



24th August 2023

### From the Principal's Desk

A man stormed up to the front desk of the library and said, "I have a complaint."

"Yes, sir," answered the librarian.

"I borrowed a book last week and it was terrible."

"What was wrong with it?" asked the librarian.

"It had way too many characters and there was no plot whatsoever."

The librarian nodded and said, "Ah, so you must be the person who took our phone book."

Once again Book Week is upon us. Our school library is a vibrant learning environment and our Dress Up parade today was amazing.

Our library coordinator, Mrs Rachel Holloway has done a wonderful job displaying this year's short listed books and enticing our children to come into the library.

If you have the chance, read 'My Strange Shrinking Parents' and 'Lionel and Me', two of this year's finalists.

It has also been wonderful to see so many of our children enjoying their reading as I visit classrooms and many are taking the time at lunch to catch up on their novels.

Strong links abound between young people who read for pleasure and are read to and their success in education. Why?

1. Reading expands young people's vocabularies.
2. Reading leads to a solid core of general knowledge.
3. Reading improves comprehension skills which improves ability to do well on tests.
4. Reading can be a source of simple, reflective pleasure in the busyness of life.
5. Reading gives our children the power to wield words in an effective and professional manner.
6. Reading expands horizons, by showing young people whole other life journeys and cultures. They learn that their own problems may not be as dire when compared to the lives' of others.

Young people today actually do more reading than those of ten years ago. But that reading is low level: text off phones, Instagram, Google and other social media offerings.

My wife and I can often remember vainly, placing classic books and better quality magazines in front of our own progeny and it can be like heading a horse to water.

As parents and carers, keep battling because creating a 'good reader' assists in creating a better educated, more well rounded person.

Take care

Mr Max Martin



## From Our APRE

Religious Education helps shape our children's journey of self-discovery and purpose.

As parents and carers, you play a pivotal role in nurturing your child's growth, guiding them as they explore the world and search for meaning. It's the love and support you provide that truly kickstarts their journey.

Nurturing love is like the soil that helps a seedling grow into a magnificent tree. You are that nurturing soil. The love and care you give your children provide the foundation for their exploration of themselves and the world around them.

This week, the Sacred Heart staff received professional development on the importance strategies that maximise impact when teaching Religion including open dialogue and inquiry and the impact that it has on the education of our students in all learning areas.

Religious Education is a scholastic discipline that encourages our students to engage deeply with their personal experiences and the world we live in today. Through this unique curriculum, our young learners become critical and effective participants in their faith communities. Our teachers work to ensure that Religious Education is responsive to your child's religious experiences.

So, what's the aim of Religious Education in Australian Catholic Schools?

It's a powerful one: to develop our students' knowledge and understanding of Christianity in the light of Jesus and the Gospels.

Religious Education expands our students' spiritual awareness and religious identity, fostering their abilities to discern, interpret, think critically, seek truth, and make meaning. It also challenges and inspires them to serve others and engage actively in our world.

As parents and carers, you are an indispensable part of this journey. Your involvement and support are like the wind beneath their wings. As our students explore, question, and discover, they'll look to you for guidance. Your encouragement, your discussions, and your shared experiences help them connect the dots and find their purpose.

Thank you for entrusting us with your children. Together, we'll continue to nurture their growth, foster their inquisitiveness, and guide them in their pursuit of meaning and purpose.

Have a great weekend

Mrs Melissa Collins

## From Our APC

Last week, I attended the Rockhampton Catholic Education Curriculum conference, engaging with a number of guest speakers from across the country and fellow APCs.

Nick Parkinson from the Grattan Institute showcased research and shared visions on 'How to implement a whole-school curriculum approach', outlining 'Why curriculum matters' and 'Addressing common fears'.

Dr Matt Capp from Capitalise Education presented practical ideas on embedding differentiated instruction into lessons and effective evidence-based usage of teacher assistants to support the learning process.

Phillipa Johnson from the Catholic Education Office shared an insight into Aboriginal pedagogies, outlining at times it is not always 'What we teach, but how we teach'.

### **Premier's Reading Challenge**

Friday 25th August is the last day for participating in this year's reading challenge. All reading forms need to be returned to school by Monday 28th.

The Parents Connect raffle draw will take place next term, with someone from each class winning a \$20 voucher to spend at the Bookfair in Week 2, Term 4.



Have a wonderful week,

Mrs Lisa List

## Important Dates Term 3

### August

Friday 25th - Year 5 and 6 gala sports day and final day for Premier's Reading Challenge.

Tuesday 29th to Thursday 31st - Sacred Heart School external review

Thursday 31st - Father's Day breakfast at school commencing at 7.30am.

### September

Friday 1st - Pupil free day.

Wednesday 13th - Catholic Interschool Year 6 touch football carnival in Rockhampton

Thursday 14th - Interschool Super 8s cricket carnival at Barmaryee sports complex for Years 6 and 5.

Friday 15th - Final day of Term 3.

