

### SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Newsletter

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Working together to build a learning community that embraces faith, diversity and personal growth.

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### PHOTO DAY TUESDAY - FULL SUMMER UNIFORM

Fr Steve's Homily:

Please click on Father Steve's image using this link to view last week's mass: <a href="http://www.pol.org.au/diamondcreek">http://www.pol.org.au/diamondcreek</a>

Dear Sacred Heart families and friends.

As we near the end of Term 1 we would like to reflect on the importance of the school community and benefits to our wellbeing. Have we mentioned in this space how excited we are to be back onsite this year? We are excited and energised because life has returned to our school. There is a renewed enthusiasm and positivity that is contagious. No longer do we have to interact with each other from behind a screen. No more do we need to cancel sports or plays or the myriad of other things which have steeped us all in disappointment and even a little despair these past two years. Now, of course there are times when we still need to engage in online meetings and mask wearing but they are much less frequent and do not impede us from doing all those other things that breathe life and joy into our school. Allow us to provide you with a couple of examples of the events and activities from Term 1 which have breathed life into Sacred Heart and reconnected us as a community with great things to come.

Our Foundation students and their families gathered for the prayer service and BBQ earlier in the Term. It was wonderful to meet all our new students, their parents and extended family members at this important celebration. This was closely followed by our Kaboom family event and preceded by the Welcome Morning Tea for families. On these occasions we were struck by the strong bonds of welcome and friendship present and it was encouraging to see our parents' building and re-building connections with each other and feeling connected at Sacred Heart.

Our school was finally able to open its gates for school tours for prospective families as parents embarked on that all important process of choosing a school for their children. We would encourage, at this stage, any current families with children ready to start school in 2023 to collect an enrolment form from the office or online and return to school asap. We do understand for many of these siblings their connection to the school, due to COVID, is also limited and therefore we extend an invitation for current families, who will have a Prep 2023 student, to also consider having a tour with their child..

Our students have had opportunities to trial for swimming competitions, interschool sports and we introduced a new specialist area in 2022, Environmental Science. Our Indonesian initiative of daily ten minute conversation sessions in the classroom, in addition to their fortnightly lessons, has been embraced by

students and staff alike. Students have participated in other specialist areas in Physical Education, Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Science Technology Engineering and Maths (STEM).

Our Catholic Identity has been embraced through participation in level Masses, Opening of the School Year Mass and Ash Wednesday Mass as well Faith Development sessions for parents and carers. The Sacrament of First Eucharist is to be celebrated over the next two weekends. Learning Conversations have occurred and our plans for the refurbishment of our administration building are progressing. Our Parents Association and School Advisory Council have met face to face and are planning for great things in 2022.

Sometimes we may not be able to fully live up to the goals that we set ourselves and others expect of us, but it is not success or failure which is the mark of the person, it is having the courage to set our sights high and give it our best shot. The new Sacred Heart Vision Statement, our statement of aspiration, says **Working together to build a learning community that embraces faith, diversity and personal growth**, this is what we aspire to do each and every day in our community, staff, students and families.

Kind regards

Jim O'Sullivan Principal Gina Murphy Deputy Principal



This Sunday, the 27th of March, we have our first group of students celebrating a significant milestone in their faith development by making their First Eucharist.

In the Catholic faith the first reception of Eucharist marks a key step in the initiation into the community of the church.

We congratulate the following students and their families on this special occasion:

- Sade Ambrose
- Rupert Berriman
- Audrey Hodason
- Stevie Liddiard
- Sarah Lyons
- Jack Nardella
- Oliver Parker



# SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL Heneral News

### **Photo Day:**

We have school photos taking place on Tuesday 29th March. ALL students are to wear their correct SUMMER uniform on this day. Envelopes have been sent home. If you would like sibling photos, envelopes are available through the office.

### **Hot Cross Buns:**

Reminder that all hot cross bun order forms are due tomorrow Friday 25th March.

