



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Enriching Spirits ~ Educating Minds

14 Barracuda Crescent, Yeppoon QLD 4703

Email: shy@rok.catholic.edu.au

Phone: 07 4994 8215

Website: www.shyrok.catholic.edu.au

NEWSLETTER

4th March 2021

From The Principal's Desk

There is a famous story of two university students who decided to go to the beach for the weekend and were having such a good time they decided to miss their mathematics exam that was scheduled for Monday morning in order to get some final waves before they headed back to uni. They decided to tell their lecturer that they had a flat tyre and therefore deserved to take the exam at a rescheduled time.

Hearing the story, the lecturer agreed that it really was bad luck, and of course, they could take the exam later. At the appointed time, he met them and placed them in two separate rooms to take the exam.

The few questions on the first page were worth 10% of the overall mark and were quite easy. Each student grew progressively confident as they took the test, sure that they have gotten away with fooling the lecturer. However, when they turned to the second page, their joy turned to despair. The only question on the page, worth 90%, read: "Which tyre?" A valued lesson in honesty.

Testing and assessment are an important part of our children's education.

Teachers use assessment information to monitor children's progress and to make professional judgements in order to: Inform children, parents, carers and schools about the demonstration of learning outcomes within a class. Make decisions about children's needs, the learning and teaching process and the use of teaching resources. Set learning goals with children, parents and carers and guide how we plan school and class curriculum programs.

For assessment to be effective, it needs to be focussed on our children's demonstration of their learning outcomes, be comprehensive, develop our children's ability to monitor their own progress, be an integral part of the learning process but not the overriding part, be valid and reliable and take into account the needs of every child in a teacher's class.

Over the coming weeks, teachers are meeting with leadership to analyse data collected from our children completing a PAT Spelling diagnostic test, a Word Analysis test and a DRA (Diagnostic Reading Assessment).

These three pieces of assessment will be used by our teachers to effectively influence their teaching and student's learning.

It is said that assessment at its best functions as a reflective and evaluative tool for learning. It importantly involves children as well as teachers and creates a dynamic in which children take on the ultimate responsibility for the quality of their work and their learning.

Our teachers are quite comprehensive in their assessment whether it is done informally or formally and they spend a lot of time recording our children's progress across all Learning Areas.

During weeks three and four of next term, interviews will be held at school so that both teacher and parents/carers can meet to discuss how their children are 'going' academically, socially, personally, spiritually at school.

In the coming weeks, all families will receive an email in regard to organising an interview time for next term. Please take the time to read over this correspondence and be serious about arranging an interview time.

So let's celebrate our children's educational achievements and then it is up to us as parents and carers to take an active interest/role in how our children are going at school and work in partnership with our child's teacher to further nurture their education.

I wonder how the following incident would be assessed and reported. Commonsense and initiative may be high on this child's skills criteria.

This week while playing cricket on the oval during first break, one of our passionate cricketing Year 1s after bowling his over, asked if he could go to the toilet. After telling him he did not have to ask, out of the corner of my eye, I saw him run off to the bushes adjacent to the pitch and proceed to discretely have a wee.

On his return to the game, to field near the wickets, I asked him what was happening and he told me it was too far to the toilets. Very logical.

Take care

Max Martin

From The APRE

Is your cup half full or half empty?

My father turned 80 on Wednesday and this weekend we are flying mum and dad home to celebrate with family and friends. Invites have been sent, decorations organised and lunch and sweets have been ordered. We have all been running around madly trying to organise this event which has felt like a burden; another job to do. I still have to clean my house and make up beds for guests. My cup was definitely half empty.

The rsvps started rolling in. The young people (including family) mostly replied late. The elderly however replied immediately with a phone call.

Each one of them personally called to let us know how excited they were to come to the party. Dad's cousins couldn't wait and have told their children to come as well so that they could enjoy some family time as there isn't many elderly cousins left. Maria informed us that she would be there with her husband, John and his oxygen tank. She continued to say that she hadn't been out since this time last year.

