



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School Diamond Creek

Sacred Heart Newsletter

Newsletter No 1 Term 1
30 January 2020

What's on at Sacred Heart

Fri 31 Jan

Preps 8.50 am – 12.30 pm
Footsteps & Life Education Harold
Swim Trials (Yr 3 -6) 1.30 – 3.30 pm

Mon 3 Feb

School Assembly 9.05 am – in the Church
Life Education Harold
Jam Hot Music Classes start

Tues 4 Feb

Life Education – Parent Session 9 am
Life Education Harold

Wed 5

No Preps
School Mass 9.15 am
Environmentally 2.30 – 3.15 am

Thurs 6 Feb

Prep Welcome BBQ 6 pm

Dates for your Diary.....

Mon 10th Feb Goal Setting Meetings – Students dismissed 1.30 pm

Tues 11th Feb Goal Setting Meetings

Mon 17th Feb District Swimming Carnival

Full School Calendar available at <http://www.shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au>

2020 Term Dates

Term 1	30 th January to 27 th March	(9 weeks)
Term 2	14 th April to 26 th June	(11 weeks)
Term 3	13 th July to 18 th September	(10 weeks)
Term 4	5 th October to 15 th December	(11 weeks)

Dear Sacred Heart families and friends,

Welcome to our first newsletter of the 2020 school year.

Our Refurbishment Project is well underway and Gina Murphy will be providing you with updates about its progress.

Our 2020 Prep class started their first day at primary school today and have already settled in well. We welcome the Thomson family (Lenny Year 5) to Sacred Heart and hope that their time with us is both rewarding and enjoyable.

We also welcome teachers, Mrs. Helen Maxey and Mrs. Cinzia Egodagama.

Soon you will be receiving the 2020 Family Permission Form via CareMonkey. It is essential that you read and complete this form as thoroughly as possible.

The eform includes permissions for:

- Accident or Illness
- Head Lice
- Walking Excursions
- Annual photographs/videos in publications
- Sharing classroom contact information
- Communication Tools
- Sacred Heart School Policies
- Sacred Heart Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct
- Updated Contacts/Emergency/Medical Information

While most of these items are self-explanatory, each year we have minor issues with families understanding the school's use of social media and the need for all adult members of our families to sign the Code of Conduct.

In the Permission Forms it states:

"I am aware that Sacred Heart uses CareMonkey, SeeSaw, Facebook, Instagram and/or Twitter to communicate with me and I understand how to use these tools."

CareMonkey is our main communication tool for Notices and Permission Forms. It is a secure service operated for the school (and many other schools) by an external provider. It is managed at Sacred Heart by Allison Garrard, our School Administration Officer.

SeeSaw is the communication service we use to communicate with you evidence of your child's work and progress at school - this is a class or cohort-specific communication.

Facebook, Instagram and Twitter are social media platforms we use to communicate special celebrations and/or information for the whole school.

When you are reading these forms please remember that they are all secure communication tools and are used purely for educational and communication for Sacred Heart. If you have any concerns or questions please contact the office.

Value = Respect



Student of the Week

Prep NG

1/2 CN

1/2 PA

3/4 JD

3/4 NJ

5/6 CM

5/6 RM

Shaye Pearce

Marcus Mennilli

Eva Parker

Michala Joyce

Isla Brooks

Snehath Perera

Kieran Madden



Student Wellbeing & P. E.



Building Update:

Each week I will try to keep the community informed in regards to the building project. At this stage although a few things have been delayed, the overall timeline is on track.

Introduction

With renovations well underway and the children back at school, this is a status report for the project and anticipated works over the coming two weeks endeavouring to minimise any impacts on the schools operation.

