

Heart To Heart

Newsletter Of Sacred Heart School Mount Druitt South

Term 4 - Week 8

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24 November 2021

Dear Parents and Children,

This Sunday, November 28, is the first Sunday of Advent. The four weeks of Advent allow us time to ponder how Jesus came into the world in such a stunningly humble way. As we contemplate his birth in a straw bed in a messy stable, perhaps we see our own lives as being a bit messy too. Our daily lives are often distracted, self-absorbed and can be stressful and we may be constantly on the search for 'something better' and a deeper sense of connection to God and to others.

My mission this Advent is to slow down, be still and refocus my attention on the 'gift' that is my life, to consciously spend time in prayer and to realise that God is there, waiting to love me in my distractedness and even though I have so many unfulfilled good intentions for others and the world due to the busy-ness of my own life.

As Christmas is just around the corner we might like to talk to the children about what we are actually getting ready to commemorate at Christmasthe birth of Jesus. Retailers and marketing agencies constantly draw our attention to the cash register and the glamour and glitz of the newest and best toys, clothes, fads, accessories and so on.

As a family you may be able to think of some ways that you can slow down and savor the season. Countdown the days as you count your blessings. Marking off a family Advent calendar or creating an Advent wreath could help you prepare for Christmas.

The Gospel's call to stay awake, wait and prepare for the coming of the Lord is a call to continue the work of bringing about the Kingdom of God in our own lives, in our families in our workplaces, in our local communities and in the world in general

Lord as we journey to Bethlehem this year may we all take the time to be still and prepare.

Semester 2 Reports

My thanks to the teachers for the many hours they spent preparing and writing the Semester 2 Reports which go home on Wednesday, December 8. Due to remote learning the semester 2 report will have a different format to the semester 1 report. The semester 2 report will not be

an A - E report and will only report on Religious Education, English and Mathematics. This will be the same for schools in the Diocese. The report will indicate achievement and effort as well as social development, work habits and remote learning. The teachers work very hard to write a report that accurately reflects each child's learning for the semester. We are blessed to have such dedicated and professional teachers at our school. I know you join me in thanking the teachers for the work they do every day at Sacred Heart.

End of Year Activities

Our usual end of year activities have had to change due to Covid-19 restrictions.

- **Graduation Mass** - we are permitted to have a Graduation Ceremony under strict Covid protocols. A note will go home shortly.
- **End of Year Awards** - no parents are permitted to attend this assembly. A note will go home next week about how to watch the assembly through your computer or phone.
- **Parent Thank You Morning Tea** and Christmas Concert. These two events cannot go ahead due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Advent Prayer

God of Love Your Son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us.

He is a sign of your love. Help us walk in that love during these weeks of Advent, as we wait in joyful hope and prepare for his coming.

We pray in the name of Jesus, our Saviour.

Amen.



God bless,
Mr Glenn Patchell
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES—Term 4

Friday, 26 Nov:	Footy Colours Day Dress in your favourite teams' colours & bring a gold coin to help fight Cancer!
Friday, 3 Dec:	Kindergarten Orientation 9:00—10:15am
Wed, 8 Dec:	Semester 2 Reports to be sent home
Friday, 10 Dec:	No further sales from School Office Including hats, 2nd hand uniforms, ice-blocks, etc.
Tues, 14 Dec:	Year 6 Graduation Mass (6:00pm) More information to follow.
Wed, 15 Dec:	LAST DAY OF TERM 4

Kindergarten 2022

Enrolments for Kindergarten children to start in 2022 are almost finalised. If you have taken an enrolment pack and not returned it to the office, please get this done as soon as possible.

If you have a child who will be turning 5 before July 2022, please collect an enrolment pack from the Sacred Heart Office as a matter of urgency.

Orientation for children who are enrolled for Kindergarten 2022 will be held on Friday, 3 December 2021—please contact the office if you have not received a letter and questionnaire to complete.

