



10th October 2019

From The Principal's Desk

Welcome back, everyone. Hoping you had a good break from school and are looking forward to the next nine weeks, filled with a myriad of wonderful activities and events. It does not get any better than Term Four.

On the holidays, a family friend told my wife and I, an interesting story.

As a highly regarded curriculum leader, she regularly liaises with different government and industry groups. Recently, she spent time with some of the leading scientists and managers of the CSIRO. They mentioned the recent employment of almost twenty interns, young people who snared highly sought after jobs which could lead to key long-term careers.

'How do you choose from the hundreds of applicants?' our friend asked. 'Is it just the top marks in Science degrees?'

The CSIRO explained that most applicants have solid backgrounds in Science, however there were key questions which helped choose the best employees.

People skills were highly valued. In addition, they mentioned that they asked the recent graduates two important questions:

What do you do for others in the community?

Do you volunteer at all?

And, do you play any team sports?

The CSIRO has found that being gifted or interested in Science is not enough. They seek team players who are well-rounded and active in society. The stereotype of the nerdy boffin did not fit.

Team sports is an interesting question. Young people who are active outdoors in a team, learn so many lessons on winning and, importantly losing, being strategic, committing to training, obeying a coach, being the person who throws the pass for someone else to set up the try etc. In a team, you learn to work as a group; the game is not about you alone with a racquet one side of the net.

As a teacher, I have seen the long-term benefits of those who play sport, not just for health and wellbeing but the positive influence on social development.

Hence, it was an absolute delight to recognise and applaud a former student of our Catholic schools, Tamika Upton, on the weekend. She played in the winning NRL Women's Premiership Broncos team and was awarded their best on field.

I had the pleasure of knowing Tamika as a junior rugby league and touch football player. She has always been a young woman with much skill, a genuine commitment to training and a natural eye for strategy. Importantly, she is also a young woman who epitomises the adage 'humble in victory, gracious in defeat.'

Her elevation to represent Australia in rugby league is an extraordinary achievement and how wonderful, that the first student I have personally known to gain that position, is a girl.

All the best

Max Martin

From Our APRE

We were fortunate enough to attend a wedding on the first weekend of the school holidays, where my four eldest children graced us with their presence. It was great to catch up with them as they all live away. This trip was a luxury only having to pack for my husband and myself. It reminded me of how different holidays were when the children were young. We would camp with friends and relatives, packing everything including the kitchen sink. One year Number 4 was in plaster up to his crutch and we even packed a wheelchair so that he could get around the campsite. Albeit, we needed a holiday to get over the holiday. These are the holidays that I remember and cherish the most.

My two youngest children were fortunate enough to go on a school cultural tour to Italy and Spain. One of them was quite concerned it was going to be boring with church and museum visits and no scheduled time for shopping and she was upset that she had wasted her hard earned money. Convincing her that these churches were like nothing she had ever laid eyes on, was as productive as banging my head on the side of one. My greatest delight came when she informed me that the churches in Spain were so much better than the ones in Italy. I smiled and nodded realising that it was all worthwhile and that once again 'Mother knows best'.

Holidays, an amazing opportunity to spend time with your family and gain a well-deserved break. I hope that you enjoyed yours and if you need a rest to get over your holiday, let's hope that your memories made it all worthwhile.

Thank you Lord for the opportunity to spend holidays with family and friends, to renew us in body, soul and spirit. Spending time away from the hustle and bustle and taking time to rest makes us truly grateful. Amen.

Have a great Term 4

Melissa Collins

Important Dates Term 4

October

Friday 10th - No tuckshop today.

Monday 14th - P. and F. meeting 5.30pm - 6.30pm at school.

Tuesday 15th - Swimming lessons commence at the Cooee Bay pool.

Thursday 17th - Book Fair commences

Monday 21st - Pupil free day

Wednesday 23rd - Instrumental music concert 6.30pm in our multi purpose area.

Thursday 24th - Year 1R assembly 8.40am.

Friday 25th - Day For Daniel

Friday 25th - World Teacher's Day

Friday 25th - Mini Vinnies 3 hour continuous touch football game at Barmaryee 5pm - 8pm. Year 3s to 6s invited to be involved.

Monday 28th - Year 6s on camp to Mapleton

November

Friday 1st - Year 6s arrive home in the evening.

