



Sacred Heart Primary School, Yarrawonga embraces **Book Week 2017** with great enthusiasm.

We are lucky enough to have Maid Marion visit us during Book Week. Maid Marion announced the winning books from the Children’s Book Council of Australia different categories for Book Week 2017 at our Monday Morning assembly.

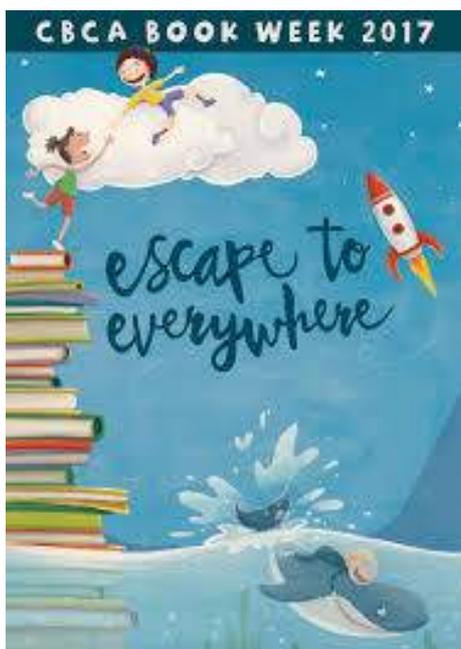
The theme for this year is **ESCAPE TO EVERYWHERE**. Maid Marion said she was delighted to escape to our school for a number of days before returning to Sherwood Forest.

The Children’s Book Council established an annual book award in 1945 to promote children’s books of high literary and artistic quality. These awards are now the most influential and highly respected in Australia. The winning books in respective categories are;

- Younger Readers, Rockhopping by Trace Balla,
- Early Childhood, Go Home Cheeky Animals by Johanna Bell,
- Picture Book of the Year, Home In The Rain by Bob Graham.



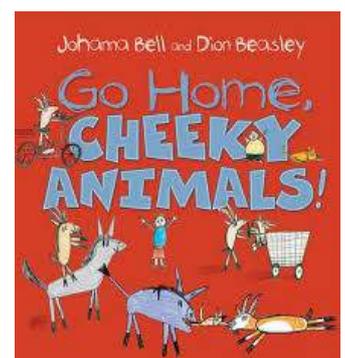
*Maid Marion is visiting Sacred Heart this week!*



Our students recognised these books and are looking forward to the Book Week parade on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 in the Mercy Centre from 10.00am to 11.00 am.**

Children may dress in a costume they desire whether it is a character from any book or may relate to the **ESCAPE to EVERYWHERE** theme.

You are all invited to attend the parade.





Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Your Best

*2017 Term 3 Week 5 Newsletter*

**MINI BLITZ 1- Week 6 & 7**

'Say No to Bullies and don't watch on. Step in if you can, coz Bullying is wrong!

**MINI BLITZ 2- Week 6 & 7**

'A tidy uniform from head to our feet, makes Sacred Heart kids look nice and neat!'

Good Afternoon Everyone

Our Book Week has started with a bang! Maid Marion is cruising our corridors exciting our student with tales of adventure and excitement. Tomorrow we will be holding our annual book parade. I am looking forward to see everyone in costume.

As mentioned in our last newsletter Karen Starkiss has been working within our school, providing staff with feedback, identifying gaps in our practice and attending our planning meetings. Her expert advice has been invaluable for our whole staff and provided us many ideas to enable best practice for all our learners.

Respectful Relationships is a new Social and Emotional Program, which has been introduced by the Victorian Government that we will be beginning to teach in our classes. The aims of the program are for students to understand feelings and how our behaviours impact others and ourselves. The program also focuses on student attention, on building resilience and respect for others, especially in relation to gender equity. The overarching aim of the program is to reduce the alarming rates of family violence in Australia. 1 in 5 women in Australia experience family violence during their life. Learning about equity and respect for all, starts with education. The Victorian Government has introduced the program for schools in the attempt to address this major issue that our society faces. Staff will be attending Professional Development course on the 4<sup>th</sup> September to learn about how the program can be best introduced to the whole school. The program will include lessons about emotions and reactions, resilience and respect. Research has proven that if this particular program is supported by the whole school community and is embraced by our staff and students, learning conditions become optimal and there can be an 11% increase in academic learning growth.

