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THIS WEEK:

Sun 6/11:	First Holy Communion: Session 4
Mon 7/11:	No School Mass 3:45p.m. Staff Meeting
Tues 8/11:	Life Education Van @ SHPPS 3:45p.m. Leadership Meeting
Wed 9/11:	Life Education Van @ SHPPS Mustard Seed Program in Hay 10:00am Kindy Orientation
Thur 10/11:	St. Raphael's High School visit - Cowra Mustard Seed Program in Hay 12:45p.m. Assembly (Hosts: Year 2) 2:15p.m. School Performance Show
Fri 11/11:	Remembrance Day Feast Day of St. Catherine McAuley Mustard Seed Program in Hay 10:45a.m. Remembrance Day ceremony 1:15p.m. Family Day Picnic

NEXT WEEK:

Sun 13/11:	First Holy Communion Practice
Mon 14/11:	9:10a.m. School Mass (Year 2) 3:45p.m. Staff Meeting
Tues 15/11:	7:30p.m. School Committee Meeting
Wed 16/11:	3:45p.m. Leadership Meeting
Thur 17/11:	No Assembly
Fri 18/11:	5:30p.m. Kindergarten 2017 BBQ

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



The Parish is currently preparing for the celebration of First Holy Communion.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated on **Sunday, 20th November.**

Please keep the children and their families who are preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in your prayers over the next two weeks.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

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



RURAL WOMEN'S GATHERING BREAKFAST



Many thanks to Mrs. Mariette Curcuruto for her organisation and preparation of the breakfast for the NSW Rural Women's Gathering recently. Also a big thank you to all our parents and friends who gave up some of their time to help cook and serve. This was a very worthwhile and successful fundraiser. Again, thanks to everyone involved.



K-6 TESTING

This week the teachers will continue to conduct a number of school based standardised tests with their class groups. It is important that all students are in attendance on time throughout the week to participate in these tests.

LIFE EDUCATION



PDHPE curriculum.

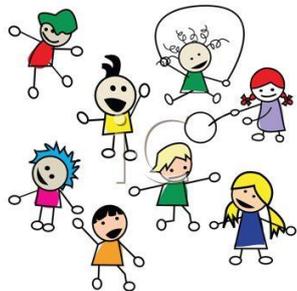
This week the Life Education Van is visiting our school. Each class will participate in a program which addresses many of the components and outcomes within the NSW

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

This week Miss Pressley will be participating in the Diocesan Mustard Seed Program in Hay. This will take place on **Wednesday, 9th November to Friday, 11th November.**

Also this week, Mr. Rynne will be visiting St. Raphael's High School in Cowra on **Thursday, 10th November.**

KINDERGARTEN 2017 ORIENTATION



Kindergarten Orientation sessions for children enrolling in 2016 will continue this week with our final session being held this **Wednesday, 9th November** from 10:00a.m. to 11:30a.m. All children attend this session.

A barbeque for families will be held on **Friday, 18th November** commencing at 5:30p.m. at the school on the lawn area. We look forward to seeing our new families at these activities.

ASSEMBLIES

This Week: Thursday, 10th November (Hosts: Year 2)

Next Week: No Assembly

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE SHOW

The children will attend a School Performance Show this **Thursday, 10th November** at 2:15p.m. in Marcellin Hall called 'To Federation and Beyond'.

To Federation and Beyond is a number of gripping tales of Australia from pre-colonisation battlers to our current bush fire fighters and surf lifesavers.

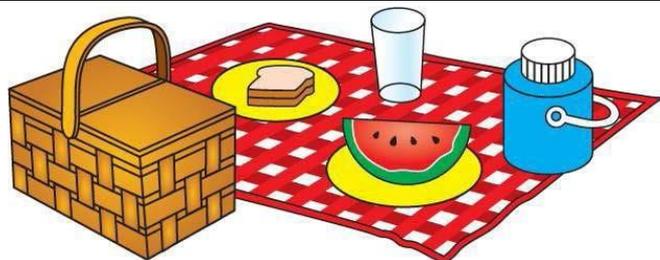
REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY



This **Friday, 11th November** the children and teachers will participate in a ceremony commencing at 10:45a.m. near the flag pole to remember the sacrifice of those who have died for

Australia in wars and conflicts. The children and teachers will observe a minute silence as a sign of respect at 11:00a.m. Parents are welcome to join us at this ceremony. The ceremony will take place in the Hall if the weather is too hot/wet or windy.

PICNIC LUNCH



Families are invited to join their child/children for a picnic lunch this week (**Friday, 11th November**) commencing at 1:15p.m. Please bring along your lunch, chair and/or picnic rug and enjoy having lunch with your child/children. Families may wish to order their lunch from the canteen on this day. If you are going to order your lunch from the canteen please get your child to drop your order into the canteen lunch

box outside Year 2's classroom first thing in the morning. Lunches can be collected from the canteen at 1:15p.m. when you arrive. The canteen will be holding a 'Red Day' as well.

FEAST DAY OF CATHERINE MCAULEY

This Friday, 11th November is the feast day of Catherine McAuley. Catherine McAuley was the founder of a religious order called 'The Sisters of Mercy'. The Sister of Mercy taught in Broken Hill for 120 years. More information about Catherine McAuley can be found at the end of this newsletter.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

The next School Committee meeting will take place next **Tuesday, 15th November** at 7:30p.m. in the upstairs Meeting Room in the Admin building.