After several of these conversations, the realisation came that I have been looking at this all the wrong way - with a very empty glass. Maria's excitement and the fact that she was going to bring patty cakes and wouldn't take 'no' for an answer made me realise that I needed to take a good look in my glass.

Sometimes we need that wake up call to see the real picture. I am going to be surrounded by family and friends in a room full of love whilst listening to Elvis Presley and Chubby Checker. There will be an abundance of homemade food and five of my chickens are returning to the nest. My glass is definitely more than half full.

O God, When the tasks ahead seem insurmountable help us to "just start" and trust that you will guide us to succeed. Show us how beautiful and wondrous life can be for us today. Amen.

Too-Ra-Loo-Ra-Loo-Ral and have a great weekend

Melissa Collins

From The APC

On Tuesday this week, I had the opportunity to participate in a webinar to unpack the expectations and key components of NAPLAN 2021.

Students in Years 3 and 5 will participate in NAPLAN, completing assessments for writing, language conventions, reading and numeracy. All assessments, with the exception of Year 3 writing, will be completed online.

NAPLAN is a point-in-time assessment that allows parents to see how their child is progressing in literacy and numeracy against the national standard and compared with their peers throughout Australia. At the classroom level, NAPLAN provides additional information to support teachers' professional judgement about student progress.

NAPLAN will take place between Tuesday 11th May and Friday 14th May (Week 4, Term 2). There will be the opportunity for students to complete make up tests the following week if they were absent from school during the testing period.

Students will also sit a practice writing and omnibus test (combination of reading, language conventions and numeracy test). This will give students the opportunity to experience the NAPLAN platform and gain confidence prior to participating in the NAPLAN assessments in Term 2.

The following links will provide you with more information regarding the NAPLAN. The first is a document specifically written to share with parents, the second is a link to the NAP portal, which is an open online portal that shares resources and other information surrounding NAPLAN.

[Parent Information Brochure](#) <https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support/>

Have a wonderful week

Lisa List

Reflection

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

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

Capricorn Coast Catholic Parish

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

Link to [Bulletin](#)

Important Dates This Term

March

Monday 8th - International Women's Day.

Thursday 11th - Year 6 Discovery days at St Ursula's and St Brendan's Colleges.

Wednesday 17th - St Patrick's Day.

Friday 19th - Year 4 to 6 swimming carnival at Cooe Bay pool.

Thursday 25th March - Prep Vision Screening

Monday 29th March - Cross country carnival

April

Thursday 1st - Final day of Term 1.

Friday 2nd - Good Friday

Sunday 4th - Easter Sunday

Monday 19th April - First day of Term 2

2021 Sacramental Program Dates

Keep our children who will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the coming weeks, in your prayers.

Reconciliation can be made on the following dates and times:

Sundays from 7th March until Easter: 8:15am and 4:15pm

Confirmation information session: Sunday 16th May Registration 3:30pm followed by Confirmation enrolment mass - Sunday 16th May 5pm

Eucharist information session: Sunday 25th July Registration 3:30pm followed by Eucharist enrolment mass - Sunday 25th July 5pm

Ceremonies: Confirmation Year 4 Thursday 12th August 6pm. Confirmation Year 5 and 6 Friday 13th August 6pm
Eucharist Saturday 14th August 5pm

Following is the TryBooking link to book into the 5pm mass this Sunday. Bring along your ticket.

<https://www.trybooking.com/BNOBK> If you have any queries, contact our APRE, Mrs Melissa Collins, at school.

Finance

Thank you to all families who have paid their school fees, these were due for payment on 27th February, 2021.

For those with outstanding balances, please contact Stacey Todman at the office to finalise your fees or discuss payment plan options. Thank you.

Oral Health Service Visit - Term 2

Queensland Health is offering full dental treatment to students at Sacred Heart. This service will be provided by a mobile dental clinic which will be located at our school.

The dental treatment form is below and can be sent to shy@rok.catholic.edu.au

We will be asking for parents/carers to return the completed form to our school office by 1st April 2021.

