Prayer for Australia

God of holy Dreaming, Great Creator Spirit, 
from the dawn of creation you have given your 
children the good things of Mother Earth. 
You spoke and the gum tree grew. 
In the vast desert and dense forest, 
and in cities at the water’s edge, 
Creation sings your praise. 
Your presence endures as the rock at the heart of our Land. 
When Jesus hung on the tree 
you heard the cries of all your people 
and became one with your wounded ones: 
the convicts, the hunted, and the dispossessed. 
The sunrise of your Son coloured the earth anew, 
and bathed it in glorious hope. 
In Jesus we have been reconciled to you, 
to each other and to your whole creation. 
Lead us on, Great Spirit, 
As we gather from the four corners of the earth; 
Enable us to walk together in trust 
from the hurt of the past 
into the full day which has dawned in Jesus Christ. 
Amen.

Mrs Cathy Joyce
Mrs Cathy Joyce has recently been diagnosed with cancer and she will be taking leave from Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School for the remainder of 2014. Mrs Joyce has been advised that she will need this time to receive necessary treatment and adequate time for her recuperation. Cathy feels that there will be a positive outcome if she takes the time to get well. We ask that you keep Mrs Joyce and her family in your prayers as they journey together through her treatment over the coming months.

Welcome Mr Michael Crawford
We welcome Mr Michael Crawford to Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School. Michael has recently graduated from the University and worked last term at Sacred Heart, Geeveston. Michael has been appointed to work in Grade 2 on Monday, Tuesday and Friday each week commencing in Week Three. Mrs Kelly will maintain her working days on a Wednesday and Thursday. We welcome Michael to our school and I am sure you will extend to him the same support you showed me when I started.

Building Program
Our long awaited building program begins today. The following buildings and timeframes will be affected over the course of the construction:
1. Hall (2nd Term)
2. Kindergarten (3rd Term)
3. Library and Prep/Grade 1 Building (4th Term)
4. New Canteen, Uniform Store and Special Learning Centre (4th Term)

From today the staff carpark will be out of action for all staff parking and pedestrian access for the entire community. An alternate pedestrian access will be opened up on the astro courts. These gates will be opened and we encourage students and parents to access the school this way. The top ramp and stairs that lead up to McCann Crescent will still be an access for the community.

We are well aware that parking will be limited so it has been decided that a staff member will walk students down to the bottom of the Edge Avenue Oval for parents to pick students up from this area every afternoon. At 3.10pm the children who have not been picked up will be relocated to the School Office.

School Photos
Our school photo day on Tuesday was a great success. I would like to thank all students and parents for the brilliant job they did in presenting themselves. I look forward to seeing all the photos when they return from the photographer.

School Uniform
All students should be now in their full winter uniform. All children should be encouraged to wear their uniform with pride. Boys ties should be done up so it looks neat and tidy with the top button of the shirt done up. I thank and congratulate the vast majority of students who look very presentable when wearing their uniform. I remind students that they are to wear their sports uniform on Monday for PE. The students are not required to wear their school hats for Term 2 and 3.

Team App
I still continue to encourage the school community to sign up to Team App. This is another way we are communicating to community members. We currently have 53 members. It would be great to see this number to rise to 100.

Assemblies
On Tuesday we celebrated the final assembly in the hall for at least a term. It was a great celebration with several classes displaying their work to the rest of the school. Over the next few terms we will still be celebrating whole school assemblies, but the location will be in the Grade 5/6 classrooms. Parents will still be warmly invited to attend these gatherings.

National Sorry Day
Next Monday 26th of May is National Sorry Day. The students will be participating in a simple but hopefully significant display. This year all students will make their own footprint cut-out in either black, red or yellow card. On Monday they will be collected and placed in the shape of the Aboriginal flag outside the Grade 3 classroom. All students are encouraged to write a word or a phrase or a sentence about Sorry Day. I invite all parents to visit and view the display once it is finished.

Soccer
It has been great to see and hear how the soccer season has started very positively. Many of our own parents and opposition parents have commented how fantastic our new soccer uniforms look. I would personally like to thank the Parents and Friends for the kind donation of $1500 to help purchase these. I look forward to seeing all soccer teams play as the season progresses.

Take care,

Nick McGann
Principal
Grade 1 Excursion
On Friday 16th May, Grade One visited Narryna, a house museum in Battery Point, with amazing items from the 1800's. We'd like to thank Roger Priest, Felicity Richardson and Tara Devine for accompanying us. There were too many highlights to mention. However, some of the more popular items include the 1875 doll’s house and the wax, china, wooden and rag dolls. The gowns were also of great interest. The clothes must have some ‘rest’ away from light. However, our two lovely guides, Carmel and Betty took out a special one for us to see. It has hundreds of Christmas beetle shells stitched onto the bodice. All of the children were fascinated by the boys’ dresses on display. Yes, boys wore dresses until they were seven. Our guides explained that it was really for a very practical reason. Trousers, you see would have had to be washed more frequently during children’s toilet training years and so dresses were used instead! Other great treats included the penny farthing bicycle, the giant anchor, the massive cauldron for whale blubber, the elegant furniture, kitchen ware, grandfather clocks, the tiny tin bath for the children, servants quarters and of course all things ‘toilety’ including the commode in the form of a chest of drawers. We recommend that you step back in time and take a visit to Narryna yourselves.

