



Sacred Heart Primary School

Nurturing hearts, minds and spirits

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2020 Term One Week 2 Newsletter

## PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

We thank the parents who joined us for the Parent Information Night on Tuesday and to all the staff for their preparation for the evening. The PIN notes for each stage can be found on the school website. Dates and follow-up information will be sent home after the Community Council AGM.

### 50th Anniversary

On Monday evening the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary team met to discuss the celebrations and events. I thank Josie L and the team for their continuing energy and enthusiasm. Details will be forwarded to families next week.

### AGM for Community Council

AGM for Community Council will be held next Tuesday evening at 6.00pm in the Italian room. We would love to see you there. This is an opportunity to be involved in the school. You do not need to nominate for a position if you attend the meeting as any positions that remain vacant will be advertised through school communications.

We are looking for a Parent Representative for each class in 2020. If you are able to volunteer in this way but are unable to attend the meeting please email the front office with your nomination and class. (More information about the role is available if needed)

### Today marks the Anniversary of the National Apology

On the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2008 members of the Stolen Generations were invited to hear the National Apology first-hand in the gallery of The House of Representatives chamber at Parliament House in Canberra.

This was a significant event in Australian history and therefore a day to remember.

### Swimming Carnival

Organisation for the school swimming carnival is well underway. We thank parents who have returned notes promptly to enable the preparation. We would love to have a few more volunteers on the day if you are able to help.

### 2020 Information Collection

Please find a copy for Parents and Guardians from the Australian Government in regards to the 2020 Student Residential Address and Other Information collection notice. [https://shpspearce.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/1428/for\\_parents\\_2020\\_collection\\_notice.pdf](https://shpspearce.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1428/for_parents_2020_collection_notice.pdf)

Yours faithfully,



Anne Staines  
Principal

## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

### Learning Assets and our Interim Reports

Last year Sacred Heart formalised the language we use with the students to talk about 'How we Learn'. We were guided by the 'General Capabilities' in the Australian Curriculum and the work of Kath Murdoch. We refer to the learning skills and dispositions as our Learning Assets.

This change of language and the adoption of it by teachers and students led us to implement a new style of Interim Report which directly reflected what was being taught in our classrooms. The Interim Reports created and used last year were shown at the PIN night this week and will be used again this year.

The Learning Assets are not curriculum based. This language applies as we encourage children to be life-long learners. They refer to transdisciplinary skills we need as 21<sup>st</sup> Century learners.

‘When we consciously engage young people in inquiring into how they learn, we are developing skills and dispositions that act as important assets to them as learners – across the curriculum, in school and beyond.’

K Murdoch ‘Power of Inquiry’ p97

The five Learning Assets that help us to be effective and efficient learners are - Researchers, Thinkers, Collaborators, Self-Managers, Communicators.

In the newsletter over the next few weeks the five Learning Assets will be elaborated on to assist parents in understanding what they mean. It is hoped that this then will enable parents to have conversations with your children about how they learn, using the language of the assets.

If you have any questions, please talk with your child’s teacher when you catch up early this term or speak to any member of the leadership team.



## Uniform Policy

Our Uniform Policy can be found on the school website <https://sacredhps.act.edu.au/policies-forms>

Just a reminder that ‘hair shoulder length and longer needs to be tied back with natural coloured bands and uniform coloured ties or ribbons’– this means smaller in size accessories that may be white, red, navy, blue.

## Parenting Ideas



We subscribe to Parenting Ideas. This is an online environment hosted by Michael Grose, which is designed to be a supportive community for all those working with children.

There are great articles, webinars and online courses available through the parent resource tab. We will advertise some of these through the newsletter and website. You can also subscribe to the parenting blog by adding your email address at the bottom of their webpage

<https://www.parentingideas.com.au/>

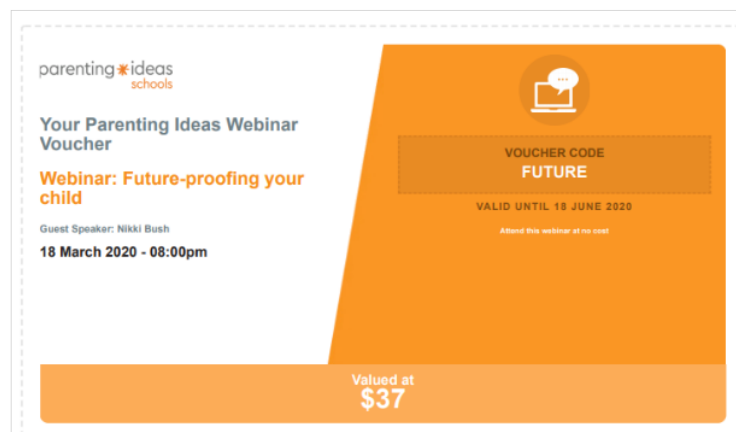
The first ‘Insights’ for the year are:

- Making new friends and staying in touch with old classmates
- Helping kids affected by the bush fires

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The first webinar is ‘Future-proofing your child’. You can participate in the webinar on the day, or watch at a later time. See the details on the site and use the voucher code to enrol for free.