BLOCK A Status

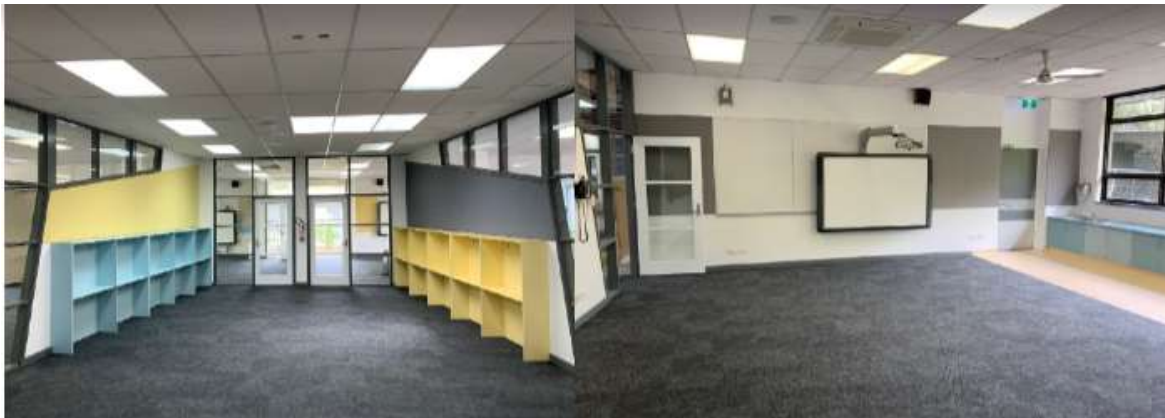
The additional hazardous materials have been identified and removed from Block A. The demolition of the building has been delayed due to the discovery of mains power feeding the Parish under the building and delays in receiving approval from the power authority to approve the disconnection of the power to the main board and reconnection. Application was made in early December, but a response has only been received in recent days. An inspection has been booked for 31st January for the power authority to visit the site and inspect the works. Following this inspection, we can book in a time to disconnect and change over the power. We will need to shut down power to the school and parish for one full day to allow for the power changeover with the authority. A suitable time for this shut down will need to be agreed, however, this will be a Saturday. In order to minimise disruption to the school, the intention is to commence demolition of Block A on a Saturday and then delay the arrival of further trucks until after 9 am on the Monday following. The date for this will be known after the site inspection by authorities on 31/1 and the subsequent date for the change over power.

BLOCK B Status

The rear area of the Block B was handed over prior to Christmas and the Junior school has relocated to this area. Building works are well underway in the remainder of Block B, with demolition almost complete and services rough in underway. Services rough in, construction of walls and ceilings, steel bracing will continue over the next two weeks. A timber hoarding has been installed to separate the occupied and building areas of Block B.

BLOCK C Status

Following the removal of the additional hazardous materials identified, the demolition works are almost complete in Block C. The old tuckshop and the slab between Block B and Block C has been removed. The instruction from the Structural engineer for the site conditions that differ from the documents, has been issued and structural works are proceeding. The childrens and staff toilets are well under way. The quartz carpet flooring has been ordered and will be installed by Tuesday and the additional plasterboard lining to the staff toilets will be installed. The toilets will be painted early next week. We have been advised the toilet partitions will be completed and shipped on Monday 3rd February, with installation as soon as we receive them. The school has alternate toilet arrangements in the hall until these toilets are completed. Once we have confirmation the delivery of the toilet partitions we will update the expected completion of the toilets.



Website Update:

We will be launching a brand new Sacred Heart Primary School website that will allow parents and perspective family's to view relevant information and provide opportunities to order, pay for items such as uniform and tuckshop and easily find information in one space. We will keep you posted once this goes live and ask for any constructive feedback in regards to this to be sent to gmurphy@shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au

Kiss N Drop:

In the mornings, the Kiss n Drop will run the same as it always has. I just ask that the students are dropped adjacent to the school office to ensure we do not have a bank up of traffic back onto Gipson Street. The students will then need to walk down to the driveway that is our entry/exit point at this stage. I thank everyone for their understanding and patience during this busy time.

Student Leadership:

At Sacred Heart Primary School student leadership provides an opportunity for students to actively participate in the decision-making processes at our school. Students are encouraged to take on leadership roles in an endeavour to increase their own leadership skills and to act as effective role models for the student body. Our school believes encouraging student leadership ensures we are developing community leaders of the future. We aim:

- To provide opportunities for students to play a significant and effective role in the decision-making processes of the school.
- To provide an opportunity for students to become skilled in all aspects of leadership.
- To ensure that student leaders are positive role models for other students.
- To create a whole school community where every member feels their contribution is valuable.

The following students were selected and presented to the community at the end of 2019 as our school leaders for this year.

