

13th October 2022

From the Principal's Desk

A man in his 50s stormed up to the front desk of the Yeppoon library and said, 'I have a complaint.' 'Yes, sir?' said the librarian looking up at him.

'I borrowed a book last week and it was horrible.'

Puzzled by his complaint the librarian asked, 'What was wrong with it?'

'It had way too many characters, there was no plot whatsoever and the print is so small,' said the man.

The librarian nodded and said, 'Ahhh. So you must be the person who took our phone book.'

When I was at school, the library was definitely not the most popular place to be. Try telling that to our children at Sacred Heart.

On Tuesday this week, our library during the middle session was filled with energy and enthusiastic children: burrowing through the bookshelves looking for **that** book, being read to by their teacher, doing shared reading on our new red, blue and green chairs.

Our library coordinators, Mrs Wilzcek and Mrs O'Brien continue to make our library a wonderful, learning environment. A lot of their time goes into changing our library to excite the minds and imaginations of all our children.

This week, while showing several new families around our school, they visited the library and were amazed, all saying it was much larger and more exciting than their current school libraries.

Speaking of libraries and reading, I was thrilled this week by some of the novels our older students are reading. I thoroughly enjoyed the novel, "The Hobbit" by J.R.R. Tolkien which was read to my Year 7 class by our teacher at Christian Brothers, Bundaberg, Mr Wilmot. One of our children was engrossed in this wonderful tale. Another had almost completed, "The Boy In The Striped Pyjamas" which is an extremely emotional story. It is so pleasing to see our children exposed to such meaningful and in depth literature. Reading is such a necessary skill to continually be developed.

'Recent research quantified what we've intuitively known about children and reading. That is, the more adults read to children from an early age, the greater the impact on their reading and thinking skills.

It was reported in 'The Age' newspaper (2013) that a longitudinal study by The Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research measured the link between the frequency of reading to a child and his or her development.

The study followed 4,000 children, aged four to five years through to ages 10 and 11 and found that reading to a child six to seven days a week puts them almost a year ahead of a child who has not been read to. The study also found that children who were read to every day from a young age also have better numeracy skills in primary school.

The benefits don't stop at reading to pre-school aged children. The study found that children who are read to more often keep doing better as they age than other children.

The findings send a clear message to parents and other adults such as grandparents. Reading to children goes beyond a simple fun, bonding experience. It is perhaps the single most important activity you can do to give a child a head start in literacy.

So, how can we help?

Stock up on your children's book library at home. Establish a comfortable reading spot so that your children associate that place with reading and books.

Make reading to your children a habit. If you've wriggly boys who don't sit still, keep the reading time short and make sure the books are of interest to boys. The grubbier and gorier the content the better, usually.

Make reading time interesting and fun rather than laborious and boring. That way your children will always look forward to their reading time with you.

Make sure your children take plenty of books on visits and sleepovers with grandparents and other relatives. Let them know how important reading daily to children is.

Books make great presents so pass the word around that it would be most welcome for your children to receive books that you can read to them.' (From Michael Grose, well known educationalist and parenting expert.)

With this in mind, do not forget our Book Fair happening next week. More details following in the newsletter.

Take care Max Martin

From Our APRE

"If we are really called to carry the love of God far and wide, if we are to inflame the nations with this fire, if we have the vocation of setting the whole world on fire, if it is so, then how much I must myself burn with this fire."

St Vincent de Paul

The founder of St Vincent de Paul, Frederich Oznam was a man convinced of the inestimable worth and value of people which spurred him on to serve the poor of Paris. Through the St Vincent de Paul Society, his legacy continues today.

He studied law at the University of Sorbonne. When certain professors there mocked Catholic teachings in their lectures, Frederic defended the Church. Frederic organised a university discussion club. In this club Catholics, atheists and agnostics debated the issues of the day. Once, after Frederic spoke on Christianity's role in civilisation, a club member challenged him saying, 'Let us be frank, Mr Ozanam; let us also be very particular. What do you do besides talk to prove the faith you claim is in you?'

