NEWS from the HEART...

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School

10 McCann Crescent, Lenah Valley

23 November 2022





"Love is the greatest gift one generation can give to another"

Love was in the air last Tuesday, celebrating and connecting with our Grandparents/Grandfriends. Our heritage and essential members of our families and community, we are forever grateful for everything our Grandparents & Grandfriends do to support the families of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School.

A Prayer for Grandparents

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Sts. Joachim and Anne.
Look with love on grandparents the world over.
Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society.
Support them! As they grow older,
may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith,
guardians of noble domestic ideals,
living treasuries of sound religious traditions.
Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,
that they may pass on to future generations
the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.
AMEN
(Pope Francis)

Grandparents/Grandfriends Day Photo gallery – <u>click here</u>



Caritas Just Leadership Day

Caritas Australia runs Just Leadership Days to engage students with social justice issues, and to encourage them to be just leaders. Last week, 10 enthusiastic Year 5 students attended the Caritas Just Leadership Day at Holy Rosary School. The students displayed maturity and stepped up to show their capacity for a leadership role next year. The students developed an understanding of the amount of poverty in the world and learned the importance of creating a plan to assist others through Caritas, Vinnies, and Catholic Mission. We are all looking forward to watching the steps that will be made in 2023 by the future leaders of the school.

Grade 3 Camp

Grade 3 students were unstoppable, embracing every challenge on their first camp in week 4. Our heartfelt thank you to Sacred Heart Geeveston, for your support in providing facilities, your warm welcome and going out of you way to support our students and staff. Many thanks to Mrs Cristy Mahony, Miss Katrina Hawkins and Mr Jackson Cracknell for your to prepare and support the Grade 3s before and during camp.

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

Come along and join Mrs Brook and Mrs Wall every Friday morning - they'd love to see you!



COVID UPDATE Term 4

- Staff or students who test positive for COVID-19 are no longer required to undergo mandatory isolation
- It is a Catholic Education Tasmania (CET) requirement that staff or students who test positive and who display acute COVID- related symptoms are not to enter a school until their symptoms have gone or have significantly resolved e.g. they have not had a fever (or signs of fever such as chills or night sweats) for at least 24 hours.
- Requirements for close contacts such as mask-wearing when outside the home no longer apply.
- Staff or students with cold or flu symptoms should stay home and test using a rapid antigen test for two consecutive days. If the person tests negative on successive days for COVID-19 and their symptoms are mild e.g. a runny nose but no coughing or sneezing, then it is OK for the person to be at school.
- Staff and students who test positive for COVID-19 but who are asymptomatic can enter a school.
- The provision of rapid antigen tests to staff and students on request is to continue.
- Registration of positive tests, whilst no longer required, is recommended particularly for those
 persons who may wish to access health services such as COVID anti-viral treatments and COVID
 @ home.
- It is a Public Health requirement that staff and students who test positive shall not enter any listed high-risk settings (hospitals, residential aged care etc) until 7 days after they test positive.

We continue to promote the 'stay away if unwell' message and appreciate your continued support for our COVID-19 response.

Warm regards

Rachel Kelly Acting Principal



Calendar of Events	
Friday 25 November	Nurturing Hearts 9.00am – 10.30am
Monday 28 November	Grade 7 Orientation Day
Monday 28 November	Prep – Grade 2 Excursion – Robin Hood, Botanical Gardens
Wednesday 30 November	Step Up Day
Wednesday 30 November	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm – 4.00pm
Wednesday 30 November	Canteen orders due on QKR by 9.00pm
Thursday 1 December	Canteen Day
Friday 2 December	Nurturing Hearts 9.00am – 10.30am
Friday 2 December	Class Liturgy – Grade 6
Friday 2 December	SHC Band Performing
Tuesday 6 th December	Scholastic Book Club orders due
Wednesday 7 December	Thanksgiving Mass & Grade 6 Graduation
Wednesday 7 December	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm – 4.00pm
Wednesday 7 December	Canteen orders due on QKR by 9.00pm
Thursday 8th December	Final Canteen Day for 2022
Thursday 8 th December	Kinder Nativity – 10am
Thursday 8 th December	Grade 6 Leavers Dinner – 5.30pm
Friday 9 th December	Nurturing Hearts 9.00am – 10.30am
Friday 9 th December	End of Year Reports on Compass
Tuesday 13th December	G6 Big Day Out
Wednesday 14th December	End of Year Assembly – 10am
Wednesday 14th December	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 15 th December	Last Day Term 4
Friday 3 rd February 2023	First Day Term 1



