

25th June 2020

From The Principal's Desk

'I like Sacred Heart because God is always with us.' Hugo.

'I like Sacred Heart because I get to play with my friends and I also like the butterfly wings.' Jessie

'My favourite thing about Sacred Heart is that I get to make new friends.' Loreta

'I like it when our children come to the library and pick up a book. They get so excited.' Mrs Sullivan, our librarian.

'The reason I love Sacred Heart School is because when I went to school, I went to Sacred Heart and now I teach here. It is awesome.' Mrs Ross, Year 1 teacher.

Last Friday, our school family wholeheartedly celebrated Sacred Heart Day with a myriad of events and activities.

We commenced with a liturgy prepared by Year 5L and Father Matthew and viewed this on the now all familiar YouTube link.

This was followed by our children, teachers and teacher assistants breaking into their newly formed Heart groups (Each being made up of children from Prep to Year 6.) where they did 'getting to know you' activities and then rotated through five different pursuits including dancing, chalk drawing on the concrete, construction with building blocks, meditation, group games on the oval and board games. Each running for 20 minutes, everyone appeared to thoroughly enjoy themselves and bond well.

The Heart groups which will be led by our Year 6s, are an initiative instigated by our APRE, Mrs Collins and these will continue from Week Two next Term on a weekly basis under the guise of the Peer Support Program.

Well done to all our teachers, staff and especially Mrs Melissa Collins for organising Sacred Heart Day.



Speaking of new beginnings as we enter Stage 3 from 10th July with the easing of more COVID restrictions, despite a few hiccups, we have almost come out the other side and hopefully we have come to appreciate many of the little things in life.

Speaking with a Dad yesterday, we have had to make some sacrifices. However, ours in most cases have been manageable compared to many areas of the World.

Even though scientists and those in the medical profession feel we still have hurdles to encounter, it is time to still be thankful.

Recalling my first newsletter this term, I wonder how many families were able to keep a journal of their COVID experiences.

For what were you grateful? What did you learn through all this? What are my aims/dreams as we near a resumption to normality ?

Have you planned a celebration with social distancing in mind, of course?. Our hope has been rewarded. Once again, humans are surviving and become better for it, after another major tumult of history.

Thank you, everyone for your amazing and at often times much needed support this term. Continue to take care and enjoy your holiday break.

See you all on Monday 13th July for the start of Term 3.

From The APRE

Last Friday, we celebrated Sacred Heart Day with our school community. The day started with a prayer liturgy from Year 5L and was followed by rotational groups led by our Year 6 children and teachers. As part of their role, the Year 6s discussed our school emblem and what it meant. Our Year 6 students displayed great confidence leading their groups and the younger children thoroughly enjoyed their time with our seniors. They are to be extremely proud of what they have achieved.

All of our Year 6 students will continue with this opportunity to be peer leaders, in our Heart Groups as part of our Peer Support Program in Term 3. It is during this program that our student leaders further develop their patience and respect for all ages.

When I see a 'big' Year 6 student get down to a 'little' prep's level to help them, it always reminds me of the beautiful passage in Matthew's Gospel "whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me" (25:40).

It is in the humbling of oneself in the service of another that we sometimes see great leadership. I had the pleasure of spending time with some of our Year 2 students this week and I asked them what makes a great leader. I was very impressed with their responses and I think our nation's leaders could learn a thing or two from them.

Here is what they had to say:

Great leaders:

- Make good choices. (Noah)
- They help us to learn. (Adeline)
- Are smart. (Felix)
- Make sure everyone is doing something right. (Ivy)
- Are kind and loving. (Max)
- Help people to get up and teach them to do stuff. (Sage)
- Don't give up on people if they do a bad job. (Isla)

May God bless you all and keep you safe these holidays. Have a wonderful time with your family.

Melissa Collins

From The APC

Online Safety

As we approach the end of Term 2 and the excitement is looming for school holidays, it is timely that we remember the importance of online safety.

This year, the Daniel Morcombe Foundation is producing two editions of Australia's Biggest Child Safety Lesson (ABCSL). Today at 10am, they will focus on online safety strategies for children aged 8 to 12. On 10th September, as part of National Child Protection Week, they will be delivering key messages about secrets for children aged 4 to 7. After the livestream, the video will be available here:

https://danielmorcombe.com.au/australias-biggest-child-safety-lesson-2/

There are many resources to assist you when talking with your children about online safety. Some fantastic ones can be found here on the eSafety Commissioner website:

https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents

STEAM Holiday Challenge

Over the holidays, I have set the children a challenge to learn to sign 5 or 10 words using Auslan fingerspelling. If they need assistance remembering the alphabet please <u>click here</u>.

Premier's Reading Challenge

The holidays may provide the opportunity for our children to continue their reading for the Premier's Reading Challenge. The last day of the challenge is Friday 28th August. If your child wishes to participate download the form and return it to our office.



Reflection

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

Capricorn Coast Catholic Parish

Here is the Sacred Heart Church bulletin for this week. Stay connected and enjoy. Link to Bulletin

Sacrament of Penance

Congratulations to the following children who received the Sacrament of Penance this week.

Alex Collins, Jack Couglan, Kaden Davey, Georgia Deasy, Noah Frethey, Elliot Guhr, Alicia Hamilton, Eden Harris, Emmie Sharp, Luke Shepherd, Zachary Sloper, Bronagh Symonds, Ethan Todd, Sam Vaughan and Harry Wilczek.

Keep these children in your prayers. Thank you to Father Matthew for enabling this special occasion to occur as the preparation had been completed prior to COVID-19.