Frederic was stung by the question and decided that his words needed grounding in action.

Frederic is an outstanding model of putting faith into action, especially in service of the poor. Being Vincentian is about serving those who are marginalised and experiencing disadvantage.

The St Vincent de Paul Society holds the value of people at the centre of their work. Inspired by the compassion of Jesus Christ, Vincentians seek to be compassionate, kind and deeply reverent to all those they serve.

At Sacred Heart, we have a Mini Vinnies group filled with children who dedicate their time to help and serve others.

Next Thursday, they will be organising Soctober. This event cultivates the passion of students to rise up, engage their local community and take action against poverty.

We invite all members of Sacred Heart to wear 'Crazy Socks' on this day and bring a gold coin donation. In doing so we encourage everyone to think not only of what they will do to help but why they do it.

Have a very blessed week

Mrs Melissa Collins

From Our APC

Next week, we celebrate Bookfair at Sacred Heart. Each class has been rostered for both a viewing and purchasing timeslot in our library.

Viewing will occur on Monday and Tuesday and purchasing takes place on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Parents and carers are welcome to view and purchase books on Tuesday 18th between 3pm and 6pm.

Below is a list of students who were the winners of their class draw of a \$20 voucher to use at the fair. Many thanks go to our P. and F. for donating these.

Matilda Kirby, Torah Pearce, Annabelle Kleinhans, Rocco Renshaw, Maddy Grob, Jett Graham, Riley Cameron, Lucas Stark, Maddy Gill, Tiarna Vann, Sophia Rafter, Quin Du Plooy, Maya Read, Bear Cranston, Mason Stark, Jaxon Mitchell, Isaac Davey, Amanhi Manz, Benji Morris, Eden Harris, Leo Kirby.

Link to class viewing and purchasing times: Bookfair Timetable

Online Safety

Below are links to this week's helpful hints on keeping your child safe online. The links, this week discuss how to support your child in developing good habits when online and how parents can be aware of what your child is interacting with through a trusting relationship.

https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/social-media-smarts.html

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/articles/11-social-media-red-flags-parents-should-know-about

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

Important Dates Term Four

October

Monday 17th - Book Fair commences in library

Friday 21st - Year 1C assembly 8.40am.

Friday 21st - World Teachers' Day

Monday 24th - 2023 Prep Orientation session

Thursday 27th - 2023 Prep Orientation session

Thursday 27th - St Ursula's College visiting to speak with our Year 6 girls.

Friday 28th - Year 1G assembly 8.40am.

Friday 28th - Day for Daniel

Friday 28th - Year 6s leave for camp.

November

Tuesday 1st - All Saints' day

Thursday 3rd - Year 6s return from camp

Friday 4th - Grandparents' Day assembly 8.40am with Year 2S presenting. Morning tea afterwards.

Friday 4th - Super 8s cricket finals in Rockhampton

Tuesday 8th - Instrumental music concert in our multi-purpose area (time to be confirmed).

Friday 11th - Remembrance Day assembly with Year 6B presenting.

Friday 11th - Year 6 St Ursulas' Orientation Day

Monday 14th - Prep and Year 1 swimming lessons commence.

Friday 18th - Year 6KR assembly 8.40am.

Monday 21st - Year 4 to 6 swimming carnival.

Wednesday 23rd - Year 1 to 3 swimming carnival.

Thursday 24th - Presentation Day celebrations at school

Friday 25th - Prep assembly 8.40am.

Monday 28th - End of Year whole school mass from 9am

Monday 28th - Year 6 End of Primary School dinner from 5.30pm.

Tuesday 29th - End of Year school concert

Tuesday 29th - Semester Two report cards available from 4pm.

December

Friday 2nd - Whole school assembly 8.40am.

Friday 2nd - Final day of the school year.

