

Heart To Heart

Newsletter Of Sacred Heart School Mount Druitt South

Term 1 - Week 9

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23 March 2022

Dear Parents and Children,

Lent is a time for strengthening our Faith and as we are fast approaching Holy Week, it is a time to reflect on who we are and where we are going.

The symbol of the cross reminds us that we all have to face some hard times in our lives. We are called to accept these challenges as Jesus accepted His cross. When we take up our crosses we are following in the footsteps of Jesus.

Just as Jesus spent forty days in preparation for his work of redemption, so we too prepare for our own redemption. We are called to look at ourselves and how we relate to others. Will you take up this challenge in these last weeks of Lent?

St. Patrick and St. Joseph

Last Thursday (17th) was the Feast of St. Patrick. This feast day is a solemnity in Australia in recognition of the role played by the Irish clergy, religious and laity in laying the foundations of the Catholic faith in Australia. Last Saturday (19th) was the feast of the great St. Joseph, patron of the Universal Church, patron of fathers. Let us have great confidence in him.

Harmony Day

Thank you children and parents for the effort that was put into Harmony Day on Monday. The children looked fantastic in their cultural dress. Sacred Heart is blessed to have so many cultures represented in its community and we are a wonderful example of being respectful of each other's heritage. Enjoy the photos.



Catholic Schools Week

Our first whole school activity since the easing of Covid restrictions was a great success. It was fantastic to be able to welcome parents back to the school. Our Liturgy was beautiful and it was a great opportunity to welcome Fr. Flore and Deacon Rod to our wonderful school. Many thanks to the parents who took time to walk through the learning spaces and stay for the picnic. The children loved having you here!

Uniform

When the children return to school next term please be guided by the weather as to what uniform to wear. There is always a week or two when the weather can be very changeable.

National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)

Early next term Year 3 and Year 5 students will be involved in this nationwide standardised assessment. The assessments will take place between 10th - 20th May. **It is very important all Year 3 and Year 5 students attend school on each of these days.**

Let us Pray

Jesus you came to help us to see what you could see in the world.

Your love for the poor, the downhearted, the outcast, the lonely, the weak, and the marginalised was enormous.

During this time in Lent, lend us your eyes,

your heart and your mind so

That we may see, feel and think as you do.

May we be always generous in our resolve to reach out to others with

Respect, honesty, tolerance, care, forgiveness and compassion.

Amen



God Bless
Glenn Patchell
Principal

Catholic Schools Week Open Day



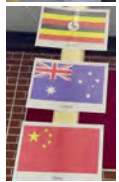
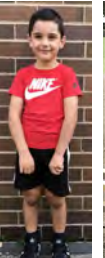
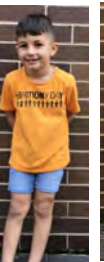
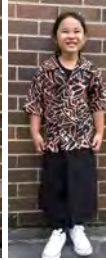
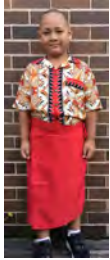
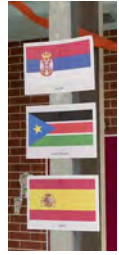
IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, 25th March:

Staff Development Day
No school for students.

Friday, 8th April:

Last Day of Term
FOR ALL STUDENTS





Friday Assembly Awards

- Kindy:** Evey Yousif, Temi Seun-Ayoola, Glory Sila, Anthony Maroky, Karmen Dawood, Peter Isho, Audrielle Pili, Loxyn Tuifelasai
- Year 1:** Elia Gurung, Miyuki Cacapit, Kuol Kuol, Rayven Magsakay, Addison Vella, Ilaisaane Fatukala, Sebastian Maroky, Malak Al Eesa
- Year 2:** James Cruz, Somto Michael, Nneoma Ikiakor, Melinda Behnan, Manwella Agid, Daniel Jabo, Dalal Al Mikha, Kristella Ealeya
- Year 3:** Tuil Tuil, Meral Lawi, Natasha Goro, Elizabeth Onipe, Kathalina Young, Elissia Rimon Paules, Alexa Antonino, Michael Geagea
- Year 4:** Annierose Fatukala, Depiny Dekuan, Harman Gill, Malak Dinkhah, Alana Maroky, Renae Miller, Isabelle Vella, Zianne Magsakay
- Year 5:** Amaya Buenaventura, Angelina Dawood, Stewart Essho, Isioma Michael Akok, Dekuan Dekuan, Annabella Ealeya, Leon Joseph
- Year 6:** Jaida Mabasa, Awein Kuag, Owenita Tuliatu, Zorawar Gill, Sirath Pannu, Faith Antipas, Sasa Koji, J'vahn Tuifelasai

PBS4L Awards

- Kindy:** Megha Naicker, Dominika Koji
- Year 1:** Sebastian Maroky, David Goro
- Year 2:** Emmanuel Kako, Chidalu Michael
- Year 3:** Achien Yor, Elliot Vella
- Year 4:** Alaina Bucad, Charbel Chahine
- Year 5:** Joaquin Lunes, John Paul Ahad
- Year 6:** Brianne Magsakay, Nikwest McKenzie

Thank you!

Our St Patrick's Day fundraiser was a great success and it was lovely to see so many students dressed in the Irish colours.

We raised almost \$500 for Project Compassion, so thank you to everyone who took the time to make a donation via the Qkr App.

This money will be used by Caritas Australia to benefit communities in need across the globe.



Sacrament of Confirmation

Our local Parish of Sacred Heart at South Mt Druitt will be celebrating the **Sacrament of Confirmation** at the Church on **Friday, 13th May 2022**. Children aged 12 years and over, or those turning 12 this year, are invited to partake in the preparation lessons and celebration of the Sacrament.

The **preparation sessions** will be run over 4 Saturdays at **4:30pm**. The preparation dates are: **26th March; 9th April; 30th April and 7th May**.

Please contact Deacon Rod Pirotta using the details below if you would like more information.

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