

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

### **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.







#### **Good Afternoon Everyone**

**Wow - what an amazing start to Sacred Heart Primary School!** 

We welcomed 59 new Foundation students and numerous other students at various year levels. The start of a new school year always brings a great energy with a sense of anticipation, excitement and at times, a few nerves. It is the opportunity for new beginnings, a time to rekindle dreams and aspirations or perhaps a chance for a fresh start. This week saw our community at its best! Before school even officially began the staff in all areas of the school were busy ensuring learning spaces, resources, programs and systems were all in place for a smooth start. We thank the staff for their work during the holiday period to ensure we were in great shape for the arrival of our students last Friday. We have much to be grateful for as we begin this 2021 school year together.

It has been fabulous to see parents and carers on the school grounds (finally!!!!) and we appreciate your adherence to the social distancing rules. Where possible it is encouraged to wait outside for your child/ren. However if you need to attend the learning space (morning or afternoon) you are required to sign in at the school office. It is important for us to know when you enter and exit the building.

I would like to welcome our new staff for 2021 Ms Kirsten Leary (Grade 5) Ms Jo Seal (Grade 3) and Ms Tanya Cardamone (Italian). They bring great knowledge, expertise and energy to our community.

It is with sadness I inform you we are saying goodbye to Ms Nicole Nieuwenhout. Nicole informed us on Thursday that she school - running the canteen!!!! Over the past 7 years Nicole has dedicated her time to preparing, cooking and serving our students (and staff) with lunches and delicious treats. We are grateful for all the work Nicole has done during her time with us and her presence will be sincerely missed.

Finally we have received correspondence from Woods Point regarding traffic build up at pick up time. Staff have been delayed for extended periods of time due to cars blocking the roundabout and banking up traffic. I encourage families to park in Orr street and subsequent streets around the school now you are able to be on school grounds.

Take Care Everyone Arn

# **Welcome to Sacred Heart Primary Mrs Seal**



**Welcome to Sacred Heart Primary Mrs Leary** 



**Welcome to Sacred Heart Primary Ms Cardamone** 



IMPORTANT DATES	
Wednesday 2 February 2021	Foundation students rest day
Wednesday 10 February 2021	Foundation students rest day
Wednesday 17 February 2021	Foundation students rest day
Thursday 18 February 2021	Swimming Carnival for Years 3-6 to be held at Yarrawonga Outdoor Pool

# **PBIS**

Welcome back to Sacred Heart
If we all follow the 3Bs, we will have a great start!



# **Catholic Identity News**

Welcome back to all our families for a busy year ahead I hope! It was great to see all the children's smiling faces and excitement at being back.

Obviously due to Covid restrictions there will still be limitations on how we celebrate our liturgies however we are in the process of organising the logistics of at the moment.

Our Sacramental program will also look very different this year however we are working on all candidates in Years 3, 4 and 5 to have completed the appropriate sacrament/s by the end of the year. An information letter will be sent home as soon as we have confirmed all the details.

Once again the school community will have Christian Meditation on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 8.55 am. Christian Meditation is an important part of life at Sacred Heart. I will share in our next newsletter why it is so important.

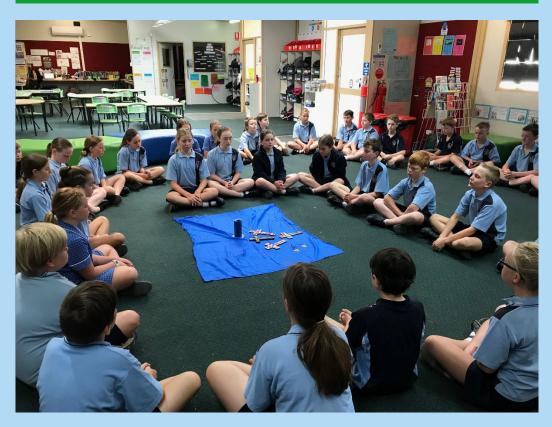
My work days this year are every Tuesday and Wednesday and every second Friday. I can be contacted at school on those days or any time via email:

mmcinness001@shyarrawonga.catholic.edu.au

Have a great week everyone

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# School Swimming Carnival 2021

A reminder to all families with children in Years 3- 6 to please log into your PAM account to complete the permission and events that your child wishes to take part in at this year's swimming carnival. If you have any trouble with this, please contact Sonia in the office.



learning demands of the school environment, children need ample time and opportunity to engage in meaningful interactions with their family.

