The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father’s God, and I will exalt him. (Exodus 15:2)

Dear Parents,
As we enter the last few weeks of Term 3, I am pleased to say that the weather has finally turned. I believe the majority of our community is hoping the warmer months come quickly so we can put the cold and miserable weather behind us. During this Term we have had many unwell students. We hope the 4th Term is a better term for sickness in the school.

Uniform – new shirts and changeover
The changeover to summer uniform will be Week 1 of Term 4 (Monday 12 to Friday 16 October). By Monday 19 October all students will be required to be in summer uniform. The new summer shirts and blouses are now stocked in the Uniform Store. These can be bought every Monday and Wednesday from 2.30pm to 3.30pm. The cost of the logoed shirt (boys) is $21.00 and logoed blouse (girls) is $28.00.

I also remind students and parents that we show great pride with our uniform and that we wear it correctly.

Mass
On the weekend of Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 October, Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School has been asked to represent all Masses in the Cathedral Parish. We will be responsible for the readings and the procession of gifts at all the Masses. We would love to see as many students as possible at one of these Masses. The Masses for the weekend are Saturday 6pm (Cathedral), Sunday 8am (Sacred Heart College), 10.30am and 6pm (Cathedral). Please contact Bridget Cairns if you can assist.

Rosemary O’Rourke – Kinder Teacher Assistant
Congratulations goes to our gifted Kinder Teacher Assistant for winning the Hutchins Art Prize. The Hutchins Art Prize is a nationally recognised biennial award for works on paper. The award is open to artists working in Australasia and the Pacific Rim and offers a first prize of $20,000. Well done from everyone from Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School.

Soccer BBQ
On Friday 18th September from 5:00-6:30pm, a barbecue/medallion presentation has been organised for all of our Immaculate Heart teams for season 2015. This will take place at school and each coach will be acknowledged for all their wonderful efforts in looking after their team for the year. Each player will also receive a participation medallion from the school. I remind parents to please RSVP.

Business Register
It has been decided that we would like to establish a Business Register so others in the local community could possibly utilise the services or products of our parents. I hope this initiative is well received and supported by everyone. Please return the form ASAP so we can advertise your businesses.
Parking
A reminder about car parking at drop off and pick up time. Firstly, regarding the small car park behind the Dillon Building and the hall - children and parents walk through this area from 8.30am and after 3pm. To prevent any incidents this car park is to be a staff car park only with the exception of those with a disability permit (please come to the office to arrange this).
Also, if you collect your children from McCann Crescent, Edge Avenue or Pottery Road please take note of the street signs. There are clearly marked yellow lines and No Parking and Bus Zone signs that we all need to be aware of. These signs are positioned to help with the flow of traffic and safety of our children. We thank the families who already adhere to school safety requirements.

Basketball
It is great to see so many Grade 3 to 6 students involved with the school basketball teams. We will be holding training every Wednesday afternoon for the rest of the term from 3.45pm to 4.45pm at the Clarence Basketball Stadium. Five teams will be representing the school. These are Grade 5/6 Boys Div 1 and 3, Grade 5/6 Girls Div 2 and Grade 3/4 Boys Div 1 and 3. I remind all players to return the commitment form by this Friday 11 September. After this the teams will be chosen.

For Your Diary
- Tuesday 22 September (1.50pm) – Music Assembly in the Hall. All classes present an item to the rest of the school community.
- Thursday 24 September (9am) - Awards Assembly in the Hall. All parents of award winners will be contacted before the Assembly
- Friday 25 September (final day of Term 3) - AFL Day – This is a dress-up in your footy colours day. There will be a parade in the Hall at 9am and a Meal Deal lunch organised by the Canteen.

God bless and take care

Mr Nick McGann
Principal

PASTORAL CARE
The Pastoral Care of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School students is held in high regard by all of the staff in all aspects of our school life. We aim to reflect the Catholic Ethos of the Gospel Values within an environment of genuine care, compassion and love for all members of the school community.
The Immaculate Heart of Mary School community seeks to develop relationships and partnerships that promote mutual understanding, respect, tolerance and acceptance of students, staff and parents.
When members of our school are in need of focused pastoral care it is my role to assist community members in ways that help them to maintain their dignity and to continue to develop into the person God wants us all to be. I treasure the importance of the role and the trust that children, teachers and parents place in me and I am looking forward to continuing in this role for some time.

Deacon Michael Hangan
School Chaplain
Deacon Michael is an invaluable member of our school staff who has the ‘extra’ time to spend with our students both individually and in small groups. His caring approach gives our children a listening ear and adult contact, which enhances their wellbeing. If for any reason you do not wish your child to be given this pastoral support please make an appointment through the school office to discuss this with me. Nick McGann, Principal

Cathedral Masses
Fr. Shammi has extended a warm welcome to all students and families of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School to attend a Mass at the Cathedral or SHC Church on the weekend of the 19th and 20th September.
The Mass times are;
Saturday – 6:00pm
Sunday - 8:30am (SHC), 10:30am, 6:00pm
If your child is interested in saying a reading or helping with the offertory at any of these sessions could you please let the office know so we can arrange it. The students do not need to wear their school uniform.

Bridget Cairns - AP-RE
Chinese Culture in Grade Two
Grade 2 have been learning about Chinese culture. Last Friday we brought our fruit for fruit break chopped up so we could learn how to eat using chopsticks. We would like to thank Olivia’s grandmother, Anne for showing us how to make origami pelicans. Origami is a popular pastime in China and Japan.

