



Newsletter

Enriching Spirits - Educating Minds



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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 humorous. Following are two examples.

This week during a Prep PE lesson, following our long jump practice, I asked the children to put their socks and shoes back on. After some time, Sophie approached me and said she had lost her socks. I told her to put her shoes on so we could walk across the oval and that another child had obviously put her socks in their pocket. We would find them.

Three quarters of the way across the oval, Sophie came to me again and said that her toes were hurting really badly. We stopped, sat together, took off her shoes and found the socks lodged at the end of her New Balance. Not lost just well hidden.

Hudson asked me where do Mr Guhr, one of our Year 5 teachers and I live at school when everyone else goes home. I told him that we too go home and do not stay at school. He appeared quite disappointed with this and again asked, then who looks after our school from baddies who want to steal the Prep's drawings and Lego buildings. I had no answer.

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 Todd, Miss Page, Mrs Tucker, Mrs Nielsen and Miss Campbell 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 2020 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 Tuesday 20th August at 9am and 10am.

The second on Wednesday 28th 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

From Our APRE

With Catholic Education Week in full swing, it made me stop and reassess my faith. What is faith? Faith means different things to different people. Faith is not something that we can see or touch. In having faith, one has confidence in God and in His love for us. This is not easy and can be difficult. For faith to grow, it must be exercised.

I never questioned my faith growing up. My parents had such a passion for their faith that this was the 'norm' for me. You can imagine my shock when my then 19 year old told me that whilst he would attend Mass with me when he came home on holidays, he wasn't a Catholic anymore.

My response baffled the poor child as I replied that as he was christened a Catholic, he would always be considered one. He appeared more baffled when I told him that I was impressed that he was questioning his faith as this would make his faith stronger in the long run. He walked away dumbfounded as this was not the response he was expecting.

Little did he know that my heart was beating through my skin, as I realised that I could not control his thoughts and actions and probably have not been able to for some time.

A wise man once told me that our faith is like a cycle and whilst there are times that we doubt and question, as we move through life we find the answers. I was young 24 year old teacher when Bishop Brian Heenan departed this information to me. It helped me understand the varying degrees of faith.

"Then Jesus told him, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'" **John 20:29**

Dear Lord, may we see you in the beauty and people around us. Help us to understand that faith is found in the small actions of kindness we make. When we console others, when we give help to those in need, we are declaring our faith in you. Amen.

Happy Catholic Education Week

Melissa Collins

From Our APC

On Tuesday evening, our teaching staff participated in a twilight session, facilitated by John Campbell from the Catholic Education Office. The purpose of this session is to design and refine our school's Teaching and Learning Framework. The key areas discussed, included our vision, principles of practice, and planning processes. The questions below were used to guide the evening and engage teachers in deep and rich conversation.

- *What is our shared understanding of the school's purpose? Why do we exist? What do we do?*
- *What will be taught at Sacred Heart?*
- *How will effective teaching and learning occur?*

ICAS Assessments

ICAS registration is open, please register your child/ren online. All registrations will need to be completed by 14th August. There is a cost for all assessments, \$14.50 excl. GST, per subject per student.

The ICAS Assessments are designed to assess a student's ability to apply classroom learning in new contexts, using higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills. ICAS Assessments are designed to recognise and reward academic excellence. The assessments are based on the curriculum for the relevant year.

ICAS Student Registration Information:

To register your child for ICAS Assessments, use the following link pay.unswglobal.com.au
Once on the page, you must enter our school's unique access code: **b65a8c7bf9**

You will then be directed to the Sacred Heart School registration page. Add your child's details, name, DOB and year level (you do not need the student ID). Once this information has been added, click next and select the assessments that you wish your child to participate in.

Dates for ICAS Testing:

ICAS Digital Technologies (Monday 2nd September)
ICAS Science (Wednesday 4th)
ICAS Writing (Monday 9th September)
ICAS Spelling (Friday 13th September)
ICAS English (Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th September)
ICAS Mathematics (Wednesday 18th September)

Have a wonderful week,

Mrs Lisa List

Spiritual Connections

Each week, we provide a link to Fr Matthew Moloney's sermon and Sr Kym's reflection. We hope these provide some spiritual guidance. Link to [Fr Matthew's sermon](#) Link to [Sr Kym's reflection](#)

Sacrament of Eucharist

The sacramental program for First Eucharist continues this Sunday, followed by a parish youth mass. Sessions for Eucharist are as follows:

Sunday 4th August 8am Sign in and youth mass.

Saturday 10th August 4:45pm Sign in and Information session with the attendance of mass.

If you have any issues attending these sessions, please contact Melissa Collins at school.

The Celebration of the sacraments will take place at Sacred Heart Church:

Sacrament of Confirmation - Friday 16th August at 6pm.

Sacrament of First Eucharist - Saturday 17th August at 6pm mass.

