IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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"Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually! " (1 Chronicles 16:11)

Dear Community Members
I welcome everyone back from the Term 3 holidays. Term 4 is an extremely important term with many different events occurring. Early in the week I reminded the students that Term 4 is the term that gets them ready for next year. I also reminded them that we expect the same high standards of work and behaviour that we have set during the year. I am sure that children will achieve these high standards.

New Shade Sails
Our new shade sails were installed over the holidays and they look fantastic. This is excellent additional shade that was much needed for our school. All students and staff members will get the benefit of these during the day.

Athletics Carnival - Tuesday 27 October
The School Athletics Carnival for all students will be held at John Turnbull Oval next Tuesday 27 October. Events will commence at 10:00am and the Kinder-Grade 2 section of the carnival will conclude at approximately 12:30pm. Grade 3 to 6 events will conclude by 2:00pm. Students will be competing for the Athletics House Shield. All students must wear their House colours on the day.

The Grade 3 to 6 field events (vortex, high jump and long jump) will be conducted during school time over the next couple of weeks.

Parents will be able to attend the carnival, but they must please adhere to social distancing protocols. For parents who can only attend for part of the event, I encourage them to attend the sprint races. These will be from 10am to 11am (approximately), beginning with the Grade 6s and then moving down through the grades.

At the completion of the event a team will be selected from Grade 3 to 6 to compete in the Southern Tasmania Catholic Schools Athletics Carnival, to be held at the Domain Athletics Centre on Friday 6 November.

Show Day and Student Free Day - Thursday 22 & Friday 23 October
A reminder that next week is Hobart Show Day holiday (Thursday 22 October) and Friday 23 October is a Student Free Day.

Footy Colours Day
Next Wednesday 21 October, we will be holding Footy Colours Day at school. We will be holding a parade at 9am in the Hall. All students are invited to dress up in their favourite footy team colours. Unfortunately, due to the event being indoors, parents will not be able to attend due to Covid protocols. I apologise for this inconvenience.

Please note: Students do not have to wear licenced football gear to be part of the parade. Wearing clothes that are the colour of your AFL team is a wonderful and inexpensive exercise.

Uniform
The changeover to summer uniform is this week. All students will be required to be in summer uniform by next Monday 19 October. The summer shirts and blouses are now stocked in the Uniform Store. These can be bought every Wednesday from 2.30pm to 4.00pm.

If we receive a very inclement cold day, students are able to wear their winter uniform on this day. However, a mixture of summer and winter uniform will not be allowed.

Hats - Term 4
A reminder that we are a sun safe school and it is compulsory to wear hats in Terms 1 and 4. If you need to purchase a new broad brim hat then please see Don in the Uniform Store.

Congratulations Jake Burt and Arielle Cannell
I congratulate Jake Burt (Grade 2) and Arielle Cannell (Grade 6) on some fine performances over the past weeks in their chosen sporting field. Jake won the Under 8's Tasmanian Cross Country Championships at Symmons Plains and Arielle won the best and fairest for the STJFL Under 13 competition in football, and the best on the ground for the grand final that her team won.
Well done on these fine performances!

Sunscreen Trolley
Shakir Desoza and Oscar Larin-Cruz (Utility Officers) have been busy building a sunscreen trolley. As of next week, this trolley will be ready for the students to use. We will be placing the trolley near the lower water fountain for children who may have forgotten their sunscreen and need to apply our sunscreen. This is a new initiative to assist in our sun safety campaign.

iPads
I would like to remind everyone that it is the students' responsibility to bring their iPads charged to school every day. I have been informed by the teachers of Grades 3 to 6 that many students are forgetting to bring their iPad to school. Students who are repeat offenders of leaving their iPad at home may be asked by their teacher to leave their iPad at school overnight.

Circle of Life
This week all the students participated in learning activities of the 'Circle of Life' relationships and sexuality education program. 'Circle of Life' provides a Catholic approach to Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE) for the Health and Physical Education (HPE) learning area of the Australian Curriculum. It complements the Good News for Living (GNfL) Religious Education curriculum of Catholic Education Tasmania. I thank Mrs Monique Hall for running these sessions.

Have a great few weeks!

Kind regards

Mr Nick McGann
Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
Monday 19th October	Nurturing Hearts 9.00am – 10.30am
Tuesday 20th October	Basketball Training
Wednesday 21st October	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm – 4.00pm
Wednesday 21st October	Footy Colours Day
Thursday 22nd October	**Hobart Show Day Public Holiday**
Friday 23rd October	**Student Free Day**
Monday 26th October	Nurturing Hearts 9.00am – 10.30am
Monday 26th October	Prep Excursion to Bonorong
Tuesday 27th October	Athletics Carnival – John Turnbull Oval
Wednesday 28th October	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm – 4.00pm
Wednesday 28th October	Assembly – Prayer Grade 4. Kinder & Grades 1, 3 & 5 to share
Wednesday 28th October	Crazy Sock Day
Wednesday 28th October	Basketball Training
Thursday 29th October	Grades 3, 4 & 6 Excursion to St. John's Richmond Musical
Friday 30th October	Grade 6 Excursion to Mount Field & Salmon Ponds