



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Enriching Spirits ~ Educating Minds

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NEWSLETTER

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From The Principal's Desk



‘No greater love has a person for another, than to lay down their life for them.’

Several years ago, I had the opportunity of visiting Papua New Guinea with a secondary school group and one of our experiences was to walk the Kokoda Track. After six days of trekking 96 kilometres, in the rain and heat, carrying a light weight pack, negotiating steep, rocky slopes and fast flowing creeks, we reached Ower's Corner, our final destination.

After spending some time taking in the enormity of our walk, our group visited Bomana War Cemetery. (Pictured above)

It was only then that we overwhelmingly appreciated the bravery and sacrifice of our soldiers.

As I wandered through the rows and rows of headstones, noticing many who lay there were only as old as my sons, my emotions got the better of me. I sat down beside an 'Unknown Soldier's' grave and cried, knowing that his final resting place was far from family and friends.

“Lest We Forget”

Tomorrow, our Year 3W children will be commemorating Remembrance Day 11th November on our whole school assembly. On this day, we remember those who have died in service to their country in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

Remembrance Day was first marked by allied countries after World War I, in which more than 60,000 Australians lost their lives.

All our families are most welcome to join us for this special assembly.

With giving of oneself in mind, tomorrow our Mini Vinnies group will launch our school's annual Christmas appeal.

Each year Sacred Heart assists the needy through this appeal, with each class adopting a family from our local community.

Our Yeppoon Vinnies' Conference coordinates the anonymous families and ensures that the donated gifts are delivered in time for Christmas. It is requested that gifts are new and unwrapped. They can be delivered to your child's classroom.

Non-perishable items can also be donated for Christmas hampers to be distributed to the needy.

Together, we are able to assist with the spirit of giving during the Christmas period, which for many of our Yeppoon and school families, is a difficult time.

Thank you for your anticipated generosity.

Take care

Max Martin

From The APRE

Mini Vinnies is a social action group at our school. Some years, we have over 50 students who volunteer their lunch times to meet and organise charity events throughout the year. They help to organise and run these which assist those in our community who are less fortunate than us.

Inspired by our school's foundress, Nano Nagle and led by the Presentation sisters, we embrace our faith community and continue to share the mission of Jesus through our charism that has been gifted to us.

Some of these gifts are:

Zeal - power to change things for the better.

Courage - the ability to do something that frightens you.

Trust - belief in others.

Justice - giving each person what they deserve.

Faith - complete trust in God.

Continue to support our Mini Vinnies who embrace these gifts.

NANO NAGLE PRAYER

Holy Spirit of God, enlighten us to understand how we can use our gifts
to give you praise and serve your people in works of justice and mercy.

Teach us to listen, that we may hear your words,
give us vision born of faith to know your way for us and courage born of love to follow it.

Give us Nano Nagle's zeal, so that learning what you would have us to do,
we may love and serve according to your will.

Direct us, guide us, inspire us and give us a listening and generous heart. Amen.

Have a great weekend.

Melissa Collins

From The APC

Last Thursday, I had the opportunity to go on an excursion with our Year 1s and their teachers, visiting our local foreshore and the Kraken water play area. Our students were beautifully behaved and had a wonderful time.

This week, our Year 1s have been attending daily swimming lessons as part of their Health and PE program. This has been eventful, swimming in both sunshine and Tuesday's downpour. I am sure the teachers did not realise they would be just as wet as their students.

On Tuesday, Mrs Louise O'Shaughnessy from the Catholic Education Office visited each classroom as follow up for our writing project, providing professional development and feedback to our teachers.

Our teachers are in the midst of writing report cards, these will be available after 4pm on Tuesday 30th November, via parent lounge. If you do not have your login details for the parent lounge, contact Mrs Melinda Murphy at the school office.

This week's link for online safety looks at parental controls for websites, apps, games and tracking of devices. Remember it is not about not trusting your child, it is about keeping them safe online.

