



SACRED HEART PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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THIS WEEK:

Sun 21st May:	<i>6th Sunday of Easter Confirmation: Session 3</i>
Mon 22nd May:	<i>9:10a.m. School Mass (Year 4) 12:00p.m. School Performance Show 2:00p.m. Drama Workshop (Year 5/6) 3:45p.m. Staff Meeting</i>
Tues 23rd May:	<i>ICAS Digital Technology Competition</i>
Wed 24th May:	<i>Feast of Our Lady, Help of Christians NSW ACSP Conference No Leadership Meeting</i>
Thur 25th May:	<i>NSW ACSP Conference 12:45p.m. Assembly (Year 4)</i>
Fri 26th May:	<i>NSW ACSP Conference Allied Health in Schools Program 1:15p.m. Family Picnic Day</i>

NEXT WEEK:

Sun 28th May:	<i>Ascension of the Lord Confirmation: Session 4</i>
Mon 29th May:	<i>No School Mass 3:45p.m. Staff Meeting</i>
Tues 30th May:	<i>Allied Health in Schools Program ICAS Science Competition</i>
Wed 31st May:	<i>Brett Henderson (CEO) @ SHPPS School Socials 4:30p.m. – 5:30p.m. K-2 4:30p.m. – 6:30p.m. Yrs. 3-6 No Leadership Meeting</i>
Thurs 1st June:	<i>Brett Henderson (CEO) @ SHPPS 12:45p.m. Assembly (Year 3) 7:30p.m. Parent Group Meeting</i>
Fri 2nd June:	<i>Brett Henderson (CEO) @ SHPPS</i>

SCHOOL SAFETY

Road and safety in and around schools is the responsibility of everyone. I would like to remind you of some issues that are causing some concerns at the moment.



- Please do not park in the bus zone or across driveways when dropping off or picking up your child. Also, parents should not be parking in the school's driveway dropping off and picking up children.
- Teacher supervision for students commences at 8:30a.m. Children should not arrive at school before 8:30a.m.
- All children and parents must enter the school via the steps or driveway when being dropped off or

picked up. No parents or children should enter or leave the school by the side gate on Sulphide Street.

- 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 their stay in the school. The parent/visitor should then return to the office and sign out before leaving the school grounds.
- No cars should be driven in the school yard at any stage unless authorisation is given by the Principal. If authorisation is given during school hours the person involved must sign in before entering the school grounds and sign out on departure.

We ask for your assistance and cooperation to assist us to keep our streets around and in our school safe and accident. As mentioned before, it is the responsibility of everyone.

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.

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE SHOW

Yesterday (**Monday, 22nd May**) the children attended a Performance Show called 'Burke and Wills Grand Adventure' in Marcellin Hall.

Following the performance, Year 5/6 participated in a drama workshop.

ICAS COMPETITIONS

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools Digital Technologies Competition was held today (**Tuesday 23rd May**) for students in Years 3-6 who nominated to enter.

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools Science Competition will be held next **Tuesday 30th May**.

OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS



The feast of Our Lady, Help of Christians is celebrated this **Wednesday, 24th May**. This feast day has been celebrated in Australia since 1844. The early Church in Australia had a special reason for turning to Mary. In those early and mostly

priestless days, it was largely the rosary that kept the faith alive. Catholic Australia remained faithful to Mary, and was the first nation to choose her, under the title of Help of Christians, as Patroness of Australia.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

This week I will be travelling to the Cessnock in the Hunter Valley to participate in the NSW Association of Catholic Principals Conference from **Wednesday, 24th May** to **Friday, 26th May**.

ASSEMBLIES

This Week: Thursday, 25th May (Hosts: Year 4)
Next Week: Thursday, 1st June (Hosts: Year 3)

PICNIC LUNCH



Families are invited to join their child/children for our picnic lunch this **Friday, 26th May** 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' on Friday as well.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on **Sunday, 25th June** at 10:00a.m. in the Cathedral. Preparation sessions have commenced and are being held on **Sundays** in the Parish Centre after the 10:00a.m. Mass. It is important that the children attend all of these sessions with a parent and/or sponsor. The next preparation session this **Sunday, 28th May** in the Parish Centre.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2018

Applications for enrolment for Kindergarten are currently being accepted for **2018**. Enrolment forms are available at the School's Office. Please pass this information to people you know. Advertisements for enrolment will commence in the Barrier Daily Truth next week.

NO SCHOOL MASS

There will be NO School Mass on **Monday, 29th May**.

CEO VISIT

Next week from **Wednesday, 31st May** to **Friday, 2nd June** Brett Henderson from our Catholic Education Office will be at Sacred Heart to work with staff on Compliance.

SCHOOL SOCIALS

Our first school social for the year will be held in Marcellin Hall on **Wednesday, 31st May**. The times will be as follows:

Kindy to Year 2 4:30p.m. – 5:30p.m.
Years 3 – 6 4:30p.m. – 6:30p.m.

Admission costs are \$2-00 for Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 and \$4-00 for students in Years 3 – 6. The SRC will be selling drinks, lollies and chips at the social.

No vehicle access will be allowed in the school grounds to ensure the safety of the children. We request that you park out the front of the school and walk your child to and from the Hall when dropping them off and picking them up via the steps and driveway.

PARENT GROUP MEETING

The next Parent Group Meeting will take place on **Thursday, 1st June** at **7:30p.m.** in the Admin Meeting Room. All parents are invited to attend.

Trevor Rynne
PRINCIPAL



For many people, experience of Catholic faith and life is challenging. The situation of the Church in Australia today points to a great need to return to the *experience* of God, to the reality of Christ in the ordinariness of life.

Many Catholics and other Christians are aware that they have a spiritual tradition but are unaware of what it actually means for their faith. Most people know what it is they are taught to believe in terms of Catholic teaching and doctrine but few people know what the Church teaches about where the heart of the tradition finds its inspiration.

The Diocese of Wilcannia- Forbes is offering an online event called: **Lessons from the Long Paddock on Tuesday, 6th June**.

This online experience opens the conversation for many people who are curious about what the *experience* of faith actually feels like in ordinary life. Through the lens of the lived experiences of specific characters from the Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes, participants accompany others into a glimpse of some of the themes which lie at the heart of our spiritual tradition. Participants engage with conversations which signpost essential spiritual markers relevant to knowledge about what leads into fuller humanity, Christian, Catholic and Australian life. This online experience draws participants to seek Christ at the heart of human *experience* and nurtures a capacity to trust that individuals have all they need to begin the journey into constant conversion.

This online experience has two keynote speakers: **Bishop Columba Macbeth Green OSPPE** and **Fr Frank Brennan SJ** who will discuss Australian and Outback Spirituality.

The workshops will be facilitated by Kate Englebrecht, Diocesan Director of Mission.

For more information, please contact Kate on: 0420 309 689