Soccer Reports
Under 7
Game 1
On the 10th May the Under Sevens played their first game of the season. All players participated well in the game. They all played very hard and tried their best. We lost by two goals.

Game 2
On the 17th May the Under Sevens played at Taroona High and played against Taroona. Both teams played well. We lost by one goal but they did a very good job.
Lilliana Devine (Coach)

Under 8
Game 1
The under 8 / Grade 2 IHMS soccer team began their season with a great display against the Lenah Valley Jets in steady rain on a muddy #3 oval at Soldiers Memorial on Saturday 10th May 2014. All players contributed in the trying conditions and were well lead by captain Macey Oak. Brodie Gordon, Haig Kingston, Jack Lloyd and Rowan Pitt all scored goals. Finn McCaffery (goal keeper) saved a number of shots at goal from the Jets and Catherine Majak and Charlie Dargue were busy all over the pitch. I was especially proud of the players humility / sportsmanship as we ran out winners 10-Nil. Well done.

Game 2
On Saturday 17th May 2014 the IHMS Under 8 Soccer Team played our second game. It was similar to the first - wet, windy, muddy conditions at Mount Nelson Oval against Hutchins U8 black. It was a game of 2 halves, with IHMS leading 5-Nil at half time thanks to several super saves by goalkeeper Jack Lloyd and goals to Macey Oak and Rowan Pitt. The second half was all Hutchins. They came back as the IHMS players legs got heavy in the muddy conditions. Hutchins were lucky enough to have 6 reserve players that they rotated on and off at 5 minute intervals keeping the fresh legs on the paddock for the entire 20 minutes. It was however the IHMS Under 8's that showed plenty of heart to hang on and finish up winning an enjoyable encounter 6-5. Well done team, see you at training on Wednesday.
Ged McCaffery (Coach)
Under 9

Last Saturday THE HEART played St Virgil’s College at Soldiers Memorial. It was a very entertaining game with both sides displaying skill and team work. Highlights of the game were Stevie’s spectacular run from defence to attack, which ended in skillful pass to Jai who converted and Ollie’s goal from the left wing from the half way line. Macky and York also found the back of the net. THE HEART came away with a hard fought 4-3 win. Special mention to Jai and Declan for their numerous outstanding saves in goals. Thanks to Ms Cairns for coming along to support.

Stuart Kelly (Coach)

Under 11

The U/11 team had its first game with a few new faces added to last year's U/10 team. A new coach also had his debut albeit assisted on the day by Brendan Lietz who coached last season.

Again this year Aidan Lietz was willing to put himself between the sticks and provided a solid and capable last line of defence and was called into action a number of times during the game. IHMCS took the lead in the game, adjusting well to the wet slick conditions. Joe Kelly scored the opening goal in the 13th minute with some neat team interplay and an assisting final pass from Yotam Yonas Eyasu.

The team found its feet quickly with Fred Lagu hitting the cross-bar in the 16th minute with the resultant rebound presenting another follow-up scoring opportunity for IHMCS, however Princess Street drew level with a goal in the 17th minute.

The game did not have any lulls in the action with Kalvin Pitt scoring on debut in the 24th minute to restore the lead that IHMCS subsequently took into the half time break. The starting back line of Nathan Healey, Ben Lynch and Sam Askey-Doran had defended solidly with Darcy Allen also being called into play a role in defence.

In the second half Joe had a good chance saved in the 32nd minute however Princess Street were able to draw level in the 36th minute (2-2) and IHMCS went a goal behind in the 40th minute, a lead that was later stretched to a two goal lead.

IHMCS showed great spirit and the team did not drop its head and looked to find another goal. The midfield that included Joe, Yanni Skrepetos, Yadiel Yonas Eyasu and Kalvin, with Darcy and Yotam at times, managed to work hard to restrict Princess Street from scoring further while assisting the forward line to create a number of chances.

Princess Street were forced to save three shots in succession in the 43rd minute but managed to then stage an attack that forced an excellent save from Aidan.

IHMCS kept up the effort, and in the 47th minute Fred set up Kalvin for the team’s third goal and the game’s final goal.

The team had 3-4 loss but managed to blow away the off-season cobwebs and demonstrate a great spirit, some good team play and a great effort by all the players for the whole 50 minutes. And Yadiel and Yanni demonstrated that from Grade 4 they will be valuable assets to the side.

Craig Pitt (Coach)

Entertainment Book Fundraiser

A reminder that the 2014/2015 Entertainment Books are available from the school office or online. This year a digital membership is available. This allows you to redeem offers directly from your smartphone which means you’ll have your book with you wherever you go!

You can view the book before you purchase by following this link:

We are pleased to be able to offer these books again this year. Not only can you save money on meals, accommodation, travel, shopping and much more but you also help the school as $13 from each sale comes to us!
Project Compassion
It would be greatly appreciated if all Project Compassion boxes could be returned to the School Office. Thank you to families who have already returned theirs.

Parents & Friends Association
Cookie in a Tub Fundraiser – help the P & F raise some funds for our school and enjoy some cooking with the kids in the school holidays.

Please see order form for cost, products and prizes.

Orders to be in to Casey at the office by **Tuesday 10th June**.
(No late payments)
Cookies in a Tub will be delivered on **Thursday 26th June**.

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