<https://www.commonsemmedia.org/blog/parents-ultimate-guide-to-parental-controls>

Stay safe and have a wonderful week,

Mrs Lisa List.

Capricorn Coast Catholic Parish

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

Link to: [Bulletin](#)

Reflection

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

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

Important Dates For Term Four

November

Friday 12th - Year 3 excursion to Rockhampton Dreamtime Centre

Monday 15th - 19th - Prep swimming block

Thursday 18th - Year 5 excursion to Keppel Island

Monday 22nd - Prep and Year 1, Year 2 and 3 swimming carnivals.

Tuesday 23rd - 2 Instrumental concerts in MPA. 9am - Prep - Year 3. 10am - Year 4 - Year 6.

Monday 29th - End of Year mass 9.15am at Sacred Heart church.

Monday 29th - Year 6 End of Primary School function/celebration

Tuesday 30th - Semester Two report cards available to families at 4pm.

Tuesday 30th - Christmas concert at 11:30am in MPA.

December

Friday 3rd - Final day of school for 2021

January

Monday 24th - First day of school Term 1, 2022

Confirmation of Enrolment 2022

Re-enrolment forms for 2022 will be sent home today and are due back by Friday the 19th November.

Your completion of this, enables us to plan for our 2022 school year.

Thank you for your support in this regard. Please find the link below for this form.

[Confirmation of enrolment](#)

School Fees

Term 4 school fees are now overdue. If your account remains outstanding, could you please contact Mrs Stacey Todman at our office to make payment or to discuss payment plan options. Thank you.

Children's Classes for 2022 Important Message

Families will be made aware of their child/ren's class and teacher for 2022 on Wednesday 8th December via email.

This email will also have attached the booklist for next year. Thank you.

If you have any concerns with accessing this, do not hesitate to contact Mr Martin at school.

Young's Bus Service - Travel Assistance

Please find the link below for information regarding bus travel assistance for Year 7 students in 2022.

[Link](#)

Important Events for the End of Year

With the end of the year fast approaching, dates and times for the following events have been finalised.

Instrumental Music Concert on Tuesday 23rd November with two concerts. Our preps to Year 3s will be attending from 9am and our Year 4s to 6s from 10am. Both occurring in our multi-purpose area. Children who are part of our school instrumental music program will be performing on this day.

End of Year Concert on Tuesday 30th November from 11.30am in our multi-purpose area. Parents/carers are invited to attend. All classes perform an item at this concert and this will be videoed.

Our whole school thanksgiving mass will be held on Monday 29th November commencing at 9.15am at Sacred Heart Church. All classes are attending and we will walk to and from the church.

Prep Swimming Lessons

Next week, our Preps will be involved in their intensive swimming program as part of our school PE program. It will run from Monday 15th November to Friday 19th November.

All our Prep children will be involved.

The following are details in regard to this program:

- Swimming lessons will be conducted by four qualified instructors at the Cooe Bay pool.
- Children will be in groups of 4 to 6. (Ability groups)
- Our prep teachers and assistants will be in the pool as supporting adults.
- Cost is \$40 for the week. (Bus transportation, entry to the pool and cost of the instructors.) This has been included on your Term 4 school fee account.
- Children are to bring a sun smart shirt, thongs and towel in a separate swimming bag. Children can bring goggles, if needed.
- The children will change into their swimming gear at school. We ask that swimmers are not worn under their uniform.
- Please ensure names are clearly written on swimmers, shirts, thongs, towels, goggles and your child's uniform.

Parents/carers of children who are unable to participate due to illness etc are asked to contact our school office.

Prep T will be leaving school at 11.45am and their lesson finishes at 12.30pm.

Prep K will be leaving school at 12.15pm and their lesson finishes at 1pm.

Prep M will be leaving school at 12.45pm and their lesson finishes at 1.30pm.

If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Kingston, Mrs McGuire or Mrs Todd.

