





Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Your Best

MINI BLITZ- Week 8 'Treat each other with respect. That is how we be our best.'

## 2017 Term 2 Week 8 Newsletter

On Sunday we celebrated Pentecost Sunday, which is also known as the birthday of the Church. In the story of Pentecost, the disciples experienced the Holy Spirit entering into each one of them and then drawing them together. People gathered from all over the world, people from every culture and language group. When the disciples went out to share the Spirit of Pentecost they were able to communicate with those people of diverse cultures and languages in a way that spoke personally to each one: 'in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power' (Acts 2: 11). On this day, the first Christian community was born: a community of forgiveness, of cultural diversity, of sharing, of equality, of mutual support and benefit, of understanding and trust (Acts 2: 43–47). Today, we are reminded to use the gifts of the Holy Spirit to reconcile, cooperate, forgive, hope, tolerate, be friendly, unite and love. With the recent events that have occurred in Manchester and London we pray and hope that the Holy Spirit will give us the courage to speak up for what is right and just for our community and wider world.

#### **Prayer Please**

Last week we were informed Julianne Turner, teacher at Sacred Heart is very ill and will be absent from school indefinitely. Please keep Julianne, her husband Jim and daughters Alicia, Bec and son Charles in your thoughts and prayers. Julianne has been actively involved as a Principal and educator in both the Sandhurst and Melbourne Diocese.

#### **Cross Country**

Congratulations to our Cross Country and Fun Run competitors who represented Sacred Heart last Friday. It was terrific to see so many of our students take part. All our children ran extremely well with many children moving onto the Zone Competition. Well done to 'Mercy' for talking out the House points.

#### **School Closure**

A reminder that Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June will be a pupil free day. Staff will be working on our self-review of Pastoral Wellbeing policies, procedures and practices within the school.

#### **Funding Update**

Funding Alert from the Catholic Education Office - School funding needs to keep pace with school costs - Nearly one in four Victorian students attends a Catholic school. Catholic school families are pretty similar to government school families and are open to anyone seeking Catholic education. Catholic schools tend to keep school fees as low as possible, so that more families can make that choice for their children. Over the next three years, the Australian Government has committed to growing funding for Catholic schools in Victoria by only 3.5%. While this might seem high in the current climate, to put it into context, teacher salaries in Victoria are expected to increase by 3.25% over the same timeframe. This short-term gain comes with long-term pain.

From 2021, the Turnbull Government is now proposing to introduce a minimum annual indexation rate of 3%. The government originally intended on introducing a variable measure that would have resulted in significantly lower annual increases to Catholic school funding. While the government's newer proposal is a positive step, annual funding growth may not keep pace with school costs, particularly if teacher salaries continue to rise at the current rate. Any decision to reduce Catholic school funding – by not having school funding keep pace with actual school costs – will mean that parent fees will have to go up. The alternative is to cut educational programs in schools, which will undermine the good work that many Catholic schools like this one do every day. Neither option is acceptable, nor will our school community take this cruel hoax from the Education Minister, Simon Birmingham.

Have a fabulous week. Take care. Arn

#### Acknowledgement of Traditional Custodians

Sacred Heart acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which this school is built. We commit ourselves to working in partnership with Aboriginal people for reconciliation and justice.

# **Catholic Identity**

## Meegan McInness



## **Confirmation Eucharist**

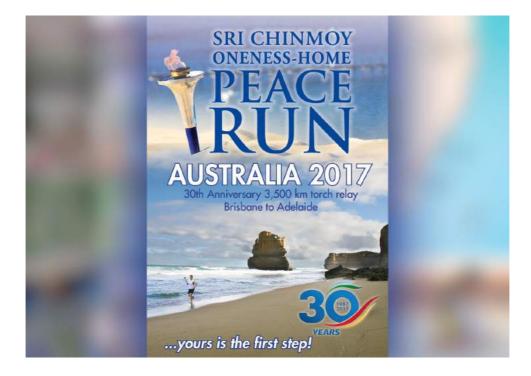
What a wonderful evening last Friday, when 40 candidates, 35 from our school made the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. It was a great celebration which was the culmination of a lot of hard work by our children, their families and their teachers, especially Mrs Whiteley and Mr Kennedy. All staff were involved one way or another through the preparation of the children and they also deserve a big thank you. Thanks also to Fr Steve and Bishop Leslie for leading us during the liturgy.

Our liturgy was made even more special by the efforts of Mrs Cussen and choir and we thank all the children who gave up their Friday evening to sing. Many photos were taken on Friday night of our candidates so if any parents would like photos of their child please contact me via email

mmcinness001@shyarrawonga.catholic.edu.au.