Tuesday 5th - Melbourne Cup day

Thursday 7th - Year 2W assembly 8.40am.

Thursday 7th - Grandparents' morning tea following assembly.

Monday 11th - Remembrance Day

Thursday 14th - Mini Vinnies' assembly 8.40am.

Monday 18th - Prep swimming lessons commence this week.

Thursday 28th - Year 4 to 6 swimming carnival at Cooee Bay pool

Thursday 28th - Year 3W assembly 8.40am.

December

Monday 2nd - End of Year liturgy at Sacred Heart Church 9.15am.

Monday 2nd - Year 6 graduation dinner.

Monday 2nd - Children's report cards available today.

Tuesday 3rd - End of Year concert from 5.30pm at school.

Thursday 5th - Whole school assembly 8.40am.

Thursday 5th - Year 6s at Cool Waters for the day.

Friday 6th - Final day of Term 4

Reflection

Each week, we provide a link to Sr Kym's reflection. We hope this provides some spiritual guidance.

Link to [Sr Kym's reflection](#)

Baptism invitation

This term, families will have the opportunity to participate in a Baptism information session.

Children need to have received the sacrament of Baptism in the Catholic Church to receive the other sacraments.

If you're considering the sacrament of Baptism for your child, please leave their name at the office or see Melissa Collins for any enquiries. Thank you.

Acting Assistant To The Principal Curriculum

Mrs Deb Campbell will be fulfilling the role of APC for the first four weeks of Term Four while Mrs List is away on leave.

Mrs Campbell is currently one of our learning support coordinators and will continue in the role, in some capacity while being our APC.

Welcome To New Families

Wolfenden family with Eevienna in Year 1 and Melinda and Zane.

Pambid family with Jaxon in Year 5 and Suzanne and Brendon.

Davis family with Olivia in Year 4 and James in Prep and Richard and Irina.

We wish them all the very best at Sacred Heart and welcome them into our school family.

School Routine

It has come to our notice that some children are arriving at school prior to 8am . Please note that there is no teacher on duty in the MPA or the Prep area until 8am each school day. Teachers may be here prior to 8am but they are busy preparing for the day and are unable to supervise children in their classrooms at this time.

At the conclusion of the day, students are supervised by a teacher on duty in the MPA until 3:30pm. Any child not collected from the MPA by 3:30pm will walk to the office with the teacher on duty. If you know you are running late please advise the office as soon as you are able so that staff can reassure your child all is well and an estimated time of your arrival. Should we not have received a call from you we will ring the listed contact to ensure all is fine and so reassure your child. Teachers may have meetings after school and so are unable to supervise students in their classroom area.

Sacred Heart Parents and Friends' Meeting

Our next meeting will be held this coming Monday 14th October commencing at 5.30pm in our school's staff room.

All parents/carers are most welcome and encouraged to attend. Our meetings go for a little over an hour and many issues pertaining to the educational opportunities provided for our children at Sacred Heart are discussed.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Pupil Free Day

A reminder that Monday 21st October is a pupil free day for all Queensland schools.

Our children are not required to come to school on that day. Teachers on that day will be involved in important professional development.

Prep Assembly

Please join us for our Prep assembly next Thursday 17th October. All three Prep classes have been busy preparing for this special occasion and are excited to share with us, just how great God is.

Important Year 6 Camp Message

Year 6 parents, thank you to all the families who have returned their medical forms for camp. Following is a further requirement in regard to this.

If your child requires medication while away on camp, it is to be given to Mrs Kenny in the multipurpose area, on the morning of camp, prior to our departure. All medication is to be placed in a plastic snap lock bag, clearly labelled with your child's name on it. Prescribed medication must be labelled by the chemist.

It is also essential that parents have a chemist label on any over the counter non-prescription medicine. The label needs to have the child's name and the dosage required on it. For example, if your child requires paracetamol or ibuprofen for a headache, antihistamines for allergies, or travel sickness tablets, you must provide a chemist labelled packet of this on the day of departure.

We cannot dispense non-prescription medication, unless it has its own chemist labelled packet.

Should you have any queries or further information to provide regarding your child's medical needs, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Kenny

Swimming Lessons in Term Four

Swimming lessons for our Year 1 to Year 6 children commence next week for 6 weeks.

All lessons will be held at the Cooe Bay pool with qualified instructors. Our children will be transported to and from the pool by bus.

