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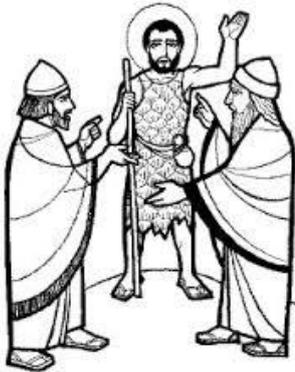
THIS WEEK:

Sun 14/12:	3 rd Sunday of Advent
Mon 15/12:	No School Mass
Wed 17/12:	3:30p.m. End of Term 4

Welcome to our last newsletter for 2014. After a very hectic fortnight with Presentation Evening, Christmas Pageant, End of Year Mass, Parent/Teacher Interviews and our final Assembly we are all looking forward to our final week and the holiday break.

A reminder to students who received Special Awards to send back shields from the Presentation Evening as soon as possible and to pick up any dishes that may have been left at the Civic Centre from the Office.

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT



The priests and Levites questioned John, "Who are you?" John declared, "I am as Isaiah prophesied, a voice that cries in the wilderness. Make a straight way for the Lord." They asked, "Why are you baptising if you are not the Christ?" John replied, "I baptise with water, but there is one coming after me and I am not fit to undo his sandal-strap."

(ref. John 1:6-8, 19-28)

My Soul Rejoices. Isaiah sings, "The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for the Lord has anointed me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to heal broken hearts and proclaim liberty to captives." When life seems unfair, make a habit of thanking God for your blessings, it will lift your spirit and is a great prayer too!

We praise you Lord, for your goodness. We exalt you and worship you. Amen.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember to continue to keep families of our school and parish community in your thoughts and prayers throughout the week and over the holiday break, especially those who may have members of their family suffering from serious illness or sickness.

MUSIC STARS LESSONS

It is anticipated that Music Stars lessons for children who would like to learn to play the guitar and/or

keyboard will continue next year. Families can register now online at www.musiceducationaustralia.com.au. Registrations need to be completed by the end of this week.

CANTEEN

The canteen is closed this week.

TEXTBOOK ORDERS

Text books for 2015 have arrived and can be collected from the office. Any outstanding amount will need to be paid when collected.

SCHOOL FEES

Just a reminder that with the end of Term 4 fast approaching, all outstanding school fees owing to the end of Term 4 should be paid no later than tomorrow (**Wednesday, 17th December 2014**). As you can appreciate the school relies on the school fees to pay for the general running costs of the school. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



CLEARANCES

All Year 6 students and students from other year levels leaving Sacred Heart at the end of the year will need to complete a clearance form that can be obtained from the office. All clearances are due.

CASUAL CLOTHES

Students may attend this week of school in casual clothes. The final day of school for all students is **Wednesday, 17th December**. The children will be dismissed at 3:30p.m.

END OF TERM

The last day of Term 4 for students will be on **Wednesday, 17th December**.

The Office will remain open until **Friday, 19th December**.

LOST PROPERTY

There is a substantial amount of lost property located inside the Student Entry Foyer. Please call in and take a look if your child has lost any shoes, jumpers, lunch boxes, drink containers, hats etc. before the end of the term. Any items left at the end of the year will be donated to St. Vinnies or returned to the Uniform

Shop.

TERM DATES 2015

Term 1 dates for next year, 2015 are as follows:

TERM 1:

School commences: Wednesday, 4th February
(Year 1 to 6 students)

Monday, 9th February
(Kindergarten students)

Kindergarten students will be involved in the Best Start Kindergarten Assessment program from Wednesday, 4th February to Friday, 6th February. More information about this program will be sent home soon.

School concludes: Thursday, 2nd April

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve:

7:00p.m. Children's Mass – Cathedral
Midnight Mass – Cathedral

Christmas Day:

8:00a.m. Sts. Peter & Paul
10:00a.m. Cathedral

SUBJECT LEVIES 2014

The Office will be open on Monday, 2nd February 2015 from 9:00a.m. – 1:00p.m. and Tuesday, 3rd February 2015 from 9:00a.m. to 3:00p.m. for levies to be paid. Subject levies for 2015, which were sent home recently, are required to be paid prior to the commencement of school on these two days.

THANK YOU

Firstly, I take this opportunity to thank all the staff for their many contributions to the education and well-being of the students, and the learning opportunities they have provided throughout 2014. Their dedication and interest in the students is greatly appreciated.

Many thanks to Fr. Nick and Fr. Simon for their support and providing School Masses and sacramental experiences for the students throughout the year.

I would also like to thank all parents who have assisted with the Uniform Shop and canteen, as well as those parents who have helped in the classrooms, at sporting carnivals and many other activities throughout the year. I am grateful to our members of the School Committee and Parent Group, who represent the parent body, for their time and energy to support the school and the children, and to the many people who assisted these groups. Thank you to everyone. Your assistance and support has been greatly appreciated.

FAREWELL

At this time of the year it is sad to say farewell to members of our school community who will be leaving at the end of the year.

Members of staff who will be leaving are Miss O'Fee, Ms. Gilby and Mr. Thornber.

Miss O'Fee has been at Sacred Heart for 2 ½ years. In this time she has taught mainly in Stage 1 and Stage 2. Miss O'Fee's involvement in the Learning Centre and supporting the children with their learning will be greatly missed. Miss O'Fee will be taking up further study in the Health area. I thank Miss O'Fee for her contributions in providing teaching and learning opportunities over the past 2 ½ years and also for her genuine interest in the school.

Ms. Gilby joined us at the beginning of the 2013 school year. Ms Gilby has worked as a Support Staff for all classes especially in the Infants part of the school. Ms Gilby has provided all our teachers and students tremendous support and will be deeply missed. I thank Ms Gilby for her support and contributions she has made to our school over the 2 years and wish her well with her career wherever it takes her.

Mr. Thornber has taught our Year 4/5 class for Term 4 while Mrs. Tracey has taken leave. Mr. Thornber's teaching and involvement with the school during this time is greatly appreciated. Mr. Thornber has provided a range of different learning opportunities throughout the term including a visit to the Council Chambers. I thank Mr. Thornber for everything he has done to support the school and the Year 4/5 class this term.

I thank these members of staff for their commitment and many contributions to Sacred Heart and wish them well and God's blessings as they take on new challenges.

We farewell our Year 6 students and wish them well as they move on to High School. Some of their families are ending their association with the school. We wish the following families God's blessings and thank them for supporting and being part our school community: Hocking family (Emma), Reghenzani family (Stephenie), Scown family (Will) and Wilkinson family (Lucas).

We also say goodbye to the Therath family (Amelia), Broad family (Charlotte & Eva), Jeans family (Bella), Spratt family (Elijah, Lachlan & Jordan), Komolafe family (Femi & Funto) and Daniels family (Jackson) who will be leaving at the end of the year. We wish them God's blessings and thank them for being part of Sacred Heart and wish them all the best for the future.

The staff of Sacred Heart Parish Primary School wish all children and their families a happy and safe holiday over the Christmas season. Whether you are travelling or staying close to home, we hope that you remain safe and enjoy the festive season. We look forward to the New Year when we gather back together again.



Wishing everyone a Holy and Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. Please take care and drive safely during the holidays.

**FAREWELL & GOOD LUCK TO OUR
2014 YEAR 6 STUDENTS**



Makennah Ball



Emma Hocking



Funto Komolafe



Stephanie Reghenzani

**FAREWELL & GOOD LUCK TO OUR
2014 YEAR 6 STUDENTS**



William Scown



Jordan Spratt



Lucas Wilkinson

**GOOD
LUCK!!**