

Sacred Heart Newsletter

Newsletter No 4 Term 1 20 February 2020

What's on at Sacred Heart

Fri 21 Feb ISS V Laurimar (AWAY)

Sausage Sizzle Lunch

Mon 24 Feb School Assembly 9.05 am

Yr 3/4 Town Planning Incursion – Cr Peter Clarke

Pancake Monday

Tues 25 Feb Yr 3 & Yr 5 Carlton Footy Clinic – IKON Park

Wed 26 Feb No Preps

Ash Wednesday Mass 9.15 am Diamond Creek

Thur 27 Feb KABOOM TWLIGHT SPORTS CARNIVAL 5 pm to 7 pm

Fri 28 Feb ISS V Greenhills (AWAY)

Dates for your Diary.....

Mon 2nd Mar Yr 3/4 Excursion – Town Planning Eureka Skydeck

Mon 9th Mar Labour Day Public Holiday

Fri 13th Mar Ride to School Day Fri 20th Mar School Photo Day

Click on this link to view the school calendar: https://www.shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au/calendar/

Dear Sacred Heart families and friends,

Working Bees and Maintenance Levy:

I know that some families might be wondering when we will be holding our Working Bees for 2020 so that they can be rebated for their Maintenance Levy.

We will be holding Working Bees in Term 2 and later this year, so there will be at least 4 opportunities for you to participate in them. We have not had a Working Bee this term largely due to the current Refurbishment Project but also because we will be having two landscaping projects later this year which will provide greater opportunities for families to be involved.

The first landscaping project will be the landscaping associated with the refurbishment Project. Gina Murphy and I will be meeting with Richard Bellemo from RB Landscapes to finalise the schedule of works for landscaping the area from where Block A will be removed in the period from 29/02/2020 to 04/03/2020.

In the scope of works for the current Refurbishment Project, this area will be levelled and the staff carpark will be positioned there. RB Landscapes have developed a design for a new fence and gardens between the new carpark and the main courtyard. Working Bees will be required later this year to maintain these gardens and our existing gardens in both courtyards.

The second landscaping project is the development of natural play spaces at the rear of the oval for which we received funding from the Local Schools Community Fund. This funding (supported by our Parents Association) will provide us with the installation of a log fort, tyre steppers, plants, grassland, habitat logs and soft fall mulch, which also will need ongoing maintenance.

Both of these projects will be completed this year.

However we are always willing for families to complete the required maintenance hours (4 - 5 hours) at a time of their own choosing by trimming trees, weeding flower beds, washing existing windows, even, by arrangement, topping up sandpits. If you are interested in this option contact the school office.

On a personal note, I wanted to let you know that towards the end of last year I was diagnosed with a melanoma inside my left eye, this had been under ongoing observation for the past two years. Subsequently I had a radiation plaque inserted into my left eye in January and was in the Eye and Ear Hospital for 5 days while the melanoma was radiated and the plaque then removed. I return to the Specialist in May to assess the success of this procedure. For the first few weeks of this term I have been suffering from fatigue both physical and eyesight. So if I appear to be frowning (more than normal) it's because of the difference in the strengths of my eyes and needing to concentrate on focusing not because of my attitude.

Jim O'Sullivan Principal



Student of the Week

Prep NG **Maddux Lemi** 1/2 CN Rook Bishop 1/2 PA Miles Valentine 3/4 JD Charlie Rowley 3/4 NJ Tadhg O'Neill 5/6 CM Kai Brennan 5/6 RM **Pat Ward STEM** Lana Junge **LOTE** Lani Nugent **Performing Arts** Benji Collins

Visual Arts Madeleine Arvaji & Xavier Hernandez

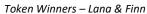
PE Makayla Davison





Week 3 Students of the Week







Mini Vinnies Group





Student Wellbeing & P. E.

Uniform Committee:

During last year there was a request to establish a uniform committee to review the current uniform. I have had a couple of parents express their interest in this. If you are interested in being part of this committee can you please either contact the office or email gmurphy@shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au

Running Club:

On Friday 28 February, the school running club run by Dale Nardella (Sienna & Jack's Dad) will start up again each Friday for the remainder of Term 1. This takes place on the oval starting at 8 am each Friday. This is a great opportunity for students to increase their fitness and also for our Year 3-6 students to obtain some support with running leading up to the District Cross Country trials early in Term 2. Please use the driveway between the hall and the school (current entry to the school) to get to the oval as we do have deliveries for the building down the other side of the building.

KABOOM Twilight Family Carnival:

This year we will be holding our annual Twilight Sports Carnival on Thursday 27 February 5-7 pm. It is hoped that all families could attend this event. If students are unable to attend please let their class teacher know. This is a fun community event for all families. There will be a BBQ available on the night to purchase dinner otherwise you can BYO. The sport component will finish around 6.15 pm with food available to purchase afterwards.

Interschool Sport:

Last week we played Diamond Creek Primary. Congratulations to all participants on a fantastic effort and display of sportsmanship.

SPORT	RESULT
Boys Volleyball	Win
Girls Volleyball	Lost
Boys Basketball	Lost
Girls Basketball	Win
Rounders	Lost
Kanga Cricket	Win

Tomorrow we play Laurimar at their home grounds.

