



SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

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

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Newsletter No 1 Term 4

6 October 2022

Dear Sacred Heart families and friends,

Welcome to Term 4. We are excited about the term ahead.

Sacred Heart Parish is holding a Craft Market to raise much-needed funds and we're so fortunate with our wonderful community, in Parish-School partnership, that together we can all help make it a success!

The Market is a family-friendly community event featuring 20 exciting, contemporary, local stallholders showcasing modern craft and handmade goods, updating the notion of the old craft fete.

Attractions also include food, coffee van, face painting, music and free children's craft activities!

How you can help:

>**Contribute: A Cake Stall, Plant + Produce Stall and Lucky Dip** will run as major fundraisers and we'd love it if our School families could contribute something home-baked, homegrown or a small item suitable for a Lucky Dip prize!

> **Become a Student Volunteer!** In an exciting real-life learning opportunity – we're calling for students who might like to join in the fun and volunteer at the Cake Stall or Kids Craft Activity Stall!

- One-hour supervised shifts will be scheduled from 10am until 2pm with two students rostered per shift
- Register your child's interest via the upcoming Operoo request.

> **Parent Volunteers** – We would love you to feel welcome to join in too! You might like to come and be part of the day and offer some extra help across the Student Volunteer stalls or assist Parish Volunteers.

- Register your interest via the upcoming Operoo request

Feel very welcome to contact Megan Ioannidis (Alby's mum/Parish Helper) on 0404 532 591 with any questions or for more information.

Contributions:

1. **Cake Stall – Bring along your best bake!**

We would love and greatly appreciate donations of your favourite cakes, biscuits, cookies, muffins, cupcakes, slices, rum balls etc. *NOTE: Please no fresh cream or custard due to food regulations.*

To help manage the goods anticipated for the Cake Stall, if you are able to contribute, please advise Megan on 0404 532 591 by **Monday 17 October**. Simple packaging instructions will be given upon reply.

Cake Stall items can be delivered to the Parish Centre between 3pm and 4pm on Friday 21 October and 3pm and 4pm on Saturday 22 October or otherwise by arrangement.

Plant + Produce Stall – Home-grown talent!

Are you a green thumb? If so, donations of potted plants, herbs or flowers suitable to sell at the Parish Plant Stall would be fantastic!

Likewise with any other home-grown produce such as lemons, apples, garlic, herbs, honey and labelled jam etc.

Items can be delivered to the Parish Centre as above or during ordinary opening hours with consideration given to the freshness of produce.

LUCKY DIP – We could be so lucky!

We'd love if families might contribute a small item suitable for a Lucky Dip prize! Some suggestions are small, inexpensive items bought at variety stores: fidgets, trinkets, keychains, erasers, stickers, hair accessories, temporary tattoos, bag tags, badges, small figurines, lip balm, packaged lollies e.g. mini Mentos, Chupa Chups etc.

Contributions can be dropped in the designated basket at the School Office anytime during ordinary opening hours up until 4pm Monday 17 October.

We hope to help make the Craft Market a great success for the many Volunteers who are working to connect and strengthen our Parish; and as it allows us to welcome more local families to our School and into the wonderful, wider Sacred Heart community!

Many thanks and see you for all the fun on Sunday 23 October!

Kind regards
Jim & Gina



The poster features a red starburst with 'FREE KIDS CRAFT ACTIVITIES', a central crest, and a string of red and blue bunting. The main title 'CRAFT MARKET' is in large, colorful, dotted letters. Below it, the date 'SUN 23 OCT' and location 'PARISH HALL' are listed, along with the time '10AM - 2PM' and address '25 GIPSON STREET DIAMOND CREEK'. A blue starburst on the right says 'FOOD ENTERTAINMENT! COFFEE'. A row of five images shows various craft items: a doll, a wooden sign, a baby in a yellow outfit, a floral arrangement, and a basket of cookies. Below the images is a list of items for sale and a QR code.

FREE KIDS CRAFT ACTIVITIES

SACRED HEART PARISH

CRAFT MARKET

SUN 23 OCT * PARISH HALL

10AM - 2PM

25 GIPSON STREET
DIAMOND CREEK

FOOD ENTERTAINMENT!
COFFEE

LOCAL MODERN MAKERS, CRAFTERS + PRODUCERS!

