



SACRED HEART PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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THIS WEEK: NAPLAN

Sun 11/5:	<i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>
Mon 12/5:	9:10a.m. School Mass (Year 4/5) 3:45p.m. Staff Meeting
Tues 13/5:	NAPLAN - Language Conventions NAPLAN - Writing 10:00a.m. PEDALS Playgroup
Wed 14/5:	NAPLAN - Reading 3:45p.m. Executive Meeting 6:00p.m. Confirmation: Session 2 7:30p.m. School Committee Meeting
Thurs 15/5:	NAPLAN - Numeracy NO ASSEMBLY
Fri 16/5:	NAPLAN - Catch Up day
Sat 17/5:	Home Hardware BBQ Fundraiser

NEXT WEEK:

Sun 18/5:	<i>5th Sunday of Easter</i> 10:00a.m. Year 6 Parish Mass
Mon 19/5:	9:10a.m. School Mass (Year 3) 3:45p.m. Staff Meeting
Tues 20/5:	10:00a.m. PEDALS Playgroup
Wed 21/5:	Angela Kennedy (CEO) at SHPPS EnviroMatters Workshops 9:00a.m. Kindergarten 10:00a.m. Year 1/2 11:45a.m. Year 3/4 2:00p.m. Year 5/6 3:45p.m. Executive Meeting 6:00p.m. Confirmation: Session 3
Thurs 22/5:	Angela Kennedy (CEO) at SHPPS 12:45p.m. Assembly (Hosts: Year 4/5)
Fri 23/5:	National Walk Safely to School Day Diocesan Cross Country at Parkes Angela Kennedy (CEO) at SHPPS

MOTHER'S DAY

I hope all mums had a wonderful and relaxing day for Mother's Day on Sunday. The children enjoyed having the opportunity to make a special key ring this year for a gift to give to their mum and/or grandmothers.

The children were also very excited and delighted to have their mums and grandmothers at the school for the Mother's Day morning tea. The organisers' set up and decorated the Hall so that the morning tea was held in a wonderful relaxing setting. I would like to thank our Infant and Primary choirs for providing some entertainment for our guests. Thank you also, to

the mums and grandmothers for coming along to share in this wonderful occasion. Everyone who attended



also enjoyed this special time with the children. Such an occasion would not take place without the hard work and efforts of our Parent Group. On behalf of

everyone I thank our Parent Group and their helpers for organising the Mother's Day gifts, raffle and the morning tea. Everyone did a fantastic job. Well done!

I would also like to thank all the parents who helped set up and cleaned the hall and who donated gifts for the raffle and Hall decorations. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.

Finally, congratulations to all our lucky raffle winners.

4th SUNDAY OF EASTER



Jesus said, "I am the gate of the sheepfold. Anyone who enters through me will be safe. They will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture. I have come so that they may have life to the full."

(ref John 10:1-10)

Lord Jesus, you are the gate, the way to our Father in heaven. You know us by name and you call us to follow you. You promise us life to the full! Amen.

The fourth Sunday of Easter is Good Shepherd Sunday. We are called to remember Jesus, the Good Shepherd, who literally did lay down his life for his flock. We are also called to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and religious life especially here in our Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes. And we are called to remember that every baptised Christian has a vocation to follow in the paths of Jesus. Jesus leads us to the fullness of life – to deep peace and joy and true freedom. However, there are many sacrifices to make, and much suffering. Like Jesus we must learn to deny our selfish, fearful selves and learn to choose forgiveness, love, generosity and courage. And, finally, we ought to remember our Mothers who truly have been Good Shepherds to us. May God bless them

and grant them the rewards of their devoted and tireless love.

Fr. Danny

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.

AGFAIR

The weekend before last, was an extremely busy time for many of our staff, parents and grandparents who helped out with our food stall at Agfair. In particular, I would like to acknowledge the huge amount of work that Mrs. Belinda Miller did to ensure that everything ran smoothly over the two days.

I would also like to thank everyone who was able to help out and assist in so many ways by setting up, preparing food, cooking food, serving and cleaning up afterwards. The involvement of parents, staff, friends and parishioners of our school community who assisted in so many ways was outstanding. A BIG THANK YOU to everyone. All money raised by the food stall goes towards purchasing valuable resources for our students.

Again, thanks to everyone for your support and assistance over a very busy weekend.

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Jordan Rynne who has been elected House Captain by his peers for Joseph (Green) House recently. Jordan replaces Deke who left Broken Hill at the end of last term.

SHPPS CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL



Congratulations to all the children in Years 3 to 6 who participated in our annual Cross Country Carnival held last **Friday (9th May)**. This carnival provides a great opportunity for the children to test themselves physically while completing the course. Congratulations to

McAuley House (50 points) who took the honours and won the carnival and to the members of Joseph House (39 points) and Champagnat House (35 points) for their efforts.