Have a lovely week. Meegan





The Peace Run will be coming through Yarrawonga on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June. More details to come in next week's newsletter.

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| Week         | Term 2                                                                               |                                            |                                                                                                           |                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                 |                    |                                       |  |
|              |                                                                                      |                                            |                                                                                                           | Thu 8 <sup>th</sup>                                   | Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                                                                             | Sat 10             | <sup>th</sup> Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>    |  |
| 8<br>(June)  | Prep 2018 Information<br>Sessions. 10am & 7pm<br>Mercy Centre<br>Wednesday 21st June |                                            |                                                                                                           | Divisional<br>Cross Country<br>Wangaratta             | *Bluearth<br>Sessions<br>* Woods Point<br>Visit- 3CO<br>* Parish Mass-<br>1I & 1MC<br>* Nth East<br>Water<br>workshops<br>Yr 1/2<br>* Assembly<br>2.50pm<br>*Bluelight<br>Disco |                    |                                       |  |
|              | Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>                                                                 | Tue 13 <sup>th</sup>                       | Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                      | Thu 15 <sup>th</sup>                                  | Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                                                                            | Sat 17             | <sup>7th</sup> Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>   |  |
| 9<br>(June)  | Queen's Birthday<br>Holiday                                                          |                                            |                                                                                                           | * College<br>Production-<br>Dress Rehearsal<br>Yr 5/6 | * Peace<br>Run/Torch<br>Relay- Through<br>Yarrawonga                                                                                                                            |                    |                                       |  |
|              | Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>                                                                 | Tue 20 <sup>th</sup>                       | Wed 21st                                                                                                  | Thu 22 <sup>nd</sup>                                  | Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>                                                                                                                                                            | Sat 24             | I <sup>th</sup> Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>  |  |
| 10<br>(June) | *P & F Meeting-<br>7.30pm SHC                                                        |                                            | *Chess<br>Tournament P-<br>12 College<br>*Regional<br>Cross Country<br>*Prep 2018<br>Information<br>Night |                                                       | *Feast of the<br>Sacred Heart<br>10am MPB<br>* Whole School<br>Tabloid Sports<br>* Reports go<br>home                                                                           |                    | Lions Club<br>Speaking<br>Competition |  |
|              | Mon 26 <sup>th</sup>                                                                 | Tue 27 <sup>th</sup>                       | Wed 28 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                      | Thu 29 <sup>th</sup>                                  | Fri 30 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                                                                            | Sat 1 <sup>s</sup> | t Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>                 |  |
| 11<br>(June) | Pupil Free Day                                                                       | Wang Winter<br>Sports Yr 5/6<br>Wangaratta | Journals go<br>home<br>NAIDOC<br>Celebration<br>Yarra/Mulwala                                             | Festival of the<br>Sacred A3<br>Singing<br>(Yrs 5/6)  | End of Term.<br>2.30pm finish.                                                                                                                                                  |                    |                                       |  |

#### **Pastoral Wellbeing** Janine Buerckner jbuerckn@shyarrawonga.catholic.edu.au

## Earning the right By Michael Grose



Earning the right and not assuming a sense of entitlement is a life lesson parents, teachers and coaches must instil in children.

On talk-back radio recently I heard a caller tell a timely story about how, as a child, she was lucky enough to receive riding lessons from a renowned horse expert.

Part 1

He had one condition. She had to earn the right to be taught to ride a horse. That meant she had to muck out the stables, brush and feed the horse, look after the gear and do everything else required to look after a horse. Only when she'd proven herself could she earn the right to ride a horse under his tutelage.

This caller said this powerful lesson shaped her entire life. It taught that there were no entitlements in life; to work hard and value her achievements. She never took anything for granted.

Contrast this with the extraordinary sense of entitlement of Australian tennis players Nick Kyrgios and Bernard Tomic who routinely treat the public, players and the game that serves them well, with utter disdain. Their attitude of entitlement is mind-boggling, not to say embarrassing to reasonable-minded, hard-working people.



#### **CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS**

Language Learning activities to have a go with, at home. Ten activities will be provided over Term Two to help develop your child's vocabulary at home (you may need to adjust the activity to suit your child's level). See if you can think of more activities!



\*\* When reading a text with your child, discuss words that have tricky meanings, i.e. words you don't hear or see very often. Develop a weekly list of 5 tricky words, e.g. exhilarated, frantic, ogre, pessimistic, ambled. Encourage your child to draw a picture of each word or find a picture of the word on google images. Get them to use the word after watching a TV program each day. For example, I was so exhilarated after watching my favourite show I couldn't wipe the smile off my face.

