



Newsletter

Enriching Spirits - Educating Minds



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Week 4

Term 3

From The Principal's Desk

During my time as a principal, I have taught with many wonderful prep teachers and teacher assistants. Sacred Heart School is no different, having very professional and committed staff leading and nurturing of Preps through their first and probably the most important year of their education.

The stories that emerge from Prep are often amazing and extremely humorous. The old adage that from the mouths of babes come profound truths is very common. Following are two such examples.

A Prep teacher during a Religion lesson, was observing her children while they were drawing. As she walked past Emma who was working diligently, she asked what she was drawing. Emma replied, 'I'm drawing God.'

The teacher paused and said, 'That's great, Emma. But did you know that no one really knows what God looks like.'

Emma replied, 'They will in a minute.'

Another tale commences with the Prep teacher asking her class to name some words that start with the 's' sound. The children's faces lit up and the teacher was bombarded with words like: snake, snail, sun, Sam, Sarah. The list went on.

Very impressed, the teacher then said, "I am thinking of another 's' word and it is something that sizzles on a barbecue and you eat it." There was silence. Then little Joe's hand shot up and he was so excited to have the answer.

"Yes, Joe," said the teacher, "what can you eat, that sizzles on a barbecue and starts with the sound 'ssss'."

Joe blurted out, "Kebab."

I know that Sacred Heart School, Yeppoon is committed to providing a special place for our children in Prep. We offer

- An exciting, fun, inquiry and play-based curriculum.
- Modern facilities and equipment.
- Dedicated teachers and committed support staff.
- Faith and values development integrated into the curriculum.
- Close partnerships with parents, families and community.
- Commitment to the growth and development of the whole child: spiritually, intellectually, physically, culturally, socially and emotionally.
- A safe environment and caring community fostering the individuality of each child.
- Integration within the wider school community enabling a smooth transition to Year 1.

It is amazing how far our current Preps have come in the 7 months they have been at school. Their independence, enthusiasm, skill development and confidence are very visible each day and I thank; Mrs Campbell, Mrs McGuire, Mrs Simmonds, Mrs Collins, Mrs Tucker, Mrs Nielsen and Ms Cornish for all that they do for our Preps.

Every day, they participate in activities where they actively make choices about what and how they learn, investigate and learn how to inquire about their interests, plan collaboratively with their teacher, participate in music and language experiences, investigate and play independently, in pairs, small groups and as a class, participate in dramatic play to build an understanding of themselves and the world around them, draw and paint to encourage oral language, reading and writing skills and construct, using blocks and creating collages to develop early mathematical concepts and skills.

Wow, no wonder they are exhausted each day.

With this in mind, all prospective Prep families for 2019 and indeed any new family to Sacred Heart are invited to attend one of two open days, we are having at our school. The first will be next Tuesday 14th August at 9am and 10am when we will be offering tours around our school to see what we have to offer.

The second on Wednesday 22nd August at 9am and 10am. Please feel welcome to come and join us at these times and then stay for a morning tea. Spread the word.

All the best

Max Martin

Principal

Important Dates for Term 3

August

Friday 10th - CQU robotics championships in Rockhampton.
Wednesday 15th August - Feast of the Assumption.
Thursday 16th - CQU chess competition in Rockhampton.
Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st - School photos will be held.
Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st - Capricornia athletics carnival in Emerald
Monday 20th to Friday 24th - Book Week
Thursday 23rd - Book Week dress up assembly
Monday 27th - Sacred Heart P. and F. meeting at 5.30pm.
Thursday 30th - Year 6 Fathers' Day raffle drawn.
Thursday 30th - Year 1 excursion to Heritage Village in Rockhampton.
Thursday 30th - Year 2 excursion to Archer Park train museum in Rockhampton.