Parents and carers are asked not to attend these lessons. Thank you.

Looking forward to an exciting week.

Timetable for Prep / Year 1 and Year 2 / 3 Swimming Carnivals

On Monday 22nd November, we will be having two swimming carnivals at the Cooe Bay pool.

The Year 2 and 3 carnival will commence at 9.20am with all our children being bussed to and from the pool by buses.

Parents/carers are able to attend and spectate from the opposite side of the pool to our children. Thank you.

Following is a timetable for this carnival.

9am	Year 2 and 3 students depart Sacred Heart by bus
9.20am	Year 2 Freestyle (25m)
9:35am	Year 3 Freestyle (25m)

9.50am	Year 2 Backstroke (25m)
10.05am	Year 3 Backstroke (25m)
10.20am	Year 2 Breaststroke (25m)
10:35am	Year 3 Breaststroke (25m)
10:50am	Year 2 and 3 students depart Cooe Bay pool by bus

Our Prep and Year 1 carnival will commence at 11.50am. They will also be bussed to and from the pool.

Following is a timetable for this carnival.

11.30am	Prep and Year 1 students depart Sacred Heart by bus
11:50am	Year 1 Freestyle (15m)
12:05am	Prep kickboard (15m)
12.25am	Year 1 backstroke (15m)
12:45pm	Prep noodle race (15m)
1:05pm	Prep and Year 1 students depart Cooe Bay pool by bus

Library - Book Club

Issue 8, the final book club for 2021, is now open for online ordering. The Parent LOOP ordering system will close on Tuesday 16th November.

Please follow the link below to the Issue 8 pamphlet.

https://scholastic.com.au/media/6579/bc821_web.pdf

Thank you for your support in 2021.



Mini Vinnies' Christmas Appeal

Our Sacred Heart Mini Vinnies' Christmas Appeal is where we are asking families to donate Christmas items (festive food, clothes, unwrapped toys and gifts) for the needy in our Yeppoon community.

These can be dropped off at school from Friday 12th - Friday 26th November.

Thank you for your support.



Sacred Heart Mini Vinnies
Christmas Appeal Launch

You are invited to contribute to Christmas Hampers to share with fellow community members. Please help us to make Christmas a joyful time for all.

Below are some suggestions for you to consider.
PLEASE LEAVE YOUR DONATIONS UNWRAPPED.

Clothes



Toiletries



Books



Toys



Gifts packs



Non-perishable food-
Chocolates Biscuits Chips Soft drinks
Cash and Gift vouchers

Socktober



Socktober for the Missions encourages students across Australia to make a difference in the lives of vulnerable children around the world.

Tomorrow, we will have crazy sock day where children can wear crazy socks and bring a gold coin donation to fill their class sock.

It's never too late to make a difference.

Students of the Week

Prep	Alana Pont, Jeddy Gordon, Jett Sullivan, Mason Krause, Silas Hall, Tyler Gilbert, Finnley McElholum, Summer McCoombes, Nathaniel Windress, Cooper Paynter, Chad Philp
Year 1	Sophie Howard, Felix Suttle, Greta Hovey, Amelia Crick, Owen Harris
Year 2	Beau Hoare, Taj Rich, Millie Roper, Halle Smith, Jayden Scott, Charlotte Luckey, Micah Hawkes, Lydia Gill, Jack Rohl, Ella Jansen
Year 3	Amira Mitchell, Archer McPherson, Max French, Mason Stark, Paige Kinsey, Beckett Catt, Avah Schwennesen, Evie Moore
Year 4	Zali Dooley, Samuel Miller, Ruby Neagle, Jai Lucas
Year 5	Grace Hawes, Daley Cooper, India Hawkes, Thea Gregson, Nate Bunt
Year 6	Bella Scott, Sabina Bridgeman

MJR Awards Week 6

Addison Atkins Year 6 for being so thoughtful and caring around our preps this week.

