Dear Parents and Friends,
As the term draws to a close, I would like to thank all the teachers, staff and students for the productive term we have had. During the term we achieved many things. We have also been hit with much sickness and we hope that the two weeks of holidays will give everyone in our community time to recuperate and get ready for the final term of the year. I pray that we all have a restful and safe holiday and return to our beautiful school ready and raring to have a productive Term 4.

From our Catholic Education Director – John Mula
The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has used its 2016 Social Justice Statement to promote the value and dignity of older Australians and to highlight the contribution they make to society.

It calls for justice for those who are most vulnerable and warns about a view of older people as burdensome or dispensable. In a society in which older people are being asked to work beyond the traditional retirement age, the Bishops have also called for the benefits of work to be shared equitably. We must be especially aware of the needs of those who enter retirement in poverty or are particularly vulnerable to economic hardship, social isolation or exploitation.

The Bishops consider the circumstances of those who are approaching the end of their lives and warn of the loneliness, ageism and abuse that older people can experience. In particular, the Bishops warn about implications of the current community debate on euthanasia.

“A Place at the Table: Social justice in an ageing society” was launched last week at the Australian Catholic Press Association conference in Sydney. The statement challenges readers to recognise the significant contribution older Australians make to society and emphasises that this contribution should not be valued in mere economic terms.

The Bishops’ statement calls for communities of mercy and love – where people reach out and minister to vulnerable older people, where bonds between generations are built up, and where no one is cast as being a burden or as rivals to younger generations.

Social Justice Sunday will be celebrated this Sunday (25 September). The Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website will have resources available for download free of charge before Social Justice Sunday. They will include Social Justice Sunday Liturgy Notes, a PowerPoint presentation and resources for schools and social justice groups.

Uniform
The changeover to summer uniform will be Week 1 of Term 4 (Monday 10th to Friday 14th October). All students will be required to be in summer uniform by Monday 17th October. The Uniform Store is open each Wednesday during school term time from 2pm – 4pm. If we happen to have a really cold day, then students are able to wear their full winter uniform on this day. However, a mixture of summer and winter uniform will not be allowed.

Condolences – Natasha Webster (Library Technician) and Kate Jackson (Grade 3 Teacher)
We offer our condolences to the Webster and Jackson families, who lost a family member over the past two weeks. We keep their families in our prayers during this sad time.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord
and may perpetual light shine upon them
May they rest in peace
AFL Day
Tomorrow Friday (23rd September) Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School is celebrating AFL Day by having a parade and a Meal Deal lunch at school. The Parade will be at 9am in the Hall. All students and parents are invited to dress up in their favourite AFL team colours. Please note: students do not have to wear AFL gear to be part of the parade. Wearing clothes that are the colour of your AFL team is a wonderful and inexpensive exercise.

Soccer Presentations
Last Friday 16th September the Immaculate Heart of Mary Soccer teams celebrated the end of the season by having a BBQ and a medallion ceremony at school. It was a lovely occasion with the majority of players attending. I would like to thank all the coaches, managers and parents for the fantastic job they did this season. The school was very proud with the way all students represented us each Saturday.

Sunday Lagu – First Eucharist
Congratulations to Sunday Lagu (Grade 4) for celebrating the Sacrament of Eucharist on Sunday 18th of May at St John’s Parish (Glenorchy). This is a special time in her life and on behalf of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School we say: well done and congratulations!

The Notables
Last night it was great to see many students present their famous/infamous person to the students and parents. The children have been working with Mr Paul Egan on a Wednesday and spending time at home organising the presentation. It was a fantastic night with all children presenting beautifully. The students had to commit to:
• Participating in one weekly 45 minute session each Wednesday.
• Researching and presenting information about your ‘Notable’.
• Creating a learning centre around their ‘Notable’.
• Answering questions about their ‘Notable’ in front of an audience.
• Working in their own time to present the work.
• Dress up as their ‘Notable’.
• Come to an evening session and present this to parents. I would like to thank Mr Egan for his superb leadership in organising the event, the students who presented and the parents for supporting their child.

