SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

VISION: At Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School we promote a sense of belonging and generosity which reflects the teachings of Jesus. We strive towards independence and mastery in an atmosphere of faith hope and love.

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FAITH TRUTH LOYALTY
Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam
“For the Greater Glory of God”

NEWSLETTER: 2nd April 2014

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Dear Parents
On Thursday and Friday our staff will be participating in a Professional Development programme entitled:

‘Literacy is not Enough – 21st Century Fluency’s'

Below is a quote from the program from Lee Crockett the presenter.

‘We're living in a fantastic new age—a fascinating but also challenging age. This is a time where the world is advancing at a rate that we can barely keep up with. In our present times, powerful technologies and information systems have precipitated a parallel change in the knowledge base. Facts are becoming obsolete faster now, while knowledge built on these facts becomes a lot less durable. InfoWhelm is causing societies to reorganise as it continues breaking down the boundaries between conventional disciplines.

This is altering the very fabric of our society, and affecting the way we work, play, communicate, view our fellow citizens, how we learn, and what's important for us to know. Yet schools in their structure, operation, curriculum, pedagogy and assessment models remain largely the same as they have for decades.

This is a problem because as the world is changing, so are our students. They are neurologically different, and they learn and communicate differently than any other generation of students before them. They will need a whole new set of skills, vastly different from what we needed to help us succeed in a changing world.

This perspective explains why it's necessary for students to develop the essential 21st century fluency skills, and why these skills are needed to contend in the fundamentally different living, working, and learning environment of the Information Age. Being fluent involves learning a transparent and unconscious internalised process that's as natural as riding a bike. A focus on fluency rather than literacy requires educators to completely rethink current assumptions about teaching, learning, and assessment.”

Lee is an inspiring speaker who has worked on this project for over 10 years. The work with Lee will complement our Digital Learning journey we have been on here at Sacred Heart over the last three years.

Chris Dunning (Principal)

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SCHOOL NEWS

TERM 1, WEEK 9

A Lenten Reflection

Let us give glory to God, whose kindness knows no limit. Through Jesus Christ, who lives for ever to intercede for us, let us pray:

Kindle in our hearts the fire of your love.

God of mercy, let this time of Lent be rich in good works, a time of generosity to all we meet. From the waters of the flood you saved Noah through the ark, from the waters of baptism raise up to new life those under instruction. May we live not by bread only, but by every work falling from your lips. Help us to do away with all dissension, so that we may rejoice in your gifts of peace and love. Loving Father of mine, I feel the pace quicken, the time draw near. I am filled with joy as I move toward Easter and the promised reconciliation with you. Teach me to follow the example of your Son, to be worthy of being called one his people: a Christian. Help me to live each day as he did turning hatred to love and conflict to peace. I await the new life with eagerness, faith and a deep gratitude.

AMEN

Creighton University’s Online Ministries)
Mrs Anna Sheehy (Assistant Principal)

Parent Teacher Interviews Pre Primary to Year 6

Parent Interviews are taking place during Weeks 9 and 10. Please note Year 4, 5 & 6 students will be required to attend with their parents. The interviews are a formal part of the school’s reporting process. Parents would have received a note to indicate their day/time preference for their child’s interview.

It is essential that all parents attend.

Mr Adrian Torrese (Assistant Principal)

Year Two Family Mass

You are all warmly invited to join us for the Year Two Family Mass this Sunday, 6th April, at the Sacred Heart Highgate Church, beginning at 9.00am. This Mass will be led by Father Peter, and our lovely Year Two Families. Following Mass, there will be a morning tea for everyone in the Undercover Area of the school.

We look forward to seeing you all on Sunday, at our Family Mass.

Mrs Anna Sheehy (Assistant Principal)
Swimming Training - Thank you to the dedicated group of swimmers and parents who have attended training on Mondays and Fridays. The Interschool Carnival is this coming Monday at Challenge Stadium. Good luck to all of our competitors, just do your best and enjoy the day.

NO TRAINING THIS FRIDAY

Interschool Swimming Carnival
Monday, 7th April 2014
Challenge Stadium, Mt Claremont
Commemes at 9.30am and concludes approx. 2.15pm.

Students MUST be at school by 8.15am sharp, bus leaves at 8.20am.

Entry to the pool for spectators is $3.40 approx.

We would love to see you there to support the school team.

Mrs Stephanie Alderman (Physical Education)

HOLY WEEK REFLECTION - There will be a special Holy Week Reflection on Friday, 11th April, at 9am. This will be presented by the Year Six Class, and will take place in the school hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Mrs Anna Sheehy (Assistant Principal)

ASSEMBLY – LAST DAY OF TERM 1 - 11TH APRIL

As the Holy Week Reflection will take place at 9.00am in the morning, Assembly has been moved to 2.30pm on the afternoon of the 11th. The children will come down at this time, and we will present the week’s merit awards. Then, we will have the traditional Easter Egg Raffle Draw, at the end of the day. All are welcome to join us. What a wonderful way to finish term one!