### **Running Club:**

Thank you to Dale Nardella for facilitating the running club each Friday at 8am on the school oval. This Friday will be the final running club for Term 1.

### **Student News:**

Congratulations to the under 9 Sacred Heart netball team for their win 8-0 last weekend. Ella scored a whopping 4 goals, Shaye scored 2 goals and Charlotte scored for the first time and shot 2 goals. Well done to all the players.



### **Easter Raffle:**

We are requesting donations of Easter Eggs! They can be big or small. Please bring your donations to the office. Thank you for your support of this Fundraiser.



### **Easter Bonnet Parade:**

We will be holding our annual Easter Bonnet Parade again this year on Friday 8 April. Students are asked to make a bonnet for this day and bring it to school to parade in the courtyard to celebrate Easter. If you are unable to make this at home the students will be given the opportunity to make a bonnet at school in the lunch breaks. Parents are invited to attend the parade.

#### Ride2School:

We will again be participating in the Ride2School Day tomorrow. We encourage children to use active transport to get to school on this day. This may be riding a bike, a scooter or a skateboard, or even walking some of the way to school if riding skills are not developed enough yet. National Ride2School Day is the perfect opportunity to kick-start new healthy habits and promote the many benefits of active travel. We encourage all students and their families to leave the car at home and give riding, walking, scooting or skating to school a go, even if it is part of the way.

We encourage families to contact families of other students who are participating in Ride2School day to arrange to meet at certain locations so that they can ride together as a group, this will be especially beneficial to our younger students. Enjoy this as a family and as a school!



### Mini Working Bees:

So far this Term we have had 5 families from different year levels help keep our school grounds maintained through mini working bees.

We are grateful for the efforts of these families and the many others who have cleaned up rubbish around the school when they have been on a family walk or dropped into the school to play on the oval, ride their bikes, etc.

If you are interested in selecting a weekend or some time over the holidays to do some maintenance or gardening around the school, the link to the Mini Working Bee document is: <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10g1M509arSVDdvLpaeaVSHzjMKvht0Jw2sK3eskN0vw/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10g1M509arSVDdvLpaeaVSHzjMKvht0Jw2sK3eskN0vw/edit?usp=sharing</a>

We will be having a General Working Bee on Saturday 7 May from 9 am until 12 noon. More information will be provided soon.

### **Secondary School Applications:**

Reminder to families of Year 5 students wishing to attend Catholic Secondary Schools, open days are currently happening and applications for 2024 close 19 August 2022. 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.

### **Enrolment at Sacred Heart:**

If there are families with siblings ready to start school in 2023 please complete an enrolment form which is available on line or from the office. We also ask families to please encourage friends to come and have a look at Sacred Heart and consider our school for their primary education.

### **Parents Association:**

The Parents Association are working hard behind the scenes on the social and fundraising event of the year – Bogan Bingo – to be held in the Parish Hall on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May. We are really hoping that our families and friends may be able to support this event by becoming an official sponsor or possibly donate goods or

services that can be used to raise extra funds on the night. Please read below for further information on how you can help:

The Sacred Heart Primary School Parents Association is hard at work preparing for our major annual school fundraising event, a Bogan Bingo Night to be held in May.

We are seeking your support in the form of a gift voucher, tickets, goods and/or services that we can use for raffles, prizes or silent auctions. If you run your own business or have a relationship with a business that is able to assist us, we would love to hear from you.

To show our appreciation, we will advertise your business in our school newsletter and on the evening. We can also arrange to distribute any promotional material such as flyers and business cards to the wider school community.

We rely on prizes from businesses and attractions such as yourselves to entice parents and people from the wider community to attend our fundraising events. Without this support, we would not have been able to raise funds needed to improve and extend the children's playground and replace outdated computers. This year, we hope to raise funds that can be put towards continuing to upgrade and replace the school's older playground equipment.