Ethan Virzintas Year 5 for being supportive, encouraging and helpful to others, while sharing your cricketing skills. Thank you.

Freddy Barbeler Prep for the wonderful way you included everyone in our games during PE this week.

Charlee Harris, Fynn Lewis and Georgie Hay Year 6 for displaying wonderful leadership skills this week.

Year 1 Geography Excursion

Last Thursday, the Year 1s visited the foreshore area at Main Beach to study the natural and constructed features of the environment.

Starting at Ross Creek, the children then walked to the Lagoon for morning tea and then along the beachfront pathway to the Keppel Kracken where a cool water playtime was enjoyed by all.

We went to the Kracken and we looked for Natural, Managed and Constructed features. I played with Taye and Henry because they are my best friends. Brock

Yesterday was my very first excursion, so I was very excited. My class went to the Kracken so we can learn about natural, managed and constructed features. We sat on a bus and I sat next to Loreta and Hunter. Greta

On Thursday we had fun and I played with Jack in 1G. We went to the foreshore and Kracken because we were looking at natural, managed and constructed features. Kayden



We sat near Ross Creek and we saw the Pacific Ocean. It was gigantic. There were magnificent boats, a rock wall, a long bridge and a playground. From the beach, we saw Keppel Island and it was hilly. Felix



We saw some white caps and the water was shiny. The beach has rocks so the water cannot flood the land. The beach has steps so people can get down to the beach safely. The beach has lots of shells. Jye



Year 6 Camp - Their Thoughts

While away in Cairns, we enjoyed doing the high ropes and ziplines at Zoom on top of the Casino, testing our persistence, determination, fears and strength.

Another standout was the snorkelling at Moore Reef, 1.5 hours, by boat, off the coast.

Buffet breakfasts and dinners everyday were keeping us all satisfied. Everyone usually has simple breakfasts at home and this changed at camp, as the variety stood out as the fan favourite.

Lines of Year 6s waiting for their breakfast every morning showed it is the most important meal of the day with potato gems, bacon, toast, cereal and fruit on offer.

"It was just impeccable," said Kylani Bowman.

"The week was amazing for everyone. Teachers had a blast too," said Mrs Kenny.

Mrs McPherson added, "The students are to be very proud of themselves. They were complimented on their behaviour and manners everywhere we visited."

The Year 6s are happy to finish the final part of their primary schooling on a high.



Our Camp Up North

Travelled up north into croc country,
From bush to forest, adventures found,
Plenty of fun both on land and sea.
Our camp in Cairns will remain renowned.

Chug, chug, chug,
The train did struggle,
Had a breakdown at Babinda,
Our sweat in a puddle.

Travelled up north into croc country,
The train trip was quite the experience
Aircon gone, trapped on the tracks,
'The Spirit of Queensland' taught us resilience.

A breakfast of champions,
Potato gem, after potato gem,
We were full for the day,
Mrs Kenny did love them.

Travelled up north into croc country,
Feasted at each and every meal.
Gobble, gobble, munch munch,
Camp food this filling was an excellent deal.

Our first day was a blast,
We went to Cairns' aquarium and camp started at last,
Fish, sharks, rays and turtles,
Fulfilled some dreams, it went so fast.

Travelled up north into croc country,
Aquarium tour like no other,
Touched sea creatures
So much time to discover.

At Zoom, we were high in an aviary dome,
Looking down there was a crocodile,
All hot and sweaty, with birds freely roaming,
Jump for your lives after climbing for a while.

Travelled up north into croc country,
Harnessed in so we could not fall
Secured so tight, that it was quite a sight
Did not stop a few from having a bawl.

Walking thousands of miles to Timezone,
A welcome sight, a cool room filled with games,

Basketball, air hockey, ping pong and more,
All to challenge our brilliant brains.

Travelled up north into croc country,
Playing games well into the dusk,
After a long hot day,
Teachers could smell a 'musk'.