Good Times in Grade Three
In Grade Three we are doing Daily Five, which builds our reading stamina and helps us to improve our reading skills.
We are doing mini lit, which helps us read and spell.
We are doing music, which makes us become better musicians.
We are having fun in Indonesian learning from Bu Jackson.
We are playing tennis and it can improve our skills because before we started we didn’t know anything about it and now we are really good. Tony our coach has been helping us improve our social skills. He has taught us how to serve properly in tennis.
We are having fun on our excursions to Brightside Farm Sanctuary.
We are learning about fractions.
We are learning about sounds and phonics, which helps us with our spelling, writing and reading.
We are learning times tables in Maths.
We are playing maths games with Grade Two’s.
We are playing chess because we learn how to do new skills.
We are doing PE with Mr Monaghan, which increases our fitness and we can encourage our class-mates.
We are learning about night and day and shadows.
We are finding out about antonyms and synonyms and homonyms.
We are learning about centimetres, kilometres and metres and other types of measurement.
We have the opportunity to sign up for basketball the triathlon, and the mud run.
We have built towers out of marshmallows and spaghetti.
We have been on an excursion to the Museum to learn about Aboriginal people and their culture.
We have celebrated Mass at St Mary’s Cathedral for the Immaculate Heart of Mary Feast Day.
We have had Buddy groups, which encouraged us to adapt to other people in the school.
Written by the students of Grade Three

'Breakfast Treat For Our Great Dads & Grandpops'

Ava with Grandpop Peter & Henry with Grandpop Paul

Last Thursday the Kinder children hosted a 'Fathers Day Breakfast' to say a very big THANKYOU for all the things big and small that our Dads and Grandfathers do for us. They came along to enjoy eggs & bacon while they looked through their child’s portfolio of work with them.

We would like to thank all our Dads & Grandfathers for taking the time to join us.
Chess News – A Fantastic Performance!

On Monday 31st August, the Immaculate Heart chess team competed in an interschool tournament at Sacred Heart College. Our team consisted of the following players: Aidan Lietz, Jai Lietz, Isaac Jones, Mitchell Jones, Jack Treloar, Darcy Allen, Alex Brinton and Haig Kingston.

The tournament was a large one, with two divisions of primary teams and a separate division for secondary teams. Our team played in the Primary A division and our main rivals were Friends, Princes St Primary and Sacred Heart College. After a tough battle the final positions were Friends in first place, Immaculate Heart in second place, Princes St Primary third and Sacred Heart College fourth.

We gained second place by being just half a point in front of Princes St Primary. This is the first time we have beaten a full strength team from this school so our players were very pleased with themselves!

All players played extremely well and their behaviour and sportsmanship was excellent. Our top players (and medal recipients) were: Darcy Allen (4.5), Aidan Lietz (4), Jack Treloar (4) and Mitchell Jones (4).

Our second placing in this tournament means that we have now qualified for the Chess State Finals in Launceston on October 19th.

Our thanks as always to Mr Tom Krasnicki for his continued input into coaching our team and to our Principal Nick McGann for his enthusiastic support of Chess throughout the school.

Louise Davidson
Chess Co-ordinator

Working with Vulnerable Children Check

By the 1st October 2015, all parents who volunteer for parent help, coach a sports team, P&F member, Board member are required by Tasmanian legislation to have “Working With Vulnerable Children Check”. The cost for the individual is $17.06 for a three-year registration. We have been informed that you should lodge your application ASAP to ensure the registration will be delivered to you by 1 October.

The website for more information is:

Woolies Earn & Learn Program

Thank you so much to everyone who has been sending in stickers! We are now in the process of counting them so we know how much we are able to spend on much needed resources for the school. If you still have stickers at home please send them in so we can add them to our tally. Thanks again!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Little Athletics offers a wide range of track and field events for children aged between 3 and 15 years. The focus is not about winning, but about having fun and being involved in a healthy, active lifestyle. The emphasis is on participation and improving on one's own performances. We are very family orientated, and are one of the few junior sports where everyone can get involved.

Hobart Districts was formed in 1978 and is the second oldest Little Athletics Centre in Southern Tasmania.

We'll be running the first meet as a Come & Try / Registration Day. Kids will have a chance to meet up with friends, try some new events and try some old events with new implements. Parents will be able to look after registration requirements.

COME AND TRY DAY

SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2015

8:30 AM

JOHN TURNBULL OVAL, LENAH VALLEY

Please follow us on facebook and our website www.hobartdistricts.asn.au
The Canteen is holding a competition....

WINNERS WILL RECEIVE A FREE LUNCH

Kinder and Prep:

Colour in a picture of your favourite fruit or vegetable and give it a name ie “Garry Grape” - pictures for colouring in are available from your teacher

Grades One and Two:

Draw and colour in your favourite fruit or vegetable and give it a name ie “Marjorie Mellon”

Grades Three and Four:

Draw and colour in your favourite fruit or vegetable and give it a name ie “Barry Banana” and think of a cool name for the Canteen ie “Gobble and Go”

Grades Five and Six:

Draw a cartoon strip with cartoon pieces of fruit and vegetables telling any story you like and think of a cool name for the Canteen ie “The Bent Banana”

Entries close at the end of Term 3. A winner from each class will receive a free meal deal and their entry will be displayed on the front of the Canteen for the whole of term four

So get drawing, colouring and creative

Good luck, have fun and think outside the lunch box 😊