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Dear Sacred Heart families and friends,



Last week we were all horrified to learn of the tragic death of four members of the Victoria Police. They died fulfilling their oaths of service to uphold the law and protect our community, as do all of their colleagues every day. It is through their willingness to constantly put their lives on the line that we are able to have faith that we and our loved ones will be safe.

I selected this image because it says very simply what we all feel, we are so sorry for their families and their colleagues. We pray for the families of the four Police members who died and also for the other members of Victoria Police and for their families and loved ones.

I hope that the current community support for members of the Victorian Police, Essential Service workers and Health Care workers continues beyond times of tragedy to acknowledge their ongoing commitment to keeping us safe.

#### Father Steve's Homily:

In this time of social isolation, Father Steve has been filming his Sunday liturgies so rather than print only his homily in this newsletter we will be providing you with a link to the entire Mass.

Here is the link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iZxtKMJ-kqk&feature=youtu.be

#### **Remote Learning Update:**

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Sacred Heart Remote Education Program during the Coronavirus pandemic.

We are constantly hearing inconsistent messages from all sources regarding timelines for schools resuming normal operation and that is unfair on parents, family members and school staff.

I thought that, for what it is worth, I should communicate to you what I know at this stage.

With regards the advancing of Commonwealth funds for Independent and Catholic schools to encourage them to open for all students - Catholic Schools are administered by the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria as a block funded system and decisions regarding this offer would be made as the Catholic Education system not by individual schools.

The Victorian Premier, Mr. Daniel Andrews, has stated that there will be a review of the date for schools returning to normal operations on May 11.

All students should be learning from home, on-site learning will only be available for children whose parents can't work from home and vulnerable students without access to a suitable learning environment at home.

Jim O'Sullivan Principal





## Student Wellbeing & P. E.

The past week has definitely been another week filled with new learnings for the entire community. From all feedback received from students, parents and staff, the first couple of weeks of remote education was a resounding success. Baring a few minor technical hiccups, most students were easily able to access their learning via their Google Classrooms and Seesaw and connect and engage with their teachers and classmates on Google Meet. As the weather gets colder and the time at home is longer please look after each other and please do not put excessive pressure on yourself during this time. We are mindful of the demands being placed on families at present. On behalf of all staff, I wish you and your family good health and thank you for your continued support of your child's education during these unprecedented times. We know that students and families are all doing their best to adapt to this new way of learning and acknowledge, perhaps more than ever, the importance of the partnership between students, parents/carers and teachers. Please continue to reach out or send an email if there are concerns.

#### **Interesting Article:**

The link below will take you to an article that refers to John Hattie, a renowned educational researcher and the current Chairperson of the Australian Institute of Teaching and School Leadership. For parents concerned about their children not learning adequately during the Remote Education Period, this article may be reassuring to you.

Please click here to read article.

#### **Remote Education Packs:**

On Friday 8th May we will be asking families to pick up the second Remote Education learning packs for the students. We will use the same process as last time, with families timetabled to pick up the packs at various times throughout the day to enable us to keep with the social distancing rules. This will occur in the Parish Hall.

Below are the times allocated for collection:

Surname A-B 9.30am - 10.00am Surname C-G 10.15am - 10.45am Surname H-J 11.00am - 11.30am Surname K-M 11.45am - 12.15pm Surname N-R 12.30pm - 1.00pm Surname S-Z 1.15pm - 1.45pm

For those families that have ordered Mother's Day gifts via the pop up stall on CDF pay, you will be able to collect these on the same day. If you would still like to order a gift or two, please head to our school website and either login or create a CDF Pay account, select Mothers' Day Pop Up Shop and simply click on the items you like and pay. Follow the link to CDF Pay:

https://shdiamondcreek.cdfpay.org.au/MonitorOnline/app/#/login

#### Log Fort:

With building still occurring around the school we have started the Log Fort at the back of the oval for the students (see photos below).

#### **Wellbeing Day at Sacred Heart:**

On Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> May, we will have a day where there will be no official Maths, Literacy, Inquiry, Religious Education sessions but rather we will celebrate the great work of the students, parents and staff and we will have a wellbeing day. More information will be included in your remote education packs. This day will be about selecting activities from mindfulness to art and craft, cooking, movie making and games and allow us to refocus and celebrate our achievements during the remote education period.