Important Dates

June Friday 26th - Final day of Term 2 July Monday 13th - First day of Term 3 Tuesday 14th - Diocesan NAIDOC Week mass in Rockhampton. Monday 27th - Start of Catholic Education Week Monday 27th - Footsteps dance lessons all week Friday 31st - Footsteps dance concert 12.30pm August Thursday 13th - School photos Friday 14th - Yeppoon show holiday

Family Farewell

To Narlah (Year 5) and Zariha (Year 3) Calvert who are leaving Sacred Heart and venturing to Brisbane. We wish them all the best for the future and thank them for being a part of our school family.

Staff Farewell

To Mrs Jackie Patterson, our Outside School Hours Care coordinator, who will be leaving Sacred Heart at the end of this term. Jackie has been our coordinator for the past two and half years and has done a truly wonderful job in this role.

To Mrs Meg Size, our tuckshop convenor, who is also leaving us at the end of this term. Meg has been coordinating our tuckshop for the past two and a half years and during this time has kept our children and staff well fed with an amazing variety of delicacies.

On behalf of our school family, I wish both ladies all the best for the future and thank them for their contributions to Sacred Heart.

In Our Prayers

We are keeping Lauren and Dan McKenna and Flynn Year 1 in our thoughts and prayers.

Lost Property

We have a large number of unclaimed school jumpers. If your child/children have lost their jumper, could they please see Melinda or Stacey in the office.

Year 1	Willem Shackleton, Hamish Mesman, Lydia Gill, Lucinda Warrick, Emmett Symonds
Year 2	Maya Read, Aria Richards, Bodhi Lewis, Emmi Taylor
Year 3	Jai Lucas, Marley Williams
Year 5	Nickson Powell, Mackenzie Blackwood
Year 6	Jaxon Pambid, Benjamin Miller, Thomas Brown, Ryan Hendrie

MJR Awards Week 9

Isaac Davey 3W For your generous spirit when helping others during group tasks.

Jet Ryan 4S For your wonderfully positive attitude during PE this week.

Poppy Oram 5L For the care you show to other students in our school.



Livingstone Shire Family Competition

Livingstone Shire Council would like to tell you about a fun and interactive competition created to celebrate the community called COVID Creations. A competition bringing the community together showcasing their creative ideas during the COVID-19 restrictions, isolation and social distancing. As we all know, this pandemic emergency has been a very stressful time for the community with isolating at home for long periods of time.

However, we also know that through these tough times the Livingstone Shire community has shined through with many innovative households putting their creative hats on in many different and amazing ways through: gardening, arts, crafts, photography, learning a new skill, taking on a new hobby and who knows what other fun and interactive creations are out there.

The COVID Creations competition is a great opportunity for these amazing households to be able to show the community their creative boredom busters.

Any household within the Shire is welcome to enter to showcase how the Livingstone Shire Community can thrive during the toughest of times – and we have definitely had our fair share over the years. Entrants are encouraged to tell us the story behind their creations, or newly found hobbies/skills/talents such as: what they have learned, have been inspired by, and the motivation to take on their newly found hobbies and talents into the future – post COVID-19. Before and after photos are highly encouraged if possible.

Entrants will register through the Livingstone Shire Council - <u>Get Involved Page</u>. After registering entrants can upload their favourite photo with their story behind their fun creation or activity.

Winners will have the opportunity to win a <u>Keppel Cash Card</u> for 1st 2nd or 3rd prizes to be spent at local retailers, restaurants and cafes.

Entries will be judged on, (but not limited to): Creativity, Innovation, Sustainability, Dedication and Uniqueness. Entries open Friday 12/06/2020, 9am, Entries close Sunday 28/06/2020, 5pm.

Prizes will include: First prize - \$500 Keppel Cash Card. Second Prize - \$250 Keppel Cash Card. Third Prize - \$100 Keppel Cash Card

If you have any questions please contact 4913 5000 or email engagementandevents@livingstone.qld.gov.au

Sacred Heart Day Photos











Semester One Reporting

Child's report will be made available to our families on Thursday 30th July (Week 3). With parent / teacher interviews being held during Weeks 4 and 5 of Term 3. These will be face to face interviews held at school. Details about the scheduling of these will be provided to families early Week 2 Term 2.

Writing From Year 6

As the Mandoloran stepped onto the icy crust, the floor began cracking under the weight of his armour. He walked into a steel bar. A man with an enormous belly pushed the table as a skinny blue man held a blaster to the roof.

The blue man twisted his neck and stared at the Mandoloran. He spat a black tooth and it bounced at the Mandoloran's feet. "Howdy," murmured the blue man.

And like that a fight broke out. Blasters were drawn, then even quicker than the fight broke out, it was over. The blue man lay unconscious on the floor. The fat man thanked Mandoloran, but the bounty hunter was not after praise. What he wanted was described as pure energy, older than the universe itself and surprisingly green.

An excerpt from a narrative by Ryan H.

Year 6 School Captain Speeches

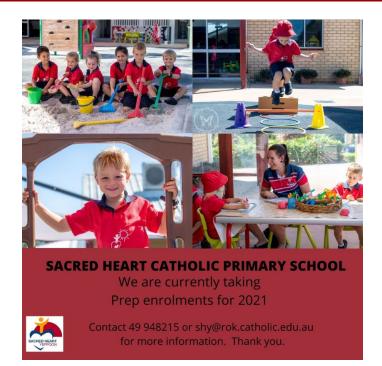
Today, fifteen Year 6s made speeches for our school captaincy, Semester 2. I was extremely proud of the manner in which these children presented themselves. Our captains for Semester 2 will be announced tomorrow, Friday 26th June.



Congratulations

To Mrs Katharine Snary, one of our Year 2 teachers and her husband, Clint on the birth of their first child; Elise Florence last weekend. Both Mum and baby are doing well. Great news.

Sacred Heart Prep Enrolments 2021



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