



### **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.*

Sacred Heart Primary School is committed to child safety. We believe all children have the right to feel safe and to be safe.



Buongiorno a tutti,

**We are living through extraordinary and difficult times. The safety and wellbeing of all our students, staff and community members is paramount in all of the decisions that we are currently making.**

**with our scheduled timetable.**

**Acting on advice to keep visitors to the school at a minimum Parent Teacher Interviews have been postponed. If you have any concerns or wish to seek feedback from your child's teacher please contact them via email.**

**Grazie to all families who attended the Children's Mass on Sunday. Our students were brilliant - adapting to changes along the way and looking in control when they were unsure. Grande Grazie (Huge thank you) to all our Grade 6 Leaders - you led by your presence and example. BRAVO**

**Ciao,  
Arn.**



March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

#### Dear Parents and families of our Sacred Heart Community

Please see below for Sacred Heart Primary School response to COVID-19 as of Wednesday 18th March.

<https://www.premier.vic.gov.au/state-of-emergency-declared-in-victoria-over-COVID-19>

#### At Sacred Heart, our current focus is

- Continue to minimise the spread of COVID-19 in our school and community
- Reassure and support, students, parents, guardians and carers
- Minimise impact to student learning
- Prepare students, staff, parents, guardians and carers

#### Key messages to be reinforced with your children

1. Wash hands frequently, before and after eating and after going to the toilet
2. Avoid touching your face (eyes, nose and mouth)
3. Cover Coughs and sneezes (preferably in the crook of the elbow) and dispose of any tissue appropriately
4. Avoid unnecessarily contact with others

Students should not attend school if they are feeling unwell and should remain at home until symptoms resolve.

Appropriate medical assistance should be sought as required.

If your child becomes unwell at school, you will be contacted and requested to take your child home.

#### When will Sacred Heart Close?

- When directed by the Victorian Government or
- When there is a confirmed case of Coronavirus at the school (staff or students) this may be a 1-day closure or ongoing depending on the investigation of DHHS for contact tracing.

#### What happens if Sacred Heart closes?

If there is a directive that schools should close Sacred Heart is prepared and will provide a learning package for each year level. Students will also bring readers and library books home.

#### If you are self-isolating.

If you are currently self-isolating it is imperative you inform the school office

Ben and I will keep you updated with further information as the situation changes. At the present time we will continue to operate as usual with further adjustments to minimise the further risk of transmission of COVID - 19.

Kind Regards

*Arn Gorman*  
Principal

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## IMPORTANT DATES

**Tuesday 24 &  
Wednesday 25 March  
2020**

**Parent-Teacher interviews  
Postponed**

**Friday 27 March 2020**

**Last Day of school for Term 1**

**Tuesday 14 April 2020**

**School closure day**

**Wednesday 15 April 2020**

**First day of school for Term 2**



### Christian Meditation

Every Tuesday and Wednesday morning the whole school pauses for 5 mins of Christian Meditation. We commence with the sign of the cross, a short introductory prayer and then 5 mins of silence while we repeat silently our mantra MARANATHA , which means Come Lord Jesus. We then close with a prayer.

### Why we Meditate at Sacred Heart Primary

Christian meditation is a journey of faith. Christian meditation helps us open ourselves up to God's love.

- Meditation reduces stress and increases our sense of well being and harmony.
- Meditation leads to increased self knowledge and self acceptance.
- Meditation deepens our personal relationship with God.
- Meditation increases our desire to build community with others.

In these trying times please use Christian Meditation with your children as one way to ease any anxiety and stress.

### Children's Mass

Thank you to the families and staff who attended the Children's Mass last Sunday. The children were very engaged and contributed beautifully to the whole celebration.

### Lent

Donations to Project Compassion allow Caritas Australia, the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development, to work with local communities around the world to alleviate poverty, hunger, oppression and injustice. **We encourage you to put your compassion into action this Lent through your prayer, fasting and almsgiving by supporting Project Compassion.**

Have a great week everyone and look out for each other.

Meegan McInness

Catholic Identity Leader

Caritas Australia is proud of the fact that 90% of all money raised goes to those in need.

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 situation the Caritas Ks event to



cancelled. We will look at fundraising for Caritas later in the year.



## Regional Swimming championships

Seventeen students ventured to Shepparton to represent Sacred Heart at the Regional Swimming Championships in wet and drizzly conditions. All races the students competed in were finals. Competitors finishing in 1st place qualified for the State Championships in Melbourne with 2nd and 3rd place getters receiving a medal and a place on the podium. Sacred Heart had a mixture of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th places throughout the day.

Wally Hammon, Fraser Nagle (9/10 Yrs) and Sam Tayler (11 Yrs) competed in the 50m Freestyle. Fraser finished in 1st place in the Yr 9/10 boys age group and will go onto represent the school at the State Championships to be held in Melbourne in late April.



Alexia Nagle, Fraser Nagle (2nd) and Chelsea Kerr competed in the 50m Backstroke. Emily Buerckner (3rd) and Mia Elliott competed in the 50m Breaststroke and Chelsea Kerr finished in 2nd place in the 12/13 Yrs 50m Butterfly.

In the 11 Yrs Freestyle Relay, Lucy Judd, Emily Buerckner, Elle Hammon and Alexia Nagle came 4th in their event. In the 9/10 Yr Boys Freestyle Relay, Wally Hammon, Fraser Nagle, Noah Cox and Lachlan Cruikshank came 4th. In the 12/13 Yr Boys Freestyle relay, Archie Jaques, Archie Skehan, Ian Dimble and Lach Lee-Conway also came 4th.