Final placings were

- 8 Years Boys:** 1st Austin Howard
2nd Oliver Spiteri
- 8 Years Girls:** 1st Teslyn Saji

- 9 Years Boys:** 1st Lachlan Spratt
2nd Luke Dawson
3rd Joel Van Kemenade
- 9 Years Girls:** 1st Mahaila Denton
2nd Bella Jeans
3rd Vanessa Brooks
- 10 Years Boys:** 1st Oliver Symonds
2nd Femi Komolafe
3rd Christo Prentos
- 10 Years Girls:** 1st Grace Norley
2nd Paige Fargher
3rd Isla Vierow
- 11 Years Boys:** 1st Charlton Howard
2nd Jordan Rynne
3rd Jackson Daniels
- 11 Years Girls:** 1st Piper Dwyer
2nd Maya Butcher
3rd Amy Dawson
- 12/13 Years Boys:** 1st Jordan Spratt
2nd Colby Schiller
3rd Lucas Wilkinson
- 12/13 Years Girls:** 1st Emma Hocking
2nd Funto Komolafe
3rd Makannah Ball

Students who won their age group division were awarded Age Champion medallions at the completion of the carnival.

Many thanks to the teachers, students and parents who helped out on the day.

NAPLAN TESTS

This Tuesday 13th May, Wednesday 14th May and Thursday, 15th May students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will take part in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy, or NAPLAN, as it is commonly known. Skills that will be tested include: reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy.

These tests are done here at school and are considered just another part of the curriculum. It is important for you and your child to know that NAPLAN is not a pass/fail test. It simply looks at what level students are achieving in literacy and numeracy against National Standards and compared with student peers throughout Australia.

NAPLAN cannot be studied for and students are not expected to do so. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that it is just a routine part of their school program, and to urge them to do the best they can on the day. All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 are expected to participate in NAPLAN testing.

Later in the year we will send parents an individual student NAPLAN report that you can use to view and monitor how your child is progressing. If you have any concerns, please contact your child's teacher.

PEDALS PLAYGROUP

Our 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, 20th May**.

Please feel free to bring along a friend as it is open to all families whether they have a child attending Sacred Heart or not.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on **Sunday, 1st June** at 10:00a.m. in the Cathedral. Preparation sessions have commenced and are being held on **Wednesdays** at 6:00p.m. in the Parish Centre.

Listed below are the dates of the remaining Preparation Sessions for Confirmation.

- Session 2: Wednesday, 14th May
- Session 3: Wednesday, 21st May
- Session 4: Wednesday, 28th May

It is important that the children attend all of these sessions with a parent and/or sponsor.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

The next School Committee meeting will take place on **Wednesday, 14th May** at **7:30p.m.** in the upstairs Meeting Room in the Admin building.

ASSEMBLIES

There will be no Assembly this week due to NAPLAN. **Next Week:** Thursday, 22nd May (Hosts: Year 4/5)

PARENT GROUP NEWS

The Parent Group is holding a BBQ fundraiser at the Home Hardware Store in Galena Street on **Saturday, 17th May**. If you are able to assist please complete the note that was sent home yesterday and return to school as soon as possible.

YEAR 6 FAMILY MASS

Fr. Danny would like to extend an invitation for all Year 6 children and their families to attend Mass this **Sunday, 18th May** at 10:00a.m. in the Cathedral. This will be a special Mass devoted to the Year 6 children and their families followed by refreshments afterwards. Please make a special effort to attend and be involved in this Mass with your family.

SKOOLBAG APP



Our School now has our own Skoolbag iPhone and Android App to help us communicate more effectively with our school community. We are asking parents to install our Skoolbag School App.

To install it, just search for our school name "Sacred Heart Parish Primary School Broken Hill" in either the Apple App Store, or

Google Play Store. We hope the use of the app will assist with communication of school activities be more effective.

DIOCESAN CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

The Diocesan Cross Country Carnival will be held on **Friday, 23rd May** in Parkes. For further information please contact me at school as soon as possible.

PSSA CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

The Broken Hill PSSA Cross Country Carnival will be held on **Friday, 6th June** at the Memorial Oval. More details will be sent home soon. Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to represent our school at this carnival.

