

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Community Members,

Easter is a great reminder that Christ died and rose once and for all and for each one of us. His death and resurrection can transform our lives as we endeavour to live lives that know the freedom of goodness – lives that have love for our neighbour, lives that respect all creation, lives that restore hope and mercy.

Prayer

Lord, help us to accept the grace of Christ's resurrection. Let us be renewed by God's mercy.

Let us know the love of Jesus.

Let us enable the power of his love to transform our lives. Let us become agents of his mercy, channels through which God can protect all creation and make justice and peace flourish. Amen



I would like to thank and congratulate all students for wonderful learning this Term. There have been many excellent educational and social gains during Term 1. The staff have worked extremely hard in educating all the children. Everyone deserves his or her hard-earned break at the end of tomorrow.

Picking Children Up Early from School

I discourage parents from picking up their children early from school. We have many students picked up by their parents after lunch throughout the week. Many teachers have commented to me that children are missing out on subjects such as Science, History and Social Sciences and Art. Many of these subjects are taught in the afternoon block from 1.50pm to 3.00pm. With reports coming up at the end of Term 2, some students will not have enough work samples for their teacher to assess them.

2021 Soccer Teams

I would like to thank all the students and parents for their commitment to playing soccer this year for the school. It looks like we will have seven teams representing the school for season 2021.

The school is very reliant on the enthusiasm and generosity of parents/guardians to help coach and manage teams. We will provide copies of the rules as they apply to each team, follow up any behavioural issues and assist in any way possible to allow coaches and managers to feel confident helping out in this capacity.

We do need every team to have someone in charge on a weekend even if that is on a rotational basis between a number of people. I would like to thank the parents who have volunteered to help coach/supervise a team this year. I look forward to watching the children play as the season progresses.

ANZAC Day - Sunday 25th April

We will be participating in ANZAC Day commemoration at the Lenah Valley RSL on Sunday 25 April. We will meet at Lenah Valley Primary School at 8.50am and march to the RSL (around the corner). We invite as many students as possible to attend this event. We ask that all students please wear their full school uniform.

End of Term Awards Assembly

Today, we held our End of Term Awards Assembly in the Hall. Every class (apart from Kindergarten) was awarded three awards. These awards being: Improvement Award, Consistency Award and Class Spirit Award. I congratulate all students who received an award.

STCPSSA Swimming Carnival

Last Friday 26 March we participated in the annual Catholic Swimming Carnival at the Hobart Aquatic Centre. A team of 32 Grade 3 to 6's represented the school with pride. All swimmers should be congratulated for their efforts in the pool. We did very well, winning many ribbons. Thanks goes to Mrs Therese Kelly, Mrs Kate Jackson and Mr Donald Ryan for the organisation of the swimmers on the day. Well done to all swimmers.









Junior Joeys

Sameria, Summer and Madeliene delivered a basket of eggs and Easter cards made by our Junior Joeys to Rosary Gardens Nursing Home this morning.

Holy Week and Easter Prayer Liturgies

A massive thank you and congratulations goes to the students and teachers for the wonderful preparation and re-enactment of the Holy Week and Easter story. Each liturgy was a moving and prayerful occasion with the students re-enacting Jesus' last days on Earth. In particular I would like to thank our fabulous Drama teacher, Mrs Stephanie Melitsis, for the wonderful job of organising and preparing the students.







Winter Uniform Changeover

The changeover to winter uniform will be Week 1 of Term 2 (Monday 26 April – Friday 30 April). All students will be required to be in winter uniform by Monday 3 May. A reminder that our uniform can be purchased from our Uniform Store every Wednesday from 2.30pm to 4.00pm (during school terms). A mixture of summer and winter uniform will not be allowed.

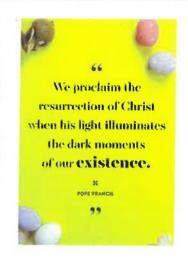
Winter Uniform - Boys New Option (from last newsletter)

After a long discussion at the Board meeting, it has been decided to give the boys another formal option for the winter uniform. Boys will now be allowed to wear their summer shorts and grey socks throughout the entire year. However, they will still be required to wear the long sleeve shirt and tie. Please note that any undergarments that can be seen are not allowed with our uniforms (summer, winter or sports uniform).

Have a great Easter and holiday break and I will see everybody back at school on Monday 26 April.

Mr Nick McGann Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
Thursday 1 April	Stations of the Cross
Thursday 1 April	Last Day of Term 1
Monday 26 April	First Day of Term 2
Wednesday 28 April	Grade 6 - Sacred Heart Mass
Wednesday 28 April	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm - 4.00pm
Friday 30 April	Nurturing Hearts 9.00am -10.30am
Wednesday 5 May	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm - 4.00pm
Friday 7 May	Nurturing Hearts 9.00am - 10.30am



Health Care Card

Just a reminder that we must sight your card at the start of each school year to be able to apply a fee discount. Drop into the office next time you're here so we can help you.