Basketball
Many students have been training in preparation to play in the Southern Primary School Basketball Championships, which is to be held on Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th October. All students have been practicing very well and we are all looking forward to the tournament. I would like to thank Mrs Kellie Vinen, Mr Nathan Kingston, Mr Peter McLoughlin, Mr Steve Hyland and Mrs Kylie Kop for their commitment in coaching and organising the teams. I look forward to seeing everyone play.
**Mercy Door**
Ms Rosemary O’Rourke, a parent and Kinder Teacher Assistant at Immaculate Heart, co-ordinated a Mercy Door project for our Chapel entrance. Five students from each class participated by creating and drawing an image which had significance to the Year of Mercy. It has taken a number of weeks to co-ordinate with Rosemary volunteering many hours of her time to complete. She has done a magnificent job and it has deepened the students’ understanding of the meaning of the Year of Mercy.

**Sacramental Preparation**
The Sacramental preparation is just about to begin! Children from Grade 2 to Grade 6 who are interested in receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist should join in! This year (like last year) in conjunction with St Mary’s Cathedral Parish we will be offering sessions after school to the children to prepare them for these Sacraments. I will be the person responsible for preparing the children. The sessions will be held in the Chapel on Wednesdays from 3.15pm to 3.45pm, parents or a guardian will be expected to be part of the sessions. This program will continue into 2017.

This is a great opportunity for your child to continue their faith journey. The cost of the program is $30, however, the school will be happy to support the children and pay for every child involved.

There will be a Mass component, however, I will support all the children at the Sunday evening Mass at 6pm when they are required to attend. I will hand out another form to students in the near future for parents to fill out. Last year we had seven students participate in this program.

Have a great two week break and see you on Monday 10th October (Prep to Grade 6) and Tuesday 11th October (Kindergarten).

God bless

Mr Nick McGann
Principal

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Tasmanian Catholic Schools Parents Council
Conference and AGM

Catholic School Parents – Prepared for the Future

Saturday, 22 October 2016 - 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Don Bosco Creative Arts Centre, Guilford Young College,
76 Bowden Street, Glenorchy

Morning Session
9:30 AM to 12:15 PM
• Brendan McManus
  President, Tas Catholic School Parents Council
• Jeremy Rockliff
  Deputy Premier and Minister of Education
• His Grace, Julian Porteus
  Catholic Archbishop of Hobart & Patron TCSPC
• John Mula
  Director, Tasmanian Catholic Education Office
• Shelley Hill
  Vice President, Parents Australia
• Tony O’Byrne
  Chair, Catholic Schools Parents Australia

Afternoon Session
1:00 PM to 3:40 PM

Part A – #Parentech
(Jointly hosted by the Tasmania Catholic Schools Parents Council and Australian Parents Council)
• Martine Ogelthorpe, Parent, Parent Educator, Writer, Speaker, Counsellor - Parenting in the digital age. Includes Q and A
• Jacqui Van de Velde-Gilbert, Board Chair for Mount St Benedict College Pennant Hills NSW and Professional Education Consultant - Engaging students and parents in the digital age
• Panel Discussion

Part B - Annual General Meeting
4:00 PM to 4:30 PM

Saturday Cost $15.00 - Includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

National Forum and Information Exchange

Friday, 21 October 2016
Best Western Hotel, 156 Bathurst St. Hobart
12:45PM to 6:45 PM
• Caz Bosch, President Australian Parents Council
• Senator Jonathon Duniam, Liberal, Tasmania
• Nina Downes, Commonwealth Department of Education on Free Learning Potential App for parents which is packed with tips and inspiring ways to be more involved in children’s learning from the high chair to high school
• Rob Randall, CEO of ACARA on Naplan online and Australian Curriculum learning priorities for Technology for K-12
• Special movie screening and facilitated discussion on parenting in the digital age.
• Finger Food and drinks from 5:45 to 6:45 PM
Cost $44.00 (includes GST)

Saturday Night Dinner
All Welcome
6:30 for 7:00 PM
Best Western Hotel
156 Bathurst Street, Hobart
Join delegates of the Australian Parents Council and the Tasmanian Catholic Schools Parents Council Conference for an evening meal.
Cost $90.00 (includes GST)
Beer/Wine/Soft Drink Provided with meal.