#### **ANZAC Day:**

Being unable to gather for ANZAC Day this year left a gaping hole for many. The following reflection sourced from the National Catholic Education Commission:

On Anzac Day, we remember and commemorate the contribution of all Australian service men and women who have served our country in times of war and peace, and for the many who have given their lives. In the words of Pope Francis, we hope for peace across the world.

"Our human community bears, in its memory and its flesh, the scars of ever more devastating wars and conflicts that affect especially the poor and the vulnerable. Entire nations find it difficult to break free of the chains of exploitation and corruption that fuel hatred and violence. Even today, dignity, physical integrity, freedom, including religious freedom, communal solidarity and hope in the future are denied to great numbers of men and women, young and old. Many are the innocent victims of painful humiliation and exclusion, sorrow and injustice, to say nothing of the trauma born of systematic attacks on their people and their loved ones.

Setting out on a journey of peace is a challenge made all the more complex because the interests at stake in relationships between people, communities and nations, are numerous and conflicting. We must first appeal to people's moral conscience and to personal and political will. Peace emerges from the depths of the human heart and political will must always be renewed, so that new ways can be found to reconcile and unite individuals and communities.

The journey of reconciliation calls for patience and trust. Peace will not be obtained unless it is hoped for. In the first place, this means believing in the possibility of peace, believing that others need peace just as much as we do. Here we can find inspiration in the love that God has for each of us: a love that is liberating, limitless, gratuitous and tireless." - Pope Francis - Message for the <u>53rd World Day of Peace</u>, 1 January 2020

#### Prep 2021:

We had a number of prospective new families come to visit the school during Term 1. In the current climate these school tours are unable to take place physically but we ask anyone that knows of families looking for a Primary School we have a great Website now that has virtual tours for the families. If any parents know of families who have a child ready to start school next year, please let them know about this and if any of our families have students ready to start school in 2021 please ensure you complete an enrolment form and get it to the office ASAP.

#### Year 7 2021:

All Year 6 students will have received, via Care Monkey, a letter outlining the process for enrolment into Secondary School for 2021. Thank you to those who have returned these. Families with students attending Independent and Catholic Schools will still be asked to fill out the form and return it to the office. If your child has been accepted into a Catholic or Independent school at this stage, they will still need to complete the form but for this time if you could send an email stating what school they have been accepted into then I will not need to follow this up. **Students wanting to attend a Government School, need to return this form to the office ASAP.** 

#### **House Points:**

At the conclusion of week 2 the results were as follows:

CORDNER (GREEN)	MACKILLOP (RED)	BUNJIL (BLUE)
890	1070	1270

#### Riddles of the Week:

Each week during assembly we will present three riddles and these same riddles will be included in the newsletter each week. Answers will follow the following week. As a family see if you can work out the riddle. If you think you know the answer and want to check just email me.

Last week's riddles and answers were:

A girl who was just learning to drive went down a one-way street in the wrong direction, but didn't break the law. How come? She was walking.

A sundial has the fewest moving parts of any time piece. Which has the most? An hour glass

I am an odd number. Take away one letter, and I become even. What number am I? Seven

#### This week's riddles are:

What can run but never walks, has a mouth but never talks, has a head but never weeps, has a bed but never sleeps?

A doctor gives you three pills and tells you to take one every half an hour. How long will the pills last?

What do the numbers 11, 69 and 88 all have in common?

Congratulations to Jack Nardella who has all answers correct this week.

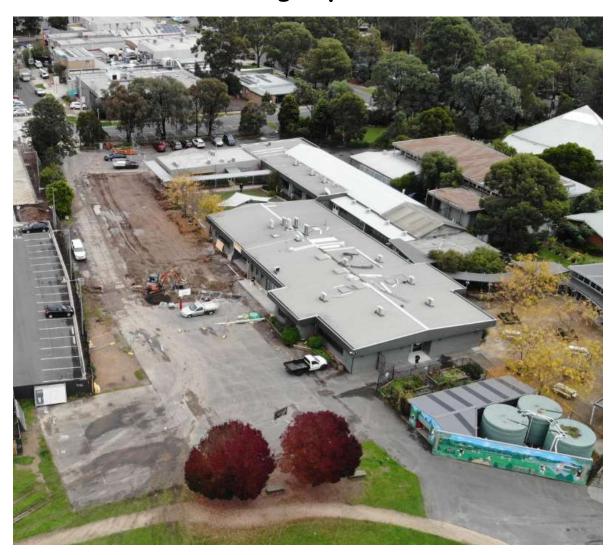
#### **Birthdays:**

Happy Birthday to the following students that have had a birthday over the coming week: Eleanor Audley, Meliz Hoe, Jack Nicholson, Xavier Rowley, Alexander Campbell, Ally Blakely and Rachael Hardy.