In the 12/13 Yr Girls 50m Freestyle Relay, Claudia Cruikshank, Mia Elliott, Chelsea Kerr and Mylah Kennedy represented the school. In the 12/13 Yr Girls 50m Medley Relay Emily Buerckner, Mia Elliott, Chelsea Kerr and Alexia Nagle brought home a bronze medal finishing in 3rd spot.

All seventeen students who competed, represented the school proudly. We thank all our parents, grandparents and family members who supported the students in Shepparton.  
Dean Carroll



### CANTEEN

Just a reminder that there has been a price change on some hot food and icy poles. Sauce is 20 cents. A copy of the canteen menu is available through the app or if you require a hard copy of the menu they are available from the office.

Thank you to all those students who participated in the National Ride2School Day last Friday. Thank you to our staff members who ensured all the students arrived at school safely and a big thank you again to Mr Boulton for organising the event.

## NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY



## STEM

(Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics)

Curious about what happens during STEM classes? Check it out on our blog. <http://shpstem.edublogs.org/> This blog shows what we are learning about and gives our students a chance to share their work. If you would like to help out during STEM classes, please see Sonia Bourke in the office. Helpers are always welcome. Looking forward to a fabulous year.

Stay happy,

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[Click here to view the STEM blog](http://shpstem.edublogs.org/)



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## App Store Preview



### SIMON Everywhere

Connecting teachers and parent

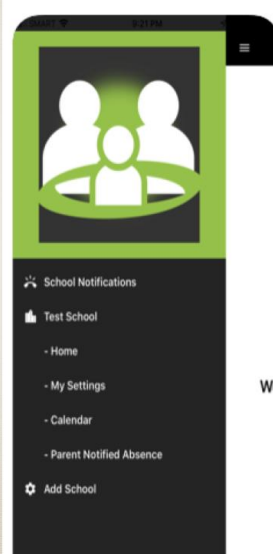
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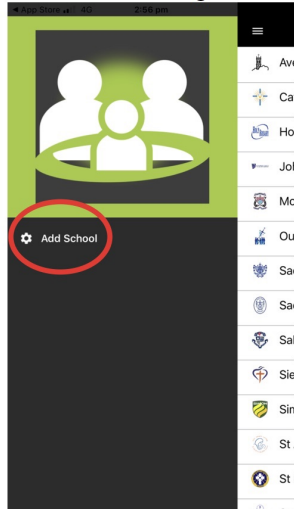


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- Enter PAM credentials

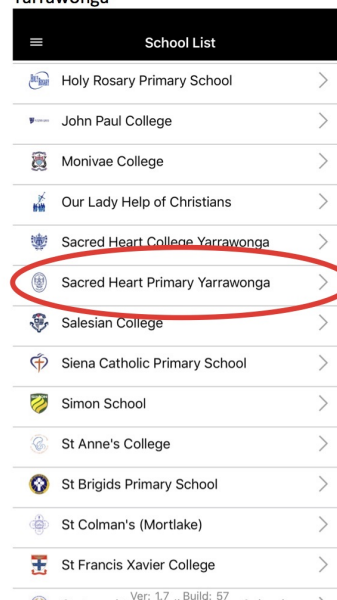
### Student Absence Notification

It is possible to set a Parent Notified Absence within the new Simon Everywhere App. Below are instructions:

Select the Menu in to right corner:



Select Add School, then add Sacred Heart Primary Yarrowonga

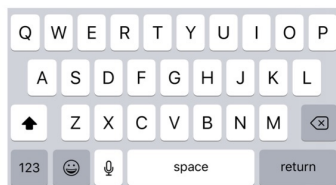


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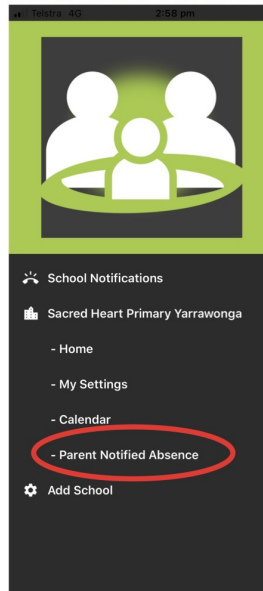
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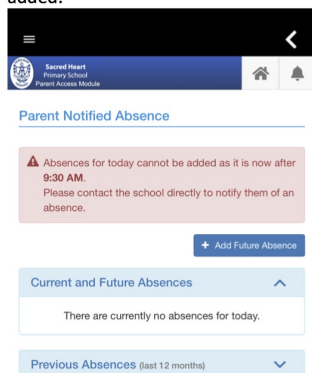
To enter a Parent Notified Absence, select "Parent

Notified Absence" from the drop down menu



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On the day of the absence, entry must be made before 9.30am. Future absences of 1 day duration can also be added.





**2020 Junior Netball Competition  
Commencing Friday 24th April**

Entry to the competition will be available either:

- Via a club (eg Yarrawonga Football Netball Club)
- Enter your own team
- Register individually (The Association will coordinate teams)



Divisions for entry:

**Ages are a guide only, grading will be done by ability**

Premier (15 & Under & Under 17's)

Section 1 (Under 13's)

Section 2 (Under 11's)

Net Set Go (Prep/Grade 1) & Rookies (Grade 2/3) will register individually as normal.

Registrations are now open online via a link posted on the Yarrawonga & District Netball Association Facebook page.

Contact [ydna.netball@gmail.com](mailto:ydna.netball@gmail.com) or Danni Blick 0408441704 for further information, otherwise keep an eye out on our Facebook page.

**Looking forward to another great year of netball!!!!**



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