

10th November 2022

From the Principal's Desk

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



Last Friday, our Year 6s were watching the current affairs program, 'Behind The News' and one of the segments was dedicated to the 80th anniversary of the Australian campaign in Papua New Guinea during World War II.

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. (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 from 8.40am, our Year 6B class 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, our school's annual Christmas appeal is well under way.

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 Our APRE

Einstein vows that those who follow the crowd, go no further than the crowd.

We strive to encourage all students to stand up for what they believe in and follow what they know is right. It sounds easy, but this is definitely not the case. As a child sometimes you so badly want to fit in that it makes sense to follow the crowd, even when you realise that it is not always the right thing to do. As parents and teachers, it is our responsibility to talk to our children and give them the wisdom to make good choices.

This week's Gospel (Luke 21:5-19), Jesus explains to the disciples that they will be betrayed in life and sometimes it will be by someone they know, even friends and relatives.

Basically, sometimes in life we have to make a stand for what we believe in and know is right. This can be extremely hard when it goes against someone close to us. Jesus tells us that even though unfortunate things might happen around us, we should not be afraid. He says that we are safe because we belong to him and believe in him. Jesus gives us wisdom when we find things hard to understand or when difficult things happen.

Let us pray for wisdom when we find things hard to understand or when difficult things happen.

Make sure you share your wisdom,

Melissa Collins

From Our APC

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

This outing demonstrates that children do not always need to be contained within the walls of a classroom to learn. Learning activities outside the classroom are often authentic, interactive and build on classroom learning.

Research tells us, students who engage in learning experiences outside of the classroom have higher levels of motivation, recall the learning material more vividly, and have improved academic performance (*Takeuchi et al., 2016; Ryan and Deci, 2017*).

Five key reasons for learning in a variety of spaces:

- 1. Supports the development of social and personal skills.
- 2. Develops observation and perception skills.
- 3. Adds relevance and meaning to what students are learning.
- 4. Provides first-hand real-world experiences.
- 5. Enhances intrinsic motivation and interest in the subject students are learning.

What did our Year 1 students learn from their excursion?

Eden 1C: The beach is a natural feature.

Jack 1C: We need to look after our environment and not leave rubbish on the ground.

Charlotte 1R: The grass is a natural feature and needs maintaining, so the council have paths for people to walk on.

Freddy 1R: Some things that people think are are constructed are actually managed as well. Bins are constructed and managed because they are emptied.

Alan 1G: We learnt about special places and how we care for them and maintain them.

Reuben 1G: Kraken is constructed, but it needs to be managed to keep it clean for people to use.

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

November

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 and 2/3 swimming carnivals.

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.

Confirmation of 2023 Enrolment

Thank you to families that have completed the confirmation of enrolment form for 2023. These are due back by tomorrow, Friday 11th November.

Your completion of this, enables us to plan for our 2023 school year. Thank you for your support in this regard. Follow the <u>link</u> to this form.

Library News

Thank you to all families that supported Book Fair. It was a huge success and our school has benefited greatly from the rewards received. All back orders have now been delivered to students.

Scholastic Book Club Issue 8 is now open for LOOP orders. The LOOP will be open until Tuesday 15th November.

Mrs O'Brien and Mrs Wilczek



MJR Awards

Jack Eyles Year 2 for volunteering to help a classmate who needed assistance.

Georgia Deasy, Evie Richards, Sienna Hawkes, Brooke McQuillan, Armani Hurt, Brydi Young, Indigo Hart and Ruby Smith Year 6 for representing Sacred Heart with skill and commitment at the regional Super 8s carnival. Well done, girls. Wonderful ambassadors for our school.

Student Awards

Prep	Finn Fleming, Raiden Dawson, Annabelle McDougall, Zaylee Luckey, Torah Pearce, Kai Elliot, Finnlay Beecheno, Schuyler Joyce- Lee Hornagold, Porsha Mundy, Tulip Allen, Mila McKenna, Claire Martin, Luka Kangan, Jack McCoombes
Year 1	Jett Graham, Ruby Sawrey, Finn McIvor, Madeline Ohl, Paisley Nicholls, Indianna Solis, Kelly Cogill, Jack McCartney
Year 2	Emersyn Bacon, Harris Gould, Hugo McPherson, James Whiting, Noah Hartley, Jacob Flanders
Year 3	Nate Elliott, Denzel Wolff, Hayden Pont, Aria Mahoney, Alexa Mattingley, Connor Dixon, Addison Toby, Austen Carige
Year 4	Archie McPherson, Aria Richards, Max French, Annabel Sykes, Will White

Fr Andrew and Mass Visit

Over the past fortnight, we have been fortunate to have Father Andrew meeting with several year levels to discuss topics they have been learning in their Religion lessons.

Our Prep children celebrated a mass at church and Year 4 learnt about the Sacrament of Healing.

Thank you, Father Andrew.





Prep and Year 1 Swimming Lessons

Next week, our Preps and Year 1s will be involved in their intensive swimming program as part of our school PE program. It will run from Monday 14th November to Friday 18th November. (No classes on Wednesday.)