#### **Wellbeing Activities:**

Attached to the newsletter this week is the Peaceful Kids Week 3 Wellbeing Activities for you to use throughout the week.

# **Building Update**



Removal of Block A - New Welcome Garden Space



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Log Fort construction



## News from the Office

#### SCHOOL FEES – 2<sup>ND</sup> Instalment due 01/05/2020

Please note, that the 2<sup>nd</sup> fee instalment of \$1105.00 is due by 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020. This can be paid via eft to the school's bank account or you can call the office to pay by credit card. This does not apply to families who have elected to pay their fees via direct debit. Account statements will be sent to families via email on request.

Should you experience any difficulty in paying fees, please contact the Office or Jim O'Sullivan to discuss.

#### MOTHER'S DAY STALL - ONLINE POP UP SHOP NOW OPEN

This year, the Parents Association will be running the Mother's Day Stall a bit differently – your child can now purchase a special gift for mum, grandmother or special lady using our CDF online store on how to

You can also access CDF Pay either via your app on your device or on our website by clicking on the following link:

#### https://shdiamondcreek.cdfpay.org.au/MonitorOnline/app/#/login

Items can be collected on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May with the Remote Education Packs. There are some wonderful gifts available – please start shopping today.



## Lots more available online....

#### OFFICE HOURS DURING COVID-19

During this period of social isolation and working remotely, the School Office may not always be manned. If you have any queries regarding remote education for your child – please contact their teacher via email. All other queries may be sent to <a href="mailto:office@shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au">office@shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au</a>. Teacher's email addresses are listed below:

Pat Ashworth (STEM)
Suzie Collins (Visual Art)
Jacinta Dalton
Gemma Greenwood
Norah Jacombs
Helen Maxey
Rosanne Mitrovski
Sandy Morgan
Olivia Modine (Indonesian)
Claire Molina
Sandy Morgan
Gina Murphy (PE)
Rachel Murphy (Performing Art)
Claudia Neale

**Kerry Neilson** 

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#### ANZAC DAY 25th April 2020





Thank you to the Sacred Heart School community for your loyal support of the Diamond Creek RSL ANZAC Day Service.

A private commemorative service was held at the DC memorial on Saturday morning. President Kerryn read the ANZAC Requiem and Ode. We held a minute silence and Peter Guatta played the Last Post and Rouse and raised the flag.

Stephen from Diamond Creek Police assisted with the wreath laying. The club offered our condolences to Police members and gave Stephen a wreath to lay outside Diamond Creek Police Station.

Thank you to those who respectfully placed flowers and tributes at the memorial during the day.

Congratulations to all involved in the moving and respectful ANZAC Day commemoration presented by Sacred Heart School.

Diamond Creek RSL.





# SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Learning continues through Remote Education - April Statistics



## Google Classroom

664 posts created 579 by teachers 85 by students

## **GOOGLE MEETS**

1509 Google Meets classes, small groups, individuals teachers, Learning Support, students, parents





## SEESAW

Countless SeeSaw journal posts created by students and commented on by teachers

## **GOOGLE DRIVE**

1398 documents shared between teachers, Learning Support and students





### Gmail

44,393 emails sent between teachers, students, learning support, administration and parents