- * Dried Flower Arrangements
- * Custom Homewares + Keepsakes
- * Clay Earrings + Fine Jewellery
- * Tote, Picnic + Beach Bags
- * Artisan Soap, Body + Bath
- * Kids Clothing, Accessories + Dolls
- * Hand-poured Candles + Fragrance
- * Gourmet Food + Wellness Hampers
- * Fresh Flowers, Plants + Produce
- * Sugar Cookie Gifts + Activity Kits
- * Baby Clothing, Nappies + Accessories
- * Macramé Decor, Angel Dolls + Gifts
- * Watercolour Art + Premium Cards
- * Kids Library Bags, Smocks + Aprons
- * Homemade Cakes + Baked Goods
- * RAFFLE + MORE!

SCAN ME!

Facebook > Sacred Heart Craft Market



SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

Catholic Identity

Welcome back to all our students, families and staff! Term Four promises to be an exciting one.

We have several Masses this term including:

- Grandparents' Day on Wednesday 26th of October at 9:15am
- Graduation Mass on Wednesday 7th of December at 6:00pm
- End of Year Mass on Friday 16th of December at 12 noon

We also have the Sacrament of Reconciliation in November, which will be a special occasion for our students and families. Reconciliation is important as it allows us to put things right with God and to know that we have been forgiven. It allows us to strengthen our relationship with God and with others. Our students will come to understand that saying sorry and acknowledging our mistakes is a good thing, and to forgive others when they are truly sorry is a wonderful thing to do.

Parish Connections Night:

In the last week of Term 3, Foundation and Year 1 parents were given the opportunity to participate in a Parish connections night. What a wonderful night it turned out to be!

It was so lovely to be given the time and space to sit quietly and reflect on the most important little people in our lives alongside other parents in our school community. Given the busy lives we all lead, it's not often do we stop and focus on the positive relationships we all work so hard to build with our children. I definitely walked away from the evening with a full and grateful heart for the blessing and privilege that comes with being a parent. Throughout the evening, we were spoiled with home-made treats from Alison, Marg and Pat, which was an added bonus! I urge parents to take time out to attend future Connections nights. I was pleasantly surprised at how much I enjoyed the evening!

Thank you so much to Fr Steven, Alison, Pat, Marg and Suzanne for being such warm and welcoming hosts.

Lashay Cartledge (Harley C, Foundation)





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General News

CONGRATULATIONS:

Current students - Aeroschools:

Congratulations to Isla Brooks and Zara Campbell who competed in the Aeroschools National competition in Queensland in the final week of Term 3. The girls came 5th. They were only 0.15 points off 4th and 0.7 points off 3rd. They did a great job with their routine and made no mistakes. They should be really proud of themselves. Well done Zara and Isla.

Past Student:

Congratulations to Brianna Morgan who has been appointed the Music Captain leadership position at Eltham College for 2023. Well done Brianna.

Staff:

Congratulations to Amy Stephens and Jesse on their recent announcement of their pregnancy. Amy is due in March 2023 and therefore will finish this year off with the students.

GRANDPARENTS DAY:

On Wednesday 26 October we will celebrate Grandparents Day with our students and families. Please note this date with more information to follow. We will celebrate a mass at 9.15am followed by a family activity.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS/WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH:

Sacred Heart Primary is excited to be taking part in VicHealth's Walk to School during the month of October.

Walk to School encourages primary school students to walk to and from school every day in October to highlight the ways walking improves children's health and wellbeing. Walking to school is a great way to help kids achieve the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity each day.

We'll be encouraging families and students to walk to and from school as often as possible during October to help students learn healthy habits for life.

Parents often cite safety issues as one of the primary reasons they are reluctant to allow their children to walk to school. Studies show that fewer children are walking and riding to school, and more children are at risk of becoming overweight. Changing behaviours of children and parents requires creative solutions that are safe and fun. A walking school bus is a group of children walking to school with one or more adults. One adult 'drives' at the front of the bus, while the other adult supervises at the rear.

