Sacred Heart School is a Catholic Co-Educational School (K-6) that has provided a quality and Christ-centered education for students in the Huon Valley Region for 70 years. Today, a dedicated and professional staff team carry on the spirit and traditions of our founders, The Sisters of Saint Joseph.
Sacred Heart School continues to respond to, and to serve, the needs of parents who seek a Catholic education for their children. We aim to create an atmosphere in which both children and staff can grow and develop as a Catholic Community, loved by God. The school aims to extend this to a sense of belonging within the wider-community of home, school and parish.

We aim to provide a learning environment, which is stimulating, positive and purposeful that caters for the social, physical, emotional, academic and spiritual needs of the students entrusted in our care. Our School Improvement Plan and our policies and activities strive to develop, enhance and nurture each student’s talents and skills.

There are many opportunities for parents to work in partnership with the school, thereby strengthening the bonds of communication between parents and teachers. Parents are welcome to assist with classroom learning and the myriad of activities that take place in and around the school. There are also more formal opportunities to be involved in the life of the school through the School Board or the Parents and Friends Association.

Sacred Heart School strives to integrate faith and life within the daily activities of the school. This is achieved through the adherence to Gospel values, so that a warm, welcoming and supportive environment is created. We hope that your involvement with the Sacred Heart Catholic School Community will be a very happy and successful one.

Yours Sincerely
Mr Stuart Kelly
Principal
Vision Statement

At Sacred Heart Catholic School we encompass the spirit of our founders, the Sisters of St Joseph and Catholic teachings where all:

- develop a relationship with God and be witnesses to Christ by living the Gospel values whilst promoting peace and tolerance.
- work together to provide a safe, supportive, encouraging and welcoming environment in which students strive for excellence; and
- encourage a passion for life long learning.
Mission Statement

At Sacred Heart we aim to:

- give witness to Gospel values recognising Christ as teacher and friend who is present in our lives;
- respect and support family life and acknowledge parents as the foremost educators of their children;
- encourage justice, tolerance and reconciliation;
- welcome all with openness and equality;
- celebrate as a community
- develop teaching and learning through the establishment of positive relationships
- create a learning environment which provides for the unique needs of each student, encouraging them to reach their full potential in all aspects of life;
- respect ourselves, each other and our surroundings;
- provide a secure environment that ensures the safety and wellbeing of all;
- be effective and contributing members of the wider community.
A strong focus at Sacred Heart is the school uniform which has the traditional colours of red and blue. Students of Sacred Heart are expected to wear their uniform with pride. They must at all times wear a complete and correct uniform. Kindergarten children are only required to wear the sports uniform. Uniform centre is on school premises and provides an excellent service for parents. New and limited second hand uniform is available.

**Girls**
The official uniform for primary girls in summer is a summer dress, jumper, short white socks and black school shoes. Winter requires royal blue tunic, jumper, long sleeve sky blue shirt, school bow tie, navy tights and black shoes. Optional plaid trousers can be worn, however the formal school uniform is the tunic.

**Boys**
Boys wear open necked sky blue shirt and grey shorts, long or short grey socks, jumper and black school shoes. Winter requires jumper, long sleeve sky blue shirt, school tie and grey trousers, grey school socks with black shoes.

**Sport**
School track pants or navy shorts, rugby top, either red or blue polo (depending on house allocation), white socks and predominantly white, lace-up or velcro sand shoes.

**Raincoats** may be red, blue or black. A spray jacket is available for wearing over uniform while outside the classroom. It is not to be worn inside the classroom.

**Hair** longer than shoulders should be neatly tied back with royal blue or red ribbons. Hairstyles are to be suitable for young children. Colours and overuse of gel is not acceptable.

**Jewellery** Pierced ears – wear one plain stud or sleeper in the earlobe. A plain signet ring, bracelet or watch may be worn.

**Hats** are compulsory for terms 1 and 3. Children will wear the navy bucket hat as supplied by the uniform shop.
At all games where children are representing the school they are expected to be neatly and tidily dressed.