PRESENTATION EVENING

Our Annual Presentation Evening will be held on **Thursday, 8th December** at 6:30p.m. in the Broken Hill Civic Centre. Please put this date in your diary.

We are seeking assistance in the form of donations to meet the costs of this function. If any family/organisation is able to make any contributions it will be gratefully received. The names of families/organisations that make donations will be listed on the program. Contributions towards this event can be handed in to the school's office.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

As in previous years, our Parent Group is organising the Christmas raffle for 2016 which will be drawn at our Presentation Evening. The Parent Group is requesting families to donate non-perishable food items, suitable for Christmas, to go into our hampers. This could include puddings, Christmas cakes, Long Life custards, Christmas lollies, pretzels, chips, tinned fruit, Bon Bons, serviettes, wine, savoury biscuits, shortbread, olives, pickled onions, soft drinks etc. Alternatively cash donations can be handed into the front office in a sealed envelope so they can purchase vouchers and items towards the Christmas Raffle. It would be appreciated if all food and cash donations can be at the school by **Thursday, 1st December**. These items can be left on the special "Christmas Raffle" table located in the front office.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

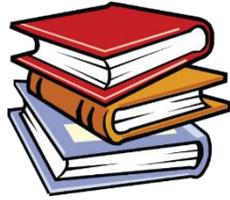
A reminder that all students are required to wear the correct uniform at all times. This includes the sport uniform worn on Fridays. Make-up and nail polish are not part of the school uniform. If a student is out of uniform an explanatory note should be handed to their class teacher.

Trevor Rynne
PRINCIPAL

A School With A Difference

LIBRARY NEWS

Sasha would like to say a 'Big Thank-you' to all families who donated books for the Library through Book Fair. She has enjoyed reading some of these books and is looking forward to reading the rest.



Mrs. Smith

STOP, LOOK, LISTEN THINK

Stop,
Look,
Listen,
Think.

Plan your trip to school so you use pedestrian crossings where possible.

Always hold your child's hand.

Children need your help to spot

dangers such as vehicles coming out of driveways. They can also be easily distracted and wander into traffic.

Drop off and pick up your child near the school gate and avoid calling them from across the road.

Talk with your children about Stop, Look, Listen and Think every time they cross the road.

STOP ! one step back from the kerb.

LOOK ! for traffic to your right left and right again.

LISTEN ! for the sounds of approaching traffic.

THINK ! whether it is safe to cross.

Young children can learn these safe pedestrian habits from you and continue them later on when they are old enough to travel alone.

CYBER BULLYING TIPS FOR PARENTS

Top Ten Cyber Safety Tips for Parents

1. Have the computer in a family room where you can monitor the usage.
2. Make a contract with your child about their usage and consequences if they break the rules.
3. If your child has Facebook or any other social network profile make sure you know what it looks like. (Watch out for the dummy set up)
4. Become your child's friend so that you can monitor their profile.
5. Have proper internet security software to protect your child from accessing inappropriate websites.
6. Make sure that your child knows who they are talking to online and not talking with strangers.
7. Don't answer emails from sources that are unknown.
8. Don't click on popups, they are often sources of viruses.
9. Remember that once something is posted on the net it can be copied and down loaded anywhere.
10. Never respond to any threats made over the internet or via texting.

CATHERINE McAULEY

Catherine Elizabeth McAuley was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1778. From the time she was a young child, Catherine saw her parents living their Catholic faith through service to the poor. After her parents died, Catherine lived with Protestant relatives who wanted her to become a member of their church. Catherine remained true to the Catholic faith.



When Catherine was 25, she was invited to be a live-in companion to a wealthy retired couple. Her faith and loving care for them and the needy people in the neighbourhood was a powerful example for them, and they both became Catholic before they died. They left their fortune to Catherine.

This inheritance gave Catherine the money she needed to establish a house to serve people in need. Catherine purchased property and a large house was built. It was called the "House of Mercy" and opened in 1827. It included a church, school, a work area for training the residents for jobs, and dormitories for the poor and any women who wished to join Catherine in her ministry.

Catherine did not wish to form a religious order. Nuns in Ireland in those days spent most of their time cloistered away from the people Catherine was determined to serve. Catherine knew that to be a real help to the poor and needy, she needed to be among them so that she could see the realities of the struggles they faced on a daily basis.

The Archbishop of Dublin convinced Catherine that becoming a religious order would help her to serve more people. Catherine agreed, and she and two friends began training to become nuns. When they took their vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, they were allowed to include a vow of service to the poor, sick and uneducated. Catherine's order, the Religious Sisters of Mercy, was born in 1831. The nuns wore plain clothing and were known in Ireland as the "walking nuns" because they spent so much time in the community helping people.

Catherine died in 1841. Today there are more than 12,000 Sisters of Mercy worldwide. They run 200 health care facilities, 19 colleges, 58 schools and provide many other services that help people of every age.

Catherine always said that "proof of love is deed." Like Catherine McAuley, we can let our kind and caring deeds be the proof of our love for Jesus and others.