirmation program will culminate with a beautiful celebration on Sunday the 15th of November.

Congratulations to Hannah, Tanikah and Elliott.

ST MARY'S ORIENTATION DAY

Next, **Thursday 19th November**, students from Yr 6 who have been accepted into St Mary's College will be participating in the Orientation Day. A flyer was sent to each of those families by St Mary's College and Sacred Heart.



TRANSITION GRADUATION

On **Friday 20th November 2020** will be our **Transition Graduation Ceremony**. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, this ceremony will be taking place in our regular weekly assembly. We are hoping to video the ceremony and send the link to parents. We certainly hope to see them all again next year as students of Sacred Heart School.



2021 SCHOOL CAPTAIN SPEECHES

Students from Year 5 have been encouraged to present speeches for 2021 School Captains. This will take place on **Tuesday 24th November at 9am**. Year 5

students who want to undertake the role of being a school leader have been given the role statements of the School Captains and will be asked to ensure when giving their speech that they understand fully the commitment of each role.

Being a leader is a full-time commitment, not just when you feel like it.

School Captains will be announced at the Presentation Day ceremony and will officially receive their badges at the Opening Mass in 2021.

SUMMER UNIFORM ORDER FOR 2021

Summer uniform order for Term 1 2021 will be placed at the end of Week 7. Please check your child/ren's uniforms to **have your order in by Friday 27th November**. If you need an order form, please contact Robyn at the office. Just a reminder that all orders must be accompanied with the correct payment. **NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED** as there is a cut off date for LW Reid's last dispatch day.

A banner with the text 'End of Year Celebration' in a blue cursive font. The background shows a blue and white Christmas stocking hanging from the top right, and a white star on a dark surface at the bottom right.

End of Year
Celebration

YEAR 6 FAREWELL DINNER

Our Year 6 students, their parents and staff will be enough to celebrate the Year 6 graduation from Sacred Heart with a Farewell Dinner on **Monday 7th December** at the RSL Club. Invitations will be sent out in the near future. Please ensure that you confirm numbers by calling the office by the date stated on the invitation for catering purposes.

END OF YEAR MASS

Our End of Year Mass will be celebrated on **Wednesday 9th December beginning at 11.30am**.

PRESENTATION CEREMONY

Please note for your diaries that **Thursday 10th December** will be our 'School Presentation Day'. Unfortunately at this stage, parents and guests are unable to attend and it will be held during school hours. More information will be included in the next newsletter.



NOVEMBER

Sun 8th ~ Sat 14th - NAIDOC WEEK

Wed 11th - REMEMBRANCE DAY ~ Opening of new ANZAC Memorial Garden 9:15am

Fri 13th - NAIDOC Week celebrations at school

Sun 15th - Confirmation 10am - Gunnedah

Thurs 19th - Year 7 2021 St Mary's Orientation Day

Fri 20th - Transition Graduation Assembly

Tues 24th - 2021 School Captain Speeches

Fri 27th - 2021 Summer Uniform orders due

WEEK 8 & 9 - Swimming

DECEMBER

Mon 7th - Yr 6 Farewell Dinner

Wed 9th - End of Year Mass 11:30am

Thurs 10th - Presentation Ceremony

