

# NEWS from the HEART...

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School  
10 McCann Crescent, Lenah Valley

6 April 2022



HOPE is more powerful than hatred and PEACE more powerful than war.

Pope Francis

Over the past weeks, seeing children impacted by the war in Ukraine and the floods in northern NSW and Qld, we can't help but be saddened by the devastation in both locations, the stories of loss and hardship, and the images we are seeing daily through the news and social media channels. It certainly does give one 'a pit in your stomach' when we were all hoping that 2022 would bring hope and optimism back to the world.

From the devastation, there are many stories of courage, thoughtfulness, and empathy. Today our students wore purple to symbolise the pain and suffering of others in our world and to support the fundraising efforts of Caritas. In our little part of the world we can be incredibly grateful that we have some sense of normalcy, with students at school and doing many of the activities they love out of school as well.

These are the little (and big) things that make us so proud and give us so much hope for the future.



## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Congratulations to our candidates who received the sacrament of reconciliation for the first time last Wednesday and to those receiving it tonight.

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## Jeff Camp - Retirement

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After 21 years of teaching, Mr Jeff Camp has made the decision to retire. Jeff has been a teacher at Immaculate Heart since 2020. His warm and gentle nature and student-centred approach to support the needs of students throughout his career has enriched the lives of hundreds of students in Catholic Education Tasmania. From the words of the great man himself:

*"It has been both a pleasure and a privilege to work here at Immaculate Heart of Mary. It is a wonderful school, with a great staff and amazing students and I have some of the best memories of my teaching career from here."*

Enjoy retirement Jeff, we wish you and your wife, Jacquie, much happiness and every blessing in the next chapter of your adventure.



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## STCSSPA Swimming Carnival

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Congratulations to all students who were selected for the Immaculate Heart of Mary School team at the STCSSPA Swimming Carnival. Our team were outstanding on the day, with lots of flexibility shown across all schools for the events to occur.

GRADE 6 BOYS	GRADE 6 GIRLS	GRADE 5 BOYS	GRADE 5 GIRLS	GRADE 4 BOYS	GRADE 4 GIRLS	GRADE 3 BOYS	GRADE 3 GIRLS
BRYCE COOPER	AVA BAKER	ELLIOT LETHBORG	PHOEBE SEWELL	CHARLIE MCGUINNESS	CHELSEA BOWERMAN	ZIKOLAS SCHLIE	ZOE MATHYSSEN
ETHAN FENTON	LILY KNIGHT	NOAH HARLEY-HILL	LULU OXLEY	THOMAS CLIFFORD		JAMES SEWELL	BETHANY HARLEY-HILL
PAXTON KOOISTRA	LEILA KNUCKEY	ANUP KHATIWADA	ADELE DOBSON	KIDUS MESFIN		RONAN HENDERSON	AMELIE FRENCH
JACOB HADOLT	SCARLETT HENDERSON	JACOB LUTTRELL	ZALEE SCHLIE	OLLIE KNUCKEY			ALICE GILL
RYAN GRYGIEL	LILLI THOMPSON		HAYLEY RUBENACH	CHARLIE KNIGHT			
	CHLOE FRENCH			JAKE BURT			





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## Anzac Day

The Lenah Valley ANZAC Day Service will be held on Monday April 25. Families are welcome to attend, with students invited to represent Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School by wearing their school uniform: Grades 3 - 6 (formal uniform) and Kinder - Grade 2 (PE Uniform).

- We will be gathering at the Lenah Valley Primary School car park at 8.45am and "marching" to the 9.00am main service at the Lenah Valley RSL Cenotaph;
- Our School Leaders will be laying a wreath on behalf of the school; and
- After the 9.00am service, families are welcome to attend the free BBQ and children's events in the John Turnbull Park.

More information will be provided on Compass before the end of Term 1.



## COVID-19 Update

We continue to be impacted by COVID-19, with students, staff and families testing positive and subject to close contact isolation.

Please note the following update to re-exposure requirements:

- if you become a close contact of a confirmed case within 12 weeks of your release from isolation, you will not need to quarantine; and
- If you become a close contact of a confirmed case after 12 weeks of your release from isolation, you will need to quarantine.

Again, thank you for your cooperation throughout this tricky time.

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## Kindergarten 2023

Enrolments for Kindergarten are now open. A reminder to existing families that if your child is heading toward Kindergarten in 2023 you have a guaranteed place, however, a completed enrolment form is still required to be returned to the office before the end of this term.



**ENROLMENTS  
FOR  
KINDERGARTEN  
IN 2023 ARE  
NOW OPEN!**

**IF YOUR CHILD WAS BORN IN 2018,  
WE WOULD LOVE TO WELCOME THEM  
INTO OUR KINDERGARTEN IN 2023.**

*Please visit our School Office to collect an Enrolment Pack, or call 6228 3335 to arrange a guided tour.  
Applications close **Friday 6th May 2022.***

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## Grade 7 Enrolments

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Enrolment applications for our current Grade 5's wishing to attend Sacred Heart College from Year 7 are required by mid-September. Interviews and offers are then made towards the end of Term 4.

## Nurturing Hearts Birth - 4 Program: Friday 9.00am - 10.30am

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As part of our COVID Safety Plan, we are asking interested families to please register their interest. This is simply to ensure we do not exceed number restrictions in our Kindergarten space.

### Nurturing Hearts Expression of Interest: 8th April



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## End of Term 1

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It is hard to believe that we are at the end of first Term. I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to the staff, parents and most especially the incredible students of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School for the many wonderful events, activities and work that has occurred during Term 1. Continuing to negate the many challenges associated with COVID-19 has only been possible with the partnership of home and school - thank you.

Next week we celebrate Holy Week. Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday and ends with Holy Saturday, the day before Easter Sunday. During Holy Week, we commemorate the Passion of Christ, who died on Good Friday and rose on Easter Sunday to give new life to all who believe.

On behalf of the entire school community, I wish everyone a faith-filled and family-oriented Easter and Term 1 holidays.

Warm regards

Rachel Kelly  
Acting Principal

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<b>Calendar of Events</b>	
Thursday 7 April	Canteen orders due on QKR by 8.00am
Thursday 7 April	Canteen Day
Friday 8 April	Nurturing Hearts 9.00am - 10.30am
Wednesday 13 April	Assembly 1.45pm - 2.45pm
Wednesday 13 April	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm - 4.00pm
Wednesday 13 April	Canteen Sushi orders due on QKR by 5.30pm
Thursday 14 April	Canteen orders due on QKR by 8.00am
Thursday 14 April	Canteen Day
Thursday 14 April	LAST DAY OF TERM 1
Monday 2 May	FIRST DAY OF TERM 2

# **IMMACULATE HEART AFTER-SCHOOL SESSION IS BACK IN TERM 2!**

**To enrol in our weekly, one hour soccer program please see our website to come along to our first session on 9/5/22**

**[www.strikesoccerschool.com](http://www.strikesoccerschool.com)**

**If you have any questions please contact us!**

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