SCHOOL LEADERS: Annabel Boland & Pat Ward
BUNJIL LEADER: Jerzie Bishop
MACKILLOP LEADER: Rachel Turner
CORDNER LEADER: Cooper Fitt

Congratulations also to our class leaders for Term 1 (Prep – Year 2) and Semester 1 (Years 3 – 6) 2020:

PREP: Harrison Friedrich & Charlottle Molinaro
1/2 CN: Hunter Sparks-McPherson & Nihal Mohamed
1/2 PA: Levi Johnstone & Tyler Stacey
3/4 JD: Zara Campbell & Harper Bishop
3/4 NJ: Roy Hunter & Grace Topolscanyi
5/6 CM: Tom Furness & Izzy Jones
5/6 RM: Krystal Burns & Paddy Hardy

Beginning of School Year Mass:

On Wednesday 5th February we will celebrate the beginning of the 2020 School Year with a whole school Mass. At the end of Mass, we will present our Year 6 students their Year 6 Hoodie and their Year 6 badges recognising their roles as leaders and mentors in our school community.

House Points:

At the conclusion of week 1 the results were as follows:

MACKILLOP (RED)	CORDNER (GREEN)	BUNJIL (BLUE)
50	70	120

Swell Week:

The first week of school is dedicated to SWELL (Student Wellbeing) week. The purpose of the week is to take the time to get to know each other, develop clear goals and expectations and give students the opportunity to build friendships and working relationships in the classrooms across all levels of the school. It is important to create a sense of belonging in a safe and secure environment to enable better learning.

At Sacred Heart we believe in school community that is inclusive, encompassing Parish, families and the wider community. We strive to ensure that the Catholic ethos is lived daily by all who attend our school. The week is filled with fun, friends and learning as well as a bit of competition with the Staff beating the students in the inaugural Netball game today. Students in Year 1-6 will also learn a dance that we look forward to presenting the end result at the end of the day tomorrow. All parents are welcome to come along just before pick up to see the dance moves we have practised.

Bushfire At-Risk Register/Code Red Days:

All schools, kindergartens and licensed child care centers that have been identified as being at high fire risk and on the Department's Victoria-wide Bushfire At-Risk Register and will close on days declared Code Red. Sacred Heart is included on the Bushfire At-Risk Register and therefore is mandated to close on Code Red days.

Where possible, three (3) days' notice of a planned closure will be provided. However, experience indicates that a Code Red fire danger rating day may be forecast at short notice. Parents and guardians should expect that in some instances less than three days' notice may be provided.

Once the final decision to close is confirmed at 12 noon the day prior, this decision will not change – regardless of any changes in the weather forecast. This will help limit confusion and help families plan for how their children will be cared for when their school is closed.

When a school is closed in response to bushfire risk, no one, including staff, contractors and other users, will be permitted on site.

Jam Hot Music:

Come and learn drums, keyboard, guitar or singing!! Learning music benefits left and right brain coordination, physical coordination, focus, performance confidence, musicality and creativity. Student's skills are showcased in a Music Performance Concert. If you are interested in music lessons through an external company for a cost, please collect an enrolment form from the office. Jam Hot Music visited all Year 1-6 classes today to promote their sessions.

Working With Children Checks:

Just a reminder to all families that if you intend to help out in any capacity at school, excursions, classroom help, tuck shop etc. you must have a current working with children check. This is a free application and can be found at <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>

Open Classroom:

Twice a term the school will run OPEN CLASSROOM sessions. These sessions will be held on different days to cater for people who may only be available certain days. Parents, grandparents and carers are welcome to join the classes to have a glimpse at what happens in your child's classroom. These are advertised in the school calendar.

Goal Setting Meetings:

Early in the Year we have the parent, staff and student conferences to allow goals to be established for the year ahead and encourage students to have a positive approach to their learning. This will also be an opportunity to share information that will enable a successful year for all involved. These will take place on Monday 10th February and Tuesday 11th February. More details will be sent home through Care Monkey soon. Prep families will not need to attend these sessions as they will have the opportunity to sign up for Wednesday testing and parent/teacher conversations. On the Monday, students will be dismissed at 1.30 pm to allow staff to meet with families. We will still have the option of students remaining at school, however, due to the building we do not have the space for a large number of students so we ask that if all possible please collect your child or organise for your child to be collected at 1.30 pm to allow supervision in a smaller space.

KABOOM Twilight Family Carnival:

This year we will be holding our annual Twilight Sports on Thursday 27 February 5-7pm. It is hoped that all families could attend this event. If students are unable to attend if they could let their class teacher know. This is a fun community event for all families.