September

Sunday 2nd - Fathers' Day
Sunday 2nd - P. and F. free breakfast at school. All welcome.
Monday 3rd - Life Education van at Sacred Heart
Friday 14th - Final day of sport for Year 5s and 6s.
Monday 17th - Prep swimming lessons commence at Cooe Bay pool
Wednesday 19th - Catholic Education Interschool touch football carnival in Rockhampton.
Friday 21st - Final day of Term 3

Ditto's Keep Safe Adventure Activity Book

On Monday 25th July, the Bravehearts organisation visited Sacred Heart and presented their Personal Safety Education Program, "The Ditto Show", to students from Prep to Year 3.

Next week, children from Prep to Year 3 will be bringing home a booklet called, 'Ditto's Keep Safe Adventures'. It reinforces the concepts covered during the recent visit from Bravehearts in relation to child safety. Activities on feelings, saying 'NO', Private Parts and identifying adult safety helpers who could assist your child are features of the booklet.

The booklet is made available to families so that you can continue the conversation at home about these important topics. Thank you.



Feast of the Assumption

Next Wednesday 15th August, Sacred Heart School will join with St Benedict's School and the parish community for the Feast of the Assumption mass at 9.30am at Sacred Heart Church. The Feast of the Assumption is a Holy Day of Obligation when we honour Mary the Mother of Jesus. All are invited to attend this special mass.

Holy days are like Sundays in that Catholics are required to attend Mass. In Australia, Catholics observe as holy days of obligation:

- Christmas Day (December 25th – the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ)
- The Assumption
- All Sundays of the year.

Parish Mass at Sacred Heart School

Next Thursday, August 16th, Sacred Heart School will host the Parish mass in our Japanese Room at 8am. All are most welcome to attend. Father Matthew will be celebrating this mass.

Representation at Capricornia Athletics Carnival

Well done to Amy Campbell, Simon Green, Tyler Melrose, Isla Rothery, Murphy Catt and Demi Sandilands on their selection to represent our Rockhampton District at the Capricornia athletics carnival to be held in Emerald on 20th and 21st August. Congratulations, too, on their efforts at the recent district carnival, notably Simon, first in the multi event and Amy, second in the multi.

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CQU Robotics Competition

Tomorrow, Friday 10th August, Sacred Heart has five teams participating in the Central Queensland University Junior Robotics Competition in Rockhampton.

The children from Years 5 and 6; Deep Bhowmik, Keeley Bones, Victoria Forbes, Charley Neubecker, Hugo Rothery, Sienna Prieto, Sam Hooper, Daniel Rees, Roman Willson, Cooper Hall, Nikeeta Simmonds, Caitlin Housman, Eva Bird, will be entering one of the two categories of 'Dance' or 'Rescue'. We wish them all the best.

Thank you to Mr Denis Murphy and Mrs Suthers who have been mentoring our students this year. They will also be attending the competition with our teams.

Interschool Chess

Next Thursday, Sacred Heart has two teams competing at the final Rockhampton Chess tournament for this year. The day will be held at TCC in Rockhampton. We wish Michael Amedee, Matthew Campbell, Liam Welsh, Alex Eaton, Nick Eaton, Deep Bhowmik, Simon Green and Ethan Grant all the best at this event.

Thank you to Mrs Linda Halson, one of our Year 6 teachers, for organising our chess players each week and accompanying them on the day.

Maths Team Challenge

Today, twenty children from Years 5 and 6 ventured to Glenmore SHS to compete in the regional Maths Teams' Challenge.

The following children were representing Sacred Heart: Amy Fallis, Matthew Campbell, Daniel Rees, Jayden Wilson-Goldman, Samson Minto, Simon Green, Jackson Broom, Liam Welsh, Cooper Wikman, Brad Cumberledge, Deep Bhowmik, Charlie Kidd, Samuel Janes, Makayla Pianta, Sophie Lewis, Hugo Rothery, Oliver Cugola, Callum Wallis, Cass Smallwood, Haylen Luckel-Dent.

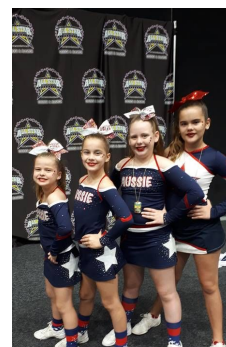
Looking forward to seeing how they managed what looked like a very intense day. Thank you to Mrs Deb Campbell and Mrs Melinda Murphy for accompanying our young mathematical minds.