*Wishing you a great week as we work together for the benefit of our children.*

Take Care

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**Sacred Heart is a Child Safe School**

Sacred Heart Primary School promotes the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children, including those with a disability. Applicants are welcome to elaborate on experience they may have working with children with a disability.

**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.



## Reconciliation

The Year 3 students are busily involved in preparation for making the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

Just a reminder that the final presentation Mass is Sunday September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10 am. Any candidates who have not been presented to the Parish must attend this Mass.

I am hearing that the Homebase sessions are going well which is great to hear. Any problems please contact me here at school.

## Baptism

A big congratulations to Hunter Lonergan in Year 3 who was baptised on Sunday. We hope it was a very special day for Hunter and his entire family.

## Staff Sabbath

Last Thursday and Friday all staff attended a Staff Sabbath led by Maria Weatherill from the CEO and Fr Joe Taylor from Shepparton. It was a very rewarding two days where we were able to reflect on and renew our relationship with God. We were involved in a lot of discussion around scripture as well as Christian meditation and journalling.

I hope everyone is enjoying the sunshine,

Meegan

Catholic Identity Leader

[mmcinness001@shyarrowonga.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mmcinness001@shyarrowonga.catholic.edu.au)

### CFA Mobile Education Unit

Next week the children in the Leadership centre will be visited by the CFA Mobile Education Unit. The session will focus on Fire Safe Kids Home Fire Safety, supported by animated and interactive multimedia displays.

**Prior to next week's visit children are required to complete an activity mapping out an escape plan for their home, in consolation with their family.** Children in Years 5 & 6 will bring home a template for this activity this week. It would be great if you could sit with them to complete it. Plans need to be returned to school before the Mobile Education Unit visits on Thursday and Friday next week. Thank you for your assistance with this task,  
Leadership Centre staff



### Yr 3 Reconciliation

Year 3 will be walking to the Church at 11:30 a.m. for half an hour each Wednesday of Weeks 6, 7 and 8 as part of their preparation for First Reconciliation. We will practice the components of the ceremony and the songs as well as familiarise the children with parts of the Church.

Parents are most welcome to drop in on any of these days.

Please continue to keep these children in your prayers as they undertake their preparation. Thanks.

### PREP QUESTIONNAIRES (SEHQ)

A reminder to parents in Prep to please send back to the office your completed Prep Questionnaires.

The School Nurse will be visiting the school at the end of Term 3 or early in Term 4 2017.

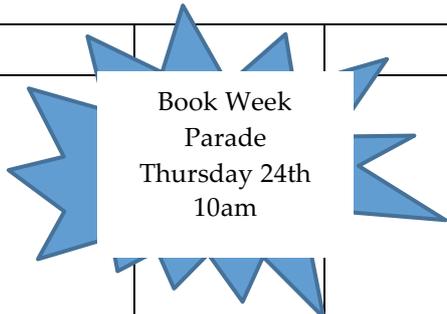


### **Yarrowonga Pre-School**

is currently taking enrolments for 3 year old kinder for 2018.

For all enquiries, please contact the Pre School on 5744 3016.

Enrolments close Friday 1st September 2017.

