



# SACRED HEART PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## THIS WEEK:

<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Feb:</b>	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>
<b>Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Feb:</b>	<b>SHROVE TUESDAY</b> 1:15p.m. Pancake Day
<b>Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Mar:</b>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> Kindergarten Workshop via VC 9:10am Ash Wednesday Mass (Year 4) <b>10:15a.m. SCHOOL PHOTOS</b> 3:45p.m. Leadership Meeting 5:30p.m. Kindergarten Info Evening
<b>Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar:</b>	12:45p.m. Assembly (Year 5/6) 3:00p.m. REC Teleconference 4:30pm Soundwaves Spelling Seminar
<b>Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar:</b>	WF Diocesan Swimming Carnival

## NEXT WEEK: Catholic Schools Week

<b>Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Mar:</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b>
<b>Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Mar:</b>	9:10a.m. School Mass (Year 3) 3:45p.m. Staff Meeting
<b>Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Mar:</b>	10:00a.m. PEDALS Playgroup WF Winter Trials @ Parkes 1:20p.m. Senior Festival Concert
<b>Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Mar:</b>	7:30p.m. School Committee Meeting
<b>Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Mar:</b>	EMU Leading Mathematics Workshop 12:45p.m. Assembly (Year 4) 4:00p.m. PSSA Swimming Carnival
<b>Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Mar:</b>	EMU Leading Mathematics Workshop 1:15p.m. Family Picnic Day

## BEGINNING OF THE YEAR MASS

Last **Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> February** we celebrated the beginning of the new school year by attending a School Mass and inducting our School leaders for 2017. We appreciate the presence of families and parishioners who were able to attend this special celebration. At the end of the Mass, Father Nick presented and congratulated our leaders and Year 6 class for 2017. Many thanks to Father Nick for his assistance and for leading us during this liturgy.

Following Mass a morning tea was held for our school leaders and Year 6 class in Marcellin Hall with their parents and family. Thanks to everyone who attended and provided morning tea, and also for cleaning up afterwards. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Our school leaders for 2017 are:

### SCHOOL CAPTAINS:

Claudia Kennedy & Joel Van Kemenade

### STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL:

**Year 6:** Claudia Kennedy & Joel Van Kemenade

**Year 5:** Gianna Dunlevy & Connor Turley

**Year 4:** Elke Page & Jake Finch

**Year 3:** Eva Vierow & Oliver Walsh



### HOUSE CAPTAINS:

**Champagnat:** Tayla Schiller & Joel Van Kemenade

**Joseph:** Shannen Good & Oliver Spiteri

**McAuley:** Mahaila Denton & Henry Hayes



We congratulate these students and pray that they will be guided by the Holy Spirit during the year to be good leaders of our school.

## SHPPS SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Last **Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February** our Annual School Swimming Carnival for Years 3 to 6 children was held at the Regional Aquatics Centre. I was very impressed with every child who participated in this carnival. It was great to see all children give their best in the events ranging from the novelties to the swimming strokes.

The final results were:

**McAULEY HOUSE** (Yellow) 117 points  
**CHAMPAGNAT HOUSE** (Red) 91 points  
**JOSEPH HOUSE** (Green) 90 points.

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Age Champions.

8 years boys: Oliver Walsh  
8 years girls: Tayah Finch  
9 years boys: Dalton Piasente  
9 years girls: Claudia Baldwin  
10 years boys: Daniel James  
10 years girls: Lacey-May Finch  
11 years boys: Austin Howard/Matthew James  
11 years girls: Mackenzie Williams  
12/13 years boys: Joel Van Kemenade  
12/13 years girls: Mahaila Denton

Overall Champion Swimmers were Mahaila Denton and Joel Van Kemenade.

Many thanks Mr. Moran for his organisation of the carnival and to all teachers and parents who assisted on the day to help make the carnival run smoothly.

## SYMPATHY



We extend our deepest sympathy to Lily and Phoebe Philp (Year 4) and their family on the sad loss of their grandfather who passed away recently. Please remember to keep them in your thoughts and prayers during this time of sadness.