All our Prep and Year 1 children will be involved. The following are details in regard to this program:

Swimming lessons will be conducted by four qualified instructors at the Cooee Bay pool.

- Children will be in groups of 4 to 6. (Ability groups)
- Cost is \$33 for Preps and Year 1 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.
- Ensure names are clearly written on all required items.

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

Prep M from 11.30am. Prep K from 12pm. Prep C from 12.30pm. Year 1C from 1pm. Year 1R from 1.30pm. Year 1G from 2pm

If you have any queries, contact Mrs Kingston, Mrs McGuire, Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Campbell, Mrs Ross and Mrs Gilliland.

Parents and carers are asked not to attend these lessons. Thank you. Looking forward to an exciting week.

Timetable for Year 1 and Year 2 / 3 Swimming Carnivals

On Wednesday 23rd November, we will be having two swimming carnivals at the Cooee Bay pool.

The Year 2 and 3 carnival will commence at 11.40am 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.

11.25am	Year 2 and 3 students depart Sacred Heart by bus
11.40am	Year 2 Freestyle (25m)
12pm	Year 3 Freestyle (25m)
12.20pm	Year 2 Backstroke (25m)
12.40pm	Year 3 Backstroke (25m)
1pm	Year 2 Breaststroke (25m)
1.20pm	Year 3 Breaststroke (25m)
1.40pm	Year 2 and 3 students depart Cooee Bay pool by bus

Our Year 1 carnival will commence at 9.15am. They will also be bussed to and from the pool.

Following is a timetable for this carnival.

9am	Year 1 students depart Sacred Heart by bus
9.15am	Freestyle (20m)
9.35am	Backstroke (20m)
9:55pm	Noodle race (20m)
10.20pm	Year 1 students depart Cooee Bay pool by bus

Years 4 to 6 Swimming Carnival

Our Years 4-6 swimming carnival will take place on Monday 21st November at the Cooee Bay Aquatic Centre.

All children will come to school as normal on the carnival day. Classes will be bussed to the pool with their class teacher. The events will commence at 9:15am.

Children may wear a sun safe shirt in the colour of their sporting house. Closed in school shoes must be worn to and from school. Children may bring thongs or sandals to wear at the pool.

Please ensure your child has their hat, water bottle and lunch packed to bring to the carnival. Our children will not be accessing the canteen at the pool.

At the conclusion of our carnival, all our Years 4, 5 and 6 children will be returning to school by bus.

If you have any queries regarding the swimming carnival contact our school office.

Following is a timetable with approximate times for events:

8.50am Year 4 to 6 children leave school by bus.
9.15am 100m freestyle 9-12 years
9.40am 25m freestyle 9-12 years
10.05am 50m freestyle 9-12 years
10.30am 25m breaststroke 9-12 years
10.55am 50m breaststroke 9-12 years
11.25am 25m backstroke 9-12 years

11.50am 50m backstroke 9-12 years 12.15pm 25m butterfly 9-12 years 12.40pm 50 butterfly 9-12 years

1pm All children bussed back to school.

1.10pm Presentation of age champions and winning house in our multi-purpose area.

Regional Super 8s Cricket Carnival

Last Friday, our girl's and boy's cricket teams competed at the regional Super 8s carnival in Rockhampton.

Our boy's team won two games and were extremely competitive in their other four matches.

Our girl's side won all their preliminary games, their semi final and played Taranganba SS in the final.

They were defeated in this game which went down to the last overs.

Well done to both our teams, especially our girls.





Grandparent's Day Assembly and Morning Tea

Last Friday, our Year 2S children presented their assembly of thanksgiving for our grandparents. It was amazing to have so many present at this event and there was a real sense of family permeating.

Thank you to 2S for being so well prepared and respectful at this time.

Wonderful morning tea prepared by our parents also.















Instrumental Concert

Our instrumental students entertained us with their musical skills this week. From singing to percussion to the saxophone, our children are extremely talented.

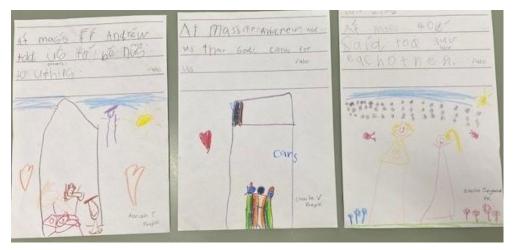
Thank you to their dedicated teachers; Mrs Jane Bacon, Mrs Tink Boyd, Mrs Aleta Ballment, Mrs Kate Ellis and Mrs Judy Carling for the commitment to our children.





Prep Writing

After attending a mass with Father Andrew, our Preps wrote about this experience.





Stella Aariah Charlie Liam

Community News



Bring your family for an afternoon of Christmas songs to get you in the mood for the festive season. There's just one show and tickets are only \$10 per person at the door!



Featuring Members of the Yeppoon Choral Society & a few special guests

2:00pm Sat 26 November Yeppoon Town Hall