Week	Term 3						
				Thu 24 <sup>th</sup>	Fri 25 <sup>th</sup>	Sat 26 <sup>th</sup>	Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>
6				*Book Week Parade 10am Mercy Centre	* Hot Shots Tennis *Parish Mass- 2V & 1I * Woods Point Visit- Prep M Assembly 2.50pm *Netball Victoria Wang		
	Mon 28 <sup>th</sup>	Tue 29 <sup>th</sup>	Wed 30 <sup>th</sup>	Thu 31 <sup>st</sup>	Fri 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup>
7	*Dental Van	*Hot Shots Tennis  *Dental Van  *Chess Tournament- Sacred Heart Hosting	*Dental Van  *Father's Day Gift Stall (9am-1pm)	*Dental Van  *CFA Fire Mobile Unit (Yrs 3-6)	* Father's Day Breakie *Footy Colours Day (Gold Coin) *Hot Shots Tennis *CFA Fire Mobile Unit (Yrs 3-6) * Dental Van Parish Mass- 1H & 1MC		Father's Day
	Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	Tue 5 <sup>th</sup>	Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>	Thu 7 <sup>th</sup>	Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sat 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sun 10 <sup>th</sup>
8		*Hot Shots Tennis	Reconciliation Ceremony 7pm		*Hot Shots Tennis *Parish Mass- 1H & 1MC * Woods Point Visit- Prep S		
	Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>	Tue 12 <sup>th</sup>	Wed 13 <sup>th</sup>	Thu 14 <sup>th</sup>	Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	Sat 16 <sup>th</sup>	Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>
9					School Athletics Carnival		
	Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>	Tue 19 <sup>th</sup>	Wed 20 <sup>th</sup>	Thu 21 <sup>st</sup>	Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sun 24 <sup>th</sup>
10	Life Relationships Yr 6	*Whole School Market Day 11.30am- 1.00pm (Yr 6)  Earn & Learn finishes			End of Term finish 2.30pm		



### Father's Day Gift Stall (Wednesday 30th August)

Mercy Centre 9am - 1pm

All children will visit the stall to purchase a small gift for their Dad.

The stall will provide gift tables to the value of \$1, \$2, \$3, \$4, \$5 & \$6

Gifts include tools, mugs, bottle openers, key chains, gift cards and many other gifts to choose from.

All money raised from the Stall goes back to our School.

### Volunteers- Just a few more...

Thank you to all the volunteers for the stall on Wednesday the 30th August. We have a number of parents helping out. We do require 2 more for the 10.30am shift.

Please message Karen Vodusek 0438 433 202 if able to assist with the last two spots.



If you have any issues that you'd like to discuss, regarding your children's education or their social or emotional wellbeing, please feel free to come and see me – my office is in the Admin Block.

Our Breakfast Club is held on Wednesday and Friday mornings, before school, and all are welcome. We thank the dedicated and hard-working St Vinnie's volunteers for making this program possible. The Breakfast Club operates from the canteen.

**Michael Grose, Parenting expert: Michael has a 16-part online course on PARENTING BOYS, which includes a session on parenting boys with Autism. The course begins this Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> August and costs \$67.00.**

**To register, go to his website at [www.parentingideas.com.au](http://www.parentingideas.com.au)**

The following article, which is Part 3, is very topical and leads to a lot of discussion amongst parents, teachers and children.

### **Technology & Parenting- What rules should you have around digital devices? By Michael Grose Part 3**

Children's digital technology needs to be managed and monitored by parents. That means we need to have some rules and guidelines in place. Each family makes up their own rules to suit their circumstances but the following suggestions will help you put some order into the digital devices that come into your home.



#### **4. Change rules if need be**

Most families seem to have a child who thinks that rules are made to be broken so they always push boundaries, limits and parent patience. Parents, on the other hand, should work from the notion that rules are made to be changed. Be prepared to change your rules based on your child's behaviour, maturity, sleep patterns, incompleteness of homework, bullying or other issues that will invariably crop up and cause you to realise that the rules you set just aren't working.

#### **5. Keep digital technology out of bedrooms**

If there was one rule that you should stay firm on, then this is the one. Many of our children are in sleep deficit as it is, without bringing digital devices into the frame. They may say they want to charge it in their room. If so, keep the charger in a public place. They may even want to use their mobile or tablet to wake up in the morning. I applaud them for taking on this task but insist they use an alarm clock instead.

#### **6. Have a digital detox one day a week**

The only way that this idea will work is if you join them in making one day a week a digital technology free day. They will probably not like it, and neither will you, but the point of having one day off is to prove that they can live without their digital device and to engage them in different forms of communication and entertainment.