A paper form can also be obtained from our school office. Thank you. [Dental Treatment Form](#)

Prep Vision Screening

Queensland Health is offering all Prep students vision screening. This will take place on Thursday 25th March at school.

To assist us with processing, we will be asking for parents/carers to complete the online consent form or paper consent form by Monday, 15th March. Please see the link below.

All paper consent forms can be sent to shy@rok.catholic.edu.au or handed into the office to Mrs Murphy. Thank you.

<https://visionscreening.health.qld.gov.au/ParentalConsent/1012x7Ma>

Mini Vinnies' 2021 Executives

Congratulations to our Mini Vinnies' executive for this year:

President: Ruby Smith. Vice President: Macey Elliott. Secretary: Majella Sykes. Events Co-ordinator: Sabina Bridgeman
Treasurer: Brydi Young



Student Awards

Prep	Paisley Nicholls, Sawyer Page, Jack McCartney, Madeline Grob, Chase Dawson, Sienna Boak, Mason Krause, Kai Schwennesen
Year 1	Amelia Crick, Matilda Seymour, Brock Solis, Milla Sykes, Jacob Flanders, Hugo McPherson, Emily Boon, Molly Shepherd
Year 2	Indigo Crosby, Taj Rich, Henry Willey, Jack Rohl, Sophie McElhenny, Tiarna Vann, Charlotte Grob, Charlotte Luckey, Ben Sharp, Flynn McKenna
Year 3	Cooper Griffin, Ava Goodger, Chelsea Bunt, Will White, Oscar Gleeson, Aadi Jothiraj, Saige Nielsen, Aria Richards
Year 4	Nicholas Goltz, Spencer Toby, Isabella Sweeney, Mackenzie Rapmund
Year 5	Sienna Hawkes, Grace Hawes, Davis McDonald
Year 6	Armani Kona, Jina Jothiraj, Hannah Wallis, Adelaide Gill, Savannah Waters

MJR Awards - Week 6

Jina Jothiraj Year 6 for going out of your way to say good morning to your teachers. Thank you, Jina.

Jett Ryan Year 5 for the determination, skill and teamwork you display during sporting activities.

Madeline Ohl Prep for showing great getting along skills and determination at PE. Thank you.

Havana Elliot Year 4 for displaying beautiful manners and for being a good friend.

Marley Wosomo Year 5 for displaying beautiful manners and for being a good friend.

Charlie Palairot Year 6 for always being so kind and caring towards others.

Nora Leon Hernandez Year 6 for your cheerful good mornings and willingness to interact positively with others.

Kane Czitan Year 3 for being a good friend and for sharing your positive attitude with others. Thank you.

Week 5 Award Recipients (Frankie and MJR)



Tuckshop - Week 7

Our Year 1 and 2 tuckshop will be on Wednesday at first break.

Year 3 to 6 on Friday.

Prep commence tuckshop in Term 2.

Year 1 and 2 Ritz crackers with cheese and kabana, 2 pancakes with a mixed berry compote and whipped cream (30 serves available) and a fruit popper or milk with sippah straw (extra \$1.20) or pizza rounda, muffin and fruit popper or milk with sippah straw.

Year 3 - 6 Chicken tender, with a choice of potato gems or sweet potato chips and a cob of corn or a ham and cheese toastie, muffin and a fruit popper or a milk with sippah straw (extra \$1.20)

Cost is \$7 and can be ordered online using the Flexischools app or via placing money and order in a paper bag and placing in classroom tuckshop basket.



To prevent crashing of the Flexi schools app on the day of ordering tuckshop, can you ensure child class details have been changed from last year. Thank you.

Library News

Issue 2 of Book Club is now available online via the Parent LOOP.

Ordering will be open until Monday 15th March. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mrs O'Brien and Mrs Sullivan

Sacred Heart School Rugby League Training

All children in Years 4, 5 and 6, interested in training for Sacred Heart in preparation for school rugby league which is being held in Term 2 and 3, our second session will be held at Sacred Heart School from 4.30pm - 5.30pm this Saturday 6th March.