The benefits extend throughout the community and include:

- a safe and convenient way for our children to travel to school,
- improvement in the health and wellbeing of our children through walking and talking,
- an opportunity for our children to learn road sense and traffic safety,
- a reduction of traffic congestion around our school,
- contributing to reducing pollution,
- opportunities for children and parents to develop friendships and a sense of 'family' in our school community.

For Walk to School Month, two staff members have volunteered to be present each Friday at 8.10am at Everleigh Drive to depart for Sacred Heart no later than 8.15am and supervise the students walking to school.

The route will be:

- Start at Wadeson Park at Everleigh Drive, proceed along Everleigh Drive to Broad Gully Road, proceed along Broad Gully Road to supervised crossing, proceed along western side of Gipson Street to supervised crossing, and arrive at Sacred Heart.

If you would like to join them you are more than welcome otherwise ensure your child/ren are at the Wadeson Park at 8.15am or they can join us along the way.

Of course should the weather be not suitable for the Walking Bus staff will not be present at Wadeson Park.

YEAR 3/4 NETBALL TOURNAMENT:

Last term our Year 3/4 students represented Sacred Heart in an Inter School Netball Tournament at the Diamond Creek Netball Courts. The tournament consisted of a girls' section, a boys' section and a mixed section. Congratulations to all our students who participated on the day and a special well done to our mixed team that finished first in their section.



SCHOOL CLOSURES THIS TERM:

Please note that there will be a school closure on Monday 31st October followed by the Melbourne Cup public holiday on Tuesday 1st November as well as a closure on Monday 21st November to enable staff to work with Berry Street and further develop skills in regards to Learning Diversity within the classroom.

The Berry Street Education Model (BSEM) provides strategies for teaching and learning that enables teachers to increase engagement of students with complex, unmet learning needs and to successfully improve *all* students' self-regulation, relationships, wellbeing, growth and academic achievement. Our pedagogical strategies incorporate trauma-informed teaching, positive education, and wellbeing practices. We believe that this is of extreme importance following two years of lockdown and the impact this has had on people.

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 4) are basketball (girls and boys), rounders (girls), volleyball (boys and girls), hot shots tennis (boys and girls) and cricket (mixed). Interschool Sport will begin Friday 14th October.

SPORT UNIFORM:

Sport Uniform days for Semester 2:

F-2 Tuesday & Friday
3-6 Monday & Friday

FREE DRESS MACKILLOP HOUSE:

Congratulations to Mackillop house on winning the house points for Term 3. You will have a free dress day on Thursday 13th October.

CLASS LEADERS:

Congratulations to the following students that received Class Leader positions for Term 4.

FOUNDATION	Lex Ridd & Harley Chatfield
1/2 NS	Charlotte Lewis & Maddux Lemi
1/2 PA	Nate Fitzmaurice & Lily McIlroy

These students will be presented at the assembly on Friday.

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. Please take the time to read this.

SCHOOL HATS:

Please remember that, according to our SunSmart Policy, all students are now required to wear their school hats whenever outside the classroom. Please ensure that your child has their hat at school otherwise they will be asked to sit in a shaded area of the playground. Hats are available from the School Office or School Uniform Shop for \$15.

2023 STUDENT CLASSES:

Fairly soon our teachers will start the process of organising next year's class groups. This process will take several weeks so that the groupings are as balanced as possible. We also use a program called 'Class Solver' that takes in information regarding academic, social, needs, preferences and requests to help formulate classes. Once the process is finalised, changes will only be made in exceptional circumstances. Over the last few years this process has run smoothly and we are aiming for similar results again this year.

Parent requests are being invited for consideration. Please note that ALL REQUESTS MUST BE IN WRITING.

- Placement requests will only be considered in relation to your own child and it is not appropriate to involve other students.
- Requests need to relate to social, academic and/or behavioural needs of students. It is not appropriate to request a particular teacher.
- All requests must be with Jim – josullivan@shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au or Gina – gmurphy@shdiamondcreek.catholic.edu.au prior to Friday 28th October.
- We will attempt, as much as possible, to satisfy appropriate parent requests providing they are received by the due date.

In order for this process to be as authentic as possible it is essential that we know of any students who will not be continuing at Sacred Heart in 2023.

AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION:

Certificates of Participation, Proficiency or Credit will be awarded to students who took part in the Australian Mathematics Competition last term, in assembly this Friday afternoon.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – ISSUE 7

Brochures have gone home this week. Orders are due by **Wednesday 19 October**. You can order online via LOOP (scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or return the order form in the back of the brochure with correct money to the office.

If you order online by Friday 7th October, you can use the following promo code to get \$5 off your order.



USE PROMO CODE: ISSUE7GIFT

****BE QUICK, VALID UNTIL MIDNIGHT FRIDAY 7 OCTOBER!***

CADBURY CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER:



Outstanding Chocolate Payments:

Please ensure your payment of \$60.00 is made via CDFPay or cash returned to the office in the fundraiser envelope ASAP. We really appreciate everyone's effort in selling these chocolates and supporting our fundraising efforts.

PRODUCTION NEWS:

Tickets for Sacred Heart's Production of The End are available for purchase from Trybooking. Please click on this link to order your tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/BXVIC>

Tickets on Sale
Tomorrow
9 am

Click here to
purchase
your tickets!





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Wellbeing

Experiencing positive emotions helps us be more resilient. By choosing to stay optimistic, we can cope better with difficulties and get more out of life.

Optimistic October 2022

SATURDAY

1 Write down three things you can look forward to this month

8 Make some progress on a project or task you have been avoiding

15 Thank yourself for achieving the things you often take for granted

22 Share a hopeful quote, picture or video with a friend or colleague

29 Plan a fun or exciting activity to look forward to

SUNDAY

2 Find something to be optimistic about (even if it's a difficult time)

9 Share an important goal with someone you trust

16 Put down your to-do list and do something fun or uplifting

23 Recognise that you have a choice about what to prioritise

30 Identify three things that give you hope for the future

MONDAY

3 Take a small step towards a goal that really matters to you

10 Take time to reflect on what you have accomplished recently

17 Take a small step towards a positive change you want to see in society

24 Write down three specific things that have gone well recently

31 Set a goal that brings a sense of purpose for the coming month

TUESDAY

4 Start your day with the most important thing on your to-do list

11 Avoid blaming yourself or others. Find a helpful way forward

18 Set hopeful but realistic goals for the days ahead

25 You can't do everything! What are your three priorities right now?

WEDNESDAY

5 Be a realistic optimist. See life as it is, but focus on what's good

12 Look out for positive news and reasons to be cheerful today

19 Identify one of your positive qualities that will be helpful in the future

26 Find a new perspective on a problem you face

THURSDAY

6 Remind yourself that things can change for the better

13 Ask for help to overcome an obstacle you are facing

20 Find joy in tackling a task you've put off for some time

27 Be kind to yourself today. Remember, progress takes time

FRIDAY

7 Look for the good in people around you today

14 Do something constructive to improve a difficult situation

21 Let go of the expectations of others and focus on what matters to you

28 Ask yourself, will this still matter a year from now?



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Important Dates

Term 4 Dates – FAMILIES CALENDAR - 2022

October

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
3 WEEK 1 A	4	5	6	7	8	9
TERM 4 COMMENCES WORLD MISSION MONTH WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH		Start of Term Mass 9.15am FUNdamentals for Foundation Program		Walk to school bus Assembly 3pm SH Disco 4.30 - 7.00pm		
10 WEEK 2 B	11	12	13	14	15	16
Parents Association Meeting 7.30pm		FUNdamentals for Foundation Program	Free Dress Day for Winning House Reconciliation Faith Night PPC Meeting	ISS v Glen Katherine (away) Walk to School Bus Assembly 3pm		
17 WEEK 3 A	18	19	20	21	22	23
		FUNdamentals for Foundation Program	School Production	ISS v Walk to school bus Assembly 3pm		
24 WEEK 4 B	25	26	27	28	29	30
		International Grandparents Day - Mass & Plate Activity 2023 Foundation Information Evening 7pm		Walk to school bus ISS Assembly 3pm Teachers Day		
31 WEEK 5 A						
Report Writing Day School Closure						