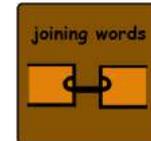
Digital technology is now an integral part of our lives, but it's not the only option we have to be entertained, informed and to communicate with others. Before we help our children, it's best to look at own digital habits to make sure we are providing them with what they need – that is, the provision of balanced role models who know when to use, and when not to use, technology. They are more likely to walk our walk than follow our talk. I hope for you that's not a scary proposition.

## CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

Language Learning activities to have a go at home.

Ten activities will be provided over Term Three to help your child think a little bit deeper about the world around them and to use longer and more complex sentences. Expanding your child's oral language use will lead to significant improvements in their writing also. You may need to adjust the activity to suit your child's level:

\*\* It is important for your child to make longer sentences by joining two smaller sentences together. This can be achieved by using conjunctions/joining words. We use the conjunctions *but*, *however*, *whereas* to help to *compare* two things. Play 'spot the difference' with your child and get them to generate sentences while comparing the pictures. For instance:



This picture has 2 sheep **HOWEVER** that picture has 1 pig and 1 sheep.  
This picture has chickens **WHEREAS** this picture has eggs. Spot the difference books can be purchased from newsagents or go to [www.spottedifference.com](http://www.spottedifference.com) for extra resources.

### **2017 Joseph Furphy Commemorative Literary Prize**

Closing date: 20 October 2017.

Short Story and Poetry writing competition. Short Story competition has three sections. Open section, story of up to 3,500 words, prize \$300. Youth section (13 – 18 years), story of up to 3,000 words, prize \$100. Junior section (up to 12 years), story of up to 2,000 words, prize \$50. Poetry competition has two sections. Open section, poem of up to 40 lines, prize \$150. Youth section (up to 18 years), poem of up to 30 lines, prize \$75. All entries must be accompanied by an entry form. For Conditions of Entry and Entry Forms, these are available from the school office, any Goulburn Valley Libraries branch library, or [www.gvlibraries.com.au](http://www.gvlibraries.com.au) or phone Jan Sutton at GV Libraries Administration on 1300 374 765.

### **Extend After School Care and Holiday Programs**

Last week at ASC we had science experiments, for cooking we made brownies, sports and fun games.

#### **Next week's activities:**

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August: Father's Day Cards**

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August: Key Rings for Dad**

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August: Mud Cups**

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August: Father's Day Gifts Making**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September: Leapfrog Challenge**

**Lisa Gard- Coordinator** Parent Portal: [extend.com.au](http://extend.com.au)



### **SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAM BOOKINGS ARE OPEN!**

Book 14 days in advance to receive the lowest rate.

Make your own DIY paints and have fun with messy art, participate in delicious cooking activities, learn all about persistence of vision by inventing your own spinning thaumatrope, and loads more!

To check out the daily schedule, visit our website at [extend.com.au](http://extend.com.au) and book via the Parent Portal.

## COMING UP NEXT WEEK- FREE DENTAL CHECK UP

### HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR FORM? YOU CAN COMPLETE IT ON-LINE TOO!

Sacred Heart Primary School is collaborating with Smiles Onsite to promote healthier, happier smiles at our school!

This incredible service is being offered for FREE under the federal government's Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS), and comes along with the chance to grab some amazing prizes.

All students will be given a consent form to bring home so that they can participate, and also so that they can go in the draw to win prizes!!

#### **How does it work?**

The Child Dental Benefit Schedule grants all eligible parents with \$1000 worth of Medicare towards dental per child, over a two-year period. Eligible parents should receive a confirmation letter; however if you are still unsure, Smiles Onsite can check for you on completion of their consent form.

#### **Can I make use of this service if I'm not eligible?**

Of course! Smiles Onsite can do almost everything that your local dentist can do on board their state-of-the-art mobile Clinic. If you would like them to see your child for a scale and clean, fillings, fissure seals etc., these services can be offered with NO GAP payable.

This service is a great opportunity to get kids into the habit of good oral hygiene, and we hope you're as excited about it as we are!