We are willing to come by and pick up any donations and promotional material you would like distributed or displayed on the evening at your earliest possible convenience. If you are able to help us, or have any queries, please email us at <a href="mailto:parentsassoc@shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au">parentsassoc@shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au</a>. Alternatively, you can also call me on **0481 394 559** or J'Rhette Bishop on **0408 661 808**.

We realise that the past couple of years have been very challenging, and we truly appreciate the time you have taken to read this. Thank you in anticipation of your kindness and support.



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### SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Wellbeing



We hope our parent and carer community enjoyed last night's presentation with Martin.

Here is the link to the recording, for anyone who couldn't make it:

Topic: The Resilience Project presents, 'Discovering Resilience' with Martin Heppell

Date: Mar 23, 2022 06:19 PM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Meeting Recording:

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Please note, this link will expire at midnight on 8th April.



### **ONE CLICK REGISTER**

In the next free Happy Families webinar, I'll give you a guide to help you understand your son. And even though he'll probably still be stinky, sloppy and starving, you'll be better placed to help him embrace all those things that also make him supremely wonderful. Let's help him develop those skills that will increase his wellbeing and happiness now and into the future.



## SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Student of the Week

Foundation

1/2 NS

1/2 PA

3/4 NJ

3/4 RM

5/6 JD

5/6 MR

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LOTE

**STEM** 

Performing Arts

Visual Arts

Science

Shea Down

Maddux Lemi

Eloise Ross

Annabelle Ross

Marcus Mennilli

Michala Joyce

Hilton Christian

Marcus Mennilli

Megan Lamb

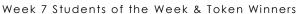
Harper Bishop

Audrey Hodgson

Maddux Lemi

Eddie Davidson & Elly Gallagher













# SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL Important Dates

### March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
21 WEEK 8 B	22	23	24	25	26	27
Harmony		TRP Parent		Ride2School		Sacrament of
Week		Webinar		Day		First Eucharist
				ISS v Diamond Creek Assembly 3pm Hot Cross Buns orders due		School Tours - 10.30 am
28 WEEK 9	29	30	31	0.00.00.00		
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Hearts Got	The School		Hot Cross			
Talent	Photographer		Buns			

April

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			Thursday	1	2	3
				ISS v Greenhills	First Eucharist	First Eucharist
				Assembly 3pm		School Tours 10.30am
						Daylight savings ends
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	SAC 7.30pm			Easter Bonnet Parade 9.10 am		
				Special Lunch Order		
				Easter raffle drawn		
				END OF TERM 1 2.30PM		

- GOOD FRIDAY 15 April
- EASTER SUNDAY 17 April



# Learning & Jeaching

This week in PE, students in Foundation and Year 1/2 had Michael Zagami (parent of Sebastian) come in to our school to run a soccer clinic. The feedback from students was amazing. Here is what some of them had to say.

Shea Downs - I want to be a soccer star.

Beau Nardella - I learn to do big kicks and kick far away.

Alby Ioanidis - I loved it.

Jojo McIlroy - I really really liked it.

Emily Lamb - It was fun.

Nikita Nicholson - Soccer was great!

On Tuesday, Years 3/4 and 5/6 students began their cricket program. Students learnt how to hit the ball with a bat, catch the ball and hit the wickets. Here are some photos of students in action.



### What has been happening in Foundation?

The Foundation students have settled in very well to school life at Sacred Heart. We have been learning lots of new and interesting things about the letters of the alphabet and sounds, numbers and counting, Lent, writing and healthy eating. We have learnt the school prayer, the school routine and school rules. We love school!







It has been a very busy start to the year for the Sustainability Club at Sacred Heart. This term we will be starting to collect compost in classrooms for our new compost bin and use our compost to help the regeneration of our vegetable garden. We have many enthusiastic students helping out!

















### Diamond Creek COVID-19 pop-up vaccination clinic

Friday 1 April, 4pm-8pm Saturday 2 April, 9.30-4.30pm.