Interschool Sport:

Sacred Heart competes in the District Interschool Sport Competition conducted throughout the year. Sacred Heart will have teams competing, from Years 4 to 6. Teams that are being fielded for Summer Sport (Term 1 and 4) include Volleyball (girls and boys), Basketball (boys and girls) Rounders (girls) and Kanga Cricket (boys). The teams fielded for Winter Sports (Term 2 and 3) are soccer (girls and boys), softball (boys and girls) and netball (girls). Interschool Sport will begin Friday 14th February.

Assembly:

Assembly will be held each Monday morning at 9.05am. At this stage it will be held in the church.

Sport Uniform Days:

The sport uniform days for 2020 are:

Year 3 - 6	Wednesday and Friday
Year Prep - 2	Tuesday and Friday

New Psychologist:

In 2020, we welcome Suli Tera who will be working as our school Psychologist.



Suli is a registered psychologist who currently works with children and adolescents who are experiencing social, emotional and behavioural difficulties. Suli works from a strengths-based approach and is trained in Solution Focused Therapy, Cognitive Behavioural Therapy and Narrative Therapy.

Suli adopts family sensitive practice that is inclusive of parents and caregivers valuing collaboration amongst the family, teachers, and mainstream and community services. Suli works from a Social Determinants of Health approach acknowledging that the circumstances in which people are born, grow up, live, work and age and the systems put in place to deal with mental illness impact on a person's mental health.

Suli has a Masters degree in Applied Psychology (Community Psychology) with a particular interest in culturally and Linguistically Diverse communities. Suli has spent time working within not-for-profit Disability and Community Mental Health, government and private sectors.

If your child was previously seeing the school psychologist and you would like Suli to contact you, please call the office to let us know.

Staff Bio:

Each week we will be introducing some new and existing staff to share with the community a little bit more about the people working with you and your children.

CINZIA EGODAGAMAGE

Hello, my name is Cinzia Egodagamage, but please call me Mrs E! I live in Montmorency with my husband and two young sons. We love spending time together, often visiting the zoo, museum, and the many wonderful parks that surround us. I have a background in visual arts and business management, but eventually my love of learning and a desire to be a part of a greater community brought me to where I am today. My teaching philosophy is founded on knowing the students, building relationships with trust and mutual respect, and ensuring that all students are equipped with the tools and strategies to fulfil their own potential. I am very excited to be joining Sacred Heart School, and believe 2020 will be an exciting and successful year!



CLAUDIA NEALE

Hi, my name is Claudia Neale and I live in Eltham North with my beautiful family: Peter, Jess (23), Jack (22), Anthony (21), Paddy (16), Flynn (15) and Josh (13). We have a cat, two dogs, a bunny and several fish. We love the outdoors and particularly enjoy fishing, camping, walking and playing footy and basketball. I also love to read and spend time in our garden.



Following my completion of a Science Degree with honors in Psychology, I worked as a youth and family services worker in a variety of welfare settings, working closely with children and families in need of support. Whilst pregnant with Jack and Anthony, I decided to complete a postgraduate degree in teaching, where I could continue my love of working with children, in a more positive environment. I have worked as a CRT in a wide variety of schools, in both primary and secondary settings, whilst raising my busy family.

I have worked at Sacred Heart for the past eight years and truly love the values and sense of community that our school offers to staff, students and families. Throughout the years that I have been a teacher, I have devoted myself to pursuing a classroom environment in which each and every student is empowered to achieve the very best they can. This has been supported through a collaborative teaching approach to student learning, that celebrates the partnerships between students, teaching staff, families and significant others as being cornerstone to student success. I have been privileged to be a part of preparing students to become independent learners, confident to pursue their talents.

Communication:

Below is a list of the current communication avenues used at Sacred Heart. If you do not have access to all of these communication tools please ensure access to each of these so as not to miss information.

NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters are sent home via email each Thursday afternoon. Hard copies will only be sent home if parents request them from the office. If you are not receiving a copy of the newsletter also let the office know.