Yours faithfully,



Kerry Wode  
Assistant Principal

REMINDERS

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Friday 14th February	9.30am Opening School Mass
Friday 14th February	No School Assembly
Tuesday 18th February	First Holy Communion Enrolment Open
Tuesday 18th February	Community Council AGM Meeting  6pm in the Italian room
Wednesday 19th February	Kinder students stay home. Kinder assessment day 3 of 4  Families need to book their timeslot
Friday 21st February	Swimming Carnival  Lakeside Leisure Centre, Tuggeranong
Wednesday 26th February	Kinder students stay home. Kinder assessment day 4 of 4  Families need to book their timeslot
Wednesday 26th February	Ash Wednesday  9.30am whole school Mass
Friday 28th February	Peer Support 1 of 6 sessions  School Assembly 2.20pm
Tuesday 4th March	First Holy Communion Parent Formation Night
Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th March	First Holy Communion Presentation Masses



### School Fees

School Fee statements have been sent out via email today. If you do not receive it, please contact the office.

### Canteen News

Please find attached important information about the Canteen.

[https://shpspearce.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/1430/canteen\\_information.pdf](https://shpspearce.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1430/canteen_information.pdf)

### 2020 School Term Dates

<u>2020</u>	<u>TERM BEGINS</u>	<u>TERM ENDS</u>
TERM 1	3 February	9 April
TERM 2	Tuesday 28 April	3 July
TERM 3	20 July	25 September
TERM 4	12 October	18 December

# School Communication Methods

## Communication and Using SZapp

Our main form of communication with parents is via the 'SZapp' app and email. This will be particularly significant in this current bushfire and emergency season. We ask that all parents have the SZapp smart phone app installed and notify the school of any updated contact details ASAP.

a) We have recently improved the privacy settings on SZapp by adding an access code. Approach a member of staff to ask for the code. Please share this code individually with other parents and guardians. For security reasons we will not be publishing this code in any newsletter or online site.

b) Please check your 'Manage tab' to ensure you are subscribed to your child's 2020 stage group.

## Facebook Pages

The school community have two facebook pages that you can follow to see what is happening within our school and community.

- Sacred Heart Primary School
- Sacred Heart Parents and Carers

## Sport's Uniform Days

Your child should wear their sport's uniform on the following days:

Kinder Wednesday and Friday

Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Wednesday and Friday

Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) Tuesday and Thursday

Stage 3 (years 5 & 6) Tuesday and Thursday

## Before School drop-off and the Afternoon pick-up Procedures

We wish to remind all parents and carers who do the before school drop-off and the after school pick-up of our procedures. These directives are for the wellbeing of all our students and ensure that students are supervised by a teacher on duty at all times.

### Morning Arrival

Students can be dropped off at Drive-Through or Murphy St from 8.30am when a teacher starts duty. No child should be on the premises before this time as there is no teacher on duty and thus your child is unsupervised. If you need care before 8.30am, please book your child in to our before-school service with YMCA.

### Afternoon Pick-Up Procedures

**Pick up:** Parking is available in the main school carpark, below the bus bay on Murphy St or in adjacent streets. Please do not use the church carpark.

We ask that all parents and carers do not enter the building to wait beside individual classrooms. Instead, please wait at these nominated locations and ask your child to come to you:

- Kinder Courtyard. Teacher on duty.

- Maker Space inside the building between canteen and library. All parents and carers must only enter the building via the front door. No teacher on duty.
- Outside Stage 3 Corridor exit door. No teacher on duty.
- Near the main hall doors. Children exit via the Stage 3 Corridor door. Teacher nearby at Drive-Through.
- If parents and carers need to visit the classroom to see the teacher or to pick up items, please make your way into the building, once the majority of students have cleared the corridor.
- Please teach your child to see the teacher on duty (Kinder Courtyard and Drive-Through) or the front office staff if ever they cannot find the person who is picking them up.
- No child should be walking up to the church carpark or down to Beasley Street. They should be with the teacher at Drive-Through.