#### **LEARNER DIVERSITY @ SACRED HEART**

Research suggests that the types of questions we ask and the quality of discussions we have with our children, from a very young age, are linked to school success. As children progress through the grades they must learn to use extended discourse in telling stories, giving explanations, reporting, expressing an opinion or writing an essay. Asking children "if, why and how" type questions allows them to deepen their thinking and prepare longer and more complex responses. It makes sense to build their confidence with extended discourse gradually, beginning with simple oral tasks.

In each newsletter this year, I will provide some "family friendly", fun activities aimed to enhance all students' learning and literacy skills. We encourage you to set some time aside each week so that you can get the most out of your interactions with your child. In a busy household, sometimes the car is the best place for these focused activities. The key ingredients for a creative interaction are a time, a place, a willing talking partner or audience and an engaging topic or activity.

Positive communication experiences at home help children feel accepted and valued. Growth in spoken language skills will build children's self-confidence and help them learn to negotiate social interactions at school.

This often transfers to other aspects of their learning and life. You will also note that there are many links to recommended websites, apps and other technology resources. Whilst we suggest these technology- based activities, they are not essential to language and literacy learning. So much learning can come from the quality interactions you have with your child around a book, a movie or a simple board game. Ten activities will be provided each term focusing on key areas of oral language supporting literacy, learning and socialising. Feel free to adjust these activities according to your child's grade level.

See the link below to the most comprehensive website available that provides parents with activities that are free, easily accessible and enjoyable. Each activity has been carefully selected to reflect the highest quality, up-to-date research evidence on early literacy development. There is also advice for parents who are concerned about their child's reading

If you have any questions you can contact me by phone: 57443339, or email: nnolen@shyarrawonga.catholic.edu.au

Good luck and most importantly, enjoy this very special time with your child.

Nada Nolen

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Learner Diversity Leader

Click here for link to website

#### **SIMON Everywhere App**

All notifications to our school community will be sent via this app. If anyone has any difficulties in downloading the App and would like some assistance please contact Sonia Bourke in the office or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:sbourke@shyarrawonga.catholic.edu.au.">sbourke@shyarrawonga.catholic.edu.au.</a>



#### **Updating Medical Profile**

Can all families please check that their child/ren's Medical Profile is up to date. This can be done via your PAM account. If your child suffers from asthma or anaphylaxis please provide us with an updated action plan





Sets of art smocks and library bags for sale!

The Rosemary Cullen Foundation is selling matching sets of 'home sewn' library bags and art smocks for \$25. They are available from the office here at school.



Yarrawonga Mulwala Basketball Association



## Yarra-Mul Basketball Association Season 1 2021 Registration

#### **ALL JUNIOR PLAYERS & AUSSIE HOOPS!**

**JUNIORS AND AUSSIE HOOPS-**Registration is NOW OPEN until Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February, for our Junior Basketball Competition & Aussie Hoops on our website. Google "Yarrawonga Mulwala Basketball Association" to find our website. Once on our website click on the "Register Now for Junior Domestic Basketball" **OR** "Aussie

Subscribe Translate ▼ RSS 🔊 Past Issues area). Past and new players most welcome. Junior season and Aussie Hoops commences week of Monday 1st March, 2021 and runs over term 1 & 2, with a 2 week break for Victorian school holidays. Aussie Hoops is for Grade Prep and One Boys and Girls. Junior Domestic Basketball Competition is for children in Grade three and above. All information about age groups, fees, nights of play and grading of players can be found on our website. Juniors please register by Friday 12th February to secure a position, as late entries cannot be guaranteed a place. AUSSIE HOOPS PLEASE NOTE: Numbers are capped and so places are limited. Please **register early** to secure a place and to ensure backpack/uniform is delivered in time for the first session. Packs are delivered to players address and delivery can takes 12-14 days. Thank you. Any enquiries to or Amanda Wheaton 0407507493

# BREAD TAGS WHEELCHAIRS COLLECTION POINT

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