You can fill out the dental consent form for your son or daughter by inserting this link on the web browser - <https://form.jotform.co/72142322508851>

If you have any further questions about this program or your eligibility, please contact Smiles Onsite directly on 1800 276 453.



#### **Nationally Recognised Training**

at  
Yarrowonga Neighbourhood House

Registered Training Organisation No 21765



#### **SITHFAB002 Provide responsible service of alcohol**

Conducted using the New South Wales Liquor Licensing guidelines, this unit is essential for anyone involved in the sale, supply and service of alcohol.

Date: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August  
Time: 9:30am – 4:00pm  
Cost: \$ 175 (GST Free)

#### **SITHCAM001 Provide responsible gambling services**

This unit is an essential requirement of the Gaming Machines Act 2001 for any person with gaming activities as part of their job role in NSW.

Date: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September  
Time: 9:30am – 4:00pm  
Cost: \$ 130 (GST Free)

#### **HLTAID003 Provide first aid & HLTAID001 Provide CPR**

Early enrolment in HLTAID003 is essential to allow time for the online component to be completed prior to class.

Date: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September  
Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm CPR 9:00am-1:00pm  
Cost: \$ 150 (GST Free) CPR \$ 75 (GST Free)



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1 Hargrave Court, Yarrowonga 3730  
Ph: 03 5744 3911  
Email: [office@ynh.org.au](mailto:office@ynh.org.au)

#### **Yarrowonga Neighbourhood House**

Registered Training Organisation No 21765

#### **Taming Your Tablet**

This is a fun, friendly workshop that covers such topics as using your tablet as a productivity tool, attaching photos to emails and Facebook.

Date: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September, 9:30am – 12:30pm  
Cost: \$50 (GST Free)



Visit our website: [www.ynh.org.au](http://www.ynh.org.au)  
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# Yarrowonga Interschool Chess Tournament



**TUESDAY  
AUG 29th  
2017**

**Open to Primary and  
Secondary levels**

**9:15 am - 2:00 pm  
at Sacred Heart Primary School  
(Yarrowonga)**

**School teams of all sizes  
welcome**

**For Enquiries please email us at  
[events@chesskids.com.au](mailto:events@chesskids.com.au) or  
call Tim at 0421 164 677**





# Writing Competition

## 2017 Joseph Furphy Commemorative Literary Prize

*Proudly Sponsored by the Furphy Foundry Pty Ltd*

### Short Story Competition

Open

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**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$300** | Word Limit: 3,500

Youth (13-18 years)

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**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$100** | Word Limit: 3,000

Junior (up to 12 years)

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**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$50** | Word Limit: 2,000 (or less)

### Poetry Competition

(any subject, any style)

Open

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**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$150** | Word Limit: 40 lines

Youth (up to 18years)

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**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$75** | Word Limit: 30 lines

## Entries close 20 October 2017

Entry forms available from all branches of Goulburn Valley Libraries or online at [www.gvlibraries.com.au](http://www.gvlibraries.com.au)



Tel: 1300 374 765

[www.gvlibraries.com.au](http://www.gvlibraries.com.au)



# Portsea Camp January 2018.

## Vacancies exist for children

to participate in the Portsea Children's Camp  
January 19<sup>th</sup>. – 25<sup>th</sup>. 2018.

### Requirements:-

- \* be prepared to have a great time with others
- be aged 9 – 12 years old
- be prepared to be away from parents for 7 days
- should be ready for excitement, adventure and mateship
- fill in an application form available from Noel Tinney.
- Phone Noel on 03 5744 1995 or 0427 550 923 and leave a message or send an email to [jcintinney@gmail.com](mailto:jcintinney@gmail.com)
- Total cost \$327 per child, which is broken down to
  - \$30 subsidy by the Rotary Club of Yarrawonga-Mulwala
  - \$297 to be paid by the child's parents.

For any inquires or application forms, contact Noel Tinney  
Phone 03 5744 1995 , 0427 550 923 or email  
[jcintinney@gmail.com](mailto:jcintinney@gmail.com)

**A project supported by the Rotary Club of Yarrawonga-Mulwala.**

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SPRING 2017

# HOLIDAYS!



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