**Drive-Through:** Cars come down Hodgson Crescent, turn left into school driveway, queuing around the top near the hall. Teacher(s) on duty will direct you to pick-up or waiting bays and send your children to you. Cars must then exit the carpark and turn left onto Hodgson Cres, being careful at the pedestrian crossing.

**Drivers should:**

- take care and never assume that a pedestrian has seen you approaching
- be prepared for pedestrians near schools, shops, car parks or where special events are occurring
- slow down in locations where there is high pedestrian activity
- give way to pedestrians when turning at intersections.

**When I am walking across a driveway, do I have to give way to an entering car?**

Vehicles must always give way to pedestrians on a footpath, and pedestrians should always make eye contact with a driver entering or leaving a driveway.

Children going to Drive-Through, exit via the Stage 3 Corridor door and wait quietly on the yellow cross or under the trees near the lower hall doors, with the teacher on duty.

**Bus:** Limited buses arrive at Hodgson Cres. Children meet the teacher on duty in the Kinder courtyard, and will walk up to Hodgson Cres with the walkers.

**YMCA ASC:** Children exit via the Stage 3 Corridor door and enter the back hall doors to greet YMCA staff. Kinder and Yr 1 children will be met by YMCA staff at their classroom as arranged.

**Walk/ride:** Children can walk or ride to cross streets with a teacher on duty. Beasley St and Hodgson Cres (meet at canteen/bike cage), or Murphy St and Hodgson Cres (meet in Kinder Courtyard).



Teachers are on duty until 3.30pm at Drive-Through and in the Kinder Courtyard. Children not picked up in these areas by these times will be taken to the Front Office and a phone call made.

**Safety:** We would also like to remind all Parents and Carers that students need to stay by your side once they have been collected by you and remain in your duty of care. In no instance should a student be playing on any school equipment while the teacher is on duty.

### Parking Fines

We have been advised by a parent that a parking fine was issued last week for "parallel park close to dividing line/strip". There is a solid white line where Murphy Street and McNeil Place intersect. Please be aware that this area is monitored by ACT Govt parking vehicles and you may be issued with an infringement notice.

[https://shpspearce.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/1412/sacramental\\_dates\\_2020\\_a4.pdf](https://shpspearce.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1412/sacramental_dates_2020_a4.pdf)

### Working With Vulnerable People Card

The Working With Vulnerable People Act requires those who work or volunteer with vulnerable people to have a background check and be registered.

The *Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011* (the WWVP Act) commenced on 8 November 2012. It aims to reduce the risk of harm or neglect to vulnerable people in the ACT.

Here is the link to apply or renew a WWVP Card:

[https://www.accesscanberra.act.gov.au/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/1804/~/working-with-vulnerable-people-%28wwvp%29-registration](https://www.accesscanberra.act.gov.au/app/answers/detail/a_id/1804/~/working-with-vulnerable-people-%28wwvp%29-registration)

## IMPORTANT NOTICES



South Woden Parish, Pearce - Year 4 and above, First Holy Communion 2020  
- Enrolments opening 18<sup>th</sup> February

The Parent Formation Night for First Holy Communion will be held 7pm at Sacred Heart Church, 4 March. All sessions will take place 7pm in the Church on the Wednesdays of 11<sup>th</sup> March to 1<sup>st</sup> April

We are celebrating the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at 6pm, Sat 4 April and 10am, Sunday 5 April.

Enrolments will be open from Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February at [www.mhoc.org.au](http://www.mhoc.org.au) and also via the QKR! app. It will be taken on a first come basis, so please have your enrolments in ASAP.

Please let any non-Catholic School families know of the Enrolment. Any questions regarding the Sacrament, please contact the Parish Office on 6286 1908 or email: [wodensouth.sacraments@cg.org.au](mailto:wodensouth.sacraments@cg.org.au)



Rising Star Tennis Accademy will be running two programes this Term at Sacred Heart.Tennis Whizz Program is for children aged between 4-6 years of age and The Red Ball Play and Train program for students in years 2-6. All expressions of interest need to be sent through by Friday14<sup>th</sup> February 2020. For more information follow the link to the PDF.

[https://shpspearce.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/1413/play\\_and\\_train\\_tennis\\_program\\_t1\\_2020.pdf](https://shpspearce.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1413/play_and_train_tennis_program_t1_2020.pdf)

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### CALLING FOR

### SHPS NETBALLERS FOR THE 2020 ARAWANG NETBALL

### ASSOCIATION WINTER COMPETITION!

### ONLINE REGISTRATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 21st FEBRUARY 2020

The 2020 Netball season is here. This year there are a number of changes as follows:

- The season will commence on the 21<sup>st</sup> of March for Years 4, 5 and 6.
- Years 2 and 3 the season will commence on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of May.
- All registration payments will be made **at the time of registration** (via MyNetball – links provided below). Previously payments were made after player registration via Qkr or at the front office, however, this year registration payments will be made and player registration will be finalised in the one process.