Full sports uniform must be worn to and from events and to school for PE lessons. School sports house are Hartz and Picton.

Sacred Heart Catholic School is an associate member of both, Southern Catholic Primary Sports Association & Huon and Channel Primary School Sports association.

Our children participate in dance, swimming, athletics and cross country carnivals, as well as winter football and netball, fun runs and triathlon when the opportunities arise. The emphasis is for children to participate fully to their ability, develop skills and learn appropriate attitudes when playing.
Outdoor Education

Grade 2
1 night
Camping at school
Explore the local community and be away from home overnight

Grade 3, 4, 5
1 or 2 nights
Focus on, and study the wider environment and history.
Get back to nature.
Team building, leadership and self-discovery.

Grade 6 - Tour of Tassie
4 nights
Discover and explore areas of Tassie
Children plan and organise their own week

A comprehensive outdoor education and camping program has been developed from grade 2 to Grade 6.
The first ten minutes of the lunch hour all children are required to sit together to eat their lunch before going to play.

Manager
Mrs Mandy Geeves

The school canteen operates 3 days a week at recess and lunch-time. The days of operation are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. There is an emphasis on healthy foods with a number of options for children to choose from for both snacks and lunch.
Nearly all our student population arrive and depart from school by bus. The school is served by 6 different bus runs, covering all areas of the Huon Valley. The school owns three of these contracts and owns four buses, which are used extensively for excursions and camps.

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We collect children in our buses on the main road between Huonville and Geeveston, through Franklin at appropriate stops.
School Fees 2012

The School Board set fees for the next year in Term 3 - One invoice is sent after the commencement of the school year, followed by monthly statements showing payments made thus far. This allows families to know exactly what is remaining to be paid by the end of the school year.

Student Assistance Scheme (STAS) - For those families that are eligible, this deduction will be credited to your account when the school receives the money from the scheme.

St Mary’s Cathedral Restoration Fund - This is a voluntary donation of $30 per family per year that is fully tax deductible. If you do not wish to make this contribution please contact the school office.

Capital Levy Fund - The Capital Levy for 2012 is $171 per family. This will be added to your invoice in February.

Discounts apply for two or more children attending SHCS, three or more children in Catholic Schools/Colleges. There is a 5% discount for families if fees are paid in full before the end of March. Fees may be paid weekly, fortnightly, monthly or annually. Cash, cheque, EFTPOS, direct debit, centrepay and scheduled or manual credit card facilities are available.

There is also a range of options for FEE ASSISTANCE if families are under any financial stress. The School Board is very conscious of supporting all families in our community and assisting where possible.
*$150 for Tour of Tassie not included. Please note that apart from fundraising (e.g., school fair, etc.) the school will not ask parents for any further funds throughout the school year. The school fees cover a wider range of areas including camps, learn to swim, DANCEFEVER, excursions, performances and numerous other educational experiences.

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Sacred Heart Catholic School has an outstanding Kindergarten program that is facilitated by very experienced staff. The program is offered over three full days (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday). Pre-Kinder sessions are offered to families in third term.
At Sacred Heart Catholic School ICT is fully embedded across all learning areas and is used as a tool to enhance and engage student learning. Sacred Heart has one laptop/ipad for every two students and every learning team has a range of digital resources to assist their programs. All students in our 3-6 teams are involved in collaborative online projects with children in remote areas of the Northern Territory and the United Kingdom. The school is now seen as a ‘lighthouse school’ for ICT, which saw the school invited by the Victorian Government to participate in the Listen2Learners (L2L) Conference in Melbourne in October 2010.

In 2012 Grade 6 students will be part of a trial where they will have an ipad2 to use at school and home. We are committed to ensuring every student has the latest technologies and resources to enhance their learning. The ipad will not only be used for technology lessons, word processing, web access, skyping, etc. but is also a calculator, atlas, dictionary, thesaurus and even a Bible.
Sacred Heart Catholic School offers a playgroup session for all community members every Monday morning from 9.30am to 11.00am. The sessions are run by parents and held in the current Kindergarten learning space. For more information please contact the school office.