## PUPIL FREE DAY

Yesterday (**Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> February**) the staff took part in a Professional Learning Day facilitated by Mrs. Carmel Small, a Professional Development Consultant from Nelson/Cengage Learning. The focus for the day was 'Developing a Balanced Reader and Guided Reading'.

## SHROVE TUESDAY

Today (**Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> February**) is Shrove Tuesday. The school held a 'Pancake Day' at lunch time, as a way to kick start our Lenten-giving through Project Compassion. Many thanks to all students who took part.

Project Compassion is Caritas Australia's annual fundraiser for Catholic relief work around the world. Project Compassion is all about hope! Donations to Project Compassion will allow poor communities in the world to become self-reliant and look forward to a more peaceful and productive future. Project Compassion boxes have been placed in all classrooms, the office and staffroom to encourage our school community to donate some money throughout Lent for those people who are not as fortunate as ourselves.

Our School Captains will visit each classroom every morning to collect donations from students. We thank you for your participation and generosity for this very worthy cause during the Lenten season.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, will commence this **Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March**. A School Mass and the distribution of ashes will be held in the Cathedral commencing at 9:10a.m. for all students.

Everyone is welcome to attend this Mass or liturgy with the students and staff.

## DIOCESAN MEETINGS



This week Miss Armitage and Mrs. Coff will participate in a Kindergarten Teaching workshop on

**Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March** via video conference.

Mr. Rynne will be participating in a REC teleconference on **Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March**.

Next week, Mrs. Coff and Mr. Rynne will be participating in an EMU Leading Mathematics Learning and Teaching workshop via video conference on **Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> March** and **Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> March**.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos will be taken this **Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March**. All students will be required to wear their **FULL FORMAL SUMMER** uniform. Please ensure that the envelope sent home last week is returned to school with your child on this day.

Envelopes for family photos can be collected from the Office.

## KINDERGARTEN PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

Tomorrow (**Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March**) our Kindergarten teachers will be conducting a Parent Information session about the curriculum and expectations for their class at **5:30p.m.** in the **Kindergarten Room**. This Information session is for parents only. We hope you are able to attend.

## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Our first School Assembly will be held on **Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March** at 12:45p.m. in Marcellin Hall. Year 5/6 will be hosting this Assembly. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## DIOCESAN SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The Wilcannia-Forbes Diocesan Swimming Carnival will be held this **Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March** in Condobolin. Good luck to Mahaila Denton and Joel Van Kemenade who will be competing at this carnival.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Next week is Catholic Schools Week. Catholic Schools Week is being held this year from **Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> March** to **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March**. All 11 dioceses across NSW and the ACT are joining together to celebrate the wonderful achievements of our Catholic schools.



We are immensely proud of our Catholic heritage, and are committed to celebrating and showcasing the achievements of students in our school.

Our school is proud of the wonderful teaching and learning that takes place in our classrooms every day, as well as the contribution our schools have made to Australian communities, in particular the more vulnerable and disadvantaged members of our wider community. It is for this reason that I would like to extend an invitation to you and your family to join us to participate with members of our parish and wider community in the spirit of this celebration.

Scheduled activities to be held next week at Sacred Heart Parish Primary School during Catholic Schools Week are:

**Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> March:**

9:10a.m. School Mass

**Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> March:**

9:00a.m. – 11:00a.m. Open Classroom visit (K-6)

**Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> March:**

9:00a.m. – 11:00a.m. Open Classroom visit (Yrs.3-6)

**Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> March:**

9:00a.m. – 11:00a.m. Open Classroom visit (K-6)

12:45p.m. Assembly (Hosts: Year 4)

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March:**

1:00p.m. Free Family BBQ

I encourage you to join with me in this spirit of celebration by attending some of the planned activities and events next week at Sacred Heart Parish Primary School during Catholic Schools Week.