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### **Extend After School Care at Sacred Heart Primary School**

Last week at After School Care we had a 'Shrinky Dinks' experiment. We made some lemonade scones for afternoon tea. We had them with Jam & Cream. Our artistic names looked fantastic. The next day when the paint was dry we took off the tape to reveal our name. Also on Friday, we had an alphabet movie challenge. We still don't have any sign of our lemon tree yet but still watching.

#### WINTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM BOOKINGS ARE OPEN!

Book 14 days in advance to receive the lowest rate. Participate in our winter-themed activities, including science experiments to learn about animals with blubber, recreating a winter snowstorm in a jar, and participating in a snowman slam! To check out the daily schedule, visit our website at extend.com.au and book via the Parent Portal. Pupil Free Day

Monday 26th June, extend will be running a full day program (subject to numbers 12+ children)

Next week's activities:

Monday 12th June: Queen's Birthday Public HolidayTuesday 13th June: Jigsaw puzzle wreathWednesday 14th June: Cooking PizzaThursday 15th June: Thumb War StadiumFriday 16th June:

#### **Frisbee Competitions**

Lisa Gard- Team Leader

Parent Portal: extend.com.au

## LOST No 1

Nathan Weir has lost his Year 6 Jumper. Could all parents of Year 6 children please check your child's jumper. If found, could you please return to the School Office.

#### LOST No 2

Hunter Irvine has lost his jumper which is marked with his name. If found, could it please be returned to the Office.

#### LOST No 3

After the recent Confirmation/Eucharist celebration in the MPB, one of the students misplaced a gift that was in a pink spotted gift bag. If found, could it be returned to the Office.



# **Ship Ahoy**



# Thank you Mrs Ryan!

Our Scholastic Book Fair 2017 was a great success as there was lots of excitement and discussion about books in the lovely venue of our school Library. Our Scholastic Book Fair shines the light on books, reading and our school Library. Thank you for your input.

Our volunteers were wonderful be it in the setup of books in the Library, the pirate girls who advertised the Bookaneer Book Fair , the sales of books, and the pack up of the books. The Book Fair sales were a record for this school. We sold \$7056.50 dollars worth of books. Our school receives 35% commission in books from the sales. This equals to \$2469.84 cents worth of new books for our school Library. This means our school library will have around two

hundred and sixty new books for our students to read. Thank you for your support in this venture.

Noeline Ryan and the Book Fair Team of Helpers.

#### **Nationally Recognised Training**

Yarrawonga Neighbourhood House Registered Training Organisation No 21765

#### CHC33015 Certificate III in Individual Support

This nationally recognised qualification will equip you with the skills and knowledge to work in residential care under direct or regular supervision, within clearly defined guidelines, in relation to the maintenance of an individual's personal care and/or other living activities.

| Orientation:   | Wednesday           | 14 <sup>t</sup> | <sup>h</sup> June | 9:00am 12:00pm  |
|----------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Course starts: | Wednesday 21st June |                 |                   | 9:00am - 3:30pm |
| Cost:          | Unfunded            | Ş               | 3,000             |                 |
|                | Funded              | Ş               | 937               |                 |
|                | Concession          | S               | 574               | (GST Free)      |



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#### **Preparing to Apply for Work**

This course is for job seekers who need some help with planning their career and setting goals. You will learn to prepare a resume, search for jobs online and present yourself in a professional manner.

Date: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June Time: 9:30am – 3:00pm Cost: Funded \$ 35 Concession \$ 31 (GST Free)

#### Apply for Work

Develop the skills to confidently enter a business and enquire whether there is any work available. Learn to complete online job applications and great techniques for when you get to that job interview.

Date: Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June Time: 9:30am – 3:00pm Cost: Funded \$ 35 Concession \$ 31 (GST Free)



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## **Congratulations**

Congratulations to some of our Yr 5/6 students on their recent efforts in making it to State trials in Soccer and Tennis. Paige Duffy and Xavier Martin participated in Soccer trials in Melbourne on Monday and Liam Williams along with Jack Bassett (Yarra P-12) competed in Melbourne last Friday at the Primary Schools State Tennis trials. An awesome effort by these 4 students.



Jack Bassett (Yarra P-12) & Liam at the State Tennis Trials in Melbourne last Friday.



Paige & Xavier at the State Soccer Trials in Melbourne.