Congratulations

Aussie Cheer and Dance group competed last weekend at the Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation competition on the Gold Coast.

Congratulations to these Sacred Heart children: Kylani Bowman, Lucy Clarke, Sienna Prieto and Bella Elliott, all members of the Crystals' Youth 1 team who placed first on both competition days with a zero deduction.

Lucy Clarke was also in the Black Diamonds team who placed first in their division. Well done, girls.





BOOK WEEK

COME DRESSED AS YOUR FAVOURITE
BOOK CHARACTER

-Thursday 23rd August-



Disco



Many thanks to all who were able to attend our first school disco last Friday. It was a great night and it was wonderful to see so many of our parents make it along.

Thank you also to all our Year 6 parents and Mrs Marg Kershaw, our office secretary who organised the bbq and the food.

Looking forward to our Term 4 dance.

Spiritual Connections

Each week, we provide a link to Sr Kym's reflection of the week. Link to [Sr Kym's column](#)

Road Safety Around Our School

An important and necessary reminder to all our families about speed limits within and around our school grounds.

Of late, it has been noticed that many have been driving above the speed limit and thus endangering the lives of our children and their families.

I urge you to drive to the 10 km/hr limit in our carparks and 40 km/hr limit on our surrounding roads.

Thank you for your support in this regard.

Student Awards

Prep	Brendan Gilbride, Oliver Mathias-Watt, Annabel Sykes, Flynn Palairt
Year 1	Sunny Ford, Ashton Finch, Dayna Cook, Olivia Blackwood, Adam Van Zanden-Gillen, Hazel Hovey
Year 2	Pieta Pilcher, Thomas Sweeney, India Hawkes, Georgia Deasy, Leo Kirby, Georgia Crane, Alyssa Belz
Year 3	Bella Scott, Ashton Jensen
Year 4	Dean Cook, Amelia Reid
Year 5	Sophie Lewis, Ella Ash, Regan Blackwood, Taylor Howe, Jaxon Burkhardt
Year 6	Preston Kimlin, Elise Wex, Clay Dendle, Rebekah Jensen, Nikeeta Simmonds, Jayden Wilson-Goldman, Caitlin Housman

Community Sport

CHALLENGE THE MOUNTAIN 2018
NOT JUST FOR ADULTS

01 September 2018 | Mt Archer, Rockhampton

Why should the adults have all the fun? Challenge The Mountain is also open to Juniors!

- All Timed
- Ages as of 01/09/18
- Under 11 (~1km)
- Under 14 start at the saddle (~3km)
- Medallions for 1st, 2nd & 3rd
- All participants receive a special memento
- Numbers restricted to 20 runners and 20 cyclists in each age group

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Logos: Rockhampton City Council, AGT POWER, GSW, The Bulletin, FK, big, ROCK, The Victorian Collective, and others.



SIGN ON DAY

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Where: **Emu Park Surf Life Saving Club**

When: **Sunday 2nd September 2018 &
Sunday 16th September 2018
09:00 to 11:00**

Who: **Nippers DoB** between 1 October 2004 and 30 September 2013

Bring: **Identification** – birth certificate and driver license
Togs, towel, goggles, sunscreen for pool evaluation swim

Cost: **Family membership - \$220**

Stinger suits, hi-vis rashies, nipper caps, togs, t-shirts on sale

Season start: **Sunday 7th October 2018 at 09:00**

Come and try: **Sunday 7th Oct, 14th Oct, 21st Oct**

Contact: **Kurt Goodwin – IAC@emuparkslsc.com.au – 0409792372**

MACCAS® MINI MEET

COME+TRY!

FOR 4 YEARS AND OVER

**RACES, FUN & GAMES
GIVE AWAY BAG FOR
ALL PARTICIPANTS**

WHEN:
Sunday 19th August 4pm

WHERE:
Yeppoon Aquatic Centre

Register for your free ticket at the Yeppoon Aquatic Centre Kiosk
or on Facebook

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