The change of day and time is due to district rugby league trials being held in Rockhampton this Sunday.

Interschool District Chess Competition



Last Thursday, seven Sacred Heart children competed at the first district interschool chess competition at Emmaus College, Rockhampton. Sabina, Aden, Ethan, Nora, Sebastien, Jack and Isabella represented our school extremely well.

Thank you to Mrs Collins for supporting our children on the day.

Sacred Heart Cross Country Training

This will be on Monday and Thursday, starting at 3.30pm to 4.15pm, meeting on our school oval.

Children from Prep, Years 1, 2 and 3 are welcome to attend under parental supervision. Children from Years 4 through to 6 will not require a parent to attend.

Parents are most welcome to be actively involved in the sessions. If you have any queries about the training contact Mr Martin at school.



Our school cross country carnival will be held on Monday 29th March (Week 10) at school. More details about this will be forthcoming in our newsletter. Our district carnival will be held on Friday 23rd April for 10, 11 and 12 year olds.

2021 Sporting Trials Calendar

Event	District Trials	Capricornia Trials
Netball Girls 10-11 and 10-12 years	Sunday 7 th March 2021 9am-12pm Emmaus College	Monday 29 th March Rockhampton
Rugby Union 11-12 years Boys	Wednesday 28 th April 4pm-6pm Venue TBC	Tuesday 18 th May Port Curtis

Touch Football 10–12 years Boys and Girls	1 st trial: Wednesday 24 th March 4pm–6pm 2 nd trial: Friday 26 th March Rockhampton Touch	Monday 24 th May Mackay
Football 10-12 years Boys	Monday 22 nd March 4pm–6pm Kettle Park	Sunday 16 th and Monday 17 th May Port Curtis
Football 10-12 years Girls	Monday 22 nd March 4pm–6pm Bouldercombe SS	Sunday 16 th and Monday 17 th May Port Curtis
Tennis 10–12 Years Boys and Girls	Tuesday 30 th March 9am–3pm Rockhampton Centre	Wednesday 19 th May Port Curtis
Rugby League Boys 10, 11 and 12	Sunday 7 th March 9am–11am Rockhampton SHS	Monday 3 rd and Tuesday 4 th May Central Highlands
Girls 11-12	Wednesday March 31 st 4pm–5:30pm Frenchville SS	Sunday 1 st and Monday 2 nd August Central Highlands
Cross Country 10-19 years		Tuesday 1 st June Rockhampton
Athletics		23 rd / 24 th August Mackay
Cricket 10–12 Boys	Monday 9 th August 4pm–6pm Victoria Park	Sunday 5 th and Monday 6 th September Mackay
Cricket 10–12 Girls	Monday 9 th August 4pm–6pm Victoria Park	Monday 6 th September Mackay

Community News

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton (Bishop's Office) is seeking an Administration Officer – Clergy Visa.

This casual support role will be up to 10 hours per week and will support the work of the Bishop and Chancellor with the process of renewals and applications for international clergy visas.

Experience needed - proven relations working with government agencies including Immigration Department and Catholic agencies, attention to detail, efficiency with processing of information and forms, confidentiality and strong verbal and written communication skills.

Contact Kristy Gear on 4887 3090 or email your resume to hr@rok.catholic.net.au Applications close 19th March 2021.



Clean Up Australia Day

Help Owen protect our Oceans.

Where: Day Use Area - Kemp Hill
When: 06 March 2021 – 9 am
What: Clean Up Australia Day
Bring: Water bottle, hat and sun safe clothing and lots of enthusiasm.
Supplied: Clean up bags, gloves, sunscreen.

We will be cleaning up our bit of beautiful Capricorn Coast on Clean Up Australia Day. Our little Wildlife Warrior would love to see lots of little and big friends join us on the day.

Learn how we record and enter data into the Australian Marine Debris Database.

Everyone can make a difference no matter how small.