House Points:

At the conclusion of week 4 the results were as follows:

MACKILLOP (RED)	CORDNER (GREEN)	BUNJIL (BLUE)
2045	2225	2735

District Swim Carnival:

The District Swimming Carnival was held on Monday 17th February at Water Marc, Greensborough. Well done to the following students that represented Sacred Heart at this event; Isaac Sciberras, Harper Bishop, Zarah Clough, Claire Waddington, Hector Santostefano, Xavier Sciberras, Evelyn McIlroy, Ally Blakely, Makayla Davison, Tadhg Keating, Paddy Hardy and Lachlan Cummins. Huge congratulations to all students on an amazing effort and special congratulations and good luck to Hector Santostefano who placed second in backstroke and now will compete at Division level.

Website:

Our new website went live over the weekend. We still have a few minor errors that we are finding that we hope to have fixed up by the end of next week. Please take the time to have a look at it and if there is any feedback please forward this onto gmurphy@shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au. We also met with CDF pay to set up an online payment system where families will be able to order and pay for tuckshop, uniform and other events organised by the Parents Association throughout the year from the comfort of their own home from their devices. This will go live in a couple of weeks.

Building Update:

We had a site meeting this morning and everything appears to be running to the time line with the building being finished by the end of Term 1. The demolition of Block A will occur mainly on Saturday 29th February and Sunday 1st March. There will be further works during the week although a large part of this will take place over the weekend.

Secondary School Applications:

Reminder to families of Year 5 students wishing to attend Catholic Secondary Schools, open days are currently happening and applications for 2022 close later this year. Year 6 students looking at applying for Government Schools information will be sent home early Term 2 via your child but I encourage families to start attending open days in the meantime.

Staff Bio:

GINA MURPHY

Great teachers empathise with kids, respect them, and believe that each one has something special that can be built upon. – Ann Lieberman. This, to me, is why Sacred Heart community is a special place to teach. Our staff teach with this in mind and our community work together to better each other but most importantly the children we work with. I am Gina Murphy, my role in 2020 is Deputy Principal, Student Wellbeing Leader and Sport/PE Coordinator. I love my job and my passion is to ensure every child gets a chance to succeed while learning to be independent and along the way to manage obstacles. My teaching background includes various roles in various settings. I have taught Indigenous students in Darwin where I was a sub school coordinator in my second year of teaching. I have also taught at Mater Christi College and Our Lady of Mercy College, both secondary girls schools. I had various roles in these schools including VCE coordinator, Peer Support Leader, Student Leaders coordinator and Sport Coordinator. Then after teaching in Secondary Education I moved to Sacred Heart Primary in 2009 where I have grown an enormous amount professionally and personally thanks to the staff and the families that have supported me throughout this time. During my time at Sacred Heart I have developed a real passion for the Wellbeing of children and completed my Masters in Wellbeing through ACU in 2016. I love to continue learning and growing professionally and personally each year as I ensure I continuously reach out for further, up to date information and ideas.

I am one of seven children, with six brothers. My husband, Andrew, is also one of seven with six boys and one girl also, there are lots of cousins around. So as you can imagine I was brought up reasonably tough

with all those brothers and no time to complain but rather to get on with life and enjoy every moment and this is what I try to do. My husband and I have three amazing children, Jorja (16), Harry (13) and Jack (12). This year is a very busy year trying to keep track of four schools. A lot of my time is also spent supporting my children with their sports; basketball, football, karate and dancing. In my spare time (not much of that) I play netball, enjoy to go walking and in holidays I even get time to quilt and read books.

I feel extremely lucky to be part of such an amazing community, and I feel the future has so much to offer me but also our children. I look forward to working with you throughout the year and in the future.

SUZIE COLLINS

My name is Suzie Collins and I am the Visual Art Teacher at Sacred Heart. I am also the mother of two students at Sacred Heart – Jeremy (Grade 4) and Benjamin (Grade 1).

Following my primary and secondary education, my passion for the visual arts and my interest in teaching led me to complete a Bachelor of Teaching (Primary) and a Bachelor of Arts (Fine Art). Since completing my degree, I have worked as a primary classroom teacher, in the tertiary education sector and spent time raising my two boys. Over the past few years, my passion to be a visual art teacher has grown and led to my return to study. I completed my Master of Education (Arts Specialisation). In the final years of this qualification I was lucky to take two elective subjects at the Victorian College of the Arts where I was able to develop my own artistic practice and gain some practical ideas for the primary classroom.

I am very excited about teaching, particularly in a subject area I am so passionate about. I love working with children. I love the way they see the world, their energy, enthusiasm and unique personalities. I hope to inspire in them a love of art and foster their creativity and imagination, while helping them develop artistic knowledge and skills.

I have been part of the Sacred Heart school community for four years as a parent and a teacher for two years. I am so pleased that I have the opportunity to be a member of the caring, talented and devoted teaching team within the greater school community of children, parents, staff and volunteers who make it such a wonderful place.