Snap, Squark, Chirp, Chirp, Chirp,
Hartley's Crocodile Farm here we go,
Snakes, birds, crocs and more,
Now the crocs can put on a show.

Travelled up north into croc country,
Finally, crocs in an environment we trust,
The man-made dam,
Was a sightseeing venture that is a must.

Next up we go to Mossman Gorge,
Got led by the traditional owners of the land,
Some got painted with natural ochre
We walked over a bridge, and all went to plan.

Travelled up north into croc country,
The Mossman Gorge with its beauty rare
The Aboriginal people
Really do show they care.

At last, we got to have a swim,
We belly flopped and dived into a pool,
With splishing and splashing,
People thought they were very cool.

Travelled up north into croc country,
The resort pools were a cooling reprieve
Swimming and diving
So much fun we didn't want to leave.

On the final day we went to the reef,
Sightseeing on the glass-bottom boat,
We saw some sharks and fish swimming past,
And luckily the boat stayed afloat.

Travelled up north into croc country,
The Great Barrier Reef is a wonder,
Snorkelled to see the coloured coral,
GBR seen from space was a lot to ponder.

Yarning with Mrs Semple

Last week, students gathered in our library to listen to a Dreamy Story by Ghenoa Gela, who is an award-winning, multi-dimensional storyteller and proud Torres Strait Islander woman.

We listened to her story, 'Star Dust and Tagai'.

There are five Dreamy stories told by First Nations storytellers.

The series draws on an 80,000-year-old oral tradition of bedtime stories, with each episode featuring a different tale accompanied by music and nature sounds.

If you wish to listen, visit the website <https://www.dreamysleep.com.au/>

Community News



The Capricorn Coast Catholic Parish presents

A Christmassy Scavenger Hunt

**Solve the clues,
complete the challenges
and find the treasure!**

Where: Sacred Heart Church, Yeppoon

When: Sunday Nov 14, 6pm-6:45pm (after 5pm Mass and parish dinner)

Who: High school age – and now inviting the Year 6 students, too!

Cost: FREE!

For more information, contact Shane Pianta on 0407 514 657 or the parish office 4933 6171

Little Ray of Giving

Fundraising Ball in Support of Headspace Rockhampton
Providing early intervention mental health services to 18-25 year olds. Aiming to support young people through services and experiences.

Friday 3rd December 2021
Yeppoon Town Hall

The evening includes drinks and canapés on arrival from 6pm
Followed by a gourmet 3 course dinner & drinks
(wine, champagne & beer) throughout the evening.

Auction, Lucky Door Prize & Entertainment

\$150 per ticket
(Seating arrangements in tables of 10)

Purchase your tickets by contacting Ray White Yeppoon
Ph: 4939 5088 or Kate Stock on 0436 360 090

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NATIONAL RECYCLING WEEK
8-14 November 2021

Keep Queensland Beautiful
CLEANER GREENER SCHOOLS

POSTER COMPETITION

13 \$100 VISA CARDS TO BE WON

WINNERS WILL FEATURE IN OUR 2022 CALENDAR!

Some topics for your poster:

- Recycle right on bin night
- Recycling
- Waste reduction
- Composting (food & organics)
- Litter
- Impact of litter on the environment & wildlife

How to Enter

- Create your poster in LANDSCAPE ONLY
- Mail or Scan poster (include contact details) to:
Keep Queensland Beautiful
PoBox 3260 South Brisbane, QLD 4101
info@keepqueenslandbeautiful.org.au

Entries Close: Friday, 19 November 2021
Winner Announce: Wednesday, 24 November 2021

The CAUSEWAY LAKE JUNIOR TRIATHLON

SWIM - RIDE - RUN - FUN

Sunday 28 November

AGES	SWIM	RIDE	RUN
5 to 8	100m	1 km	500 m
7 to 12	100 m	3 km	1000 m
10 to 14	200 m	6 km	1500 m

Registrations close midday Saturday 27 November

Visit Fitzroy Frogs website for more information

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