Mrs Anna Sheehy (Assistant Principal)

Library Book Returns - Could parents please make sure their children return all outstanding library books as we are doing a stock take over the holidays. Children will not be borrowing this week or next. Borrowing will resume the first week of Term 2. Thank you for your understanding.

Mrs Sue Goss (Teacher Librarian)

WINTER UNIFORMS - TERM 2

Students are expected to be in full winter uniform at the commencement of Term 2. Winter Uniform Pick Up Day - Wednesday, 9th April 2014

School Hall 9.00-10.00am

CANTEEN

9422-7945

Week 9

Thursday 3rd April Alana Carson
Friday 4th April School Closed

Week 10

Wednesday 9th April Anh Mott
Thursday 10th April Volunteer Required
Friday 11th April Andrew Del Marco

IMPORTANT - When placing orders, please ensure payment is based on the current Canteen Menu prices. (Menu on the school website).

SPECIAL REQUEST

I would like to train a parent to operate the canteen if at any time I am sick or away. If you are interested please come and see me or call the canteen number 9422-7945.

The Parenting Idea for this week is:

"How emptying the dishwasher can build independence."

Friday April 4th (Pupil free day) YMCA Sacred Heart will be open from 7am – 6pm. If any children need care for this day please come in prior to the day and grab a “pupil free day form” from us or we can email you one. You can contact us by phone or email 0458 988 083 Sacredhearthperth.oshc@ymca.org.au

Prayer of St Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood, as to understand;
to be loved, as to love;
for it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.

Amen

Sacred Heart Parish Highgate Sacramental Program 2014

If your child is a candidate for a Sacrament this year, here are some important dates for your diaries:

Sacrament Information Evenings

Confirmation: Thursday, 8th May at 7.00pm.
Eucharist: Thursday, 15th May at 7.00pm.

Reconciliation: Thursday, 22nd May at 7.00pm.
Venue: School Hall

Sacrament Workshops for Candidates and their parents.
Reconciliation: Monday, 5th May at 6.30-8.00pm.
Confirmation: Monday, 19th May at 6.30-8.00pm.
Eucharist: Monday, 26th May at 6.30-8.00pm.

Venue: School Hall

Commitment Masses

Confirmation: Saturday, 17th May at 6.00pm.
Eucharist: Saturday, 24th May at 6.00pm.

Reconciliation: Saturday, 31st May at 6.00pm.

All Masses will take place at 6.00pm at the Sacred Heart Church.

Sacrament of Confirmation - Sunday, 8th June 2014 3.00pm

Sacred Heart Church, Highgate

P&F

Mother’s Day Stall: The Year 2 parents will be holding a Mother’s Day Stall throughout the morning on Friday, 9th May 2014, after the Mother’s Day Breakfast. All items at the stall will be $5, so please ensure that your child brings $5 into school that day if he or she would like to purchase a gift. The stall aims to sell items that have been donated by the School Community. All donations of new or old items (in good condition) that a Mum might like, are most welcome. Please drop your donations into the School Office by Monday, 5th May 2014. Thank you.

Classroom helpers: Just a reminder - Most of the teachers really appreciate some parent help in the classroom. This is usually first thing in the morning Tuesdays to Thursdays.

Fete 2015: The P&F is inviting expressions of interest for the voluntary positions of fete co-ordinator (x2) and fete committee members (ideally 2 from each year group in addition to the co-ordinators.) Please contact the P&F if you are interested in accepting any of these roles.

Entertainment Books 2014: The P&F will be raising funds by selling Entertainment Books. A flyer went home with the children yesterday.

Easter Raffle: Donation baskets are in the classrooms. Thank you to all who have already donated.

Aussie Farmers: Thanks to everybody who has signed up with Aussie Farmers or linked their existing account to Sacred Heart. Unfortunately, there has been some confusion with the different Sacred Heart Primary Schools listed. Aussie Farmers are aware of this but it has proven difficult to rectify for some reason. Hopefully, the system will list Sacred Heart Primary School HIGHGATE eventually but in the meantime please note that our school uses the R0013 reference number.

Footy Tipping: After a late flurry of entries there are now 26 members of the Sacred Heart footy tipping competition. The prizes will be announced shortly so please get your entry fees into the office as soon as you can. Good luck!

School banking: Every Tuesday morning in the Library. If you would like to sign your child up please contact Linda Manno on 0408 935 702

Second hand uniforms: These uniforms are all in great condition and your purchases help raise funds for the P&F. Please have a look for winter uniforms – the cold weather will be upon us before we know it and its always good to have a spare! There are plenty of track suit tops and bottoms in all sizes...

Clairly Lance (P&F Committee)
pf@shps.wa.edu.au

ATTACHMENTS

- Parenting Idea
- P&F Mother's Day Stall
- P&F Entertainment Book Order Form
How emptying the dishwasher can build independence

You can learn a lot about a family by knowing who clears their dishwasher. Who empties yours?

The choice of who empties the dishwasher in your family tells a great deal about your parenting philosophy.

If you or your partner usually do it then I humbly suggest that you maybe working too hard. You're letting your kids off the hook.