Friday Assembly Awards

- Kindy:** Elijah DeGuzman, Charbella Meekoo, Dragan Mijocevic, Yousif Waleed, Marley-Dee Tangka, Sirina Al Qassab, Makur Amour, Cody Fagalei
- Year 1:** Jesenda Behnan, Manwella Agid, Riel Machok, Ashi Singh, Chriselyn Paranis, Ronald Panikulam, Lawrence Rofaail, Dominic Tuliatu
- Year 2:** Angela Wol, Gai Thoc, Natasha Goro, Clarence Castillo, Isabella Antoun, Mikayla Hamilton, Maryam Waleed, Alexa Antonino
- Year 3:** Elyse Santos, Tatiana Geagea, Zianne Magsakay, Kosmo Fakatava, Devin Pinto, Noel Koji, Reya Singh, Oriana Esho
- Year 4:** Michael Wol, Gorgis Sikhriya, Joaquin Lunes, Cade Merjudio, Lisa Kako, Miranda Blazevic, Michael Akok, Alana Keryo
- Year 5:** Atkin Maroky, Barbara Pita, Laurence Kako, Awein Kuag, Peter Yousif, Brianne Magsakay, Matea Lapan, Nyibol Diing
- Year 6:** Jasmine Raleigh, Eloise Dela Cruz, Murad Esah, Rodney David, Adrian Karganilla, Sage Merjudio, Aleich Agou, Martina Ghaly

PBS4L Awards

- Kindy:** Francis Esho, Grace Machol
- Year 1:** Emmanuel Mading, Akuien Chol
- Year 2:** Xavier Nelvita, Mo Seun-Ayoola
- Year 3:** Malak Dinkhah, Tatiana Geagea
- Year 4:** Michael Pese, Joaquin Lunes
- Year 5:** Malith Kon, Michael Curray
- Year 6:** Warrina Yousif, Miraya Trikha

Please keep your child home if they are not well

If your child is showing signs of a cough or cold, they will be sent home immediately and must have a negative COVID test result or letter from your doctor before they can return to school.

Please do not send your child, even if their symptoms are only mild.



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DESCRIPTION	PRICE
Boys	
Short Sleeve Shirt	\$27.50
Grey Shorts	\$33.00
Grey Socks	\$5.50
Long Sleeve Shirt	\$27.50
Grey ½ Elastic Back Pant	\$ 44.00
Royal Tie with Stripe	\$11.00
Clarks Boys Black Velcro School Shoes	\$90.00
Girls	
Summer Dress	\$64.90
Sky Blue Socks	\$5.50
Winter Tunic	\$69.30
Sky Blue Long Sleeve Blouse	\$27.50
Tartan Tab Tie	\$12.10
Navy Tights	\$16.50
Clarks Rapture Girls Black School Shoes	\$90.00
Unisex	
School Jacket	\$66.00
Sports	
Sport Polo Short Sleeve	\$27.50
Sport Short	\$27.50
Sport Skort (girls)	\$27.50
Sport Pant	\$33.00
Sport Jacket	\$44.00
White Sport Socks	\$5.50
Clarks White Velcro Sport Shoes	\$80.00
Accessories	
School Bag	\$33.00
Library Bag	\$11.00
Bucket Hat	\$11.00
Artsmock	\$16.50
Raincoat	\$27.50

Uniform Ordering

Final Dates for 2021 and Price Rise for 2022

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Please be advised of the following important dates regarding Uniform Ordering:

- ◆ Final orders for this year need to be placed by **Wednesday, 8th December**
- ◆ The last delivery to the school this year is **Wednesday, 15th December 2021**
- ◆ The first delivery to the school in the New Year is **Wednesday, 2nd February 2022**
- ◆ There will be a Price Increase in 2022 effective from 1st January 2022 and the new price list is above.

In addition, please note that there will be no hats or second-hand uniforms sold from the School Office after Friday, 10th December.