Student Awards

Prep	Van Richter, Finn Fleming, Emily O'Brien, Quinn Campaniello, Charlie Robinson, Archie Aupouri, Hannah Flanders, Nicholas Rendell, Sophia Small, Jaxon Condon, Ava Mcamara, Noah Oates, Lachlan Roberston, Axel Sutton
Year 1	Milo Hatte, Goldie Shammall, Charlotte Inch, Cara Sparks, Chad Philp, Chase Dawson, Jack McCartney, Star Mayer, Leilani Du Plooy

Year 2	Amelia Crick, Lola Mathias-Watt, Eliza Nunn, Lucas Stark, Henry Goldman, Mia Cassidy, Harper Hiron, Willow Mills, Jesse Martin
Year 3	Bailey Goodland, Jayden Scott, Macy Gould, Beau Hoare, Georgia Blackwood, Tiarna Vann, Micah Hawkes, Linkoln Eleveld, Aria Mahoney, Ben Sharp, Lucy Warrick, Ella-Louise Reynolds
Year 4	Ethan Bell, Amira Mitchell, Louis Ivers, Jake Nix, Lula Hart, Beckett Catt, Olive Allen, Harley Neagle, Isla Kirby
Year 5	Nate Farelly, Amahni Manz
Year 6	Elliot Guhr, Nate Bunt, India Hawkes, Sienna Hawkes, Niah Frethey, Keyleigh Johnson, Lexie Rothall

MJR Awards

Toby Apps Year 2 for noticing when a friend needed extra support.

Austin Jackson Year 3 for your cheerful good mornings. Thank you for always looking out for your friends.

Indigo Crosby Year 3 for the kindness and generosity you showed when helping a classmate complete their work. Thank you for your compassion.

Noah Frethey, Davis McDonald, Jet Ryan, Max Dadson, Aiden Goodger Year 6 for the leadership and determination shown when representing our school last weekend.



Parish Melbourne Cup Luncheon

A Melbourne Cup morning tea is being organised by our parish and you are invited to attend on Tuesday 1st November from midday at the community room adjacent to Sacred Heart Church.

Entry is \$25.

Sweep and multi-draw tickets will be on sale. Prize for the best dressed.

Children from Sacred Heart School will be providing entertainment.

Proceeds will go to St Vincent de Paul.

For bookings, phone the parish office on 4933 6171.



School Swimming Lessons and Carnivals

Week 2 saw the start of swimming lessons. These take place at the Cooee Bay aquatic complex, with our children being bussed to and from the pool.

Our Years 2 to 6 classes will participate in weekly lessons, either on a Monday or Thursday during weeks 3 to 6.

Children in Prep and Year 1 will participate in an intensive four days of swimming lessons, taking place in Week 7 (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday).

The following classes will swim on Mondays: 2W, 2H, 2S, 3M, 3D, 3A, 6B, 6G.

Classes swimming on Thursdays: 4M, 4H, 4E, 5J, 5S, 5MD, 6KR.

Our Year 1 to 3 swimming carnival will take place on Wednesday 23rd November.

Our Year 4 to 6 swimming carnival will take place on Monday 21st November.

Children are required to wear a sunsafe shirt for swimming and a pair of sandals or though to wear to and from the pool.

Swimming lesson cost will be added to Term 4 school fees.

Book Fair

Book Fair is coming to Sacred Heart next week.

Our library will be open on Tuesday 18th October from 3.30pm to 6pm for parents and families to view and purchase Book Fair items. Also on Wednesday 19th October and Thursday 20th October from 8.30am to 3.15pm.

Looking forward to seeing lots of our families in our library.



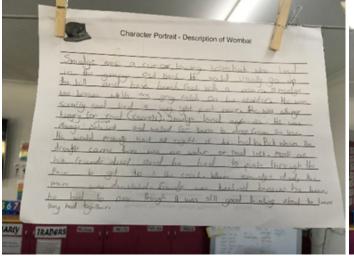
Year 4 Writing

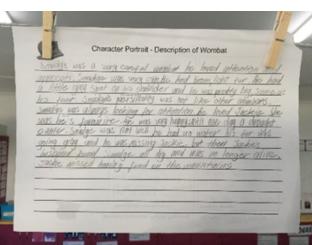
This term, the Year 4s are completing an author's spotlight on Jackie French. They have read the 'Diary of a Wombat' series and compared these texts to another wombat text, 'Smudge.' Students created a character profile on Smudge. Smudge is based on the real-life relationship that Jackie French had and tells the heartbreaking story of building a relationship with Smudge, only to have him pass away during a severe drought.