Diamond Creek Community Centre hall 28 Main Hurstbridge Road, Diamond Creek.

First, second and third doses. Novavax and Pfizer available for adults. Paediatric Pfizer available for children.

Walk-ins and bookings are accepted for all age groups.

Book online via https://portal.cvms.vic.gov.au or by calling the Victorian Coronavirus Hotline on 1800 675 398.









### You are invited

### **Small Business Breakfast**

Proudly presented by Loyola College Alumni Association in conjunction with VCAL/VET Small Business students

### 29 March 2022

7:30am - 8:30am

Magis Performing Arts Centre Loyola College

Keynote address

**Small Business surviving post COVID** 



\$10 registration at Trybooking www.loyola.vic.edu.au/tickets/

RSVP 25 March



### Mr Snotbottom at the Melbourne Comedy Festival!

Catch hilarious Comedian For Kids Mr Snotbottoml these Easter Holidays April 9-16th!

Filled with all the ooey, gooey, silly, yucky things love expect a barrage of gross-tastic gags, stupendous songs and just wrong-routines perfect for weird kids 5 and up and their even weirder parents 'multi-generational comedy for all'



Tickets available from:

https://www.comedyfestival.com.au/2022/shows/mrsnotbottom-s-stinky-silly-show





### **Balance Gymnastics**

Over the Easter break, Balance Gymnastics and Fitness Centre will be running a gymnastics Holiday programme from Monday 11th April to Friday 22nd April 2022, These classes will be run by our qualified staff and they will be on the floor at all times to supervise. Children will learn the fundamentals of gymnastics and these classes are suitable for children from 2-5 years of age. Children 3 and under need to have parent supervision. Bookings preferred, this will help guarantee you a place. \$20 per child Structured & \$15 Free Play

### STRUCTURED HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Tuesday	12th	April, 2022	11am-12.00pm
Thursday	14th	April, 2022	11am-12.00pm
Friday	15th	April, 2022	CLOSED
Monday	18th	April, 2022	CLOSED
Wednesday	20th	April, 2022	11am-12.00pm
Friday	22nd	April, 2022	11am-12.00pm

#### FREE PLAY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Monday	11th	April, 2022	11am-12:00pm
Wednesday	13th	April, 2022	11am-12:00pm
Tuesday	19th	April, 2022	11am-12.00pm
Thursday	21st	April. 2022	11am-12.00pm

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Address: 11 Candlebark Crt RESEARCH 309 Phone: (03) 9437 0777 Email: admin@balancegymnastics.com.au We are also running a gymnastics Holiday programma for primary school aged children from 5-12 years of age. These classes are a combination of structured and non structured but supervised, children are able to choose their activities. Parents will not be allowed on the floor with the children and bookings preferred, this will help guarantee you a place. \$25 per child Structured & \$20 Free Play

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Join us for morning tea, meet other grandparents and share your experiences.



### Grandparents living in or connected to Nillumbik are invited to join us for our Grandparents Morning Tea.

The Grandparents Morning Tea are free events that provides an opportunity for local grandparents to come together, hear from each other and share their experiences of being a grandparent.

- Wednesday 20 April 2022, 10am 12pm at Eltham Library Community Room
- Tuesday 26 April 2022, 10am 12pm at Wadambuk St Andrews Community Centre
- Thursday 5 May 2022, 10am -12pm at Hurstbridge Community Hub

Morning tea is provided. Please let us know if you have dietary requirements.

Together with **Grandparents Victoria**, Council hopes to connect with and hear from as many residents who are grandparents about the experiences and supports that they may need.

For more information or to register to attend, visit <a href="mailto:nillumbik.vic.edu.au/parenting-series">nillumbik.vic.edu.au/parenting-series</a> or contact Positive Ageing Officer on 9433 3345 or <a href="mailto:positive.ageing@nillumbik.vic.gov.au">positive.ageing@nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>.