CAREMONKEY

All notices and permission forms will be sent home electronically via the Caremonkey App. It is important that families sign into the app and create a profile. Caremonkey profile set up <http://support.caremonkey.com/care-profiles/help-for-users/how-does-a-user-complete-a-profile>

FACEBOOK

Search for us on Facebook to stay up to dates with details of upcoming events, and celebrate our wonderful school community. To join Facebook page - search Sacred Heart School, click follow

WEBSITE

The website is www.shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au.

LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

These are important meetings and a great way to pass on relevant information and continue to set goals. These are held in first and second term each year. These meetings are intended to inform and discuss your child's holistic learning.

TERM OVERVIEWS

Each year level sends home an overview of the term ahead. This has dates, routines and expectations of students concerning learning, uniform and general day to day routines.

ASSEMBLY

Each Monday at 9.05 am the School Student Leaders run an assembly. This assembly is to present certificates to the Student of the Week, from the previous week. This assembly is also to remind students of upcoming events that may be happening during the week. This is also a time to pray together, celebrate birthdays together and sing the National Anthem as a community. Parents are always welcome to attend.

SEESAW

Seesaw is a student-driven digital portfolio. Seesaw empowers students of any age to create, reflect, collaborate and share. Families are invited to Seesaw to keep them in the loop about their child's learning, and easily communicate between school and home. More information will be sent home or discussed Goal Setting sessions.

INSTAGRAM

Instagram has been launched and tracking well despite minimal promotion. Here's the link if you'd like to promote it in your newsletter. https://www.instagram.com/sacred_heart_primary_school/

Term 1 Calendar

January

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
27 WEEK 1 A	28	29	30	31		
Australia Day Holiday	Staff return	Year 1 – 6 Return SWELL Week (wellbeing)	Prep students start 8.50am – 12.30pm Welcome Back morning tea for community 9am – staff room	Preps 8.50am – 12.30pm Life Education sessions District Swim Trials (3-6) 11.30-3.00pm Footsteps 11.40am		

February

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					1	2
3 WEEK 2 B	4	5	6	7	8	9
Assembly Life Education sessions Specialist Classes Begin	Life Education sessions & Parent session 9am	Preps no school Opening School Year Mass 9.15am	Prep Welcome BBQ Evening 6pm	ISS training		
10 WEEK 3 A	11	12	13	14	15	16
Assembly District Tennis Goal Setting Meetings 2-5pm Students finish at 1.30pm/optional supervision	Goal setting meetings 3.40pm – 7pm	Preps no school		ISS v		
17 WEEK 4 B	18	19	20	21	22	23
Assembly District Swimming	General Faith Development Night	Preps no school EnvironMentally 2.30pm		ISS v		
24 WEEK 5 A	25	26	27	28	29	
Assembly PSGs this week	Shrove/Pancake Tuesday	Preps no school Ash Wednesday Mass 9.15am	Kaboom Twilight Sports Community Event 5-7pm	ISS v First Aid in Schools		

March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
						1 First Sunday of Lent School Tours 10.30am
2 WEEK 6 B	3	4	5	6	7	8
Preps Full Time Assembly Year 3/4 Excursion - Eureka Skydeck	Tennis in PE Advisory Board 7.30pm	Tennis in PE EnvironMentally 2.30pm Open Classrooms 2.30-3.15pm		ISS v		Second Sunday of Lent
9 WEEK 7 A	10	11	12	13	14	15
LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY	Tennis in PE	Tennis in PE		ISS v Ride2School Day Bop Till U Drop Disco		Third Sunday of Lent
16 WEEK 8 B	17	18	19	20	21	22
Assembly Teach the Teacher 11.40am – 1.40pm Year 5	Tennis in PE St Patricks Day	Tennis in PE Eucharist Faith Night	Open Classrooms 9.15-10.00am	ISS v School Photo Day National Day of Action against Bullying & Violence		Fourth Sunday of Lent
23 WEEK 9 A	24	25	26	27	28	29
Assembly	Tennis in PE	Tennis in PE The Annunciation - Mass		ISS v END OF TERM 1 2.30pm		



News from the Office

School Fees:

2020 Fee Statements have now been issued to all families. Please note, the first instalment (Student Levies) is **due by 07/02/2020** unless you have a Direct Debit arrangement in place. A Direct Debit Authority form has been emailed with this week's newsletter or can be collected from the office.



Prep Welcome BBQ

Our Prep families are warmly invited to join us for our Sacred Heart Prep Welcome BBQ.