Catholic Education Week 2019

The Catholic Education Week theme 'Many Voices, One Spirit' was evident this week at its launch. St Joseph's Cathedral was full as many people came together to share in this special occasion. We were blessed to have Bishop Mark Coleridge from Brisbane, Bishop Michael McCarthy from Rockhampton and many parish priests celebrate with us. Thirteen of our Year 6s represented us at this event.

Our Year 4 students and children making the Sacrament of Confirmation and Eucharist attended a parish mass today with Bishop Michael and Father Matthew. We joined with St Benedict's, St Brendan's, and St Ursula's as well as our local parish members and the elderly from our community. It was a wonderful occasion.



Important Dates

August

Friday 2nd - School photos

Friday 2nd - Prep excursion to the Pilbeam Theatre

Friday 2nd Year 5 and 6 interschool sport commences

Monday 5th - School board meeting 7pm. Our Diocesan director, Miss Leesa Jeffcoat attending.

Tuesday 6th - Prep / Year 1 and Year 2 / 3 athletics carnivals at school

Thursday 8th - Assembly at 8.40am

Monday 12th - Science Week

Thursday 15th - Feast of the Assumption mass 9.30am. All Sacred Heart and St Benedict's children attending.

Thursday 15th - Interschool Chess tournament in Rockhampton.

Friday 16th - Confirmation being held at Sacred Heart Church 6pm.

Saturday 17th - First Eucharist being celebrated 6pm mass.

Monday 19th - Book Week "Reading Is My Secret Power."

Thursday 22nd - Book Week dress up assembly from 8.40am.

Friday 23rd - School discos from 5.30pm in our multi purpose area.

Wednesday 28th - Prep vision screening at school

Friday 30th - Final day of interschool sport for Year 5 and 6.

Saturday 31st - Regional final of Development Shield.

September

Monday 2nd - Father Matthew away in Longreach all this month.

Friday 6th - CQ Robotics competition in Rockhampton

Friday 13th - Milo 8s cricket day for Year 5s and 6s.

Friday 20th - Final day of Term 3.

Administration - Finance

Thank you to all families who have paid or are paying off their school fees and levies that were sent out last week.

Due date for payment is next Friday, 9th August, 2019.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the office to organise a payment plan. Thank you.

Frankie (Environmental) Award

Congratulations to the following recipients of our Frankie Award for this week.

Shayna Cameron and Bastian Hayes from 3H for doing a wonderful job in ensuring our food scraps are collected for composting. Thank you.

MJR Award



Well done to the following children on receiving our MJR Award for this week.

Murphy Catt and Neassa O'Reilly from 6E for showing great initiative to take on class responsibilities when others are away. Your consideration is appreciated.

Nicholas Eaton from 5G for being so polite and welcoming towards others.

Giulio Somerville from Year 5A for displaying great sportsmanship and skill at interschool sport.

Mia Hogan from 4M for looking after others at lunch times and playing fairly.

Student Awards

Prep	Ivy Carswell, Isla Goltz, Lydia Gill, Alexander Rendell, Charlotte Grob, Lincoln Pastega, Connor Dixon, Isabella Brans, Dallas Beresford
Year 1	Max Kelly, Annabel Sykes, Will White, Amelia Deasy, Evie Moore, Charlotte Solis
Year 2	Havana Elliot, Jesse Ramm, Vienna Jackson, Kai Nielsen, Zali Dooley
Year 3	Hunter Hixon, Thomas Sweeney
Year 4	Nathan Brans, Gabrielle Gillies, Armani Kona, Patrick Morris, Niamh Goldman
Year 5	Ruby Hay, Chloe Hawkes, Jack McLean, Laith Elkhishin, Mikayla Broom
Year 6	Charlie Kidd, Sophie Lewis, Bria Goldman, Ruby Spyve, Haylen Luckel-Dent, Riley Robertson

Semester Two Mini Vinnies' Executive

Congratulations to the following children on their newly elected roles for our Mini Vinnies.

President - Regan Blackwood

Vice president - Ruby Hay

Secretary - Chloe Hawkes

Treasurer - Alexis Sloper

Co-ordinator - Ben Miller

These children were formally inducted at our assembly today.



2020 Prep Enrolments

Enrolments at Sacred Heart are being taken for the 2020 Prep year (children born 1/7/2014 – 30/6/2015). Please register at our school office if you have a child who will be attending Sacred Heart Prep next year or if you know of any families who are intending to send their children to Sacred Heart. Thank you.

Development Shield

Last Friday, our 10 years and under rugby league team played in our local schools' Development Shield rugby league carnival at the Barmaryee sporting fields.

The team played well, winning all their games and the Development Shield. Congratulations.

Their next game is against the Rockhampton Grammar School on Saturday 31st August. More details are yet to be finalised.



Interschool Sport Term 3

Interschool sport commences this Friday 2nd August for all our Year 5 and 6 children.

