

NEWS from the HEART...

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School

10 McCann Crescent, Lenah Valley

12 June 2024



"Hail Mary, full of grace..."

The Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

What does the Immaculate Heart of Mary mean?

The Immaculate Heart of Mary represents the exceptional purity and love of the Blessed Virgin Mary's heart for God. Her Immaculate Heart guides us to reflect on her profound life, filled with both joys and sorrows, where she remained steadfast in faith - a calling for us to do the same.

Celebrating the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

The Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary is a significant day in our year. It's a time to celebrate our shared faith, strengthen relationships among students and staff, and connect as a school community.

A special shout-out to our Grade 6 students for fostering connections through our House Cup Competition. Teamwork truly makes the dream work! The competition was intense all day between Dillon, Donohoe, and Young houses. Congratulations to Young House for claiming the cup in 2024.



Sacrament of Confirmation

Congratulations to Monica Holloway and Molly Fulton who were confirmed by the Archbishop on Sunday, a monumental moment in their faith journey.

Mid-Year Summary Reports and Optional Parent Teacher Conversations

Teachers are in the process of finalising Mid-Year Summary Reports for Prep – Grade 6 students. The Mid-Year Summary Report provides feedback about a student's progress in the learning areas of the Australian Curriculum. The report also includes a summative comment affirming the student's social and emotional learning, participation and overarching areas of strength and future focus.

Optional Parent/Teacher Interviews for Kindergarten – Grade 6 will be held on Tuesday, 2 July. Bookings will open with the release of student Reports.

Cross Country

Congratulations to our Cross Country team who participated in the Southern Tasmania Catholic School Carnival on Friday. A race of grit and resilience with many students participating in each age division.

In a standout performance, Jake Burt smashed the Grade 6 boys' race, crossing the line first by over 150 metres.

Next Tuesday, selected students will be travelling to Symons Plains to compete in the All Schools event.

Junior Joey's

Thank you to all those who have donated so far to our Vinnies Winter Appeal.



A reminder that donations will be accepted until the end of Term.



St Vincent de Paul Society TASMANIA
good works

food donations

Shopping List

The next time you go shopping, please could you purchase a few extra items from Vinnies' Shopping List? A few extra items in your shopping trolley will go a long way to help alleviate hunger and assist a family or person in need.

BEVERAGES <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Coffee✓ Long Life Milk✓ Tea	QUICK & EASY MEALS <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Cup of Soups✓ Instant noodles, rice, pasta✓ Packaged meals (non-perishable)	TINNED GOODS <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Baked beans✓ Fruit – all types✓ Soups – all types✓ Spaghetti✓ Tuna✓ Vegetables – all types
PANTRY ITEMS <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Biscuits - savoury & sweet✓ Cereals✓ Pasta✓ Pasta Sauces✓ Porridge✓ Rice✓ Spreads: vegemite, jams, honey, etc✓ Sugar	SNACKS <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Dried fruit✓ Energy bars✓ Muesli bars✓ Nuts✓ Shapes biscuits	

Thank you

2025 School Dates

Catholic Education Tasmania has released the following school dates for 2025.

2025 Catholic Education Tasmania Gazetted School Calendar

Term One:	
Teaching Staff Resume:	Monday 3 February 2025 (4 student free days: including one mandatory system development day - Science of Learning – Tuesday 4 February 2025 - Requirement that all education staff attend this day). (DECYP teachers in schools return Monday 3 February 2025)
Students Resume:	Friday 7 February 2025 (DECYP students return Thursday 6 Feb 2025)
Term 1 Concludes (Students):	Thursday 10 April 2025 (DECYP students conclude on Friday 11 April 2025)
Term 1 Concludes (Teaching Staff):	Friday 11 April 2025 (Student free day – CET Formation For Mission Day)
Term 1 Student Non-Attendance Time:	Monday 14 April 2025 – Friday 25 April 2025 (DECYP: Monday 14 April 2025 - Friday 25 April 2025)
Easter:	Good Friday = 18 April 2025, Easter Monday = 21 April 2025, Easter Tuesday = 22 April 2025, Anzac Day = 25 April 2025
Term Two:	
Staff and Students Resume:	Monday 28 April 2025 (DECYP students return Monday 28 April 2025)
Term 2 Concludes:	Friday 4 July 2025 (DECYP conclude Friday 4 July 2025)
Term 2 Student Non-Attendance Time:	Monday 7 July 2025 – Monday 21 July 2025 (DECYP: Monday 7 July 2025 – Friday 18 July 2025)
Term Three:	
Teaching Staff Resume:	Monday 21 July 2025 (Science of Learning – Student free day - Requirement that all education staff attend)
Students Resume:	Tuesday 22 July 2025 (DECYP students return Monday 21 July 2025)
Term 3 Concludes:	Friday 26 September 2025 (DECYP conclude Friday 26 September 2025)
Term 3 Student Non-Attendance Time:	Monday 29 September 2025 – Monday 13 October 2025 (DECYP: Monday 29 September 2025 – Friday 10 October 2025)
Term Four:	
Teaching Staff Resume:	Monday 13 October 2025 (Science of Learning – Student free day - Requirement that all education staff attend)
Students Resume:	Tuesday 14 October 2025 (DECYP students return Monday 13 October 2025)
Students and Teaching Staff Conclude:	Thursday 18 December 2025 * (DECYP students finish on 18 December 2025, teachers conclude Friday 19 December 2025)

