'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than this.”
(Mark:12:31)

Dear Community Members,
What a busy couple of weeks! We had so many events. Some of these were: Quiz Night, Athletics Carnival, Mud Run, PAT Testing and Arts Evening. It is really great to see the enjoyment on the children’s faces when participating in some of these events.

Baptism of Ellouise Kop
On Sunday the 26th of October, Ellouise Kop (Grade 6) was welcomed into the Catholic Church when she was baptised at St Mary’s Cathedral by Father Shammi. It was a very special event and we congratulate her in making this important decision. She will now prepare to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist, alongside Juanita Fuentes (Grade 6), Finn McCaffery (Grade 2), Raphael Jaurigue (Grade 2) and Cassandra McLoughlin (Year 4).

Well Done George McLeod!
On the weekend of the 25th and 26th of October, George McLeod (Grade 5) represented Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School at the Tasmanian All Schools Athletics Championships. George performed very well and was declared state champion in the long jump and all-sports category. He will now represent our school in the National Carnival later this year. Congratulations George!

Arts Evening
What a fabulous celebration of the arts we had last Tuesday 28th October at our annual Arts evening. I would like to thank all the parents and children who participated in the evening. In particular, I would like to thank and congratulate Ms Louise Davidson, Mrs Claire Williams and Mrs Christine Respondek for their wonderful leadership with this event. The preparation and organisation was very special. I really enjoyed how we had a night spent on the Arts.
Athletics Carnival

Last Wednesday 29th October, our Prep to Grade Six Athletics Carnival took place. It was a fantastic day at John Turnbull Oval and all students need to be congratulated on their participation, house spirit and sportsmanship. A squad has been selected from Grades Three to Six to participate at the Southern Tasmania Catholic Schools Carnival next Friday 15th November. We wish them all the best of luck at this event.

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A big thank you to Mr Eric Monaghan for his preparation with the carnival, the children thoroughly enjoyed the day. We also need to thank the following helpers, who volunteered and did a brilliant job: Nick and Susan McLeod (main organisers), Jackie Fleischmann, Fil and Anet DeCesare, Kellie Goodwin, Lisa Walker, Cheryl Wright, Joshua Luttrell, Kylie Kop, Terry Cruise, Angelika Koblenz and the Hobart Districts Little Athletics Club.

We congratulate the Young house for winning the Athletics Carnival. The points were:

- Young: 374 points
- Dillon: 246 points
- Donohue: 197 points

Mud Run

Last Friday 55 of our Grade 3 to 6 students participated in the inaugural Schools Mud Run at Redbanks. It was a fantastic day and all the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. It was great to see so many smiling, muddy faces at the event. I would like to thank Mrs Therese Kelly for organising our team and for taking photos, Ms Bridget Cairns for running with the students and Mr Jason Vinen for assisting with the team. We will be definitely participating in this event next year.

Quiz Night

What a fantastic turnout for the Quiz Night last Saturday 1st November. We had around 120 people in attendance and it was a great community feel. I would like to thank the members of the P&F Tara Devine, Samantha Ransley, Claire Priest and Susan & Nick McLeod for the great organisation. We will definitely be holding another Quiz Night next year.

iPad Information Meeting

The Tasmanian Catholic Education Office (TCEO) are encouraging all students from Grade 3-6 to have one-to-one access to a device by 2016. After much consultation with the Board of Management, P&F, TCEO and Staff it has been decided that by the beginning of Term 3, 2015 all students in Grade 3 and 4 will be launching the Bring Your Own Apple Device (BYOAD) to school. We are holding an important information evening on Wednesday 12 November at 6pm in the Hall, to discuss with parents what is happening. I encourage all parents to attend and especially the parents of Grade 2 and 3 students.

If you are unable to attend there will be another session on Tuesday 2nd December at 6pm in the Hall.
Kinder Orientation
This week we welcome our new 2015 Kindergarten class to their Orientation. They will be attending four sessions over the next four weeks. We welcome them to our school community.

Nut Allergy - Aware
As you are aware, there are students in our school who are allergic to nuts. I remind you all that we should all be aware of what we bring to school and please try to avoid bringing nuts or nut products (nutella etc) to school. Thank you in anticipation.

Grade 6 Camp
This Sunday 9th of November, the Grade 6’s will venture to Launceston for camp. This year they will be going for three nights. Whilst they are on camp the students will participate in many activities. Some of these are: AirTime 360, Aquatic Centre, Platypus House, Beaconsfield Mine, Seahorse World, Putt Putt Golf, Inveresk Museum, plus much more. We look forward to hearing about their camp when they return next Wednesday.

Basketball and Soccer Uniform
I remind all students to please return their basketball and soccer uniforms to Casey ASAP. This is extremely important as we are currently undertaking a stock-take and looking to purchase more uniforms for 2015. I also remind all the students who have not yet paid their $35 basketball championship fee, to pay this at the Office ASAP please.

2015 Enrolments
As we are in the process of finalising class numbers for next year, we would greatly appreciate if you could contact us if your child/ren will not be attending Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School in 2015. We have a number of classes with waiting lists and we would like to make contact with these families shortly to confirm if we have any potential vacancies.

Have a good week and God bless.

Mr Nick McGann
Principal

P & F Update – Term 4
Thank you to everyone who came along and supported the Quiz Night last week. Fair to say everyone enjoyed the night. The P & F would like to thank Nick and Susan McGann for assisting us in the running of the night. We believe approximately 120 people attended. This event will be put on our calendar of events for next year.
We have our Cake Stall next Tuesday 11th December. Please if you could donate a cake, biscuit, slice, fresh produce etc. much appreciated. Remember, we cannot sell anything with cream or nuts. Please put your ingredients on the label provided. The cake stall will be in the Canteen at 3pm.
Our other events for this term will be:
Thursday 11th December – Christmas Cookie Fundraiser (Order forms were sent out this week, orders due in November 27th).
Friday 12th December – Christmas Disco
Please put on your calendars for 2015, Welcome BBQ Friday 20th February.
Thank you for supporting our children at our school.
Susan McLeod – IHMCS P & F Association
Once again we are conducting a Billy G’s Gourmet Cookie Dough Fundraiser. You should have already received your special Christmas order form. Family support is most appreciated.

**Funds raised will provide additional resources for the students!**

There are new exciting flavours which include Gluten Free Choc Chunk, Lower sugar/fat/salt Choc Chunk, Caramel Fudge, Triple Choc and wait for it..... Doggie Dough!! Now you can also bake your very own Christmas Fruit Cake and Shortbread Biscuits!

Please take the order form to your family, friends and work colleagues and even take the order form to your child’s sporting activities. Students who sell one or more tubs will be entitled to a prize of their choice.

**WIN A FAMILY HOLIDAY -** You also have the chance to win a 7 night family holiday for 2 adults and 2 children, staying at either the Gold Coast or Hamilton Island or Fiji including a Virgin Australia airfare voucher and $1,000 spending money. So don’t forget to enter. For more details on this promotion and how to enter, please view the inside of the order form.

Please return the order form along with your monies to the School Office (don’t forget to select a prize!) on or before Thursday 27th November. Cookie dough and prizes will be delivered to the school around the 11th December, we’ll confirm this at a later date. Please ensure that you make arrangements to collect your cookie dough order on the day of delivery as the product is frozen and we are not able to store your order when the cookie dough arrives.

If you have misplaced your order form or require further information, please contact the School Office.

Happy fundraising!

IHMCS P & F Association