

NEWS from the HEART...

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School

10 McCann Crescent, Lenah Valley



9 April 2025

Dear Lord

*Help us to be your ears
to listen to the cries of the poor,
Help us to be your voice
speaking out love and acceptance.*

*Help us to be your feet
walking beside those in need.*

*Help us to be your hands,
to clothe, feed and shelter them.*

*You came for the least, the lost
and last of this world.*

Pope Francis



End of Term Wrap

Dear Families,

As Term 1 comes to a close, and the Easter holidays approach, I wish you all a joyful, safe, and relaxing break. This season is a great chance to slow down, reflect, and spend time with the people who matter most.

Looking back, Term 1 has been marked by great energy, dedication, and care that fills our school. Our students have been shining - in the classroom, on the playground, at camp, in the pool, and on the basketball courts. Their enthusiasm and growth have been such a joy to see, and we're incredibly proud of them.

To our amazing staff: thank you for always being there for our students. Your hard work, both in teaching and in supporting them emotionally, creates the warm and inspiring environment we're lucky to have.

We're also saying goodbye to a few much-loved members of our team:

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- Mrs Parodi, thank you for 25 years of kindness, wisdom, and unwavering care. You've left a lasting mark on our school community, and we wish you all the happiness in your next chapter - it's so well deserved.
 - Mrs Steadman, you've made a wonderful impact in such a short time as a Grade 5 teacher. We're sending you and Louis all our love as you get ready to welcome your first child. Wishing you a beautiful few weeks ahead filled with joy and anticipation.
 - Mr Cracknell, goodbye for now. We bid safe and happy travels to you and your family as you head off in the camper for your six-month adventure! You've led with heart since 2021, and while we'll miss you, we can't wait to hear all about your journey when you return in Term 4.

As we head into Easter, may it be a time to rest, reset, and reconnect. Let's also keep in mind those in our wider community who may be doing it tough - small acts of kindness can go a long way.

A reminder: Term 1 concludes tomorrow, Thursday 10 April. Term 2 commences on Monday 28 April.

Have a peaceful and joyful Easter, everyone!

Rachel

Anzac Day Service



The Lenah Valley ANZAC Day Service will be held on Thursday April 25.

Families are welcome to attend, with students invited to represent Immaculate Heart of Mary by wearing their school uniform Grades 3-6 (formal uniform) 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.

After the service, families are welcome to the free BBQ and children's events in John Turnbull Park.

Thank You

On behalf of our school community, I wish to thank and acknowledge Nerida Clifford for her years of service to our Advisory School Board. Throughout this time, Nerida has been a key voice in ensuring the continued growth of our school.

Grade 6 Camp

Our Grade 6 class have thrived during their last primary school camp on the east coast. Lots of teamwork, encouragement, grit and determination to make this such a memorable experience. Many thanks to Miss Lack, Mr Treweek, Mrs Morozoff and Mrs Gates for their preparation and support to make this happen. A big sleep tonight Grade 6!



Sacrament of First Reconciliation

Congratulations to Hazel and Xavier, who made the Sacrament of First Reconciliation last Wednesday. A wonderful moment in your faith journey.



Immaculate Heart Soccer

Thank you to everyone for completing their child's online registrations.

Team lists will be sent to coaches this week.

Central Region rosters will be available on the *DRIBL* app sometime during the next 3 weeks, please download the app and keep an eye out for these.

Uniforms and coaches' kit bags will be given out during the first week of Term 2.

Birth to 4 Years Program: Fridays 9.00am - 10.30am

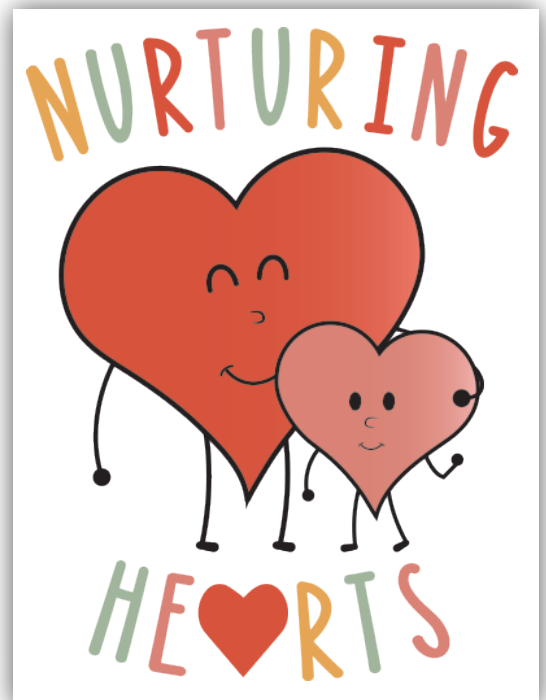
Our Nurturing Hearts Program, for children from birth to 4 years of age, is a wonderful opportunity to learn with your child and connect with our families. Mrs Brook and Mrs Wall can't wait to see you next Term.

There will be no Nurturing Hearts this week as Friday is a student free day. Keep an eye out for our Term 2 schedule after the holidays.

Kinder Enrolment

Kindergarten 2026 will close on 10 May.

Please see the office for an enrolment form if you have a child born in 2021.



Calendar

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

School Calendar

Student free day – Friday 4 July 2025

EVENTS



BREAKFAST
8.00 - 8.45



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MORNING TEA
9.30 - 11.00



Key Dates

Please see the following school dates from Catholic Education Tasmania.

Term One Concludes (Students)	10 April 2025
Term One Concludes (Teaching Staff)	11 April 2025
Term One Student (Non-Attendance Time)	14 April 2025 – 25 April 2025
Easter (Good Friday)	18 April 2025
Easter (Easter Monday)	21 April 2025
Easter (Easter Tuesday)	22 April 2025
Term Two (Staff and Students Resume)	28 April 2025
Term Two (Concludes)	3 July 2025 (student free day Fri 4 July 2025)
Term Two Student Non-Attendance Time	7 July 2025 – 21 July 2025
Term Three Resumes (Teaching Staff)	21 July 2025
Term Three Resumes (Students)	22 July 2025
Term Three Concludes	26 September 2025
Term Three Student Non-Attendance Time	29 September 2025 – 13 October 2025
Term Four Resumes (Teaching Staff)	13 October 2025
Term Four Resumes (Students)	14 October 2025
Term Four Concludes (Students and Teaching Staff)	18 December 2025*

Calendar of Events

Thu 10 April	Canteen Day – orders due by 8.30am
Thu 10 April	LAST DAY OF TERM 1
Fri 11 April	STUDENT FREE DAY – NO SCHOOL
Mon 28 April	FIRST DAY OF TERM 2
Tue 29 April	Uniform Shop open 2.30 – 4.00pm
Wed 30 April	Canteen Day – orders due by 8.30am
Thu 1 May	Canteen Day – orders due by 8.30am
Fri 2 May	Canteen Day – orders due by 8.30am
Sat 3 May	First soccer games for season 2025
Mon 5 May – Fri 9 May	Learn to Swim (Prep to Grade 6)

Nature Holiday Program

**APRIL
15, 16, 17
23, 24
2025**

Get outside with Kara and her team of nature play specialists.

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