**In circumstances where a Show Day public holiday falls within student non-attendance time, the schools within that region will conclude on Wednesday 17 December 2025.*

School Arrival and Departures

Thank you to all our families for your vigilance in ensuring students arrive and depart school safely. This includes:

- abiding by the traffic restrictions of McCann Crescent during busy times;
- with the cold/wet weather, we ask you to be especially mindful of our drop off and pick up zones;
- 8.15am - 8.30am upper eating area (wet weather - Grade 6); and
- a gentle reminder that supervision of students commences at 8.15am.

School Lockdown and Emergency Evacuation

As part of our WHS procedures and guidelines, we will be practising a School Lockdown (whereby we restrict movement outside of buildings) and Emergency Evacuation procedures this Term. Considerable time is spent preparing our students for these procedures. Our practices ensure that if ever required, our staff and students are well prepared.

Nurturing Hearts






The poster features the text 'NURTURING HEARTS' in large, colorful, hand-drawn letters. To the right, a green banner reads 'TERM TWO 2024'. Below the banner, a list of activities is provided for each Friday. At the bottom, a small red heart icon is visible.

WELCOME TO TERM TWO OF NURTURING HEARTS FOR 2024!
The focus for this term's learning experiences is **'TRADITIONAL TALES AND CLASSIC STORIES'**

Friday 3rd May: Exploring 'The Three Little Pigs'
Friday 10th May: Exploring 'The Gingerbread Man'
Friday 17th May: Exploring 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff'
Friday 24th May: Exploring 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'
Friday 31st May: **Gross Motor Morning in the Hall**
Friday 7th June: Exploring 'Sea Country'
Friday 14th June: Exploring 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'
Friday 21st June: Exploring 'Cinderella'
Friday 28th June: **Bush School Excursion to celebrate International Mud Day**
(Friday 5th July: **NO SESSION**)

Key Dates (please check for updates!)

-  **Father's Day - 27 August**
 -  **Athletics Carnival - Thursday 12 September**
 -  **Grandparent's / Grandfriend's Day - 30 October **** (UPDATED)****
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2024 Term Dates

Term 2: Mon 29 Apr - Fri 5 Jul 2024
Term 3: Tue 23 Jul - Fri 27 Sep 2024
Term 4: Tue 15 Oct - Wed 18 Dec 2024

Student Free Days 2024

Monday 22 July 2024
Monday 14 October 2024

Calendar

Please click here for our school calendar: [School Calendar](#)

Warm regards

Rachel Kelly
Principal

Calendar of Events	
Wed 12 June	Canteen orders due by 9.30pm
Thu 13 June	Grade 1 Excursion to Molesworth Environment Centre
Thu 13 June	Canteen Day
Fri 14 June	Nurturing Hearts (Birth to 4 years) 9.00am - 10.30am
Tue 18 June	Grades 5 & 6 Class Liturgy
Tue 18 June	All Schools Cross Country
Wed 19 June	Assembly 1.45pm
Wed 19 June	Grade 2 Bush School
Wed 19 June	Kinder Bush School
Wed 19 June	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm - 4.00pm
Wed 19 June	Canteen orders due by 9.30pm
Thu 20 June	Canteen Day
Fri 21 June	Nurturing Hearts (Birth to 4 years) 9.00am - 10.30am
Tue 25 June	Grades 3 & 4 Class Liturgy
Wed 26 June	House Singing Competition
Wed 26 June	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm - 4.00pm