Please email catholicparents@bigpond.com to register for any/all events
The very first Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School Fair is nearly here!

We would like to thank everyone for the donations we have already received – the support has been fantastic.

The P&F are fundraising and saving for all the Fair requirements, but we will need some additional help if you can provide it! Below is a roster for items we would love to receive, the list is staggered so we have the time to sort, organise and store the donations.

*We do not expect you to donate something every week, but if you have the items available or are able to, then we would really appreciate it.*

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Please see over for some notes and suggestions for Tombola Jars and lucky dip bags 😊

A basket/ bin will be placed near each class room for the donations to be placed in.

Once again thank you for all your support providing donations for the Fair – it’s going to be a great night and we can’t wait to see you there!

Kind regards, Members of the P&F and the Board

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Tombola Jars

What is a tombola?

A Tombola is a decorated plastic container or glass jar of any size that you fill with treats that children would like. For $2, children choose a ticket and then receive the Tombola jar that matches their ticket.

Ideas on what to put in a Tombola Jar?

You can fill Tombola Jars with just about anything over the value of $2. Use your imagination and creativity, but some ideas include: wrapped lollies and chocolates - nail polish - toy cars - hair bands & clips - small toys - glitter pens - marbles - play dough - textas, pens, Pencils & novelty erasers. Anything that’s little and can fit in the jar!

When filling your Tombola with edible items we will only be able to accept commercially wrapped lollies due to health and safety reasons. Avoid items that might cause allergies.

Preparing a Tombola Jar

Soak your jar in hot soapy water to help remove labels. If you still have sticky residue after washing, use some eucalyptus oil on a cotton pad to remove it. Some jars may need a few days air before filling.

Tombola Jar Collection

You can bring your Tombola jar donation in right up until the day of the fair. Jars can be taken to your child’s classroom

We are happy to receive donations of empty jars and/or little items to fill them – if you don’t have time to make one we’re happy to do it for you 😊

Lucky Dip

Lucky dip is historically popular with the kids! It’s exciting to not know what you’re going to find in the bag or under the paper!

We have received a lot of thoughtful donations so far, thank you!

Can we ask that if you wrap your item that you also place a removable note on front letting us know what’s inside?

We would like to separate the donations into Boys / Girls / both gender Lucky Dips if we can (more so the boys don’t get glittery hair clips if they don’t want them!), we don’t want to open up your lovely wrapping so a note would be very helpful 😊

Thank you for your support and donations so far 😊

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Catholic Mission
Socktober Appeal 2016
Faith that makes a difference

Financial and Prayerful support for
Education
Hygiene Programs
Feeding Programs

IHMCS CRAZY SOCK DAY

Please get your CRAZIEST socks ready to wear to school on October 13th. (first Thursday after the holidays)

Your gold coin donation will help Catholic Mission to assist the people of Cambodia

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Socktober is an activity of Catholic Mission and is one way you can engage in World Mission Month during October, or throughout the year.

World Mission Month
Friends Health & Fitness is offering a quality School Holiday program for children aged 6-15 years.

A comprehensive fitness health and wellbeing program that will offer children a variety of activities that will include:

- A fitness circuit (presented by a qualified Personal Trainer)
- Pool games and activities (presented by our swim instructors)
- Dance for kids (with a qualified instructor)
- And one of the following sports: basketball, hockey or soccer will be offered on each day of the program (presented by top quality coaches).

Programs will be offered from 11.30am – 4pm on:

- Friday 30 September (Basketball with Hobart Lady Chargers player Kathleen Scheer)
- Tuesday 4 October (Hockey with Hockey Tasmania Coach, Mick Gregory)
- Friday 7 October (Soccer with coaches Tyler Harrison and Tom Riley of Hobart JEEP Zebras)

The programs will only go ahead if there are suitable numbers to make it viable, so if this program appeals to you and your children, enrol now!

Contact Friends Health & Fitness for more information on 62 102 241 or visit our website to download a brochure/enrolment form.