- Registrations will open on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> of February and close on the 21<sup>st</sup> of February.
- Registration costs are **\$165** for all players in year 2 and 3 and **\$175** for all players in year 4, 5 and 6.
- All games will be played at the Arawang Netball Courts, Stirling, ACT.

Registrations and payments are to be completed online using the following links:

Year 2 and 3 via

<https://netball.resultsvault.com/common/pages/reg/welcome.aspx?type=6&id=88017&entityid=42436>

AND Year 4, 5 and 6 players via

<https://netball.resultsvault.com/common/pages/reg/welcome.aspx?type=1&id=22039&entityid=42436>

Volunteers are always needed if you would like to coach or manage a team (or would like to know more about what's involved) please contact me.

All volunteers will be required to complete the Working with Vulnerable People background check.

Please contact Mel Tapp, SHPS 2020 Netball Coordinator, if you have any queries via email at [melandkiwi@gmail.com](mailto:melandkiwi@gmail.com) or mobile on 0434 056 508.



### Calling any Interested Peewee (Under 5/6) Soccer Players

Looking to get together any Sacred Heart kids who have started Kindy this year to play soccer with Woden Valley Football Club.

Technically peewee's don't have teams, however, form 4 player a side teams each Saturday morning and play mini-games. From experience with our older son, it is a great way for the kids to make friends at school and for us to get to know other Sacred Heart families. In our older son's case, a team was born from getting together at this early age that continue through to Under 7s, 8's and 9's.

There is no training, and games are 9.30am Saturday mornings at Mawson playing fields. Season dates are from the first weekend of Term 2 through to the last weekend of Term 3.

If you have a child interested in playing with the team please register at:

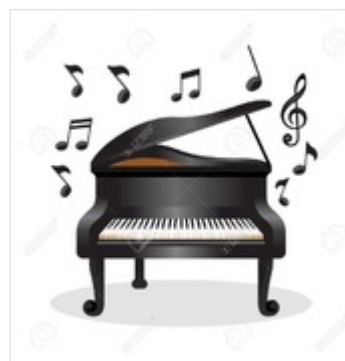
<http://wvsc.org.au/registration/how-to-register/>

Then email myself, **Elissa Berry** (Murray Berry's mum), so we can organise a meeting spot on the day. Registration closes March 2<sup>nd</sup>.



Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Sacred Heart Primary School (Pearce, ACT) is held on Thursdays from 11:00am to 11:45am, starting on 13 February 2020. Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games. Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop. If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email [enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au](mailto:enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au) for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

### Private Piano Tuition for 2020



Those parents who are wanting their child/children to have piano lessons, can contact the teachers directly on the following contact numbers;

- Mrs Hildegard Mendoza Phone: 0417 580 975
- Mrs Pam Cox Phone: 0418 442 203
- Mr Craig Mewett Phone: 0409 151 887 / 6278 7382
- Mr Michael Dooley Phone: 0424987337

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Raising Boys with Steve Biddulph - Melrose High School ACT

Come and hear Steve's world famous talk, covering boys of all ages. How to raise sons who are kind, confident, and safe. Boys and school. The importance of dads. What single mums can do. Testosterone. The 3 Stages of boyhood and how to have them go smoothly. Boys and housework. This life-changing seminar is unforgettably moving and funny too. PLEASE NOTE, BABIES including newborns, CHILDREN AND TEENS CANNOT BE ADMITTED TO THE SEMINAR.

On Wednesday 1 April 2020 at 7:30pm

Raising Boys. April 1st ..Melrose High School <https://www.trybooking.com/BHBDY>

### Raising Girls with Steve Biddulph - Mt Stromlo High School

Covering girls of all ages, this practical, helpful and moving talk by Steve Biddulph will galvanize you to better strengthen your daughter, and help her grow up confident, happy, and free. Steve is one of the world's best known speakers on parenthood, funny, honest, and deeply affecting, and his stories will stay with you forever. NB. PLEASE NOTE THAT BABIES AND CHILDREN CANNOT BE ADMITTED TO THE SESSIONS.

On Thursday 2 April 2020 at 7:30pm

Raising Girls April 2nd. ..Mount Stromlo High School <https://www.trybooking.com/BHCPK>

## BIRTHDAYS



Congratulations to the following students  
celebrating their Birthday

Grace O, Jack P, Noah J, Ruhan K, Earnest F.