November

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday	Swimming Lessons 9.15-10.00 F 10-10.45 1/2 10.45-11.30 3/4 11.30-12.15 5/6		ISS v Assembly 3pm		
7 WEEK 6 B	8	9	10	11	12	13
Parents Association 7.30pm	Special Lunch Order Sacrament of Reconciliation	Swimming Lessons	PPC Meeting	ISS v Remembrance Day Assembly 3pm		
14 WEEK 7 A	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Foundation 2023 Orientation Session 1 2.00-3.15pm	Swimming Lessons		ISS v Assembly 3pm		

	Uniform Shop open 3.15pm - 4.00pm SAC 7.30pm					
21 WEEK 8 B	22	23	24	25	26	27
SCHOOL CLOSURE – Berry Street: Relationships		Swimming Lessons Foundation 2023 Orientation Session 2 – 2pm – 3.15pm	The Big Sister Experience - Transition Year 5/6 all day Parent Session 6.30-7.45pm	ISS v Assembly 3pm		First Sunday of Advent
28 WEEK 9 A	29	30				
Year 1-6 transition		Open Water Learning Experience (OWLE) 10am - 2.30pm Sandridge Beach Year 5/6 Swimming Lessons				

December

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1 Foundation 2023 Orientation Session 3 2-3.15pm Uniform Shop open 1.20pm - 2.00pm Foundation Celebration 6.15pm	2 ISS v Assembly 3pm	3 St Peters 50th anniversary 5pm mass	4 Second Sunday of Advent
5 WEEK 10 B	6	7	8	9	10	11
Parents Association AGM 7.30pm	Parent Helper Morning Tea 11am SAC 7.30pm	Swimming Lessons Foundation 2023 Orientation Session 4 2.00pm – 3.15pm Uniform Shop Open 3.15-4.00pm Year 6 Graduation Mass and Supper 6pm	CHRISTMAS CAROLS 6pm Free Dress for winning house points Term 4 PPC Meeting	Specialist classes finish Change over day 2023 (Year 1-6 transition) 11.40am – 1.30pm Assembly 3pm Reports go home		Third Sunday of Advent
12 WEEK 11 A	13	14	15	16	17	18
Awards Ceremony & Final Assembly 2.20pm	Special Lunch TBC Year 6-7 Transition for some schools		End of Year Celebrations	End of Year Mass 12pm & Leaving ceremony Students dismissed at 1.30pm		
19 WEEK 12	20					
Staff last day and lunch	Staff Professional Planning Day (off campus)					



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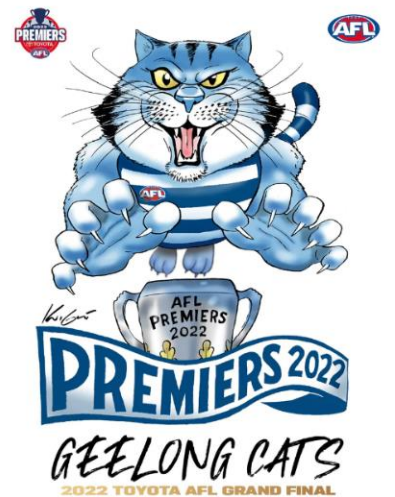
Student of the Week

Value = Gratitude

Foundation	Iris Boyd
1/2 NS	Alby Ioannidis
1/2 PA	Billy Tijan
3/4 NJ	Megan Lamb
3/4 RM	Sade Ambrose
5/6 MR	Grace Topolcsanyi
5/6 JD	Maia Hankinson
LOTE	Sienna Nardella
Performing Arts	Megan Lamb
STEM	Beau Foster
Visual Arts	Nikita Nicholson
Science	Finn Gallagher
P E	Meliz Hoe