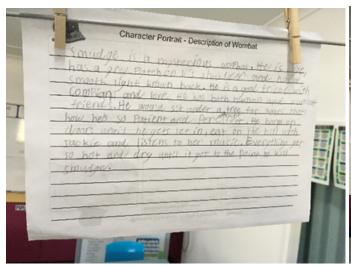
Year 4s have read 'Drought' and 'Flood' and compared these to other text written about natural disasters looking at language features, imagery, and vocabulary choices to affect the reader.

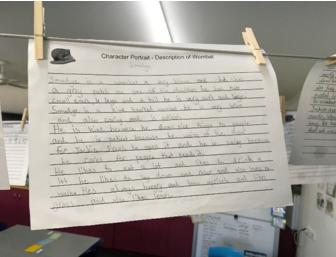
We have been eager to learn about Jackie French and know she suffers from dyslexia which affects her spelling but this doesn't stop her. She states that having original ideas, creativity and imagination are more important in the writing process.

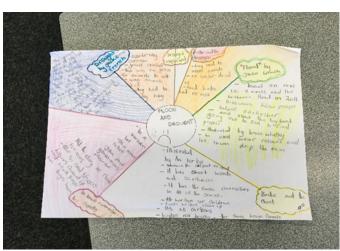
At the end of this unit, hopefully all the children can see themselves as writers and be inspired by our learning.

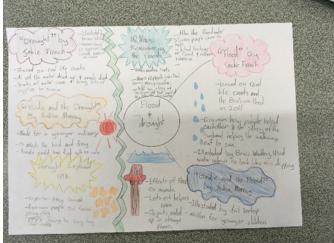


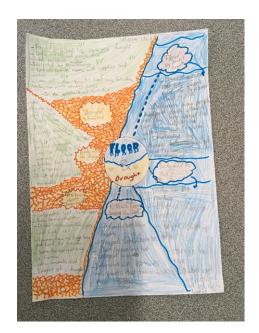












2022 NAIDOC Week Award

Congratulations to one of our Preps, Vincent Neeve who entered this year's National NAIDOC Week colouring in competition and has been named as one of the 25 winners from across Queensland.

Vincent received a special medal in acknowledgement of this achievement.

Well done.



Socktober



Next Thursday, we will be raising money for Mission Australia by having a 'Crazy Sock Day'.

Children are asked to wear crazy socks to school and bring a gold coin donation.

A sock will be distributed to each class. This will be filled and hung on a clothesline at the front of our office.

Thank you for your anticipated support of this event.

Companion Cup Rugby League

Last Saturday, Sacred Heart played St Benedict's for the Companion Cup as a curtain raiser to the St Brendan's Old Boy's First XIII rugby league game.

Both teams played extremely well considering it has been some time since their last school game. Lots of attacking football was on display however it was the defence of both sides that was the highlight.

Sacred Heart ran out winners 16-14. Well done to all boys who took the field in particular our player of the match; Cash Warner.

Special thanks to all our supporters and team trainers: Mr O'Brien, Mr Nielsen and Mr Pacey.



Community News





Bring your reusable water bottle (water top ups will be provided). Also bring an old T-Shirt to get the ReefClean logo screen printed.

Catering will be supplied.

Music, fun activities on the beach, games and competitions involving items from the beach clean-up will be a part of the day.

Email Janeen at admin@capcatchments.org.au or

Directly register on Eventbrite https://www.eventbrite.com.au/.../farnborough-beach-great...

RSPV: Friday, 21st October 2022 by 9am