Following are times:

Tuesday: 6J 9am - 9.30am, 1B 9.30am - 10am, 1R 10am - 10.30am, 6E 10.30am - 11am, 6L 11.15am - 11.45am, 3H 11.45am - 12.15pm, 3W 12.15pm - 12.45pm.

Thursday: 5A 9am - 9.30am, 2MS 9.30am - 10am, 2W 10am - 10.30am, 4S 10.30am - 11am, 5G 11.15am - 11.45am, 4M 11.45am - 12.15pm, 4G 12.15pm - 12.45pm.

The cost per week for the lesson and transportation is \$8.20 per child and this amount will be issued on your Term Four school fee account.

Children need to bring their swimwear, rashie, towel, spare underwear, goggles to school. They will change at school before going to the pool.

Year 1s can wear their swimming gear to school and they will change into their school uniform after the lesson.

If have any queries about these lessons, contact Mr Martin at school. Thank you.

Sacred Heart Instrumental Music Showcase Evening

On Wednesday 23rd October in our school's multi purpose area, there will be a concert to showcase the instrumental talents of many children at our school.

The evening commences at 6.30pm, with our performers asked to be there by 6pm.

Everyone is invited to along to this concert which will run for approximately 75 minutes.

Sacred Heart Mini Vinnies' 3 Hour Touch Football Game



As you may be aware, our Mini Vinnies' group as a fundraiser for our local St Vincent De Paul organisation, is conducting a three hour continuous game of touch football on Friday 25th October from 5pm until 8pm at the Touch Association fields, Barmaryee.

This will be open to our Year 3s to 6s children, no touch football experience is required, with nominations closing on Thursday 17th October.

The cost is \$10 per child with all proceeds going to St Vincent De Paul.

Children will be placed into teams of 12 with a teacher/adult supervising each team. 6 players are on the field at any one time. We are hoping to have at least 8 teams taking part.

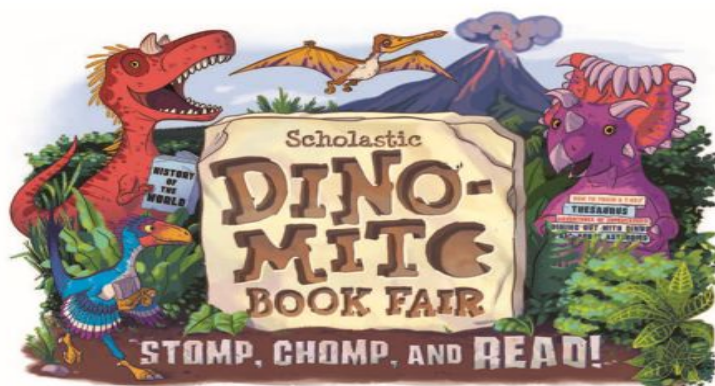
Each child participating will receive a sausage sizzle, cupcake and fruit on the night.

Water bottles and suitable footwear (no bare feet) are essential.

Transport to and from the fields is each family's responsibility. Let us know if you have any difficulties in this regard however.

If you wish for your child to be involved, a permission form was sent home on Wednesday this week and needs to be returned to school by Thursday 17th October with the \$10. Thank you.

Book Fair



Book Fair at Sacred Heart Library Term 4 Week 3 is a great annual event!

The children view in class time on Thursday or Friday in Week 2 and bring home a wish list. They are allocated a class buying time in Week 3.

Purchasing times for parents and friends are:

Week 3 Tuesday 22nd October from 3pm to 6.30 pm

Wednesday 23rd Thursday 24th from 8.30 am to 3.30pm.

Every purchase earns Literacy and Learning Resources for the school.

We look forward to seeing you at the Library.

Mrs Sandi O'Brien and Mrs Kerry Sullivan

Year Level Assemblies For Term Four

This term, there are changes to our Year Level assemblies and this has been caused by swimming lessons.
Monday 8.40am - Years 5 and 6 assembly in our MPA.

Tuesday 8.40am - Years 3 and 4 assembly in our MPA

Wednesday 8.40am - Prep and Years 1 and 2 in our MPA

Families are most welcome to attend these. Student of the Week awards are presented, birthdays are celebrated and important messages are delivered.

Year 2W Published Books

Recently, our Year 2W published stories they had composed in class. All amazing literary work. Well done.