On the other hand, if one or all of your kids (over the age of three) have this job then congratulations. You're travelling down the road toward redundancy, and your children are heading toward independence.

Many parents would love their kids to do this task but pragmatism ("It's easier to do it myself"), lack of faith ("They're sure to break something!") and unwillingness to let go ("It's my job after all") get in the way.

Why the dishwasher?

Good question. Here are seven good reasons:

1. These days almost every house has one, and it's a job that just has to be done!

2. It's fiddly and tedious, and it needs to be done right, which is a great lesson for kids to learn.

3. Kids learn that everything has a place in the kitchen, which is a great lesson for those who are organisationally challenged. Knowing their way around the kitchen is also an important first step toward children making their own snacks and preparing meals—a worthy aim!

4. It's emptied every morning/day, second morning/day so kids learn about routine.

5. As it needs to be emptied whether they feel like it or not, kids learn about grit (the ability to stick at a task even though it's boring) and self-control (through delaying gratification) two important character strengths that contribute to kids' success.

6. If they don't do it then who will? It teaches kids that others rely on them, as well as the other way around. Believe me, I see many young people who've never learned this lesson at home!

7. Kids are hard-wired to help but they need the opportunity to do their bit at home. The dishwasher is the perfect opportunity that never goes away!

There are plenty of other reasons for putting the dishwasher on the kids' chores list, but that should be enough to get you thinking.

Okay, but does it have to be the dishwasher?

Smart parents put principles into practice to suit their circumstances.

So, if you buy into the notion that kids should routinely help at home without being paid, and that your aim is to make yourself redundant—but getting them to empty the dishwasher just doesn't cut it in your world—find a similarly regular, laborious task that they can do that will also benefit others.

No dishwasher? You have an advantage

Of course, families without a dishwasher have a great communication mechanism at their disposal. That is, one person washing (a parent) and the other drying (a child/teenager) provides a fabulous shoulder-to-shoulder parenting opportunity. As many parents have discovered, when a child or young person's hands are busy their tongue suddenly loosens up and the chat happens naturally.

Gradually, then suddenly

If getting kids to help is an uphill battle then I suggest you don’t let up. Keep expecting them to help. Keep working on a chores roster and keep at your kids to do the right thing. One day it will all click and helping out will become habitual, hardwired into their brains so that helping out becomes neurological as well as psychological.

That's why 'gradually, then suddenly' is a really useful parenting mantra. The Australian cricket team's recent success can be attributed to this approach. They'd been gradually improving by doing all the right things throughout 2013 without success and then suddenly it all clicked in the Australian summer. But that's another story...


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Mother’s Day STALL
Friday 9 May 2014

We are seeking donations of gifts IN GOOD CONDITION suitable for sale at our Stall.

ITEMS MAY BE
- hand-made
- second-hand
- from your present stash
- re-gifted or brand new
- of any value

SUGGESTIONS
- perfume, soap, skin products, bath products, pampering products, hair accessories, chocolates, jewellery, potted plants, china, candles, glassware such as vases, ornaments, paper goods and stationery, books, fancy shopping bags, tea towels, nice fridge magnets, gourmet tea and coffee and travel mugs

Please hand donations into the School Office by Monday, 5 May 2014. Thank you.

WHEN: Friday, 9 May 2014
WHERE: In the School Hall
COST: $5
WHY?: Because kids love to spoil their Mum!

On Friday, 9 May 2014, children will be asked to bring in $5 to purchase a gift for their Mum.
During the morning, classes will be taken to the stall and given the opportunity to select gifts for their Mums.
You now have a choice!
Choose from the traditional Entertainment™ Book Membership that comes with the Gold Card and vouchers, or the new Entertainment™ Digital Membership that puts the value of the Entertainment™ Book into your iPhone or Android smartphone!
Whichever Membership you choose, $13 of your $65 purchase will go towards our school’s fundraising and you receive over $20,000 worth of valuable offers valid through to 1 June 2015! Both the Book and the digital membership will be launched at the beginning of May. Please note digital memberships can only be purchased online at: www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/855v50

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If you don’t have internet access, please fill in the details below and return to the front office. This option is for Book memberships only – digital memberships can only be ordered online at: www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/855v60 and the membership will be sent to your smartphone after the 1st May.

☐ I would like to order _______ Perth Entertainment™ Book(s) at $65 each (including GST) TOTAL AMOUNT: $__________

☐ I will collect the Book(s) from the front office after 1st May 2014 OR

☐ Please send the Book(s) home with my nominated child after 1st May (Please nominate your child below)

Child’s Name: ____________________________________________________________________________________________
Class Room: ____________________________________________________________________________________________
Customer Name: _______________________________________________________________________________________
Email Address: _______________________________________________________________________________________
Address: _______________________________________________________________________________________________
State: __________ Postcode: __________
Method of Payment: ☐ Cash ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard (please fill in credit card details below)
Card Number: __________ / __________ / __________ / __________ Exp Date: __/__/__ CCV __________
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