## Capricorn Coast Catholic Parish

Here is the Sacred Heart Church bulletin for this week. Stay connected and enjoy. [Link to Bulletin](#)

## School Fees

Thank you to those families who have paid their Term 3 school fees. They are now overdue.

If your fees are still outstanding, contact Mrs Stacey Todman on 49948215 to arrange payment or discuss payment plan options.

## Welcome

We welcome Elke (Year 1) and Jack (Year 3) and their parents, Mellanie and Nathan into our school family.

## Lantern Awards



Isaac Davey Year 6 Compassion  
- For giving of your time to assist with our Friday Breakfast Club.  
Thank you.

Jacob Flanders Year 3 Courage -  
For being so committed to your HaSS studies and doing that 'little bit extra'. Well done.



## Student Awards

<b>Prep</b>	Piper Mahoney, Linus Vandelanotte, Connor Ohl, Sennetter Freeman, Nashua Solis, Parker Holloway, Astrid Robinson
<b>Year 1</b>	Nicholas Rendell, Lachlan Robertson, Alexis Hutchison
<b>Year 2</b>	Mason Krause, Madeline Grob, Zara Carpenter, Madeline Ohl, Parker Prayle
<b>Year 3</b>	Jack Eyles, Milla Sykes, Toby Apps
<b>Year 4</b>	Willem Shackleton, Sienna Foley
<b>Year 5</b>	Levi Bone, Dylan Barnes, Charlie McKeown, Chelsea Allen, Archer McPherson
<b>Year 6</b>	Samuel Miller, Mackenzie Smith, Kai Nielsen, Evie Eyles



## Year 5 - Gold Rush Day

Our Year 5s have been learning about life on the gold fields in HaSS.

Last Friday, they came dressed as the character that they are playing in their class gold rush game.

Their Gold Rush day included fossicking, damper making, playing games from the 1850s and many other educational pursuits.



## Pupil Free Day

Friday 1st September is a pupil free day for all Queensland schools.

Our staff will be involved in professional development sessions on this day.

Children are not required to be at school on Friday 1st. Thank you.

## Father's Day Breakfast

Our Father's Day breakfast and assembly will be held next Thursday 31st August.

Sausage sizzle breakfast from 7.30am and assembly from 8.40am in our multi-purpose area. Year 2H is presenting assembly.

Hope to see lots of families for breakfast and assembly.

## Prep, Year 1 and 2 Assembly

This assembly will be held tomorrow Friday 25th from 8.40am in our multi-purpose area.

All welcome.

## School Review - NSIT

Next week (Tuesday to Thursday), our school will be undergoing a school review know as the NSIT (National School Improvement Tool). External reviewers: Mr Trevor Gordon, Mrs Carmel Kris and Mr Mike Kelso will be conducting interviews, visiting classes and examining school documenting pertaining to curriculum, learning support, our overall management in order to compile a report which will be used to guide our school over the next five years.

## Movie Night

Many thanks to our Parents Connect group for hosting our movie night last Friday.

The 'Super Mario Brothers' was an entertaining film and it was wonderful to see so many of our families in attendance.

To Mr Ian Rendell for setting up audio and visual equipment. A job well done.

Looking forward to our next screening.



## Year 5 and 6 Interschool Sports Day

Our second interschool sports day will take place tomorrow for Year 5 and 6 children. Touch football, soccer and tee ball are being played.

Buses will transport our children and depart school at 8:50am and return by 2:30pm.

Soccer and touch are at the Barmaryee fields and tee ball at Yeppoon State Primary School.

Students with touch and soccer boots may bring them to school to change into at the fields. Students playing soccer require shin pads.

School uniforms are to be worn to school. Morning tea, lunch and a water bottle are required. A canteen will be open for those playing at Barmaryee.

All Year 5 and 6 teachers, Mrs List, Mr O'Brien and Mr Pacey will be supervising our children.

## Capras' Cup Final

Last Saturday, Sacred Heart travelled to Browne Park, Rockhampton to play St Anthony's in the final of our regional Under 10s Capras' Cup.

The team played quite strongly against a well drilled and speedy side. The final score 32-18 to St Anthony's.

Well done to our 15 players especially Beckett Catt who was named our player of the final.

Thank you to all our supporters who made the trip and to Mr Pacey and Mr O'Brien for coaching.



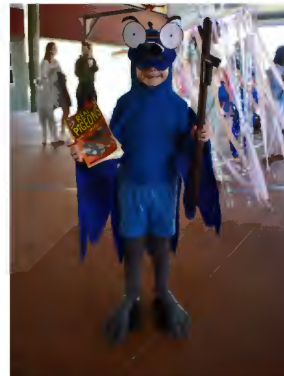
## Book Week Colouring In Competition Winners

Congratulations to the following children who were chosen at our Book Week Colouring In competition winners.



Prep	Ethan Mahoney
Year 1	Molly Chenoweth
Year 2	Lewis Cauchi
Year 3	Presley Phillips
Year 4	Liya Hamilton
Year 5	Annabel Sykes
Year 6	Eden Kalie

## Book Parade





Book Parade Continued









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