Their titles were:

The Dragon's Way Home by Josie Oram
The Invasion of the Megalodon by Herbert Martin

The Bad Babbit by Jacob Daniel

Banjo and the Knight by Havana Elliot

Bow and the Mean Snake by Mackenzie Rapmund

DJ Legend and the Smart Ninja Fight by Ethan Dixon

Wonderland by Mikayla DeBeer

The Queens and her Magic Shoes by Izzy Todman

The Battle of the Laser Dragon by Vienna Jackson

Battle Boom Bang by Indie Oram

The Brave Pony by Ruby Fooks

Placy, the Smarty Pants by Lennox Kelly

The Two Princess by Payton Size

The Hidden Dragon by Olivia Kronk

The Crushers by Spencer Toby

The Baby Dragon by Ruby Neagle

The Blood Bone Story by Cooper Moylan

Eels Big Fight by Ashton Finch

Blobby and the Robbery by Sam Miller

The Prince and Princess by Zariha Calvert

The Evil Unicorn by Isabella Sweeney

The Evil Monkey by Sahara Cameron

Captain Boxers and Master Destroyer by Jesse Ramm

The Unicorn Saved the Day by Vera Cook

Ruby and Rose by Jorgia Hiron



Loud Shirt Day - Thursday 17th October

Next Thursday 17th October, we are asking all our children to wear your brightest shirt to school for 'Loud Shirt Day'.

This day raises funds to support children with hearing loss.

We are not asking our children to bring a donation however show their support with the loud shirt. The school will make a donation.

Please ensure shirts worn are sun safe and have no inappropriate wording.

We will be having a sponge the teacher that day at first break in our multi purpose area; 20 cents a throw. So bring your coins in for that and all proceeds will go to support this cause. Thank you.



Outstanding Achievements

Cooper Sweeney from Year 4 competed at the National Athletics Championships in Darwin over the recent holidays. Cooper performed extremely well, placing 5th in the long jump which is a superb effort.



Ella-Maree from Year 6 competed in the Trans-Tasman Outrigger Championships. She raced exceptionally well and is now ranked the 4th fastest Under 12 in the South Pacific region.

During the National Titles that followed, Ella-Maree placed 2nd in the Under 12 OC1 race, making her the 2nd fastest in Australia on an outrigger canoe. She followed this up with another 2nd place with her partner, Zofia Keily. Well done, Ella.

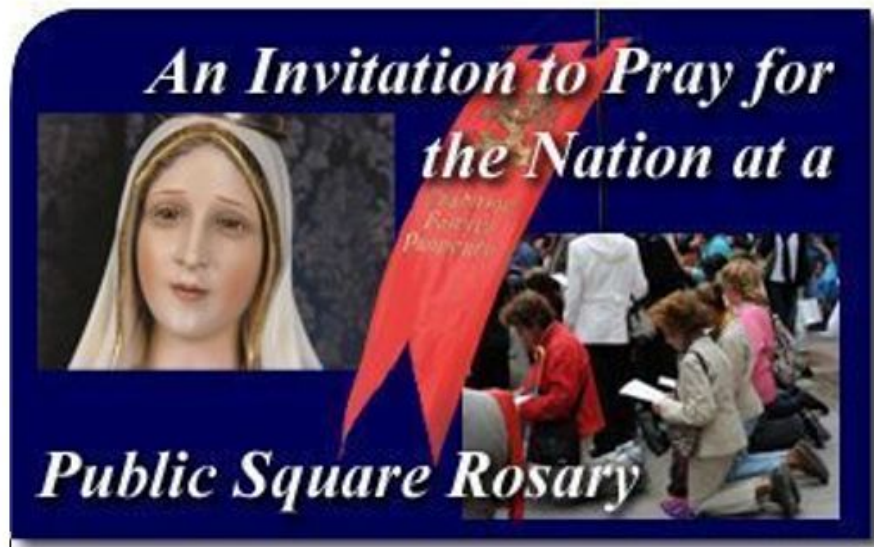


Sebastien from Year 3 competed in the Shotokan Karate

National Championships which were held in Yeppoon last weekend. He performed very well and was proud of his efforts. Well done.



Community News



Please join the Public Rosary!

Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. We ask God's merciful blessing upon Australia through the powerful intercession of His most Holy Mother.

Please join us in praying for our nation –

On Saturday, 12th October

At 10am

Merv Anderson Park,
Yeppoon.