# Remote Education @ Sacred Heart

Year 1/2 - Inquiry - ANZACs





Harry F ANZAC biscuit baking

Harry L & Justine

ANZAC Ted - by Nate



ANZAC DAY Wreaths by Nicholas & Nathaniel



An ANZAC - by Lucy



by Hunter



by Ayendha



by Luke







SMART spelling - Jake



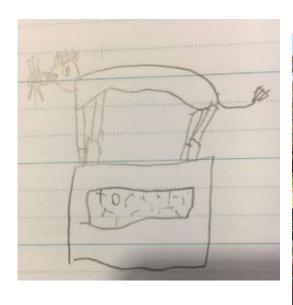
SMART spelling - Jack N



Christian - PE



Xavier & Alexander - PE

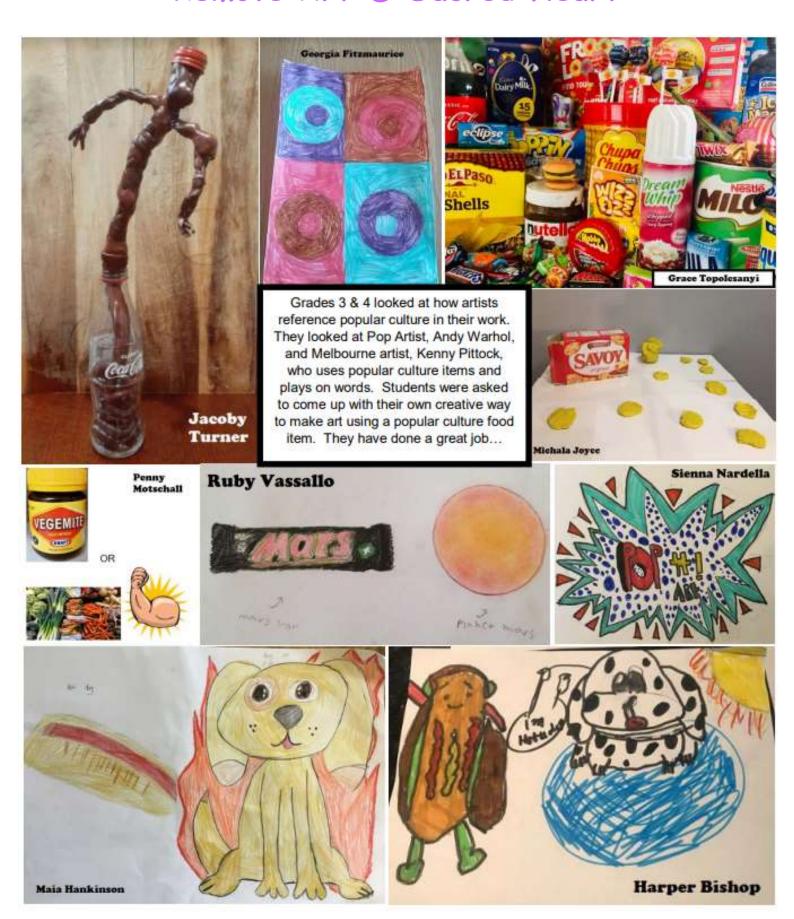


Benji's Inquiry Statue

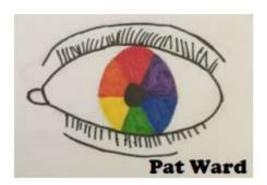


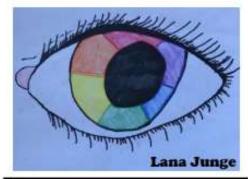
Sarah - PE

## Remote Art @ Sacred Heart

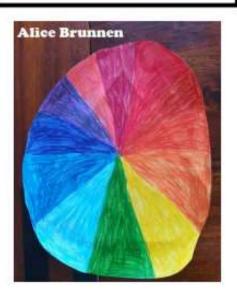








Grades 5 & 6 studied colour theory in Art last week. They were then asked to draw colour wheel eyes with the primary and secondary colours placed in the correct positions. If they were up for the challenge, they could include the tertiary colours too...







# Community News



# ENROLMENT

Limited places available for Year 7 2021. Enrolment applications for Year 7 2022 closing 21 August 2020.

For information please contact our College Registrar: 03 9433 0203 or registrar@loyola.vic.edu.au

# VIRTUAL TOURS

Visit our website and explore our campus through a virtual tour, then meet our Principal live online to answer all your questions.

Tuesday 5 May Wednesday 13 May Friday 22 May Tuesday 26 May

TO REGISTER FOR A VIRTUAL TOUR VISIT

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# Parenting Support



Do you have a child under the age of 12 and need support with parenting?



Would you like to:

- Enjoy parenting more?
- Address concerns about your child's behaviour?
- Use positive parenting strategies to improve your child's behaviour?

Help is available through a Family
Support Worker who will help you
learn new skills to better manage your
child's behaviour.

The Family Support Worker can assist families in dealing with:

- Tantrums
- Bedtime problems
- Mealtime difficulties
- Children not following instructions
- Aggression towards parents, siblings and others or
- Other areas of concern

# How to access the Family Support Worker

Referrals to the Family Support Worker can be made by contacting our Service Co-ordination team at healthAbility on Ph 9430 9100 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday.



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