Sacred Heart Netball Team – Ruby, Tess, Maia, Megan, Penny, Annabelle

BUILDING UPDATE







Tuckshop demolished



Block B Entry



Multipurpose Room

Kitchen/Tuckshop

Term 1 Calendar

February

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
17 WEEK 4 B	18	19	20	21	22	23
Assembly District Swimming	General Faith Development Night	Preps no school EnvironMentally 2.30pm	General Faith Development Night	ISS v Laurimar (Away)		
24 WEEK 5 A	25	26	27	28	29	
PSGs this week Yr 3/4 Incursion – Cr Peter Clarke	Shrove/Pancake Tuesday Yr 3 & 5 Carlton Footy Clinic - IKON	Preps no school Ash Wednesday Mass 9.15am	Kaboom Twilight Sports Community Event 5-7pm	ISS v Greenhills AWAY First Aid in Schools		

March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
						First Sunday of Lent
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 Apollo AWAY		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 Glen Katherine AWAY 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	No ISS School Photo Day National Day of Action against Bullying & Violence	1 st Eucharist Blessing Mass Hurstbridge 7.15 pm	Fourth Sunday of Lent 1st Eucharist Blessing Mass DCreek 9.00 am
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) was due by Friday 07/02/2020 unless you have a Direct Debit arrangement in place. A Direct Debit Authority can be collected from the office.

CSEF - Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund

Do you have a health care or pension card? If so, you may be eligible to receive a **rebate of \$125.00** per child from your school levies. Forms can be collected from the school office and must be returned as soon as possible. If you received the rebate in 2019 and still have a current HCC/Pension Card, a new form is not required – just please send a copy of your card to the office asap. Please see flyer below for further information;



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2019, you do not need to complete an application form in 2020 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2020 or you did not apply in 2019.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2020.

Check with the school office if you are unsure







Hello to families from OSHClub Sacred Heart! For those of you who don't know us, we are the before/after school care service provider at Sacred Heart Diamond Creek. Our hours are 7-9 am for before school care and 3.25-6 pm during after school care.

The past couple of weeks we have been doing lots of fun activities including painting, cooking, drawing, playing indoor and outdoor games, we even started a time capsule!

To register and enrol, visit https://www.oshclub.com.au/register/ If you would like to talk to a member of our friendly staff, or even just want to check out our space and what we do, feel free to visit us in C block, room 3. Otherwise text or call Jaslyn Addamo, the coordinator of our service on 0478 182 335 or email us at sacredheartdiamondcreek@oshclub.com.au











Community Noticeboard







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Building self-esteem & confidence through Music Performance!

We offer music lessons for:

Guitar | Keyboard | Drums | Singing and dance

Teaching all styles of music and music theory, including pop, funk & jazz!

Bruno Mars | AC DC | Ed Sheeran | Katy Perry | Drake

All lessons are timetabled during school hours

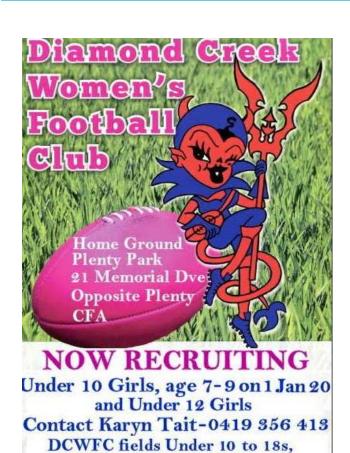
Enrol online at jamhotmusic.com.au or return your form to the office!

For enquiries, please contact:

Jason Stonehouse

visit our website

email



Seniors & Masters Teams



Community Notice

DIAMOND CREEK (DEVILS) BASEBALL CLUB

2020 Registration Day

Boys and Girls, Juniors and Seniors

Sunday 1st March 10am -12 midday

Wednesday 4th March

5:30pm - 6:30pm

Campbell St Reserve Challenger St. Diamond Creek

Enquiries: RickCampbell 0438 721 962 email: diamondcreekbaseball@hotmail.com

Diamond Creek Community Bank® Branch



All WELCOME!

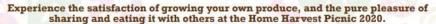




HOME HARVEST

Edendale Community Environment Farm 3.30pm-7pm Sunday 1 March 2020

Get growing this summer!



Home Harvest is a celebration of home-grown produce and local food. Growers big and small are invited to supply some produce which will be turned into a delicious picnic by trained cooks to be shared and enjoyed at a wonderful community afternoon at Edendale Farm.

Register as a grower - free

Spend the summer growing, then supply some of your produce for the picnic in the week leading up to the event. Registering as a grower is your ticket to the event. On the day, you will receive a prepared picnic for you and up to three guests.

Purchase a prepared picnic - \$10

Not a grower? You can still come along and enjoy the feast! A limited number of prepared picnics are available. Purchase online before the event and enjoy at the picnic.

To register:

home-harvest-picnic-2020.eventbrite.com.au











Organic Fix













MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Invest in your most precious asset..... Your Marriage!

Married couples, come and learn how to keep/rekindle the passion in your relationship and how to keep your love growing!

The weekend is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

Next weekend is on 17–19 April 2020 in Melbourne Other weekends on 17-19 July and 13-15 November 2020

Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided.

Information/Bookings: Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.au