Footy Day @ Sacred Heart





Building Project this week



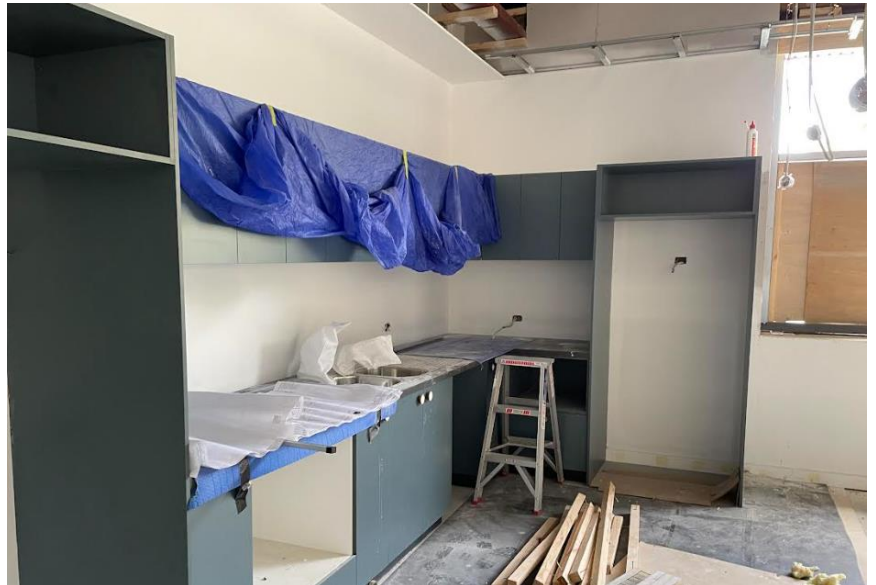
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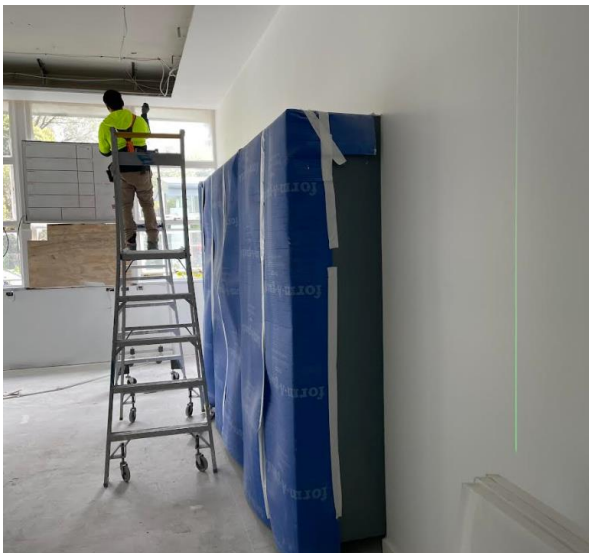
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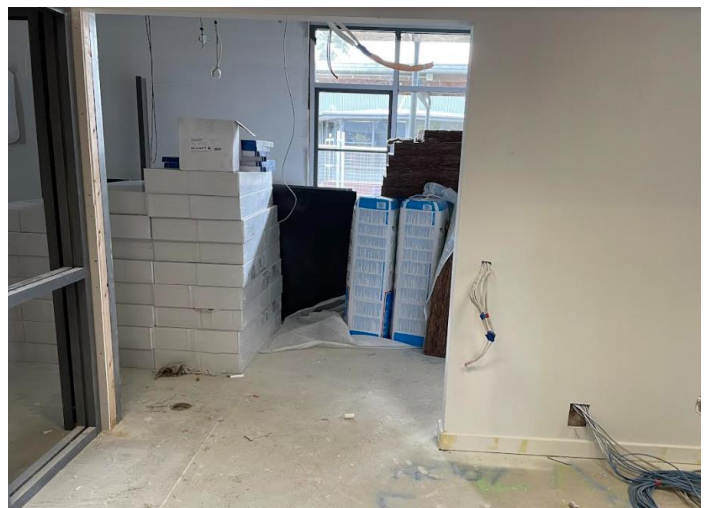
Intervention Room



Staff Kitchen



Staff Planning Room



Administration Office



SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL *Community News*

SCHOOL 60TH ANNIVERSARY PROJECT.

The 60th Anniversary project for Sacred Heart will now focus on attempting to collect as many class photographs as possible from our 60 years of operation. We will de-identify them so that people's privacy is respected and also to engender a lot of reminiscing and guessing of who was in what year.

Early in term 4 we will set aside a day for us to collect as many class or sporting team photographs and see how many years we can cover in our 6- year history. All photographs will be photocopied and returned to you as soon as possible.

Watch this space.



Sacred Heart School

Celebrating 60 years