## PEDALS PLAYGROUP

In conjunction with Centacare, we have set up a playgroup at the school which will operate every second Tuesday from 10:00a.m. to 12:00p.m. PEDAL stands for Play, Explore, Discover And Learn. The PEDAL playgroup is open to all families with children aged 0-5. Parents are encouraged to join in their child's play and need to provide a piece of fruit for a shared fruit platter at morning tea. Our next session will be held on **Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> March.**

## DIOCESAN WINTER TRIALS



The Diocesan Winter Trials will be held next **Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> March** in Parkes. All the best to Joel Van Kemenade who will be trialing out for the boys' soccer team.

## SENIOR'S FESTIVAL CONCERT

The Annual Senior's Festival Concert will be held at the Musicians Club next **Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> March** in the

Auditorium. Our Infants Choir will be singing at this concert at approximately 1:20p.m.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING



The first meeting of our School Committee will take place next **Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> March** at **7:30p.m.** in the **Admin Meeting Room.** The role of the School Committee is to assist the Principal and Parish Administrator in the efficient running of the school. It is an advisory committee. The School Committee meets in the Admin Meeting Room on the second Wednesday of each month except during school holidays.

## PSSA SWIMMING CARNIVAL



The PSSA Swimming Carnival will be held next **Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> March** commencing at 4:00p.m. at the Broken Hill Regional Aquatics Centre. Information regarding arrangements for this carnival will be sent home soon with students selected to represent the school.

## EMERGENCY FORMS

Emergency forms have been distributed to families. It is important that these forms are completed so we have access to current information in regards to contact numbers and medical issues related to your child. Parents with more than one child must complete a form for each child. Please contact the Office for more forms if required.

## REPORTING TO THE OFFICE

Apart from occasions such as Assemblies, dropping off and picking up your child before and after school, parents and visitors should report to the office to sign in for the duration of your stay in the school. The parent/visitor should then return to the office and sign out before leaving the school grounds. This is a requirement of our Catholic Education Office to know who is on the school grounds at any given time and it is intended to ensure the safety of our students and parents/visitors.

## OFFICE HOURS

This term the office will be open from 8:30a.m. to 3:15p.m. on Mondays and Fridays and from 8:30a.m. to 3:30a.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The office will be closed daily from 12:30p.m. to 1:00p.m. for lunch. We are seeking your cooperation in keeping to these hours when you need the services from the office unless there is an emergency. This will allow the teachers to focus on their preparations and duty of care for their class.

## UNIFORM SHOP TIMES

The Uniform Shop, relocated in the Admin building, is open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:45a.m. to 9:15a.m.



## SCHOOL BANKING

School Banking day is every Thursday. Forms can be picked up from the Office if you wish your child to open an account for School Banking.

## SUPERVISION OF YOUNGER SIBLINGS

When collecting your child from school at the end of the day, younger siblings need to be supervised at all times. I ask that these children do not play on the play equipment or play with the bark in the gardens. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable week!

Trevor Rynne  
PRINCIPAL

## St. Joseph's Soccer Club News

The 2017 soccer season is on its way. The St Joseph's Soccer Club is raring to go for a great season and would love you to join us and enjoy the most popular sport in the world! Soccer is a great sport for children of all ages – not only does it increase kid's fitness, skills and coordination but teaches them vital life skills such as co-operation, teamwork and communication! Boys and girls, experienced players or those totally new to the game, serious contenders and those that just want a run with their mates – everyone is welcome!

**SOCCER SEASON IS COMING!!!!**  
**ST JOSEPH'S SOCCER CLUB NEEDS YOU!!!**

**\*\*\*\*\*FREE BBQ\*\*\*\*\***  
**\*\*\*\*FREE JUMPING CASTLE\*\*\*\***

If you would like your child to join the 2017 Soccer Season with the St Joseph's Soccer Club or you just want to see what it's all about come along to registration day.

Where: Sturt Park

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2017

Time: 5pm – 7pm

**\*\*Pay full fees on the day and receive a FREE SOCCER BALL – Junior fees \$130**



## LEARNING IN ACTION