When: Thursday 6th February
 Where: Sacred Heart Library Courtyard
 Time: 6pm

Meat, Salads and Cordial/Water will be provided.

Please RSVP by returning the slip below to Kerry or Gemma by Tuesday 4th February.

Family name _____

We can / cannot attend the Prep Welcome BBQ

Number of people attending _____

Dietary Requirements _____

First Day of School



Mia & Nate



Nicole, Lily, Ally



Zoe (Yr 6 2019)



Eleanor



Archie, Alex, Hannah, Mia, Matilda, Madi, Emilie, James (Year 6 students 2019)



Charlotte



Our new preps at work



James Hanlon (Prep 2019) - Shepparton



Xmas Holiday Clinic Program Days @ Wattle Glen Tennis Club

Tuesday 7th, 14th, 21st January

Thursday 9th, 16th & 23rd January

Where: Wattle Glen Tennis Club **Times:** 9.30am – 2.30pm

Cost: \$45 p/p per day (Two or more days \$40p/day)

Includes: BBQ Lunch, tennis coaching, fun activities & prizes

Bookings essential: 0410 60 44 50 or email marksf.tennis@gmail.com

Tennis Coaching at Sacred Heart Primary School

MJS Tennis Academy and Sacred Heart Primary School are excited to announce that tennis lessons are continuing at Sacred Heart Primary School for Term 1.

Lesson Details

Time: 8.10am – 8.45am 35min lessons (Wednesdays)

Cost: \$12 per lesson

Start Date: Wednesday 5th February – 25th March (8 week program)

Venue: Sacred Heart Primary School – Basketball Court

Booking are essential, Please return below enrolment slip by **Friday 13th December** to the school office or email marksf.tennis@gmail.com or call / txt: 0410 604 450

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

MJS Tennis Academy

Mark: 0410 60 44 50

marksf.tennis@gmail.com

Sacred Heart Primary School Tennis Coaching Enrolment Form – Term 1, 2020

Child Name _____ D.O.B ____/____/____

Child Name _____ D.O.B ____/____/____

Parents Name/s _____

Primary Contact Number _____

Community Noticeboard



10am - 2pm Preston Campus 8 Clifton Grove
10am - 2pm Bundoora Campus 1436 Plenty Rd

- Talk to our Principal and all our staff
 - Watch the awesome Science Show
 - Listen to our College bands
 - Pick up an information pack with a special gift for your son
 - Enjoy our free BBQ and café
 - Listen to the Principal's address at 10.30, 11.30 & 1.00.
- Year 7 2022 Enrolments Now Open!
Limited places at Preston available 2021.



Register online www.parade.vic.edu.au ■ p. 9468 3300 ■ registrar@parade.vic.edu.au

ELTHAM RUGBY

To register for season 2020 you must download the RugbyXplorer App

RUGBY
XPLORER
DOWNLOAD THE APP

50 years of Rugby Union
Join Eltham as a supporter or a player to participate in our Golden Anniversary Season

Eltham Junior Rugby
Come and Try Rugby Union
From 2:30 pm
Sunday 16 February
58 Bridge Street,
Eltham

Aged 5 or more and want to try something new? Rugby Union is a truly inclusive international game suitable for all body shapes and sizes.

Eltham Rugby warmly welcomes back returning juniors, and urges them to bring along a friend or relative to come and try rugby union Sunday 16 February 2020 from 2:30pm at our 58 Bridge Street Eltham Ground.



1ST DIAMOND CREEK SCOUT GROUP

45 CHALLENGER ST (NEXT TO THE MENS SHED)

WE INVITE ALL YOUTH TO COME AND EXPERIENCE WHAT SCOUTING CAN DO FOR YOU!

NEW YOUTH LED PROGRAMS,
which means..... kids Plan, Do and Review all activities
with leader guidance.

THREE FREE WEEKS TO CHECK IT ALL OUT.

ALL AGES

Leadership & learning

Scouting is all about education for life. Our adventurous programs teach practical life skills for every age group, and we help young people develop into strong, resilient adults who are also confident leaders.

Scouting is all about the healthy development of young people, preparing them for a constructive and active life ahead.

From the time they start school, children as young as five can become Joey Scouts. Older children and teens can join us along the way, even if they haven't been involved in Scouting before.

Adventurous adults of any age are always welcome as new leaders.