Sports being played are touch football, AFL, basketball/volleyball and tee ball.

This competition runs for the next five Fridays at various venues and schools.

All our children will be bussed to and from the venues, leaving school at 11.45am and returning by 2.40pm.

All Year 5 and 6 teachers, Mrs List and Mr Martin will be supervising our children.

A permission form for each child was sent home on Monday this week. If this has not been returned, ensure it is by tomorrow. Thank you.,

Prep to Year 3 Athletics Day

This Tuesday 6th August, our Preps, Year 1s, 2s and 3s will be having their athletics carnival at school.

Remember we had to reschedule it due to inclement weather last term.

All children will be doing a sprint, high jump, long jump and a relay. Looking forward to seeing lots of families on Tuesday.

8.55am Preps and Year 1s assembling on oval

9am Prep sprints: Girls then boys.

9.20am Year 1 sprints: Girls then boys.

9.40am Relays. Preps then Year 1s.

10am Preps high jump. Year 1 long jump

10.20am Preps long jump. Year 1 high jump.

10.40am Finish

12pm Year 2 and 3 assembling on oval.

12.05pm Year 2 sprints: Girls then boys.

12.25pm Year 3 sprints: Girls then boys.

12.45pm Relays. Year 2 then Year 3.

1.05pm Year 2 high jump. Year 3 long jump.

1.25pm Year 2 long jump. Year 3 high jump.

1.45pm Finish

Prep Visit To The Pilbeam Theatre

Tomorrow, Friday 2nd August, our preps are travelling in Rockhampton to the Pilbeam Theatre to see the play, "Possum Magic" a well known story by the Australian author, Mem Fox.

Our children, their teachers and teacher assistants are leaving from school at 8.50am and will be back at school by 1.30pm.

A permission form and other information regarding this trip were sent home last week.

We wish our Preps all the best for tomorrow.

Important P. and F. News

Following our Parents and Friends meeting last week, the following decisions/updates have been made:

A new kiln for our Art room has been purchased (\$12000) and will be installed within the next month.

A school trivia night is being organised for Friday 13th September, 6:30pm - 9:30pm at the Capricornia Tavern. It will be

an adults only event with an 80s theme. More details next week.

There will be a Welcome Morning Tea on Thursday 8th August at the Two Sisters Coffee shop after assembly for all new and existing parents of Sacred Heart.

Our P. and F. was successful in gaining a \$1000 environmental grant to purchase garden boxes. There will be a working bee at school on Saturday 24th August from 8am - 10am to assemble them. Please bring along your power tools.

There will be a Father's Day morning tea on Thursday 29th August after assembly. All welcome.

World Teachers' Day - Our P. and F. will help celebrate this day with our staff on Thursday 25th October.

Thank you to our P. and F. for all their great work.

Well done, Ella.

Congratulations to Ella-Maree from Year 6 who competed at a regional outrigger competition last weekend. She came away with 3 first place medals and 1 silver. Her best results to date.



Community News

QUEENSLAND
**CATHOLIC
EDUCATION WEEK**
28 JULY - 3 AUGUST 2019
Many Voices.
One Spirit.
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Capricorn Coast Catholic Parish
invites
School Staff, Students & Family
to join us at our
YOUTH MASS
9:00am Sunday, 4 August at
Sacred Heart Church
to celebrate
**Catholic
Education
Week**

ST BRENDAN'S COLLEGE
ST DUNSTON DARTMOUTH

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**2019
ST BRENDAN'S COLLEGE
CENTRAL ISUZU
RODEO**

SATURDAY 31ST AUGUST
MAIN RODEO AT 5:45PM
INTER-SCHOOL EVENTS FROM 12PM
\$10 PER PERSON | UNDER 16 FREE

FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST
SBC BOYS RODEO
TRANS TASMAN ROUND 2
COMMENCES 6PM | GOLD COIN DONATION

CENTRAL ISUZU
Rockhampton
WIDELAND
TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT

APRA AFFILIATED RODEO INCLUDING
OPEN BULL RIDE | JUNIOR BULL RIDE
TEAM ROPING | SADDLE BRONC | ROPE & TIE
OPEN BAREBACK | OPEN SADDLE BRONC
LADIES BARREL RACE | LADIES BREAKAWAY
ROPING | STEER WRESTLING | JUNIOR BARREL
RACING | JUNIOR BREAKAWAY ROPING | TRANS
TASMAN RODEO FINAL | INTER-SCHOOL
CHALLENGE | 2ND DIVISION BULL RIDE

Kids Drama Workshop

Creating with Improvisation

THE  **COUniversity**
VILLAGE
Festival
YEPPON • CAPRICORN COAST • QUEENSLAND
02 - 11 AUGUST 2019



Yeppoon Little Theatre

Tuesday 6 Aug: Session Times
3:30 - 4:45 Ages 5-9
5:00 - 6:15 Ages 10-15

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