8/9 Years Boys

Lachlan Spratt
Luke Dawson
Joel Van Kemenade
Hayden Coombs
Max Ball
Austin Howard

8/9 Years Girls

Mahaila Denton
Bella Jeans
Vanessa Brooks
Teslyn Saji
Sarah-Jane Smith
Estella Nagas

10 Years Boys

Christo Prentos
Oliver Symonds
Femi Komolafe
Sabian Durbidge

10 Years Girls

Isla Vierow
Paige Fargher
Grace Norley
Tess Muscat
Tia Osman
Emily Burns

11 Years Boys

Charlton Howard
Jordan Rynne
Jackson Daniels
Thomas Kennedy
Connor Koch
Ben Kuerschner

11 Years Girls

Piper Dwyer
Sophia Prentos
Amy Dawson
Maya Butcher
Shakira Dwyer
Alice Bright

12/13 Years Boys

Jordan Spratt
Colby Schiller
Lucas Wilkinson
Michael Heuer

12/13 Years Girls

Emma Hocking
Funto Komolafe
Makennah Ball

Training sessions will take place on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 7:00a.m. at Picton Oval. Many thanks to Miss Heyward for conducting these training sessions and I would encourage the children to attend if possible.

Enjoy your week!

Trevor Rynne
PRINCIPAL



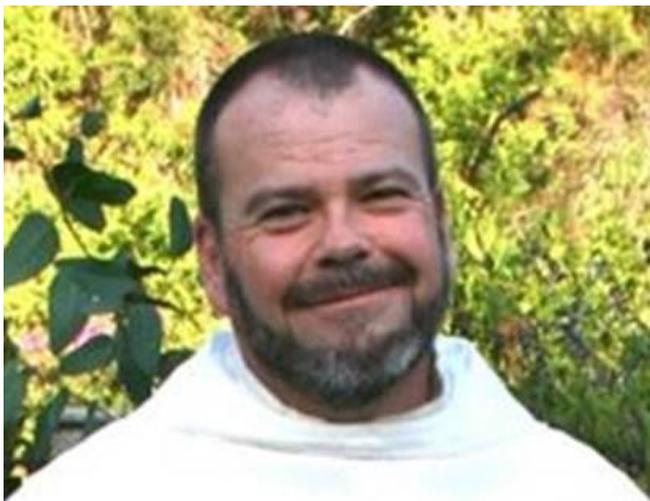
BISHOP ELECT COLUMBA MACBETH-GREEN

I am delighted with the appointment of Father Columba Macbeth-Green, who is well known to me, as the 7th Bishop of the Wilcannia Forbes Diocese. He has a well-grounded faith and possesses the human attributes that will equip him to be a good Pastor to the people of this rural and outback Diocese.

With his experience in country parishes he understands the joys, struggles and challenges of country parishes and their people. I am confident that Bishop Elect Macbeth-Green will be a true Shepherd after the heart of Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd. It is with great joy that I join with the people of Wilcannia Forbes in welcoming this appointment and in looking forward to a new beginning for the Diocese.

Most Reverend Michael Kennedy
Apostolic Administrator

Bishop-Elect Columba Macbeth- Green



Bishop Elect Columba Macbeth-Green, OSPPE, was born June 30, 1968 in Forbes. He grew up in the district and after attending primary and

secondary school in Forbes, he entered the novitiate of the Order of St. Paul the First Hermit.

He completed his ecclesiastical studies at the Catholic Theological College in Melbourne and at the Vianney College in the Diocese of Wagga Wagga. He made his solemn religious profession on September 15, 1996. He was ordained to the priesthood on 22 November 1997 in Wagga Wagga.

After ordination he held the following positions: Assistant pastor and then pastor of Tarcutta, Wagga Wagga (1997-2001); Prefect of Novices in Tarcutta (1999-2000); First Counsellor of the Province of the Order of Australia (1999-2002); Master of Novices in Tarcutta (2001-2002); Secretary of the Province of the Order of Australia (since 2002); Sub- Prior of the Monastery of Penrose Park, Wollongong (2002-2006); Pastor of Moss Vale, Wollongong (2003-2006). Since 2006 he has been the Prior of the Monastery and Rector of the Sanctuary of Marian Valley, Canungra, Brisbane, and since 2009 he was Vicar Provincial of the Order in Australia.

In addition, he was chaplain of the Police of the State of New South Wales and at the time of his appointment, he was chaplain of the Police of the State of Queensland.

The Order of St Paul the First Hermit, a Religious Order was founded by Blessed Eusebius in 1215 in Hungary. The Pauline monks were introduced in the Wollongong Diocese from Poland in 1982. The Order of St Paul of the First Hermit is a semi-contemplative Order devoted to a life of prayer and service to Jesus through Mary. The life embraces contemplation, Divine Liturgy and devotion to Mary. The ministry involves pastoral work, retreats and in Australia managing the major shrines at Penrose Park (Wollongong) and Marian Valley (Brisbane).