



# IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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*"We must teach more by example than by words." (Mary MacKillop)*

Dear Community Members,

I hope everyone had an enjoyable long-weekend last weekend. We are definitely in the depths of winter and I ask everyone to please be safe when travelling on the roads. We only have approximately three weeks left of Term 2 and I remind students to continue to work at their best for the remainder of the term so staff, students and parents can enter the term holidays relaxed and ready to enjoy the two-week break.



## Parking

A reminder about car parking at drop off and pick up time. Firstly, regarding the small car park behind the Dillon Building (Grade 5/6 classrooms) 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.

## Sickness

I remind all parents to please keep your child home if they are unwell. We do have some students and staff members who have low immune systems and it is important that everyone is kept safe at all times. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

## Updated Covid Info

The current information that we are adhering to is: Public Health Order No. 10 – Gatherings issued under Section 16 of the Public Health Act 1997 (Tas) permits a school to undertake such activities that are necessary for the normal business of the school provided these activities do not involve members of the community. Furthermore, schools are not subject to any limit regarding the number of students who may gather to engage in a normal school activity.



Hence, non-permissible activities means:

- Assemblies
- Use of volunteers
- School performances involving audiences that include parents, carers and other visitors e.g. musicals, plays
- Inter school events and competitions
- Sports carnivals
- Non-course work related camps
- Fundraising functions
- Socials/discos

- i. Fairs
- j. Fetes
- k. Open days
- l. Grandparent days
- m. Parent teacher evenings
- n. All school interstate and overseas travel for 2020
- o. All staff interstate and overseas business travel for 2020
- p. Any other non-CET personnel incursion / community involvement / parent & carer activity not listed above which would increase the risk of COVID-19 infection occurring in a school



### Reports Mid-Year

In this strange year, the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office has decided that the reports will be slightly changed for 2020. The students mid-year reports (Prep to Grade 6) will be sent out on Friday 14 August (Week 4, Term 3). The reports will be a modified version of previous mid-year reports. All reports will be sent home via the "Compass" portal (on-line). We will still offer a non-compulsory Parent Teacher Interview in Term 3 for any teacher or parent who requests one. These interviews will either be by zoom or phone conversation. More information will be forthcoming in the next newsletter.

### Hair Ribbons

I remind all girls that the only navy blue, red or white hair ribbons or scrunchies are allowed to be worn at school. House colour ribbons or scrunchies are permitted on a Wednesday. All hair accessories can be bought from our uniform store.

### Soap and Sanitiser

Our ordered supply of sanitiser has arrived and we have placed this in all classrooms. The children will continue to wash or sanitise their hands. All sinks have soap dispensers next to them and they are checked every day. In addition to washing their hands after using the bathroom, all students will be encouraged to wash their hands with soap and water or sanitise before every class session, before they go out to a break (recess, lunch, end of day, etc) and when they enter the classroom. To help with the smooth operation of this process I ask that all students have a **hand towel** in their bag every day to help dry their hands. Paper towels will also be provided in all classrooms.

### Student Free Day - Friday 26 June 2020 (Week 9)

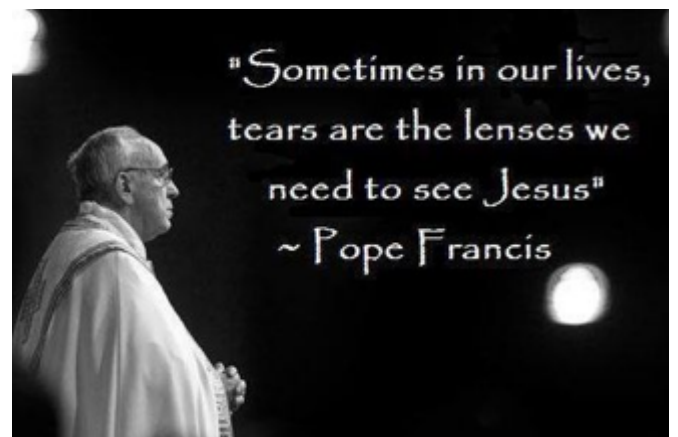
Friday 26 June will be a student free day for all students at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School. This day will be used for teachers to moderate assessment pieces for all students in preparation for reports. There will be no active supervision provided for any students on this day. I thank you for your understanding.

Have a great couple of weeks.

Take care and God Bless

*Mr Nick McGann*

*Principal*



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm – 4.00pm
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	IHMCS Feast Day
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm – 4.00pm
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Student Free Day</b>
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	End of Term Assembly – Prep Prayer
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm – 4.00pm
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Last day Term 2
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	First Day Term 3
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm – 4.00pm

## ONLINE ASSEMBLIES



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