Dear Parents,

It was great to finally get some beautiful weather on the weekend. On Sunday the staff joined the Parish at Franklin for the 9.30 Mass. It was great to see numerous families from school attending and enjoying a very family orientated and vibrant celebration. After Mass the staff enjoyed a family BBQ at spectacular Franklin foreshore.

This Wednesday the school community is gathering together for an Ash Wednesday Prayer Service at 12.30pm on Wednesday in the school hall. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting, which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

What is the significance of the ASHES?
The ashes are made from the blessed palms used in the Palm Sunday celebration of the previous year. The ashes are christened with Holy Water and are scented by exposure to incense. While the ashes symbolize penance and contrition, they are also a reminder that God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts. His Divine mercy is of utmost importance during the season of Lent, and the Church calls on us to seek that mercy during the entire Lenten season with reflection, prayer and penance.
Grade 3 & 4 Camping Program
This week the Grade 3 & 4 students are participating in their camping programs. It is a great opportunity for the students, staff and parent volunteers to spend some valuable time together exploring different parts of Tassie. The Grade 3 students have a one night experience at Orford and the Grade 4 team is heading to Waddamanna for a couple of nights. I am looking forward to catching up with both camps during the week. Hopefully the beautiful weather we experienced on the weekend continues. Thank you to Mrs Campagna and Mrs Doherty for all their efforts in planning the camps and organising their own family life around them. I have stated numerous times – SHCS is one of only a few schools still offering these experiences for their Grade 2, 3 and 4 students.

Swimming Carnival
Last Thursday was our annual swimming carnival at the Port Huon Sports Centre. It was an excellent day with all the children enjoying themselves. It was great to see the Grade 1/2 team participate for the first time. It was a close competition all day with the Hartz’s Team coming out on top by about 40 points. Thanks to all the parents that assisted on the day. We will be selecting a team to represent SHCS at the Southern Catholic School’s competition next Friday 18th March.

A highlight of the carnival for me was the competition between Jackson Gordon and Campbell Gane in Grade 6. Both boys gave their all for their team and they had a number of extremely close races. One of the races was declared a tie after it was too close to call. Rather than being disappointed or upset both boys got out of the pool and congratulated each other (high fives all round). An outstanding example of sportsmanship and leadership from the boys!

Fee Accounts
Hopefully our Fee Accounts will be sent home early this week. A reminder that there is a discount (5%) if accounts are paid in full before the end of March.

School Board
Our School Board is meeting this Thursday evening (6.00pm) in the staff room. Last week a letter was sent home calling for nominations for the Board. Nominations need to be returned to me ASAP.
Rainbows Program
Rainbows is a program that offers children support that have experienced some form of loss. A flyer was sent home with the newsletter a couple of weeks ago explaining in depth what the program hopes to achieve. Parents are asked to contact me via email or completing the return slip on the flyer if you would like your child/children to participate. For this term we will not be taking any other children into the Rainbow’s program after Thursday 10th March.

Dover Book Exchange
I would like to thank the Dover Book Exchange for their support of our Parents and Friends Association. Last week the Exchange gave us $300 to purchase materials for the students. This is the second cheque in the last few months. Please support this community minded business if you are in the area. The P&F met for the first time last Tuesday and have already committed to funding more resources for our new spelling program. The P&F executive for 2011 is:
Narelle Gane – President
Narelle Duggan – Vice President
Sharee Burgess – Treasurer
Jasmyn Abbott – Secretary

New Website
I hope all families have had the opportunity to explore our new website. We are updating the news page numerous times during the week and the calendar is a valuable resource for all families. The newsletter will be placed on the site under the news section each week. Please let me know if there is anything else that could be included on the site that might be useful for families.

Relay for Life
Thanks to those families that have supported the Staff’s ‘Relay for Life’ Team that is participating in the event in Huonville in a fortnight. Hopefully the event will be a success and held each year in the Valley.

Kinder Enrolments 2011
A reminder that our Kinder enrolments for 2011 are open at the moment. Please contact the office if you would like an application package. Kinder students for 2012 must be four by the 1st January 2012.

Have a great week

Stuart Kelly
Principal
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### WGM
- Oliva Burdick: Being responsible
- Georgia Griggs: being responsible

### Kermandie Cafe

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Waiting to pick them up?
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Swimming Carnival

The annual Sacred Heart swimming carnival was held last Thursday the 3rd of March. Congratulations to all the competitors and spectators on your participation, assistance and especially your encouragement and cheering towards others and your team. Well done to Hartz with 1156 points and Picton with 1116 points. It was great to see the grade one and two students participate this year. Everyone tried their best and the smiles showed they had a fantastic day. Thank you to all the parents and family members who were able to come along and assist and watch the children. The Catholic Carnival is on next Friday the 18th of March. The teams will be announced on Wednesday. Permission and information forms will be sent home this Thursday.

Huon Valley Soccer Club

Would like to announce that their Junior 2011 season will start with a registration/kick around from 4.00pm this Thursday 10/03/2011
Robbie Maddison & The Mexican Cup

It was a very warm night, the stadium was full to capacity, everyone was there to see Robbie Maddison try to win the Mexico cup, with this special move the Body Varial. To pull off the Body Varial he needed to jump off his bike and spin around and get his hands on the handlebars and he needed to make sure that he didn't get the nose of the bike too high.

Robbie Maddison was feeling very nervous and scared. The Mexican wave was going around Mexico stadium. The crowd went silent in the minutes before his first attempt but erupted into cheering and screaming as the commentator introduced Robbie Maddison.

Robbie Maddison flew in at 150km\h, he hit the ramp and flew 15 metres, but he gets the nose of the bike too high.

Robbie jumps off his bike and spins around. He goes to grab the handlebars but he accidently puts his hands on the brakes, the bike stops, and it hits the ground. Robbie flies over the handlebars and twists his neck the wrong way, he stacked it!

The Yamaha 250 bike was trashed. Robbie Maddison was lying on the ground in pain, he was shriving like mad. The medicos had to come out and put him on a stretcher all the other bike riders were scared. You could hear a pin hit the ground because of the silence in the stadium.

He was rushed to Hospital ASAP. The crowd was disappointed and felt sorry for Robbie Maddison and all the other bike riders were disappointed.

When he got to the Hospital the doctor gave him the bad news. The doctor told him to "lay off the track, and not to do any stunts for five weeks or you may risk dying".

Robbie was very disappointed, and went home, and sulked on the couch for the next couple of days. Another bike rider named Levi Sherwood rang up and encouraged Robbie Maddison to get training again slowly.

He gets on his motorbike and starts riding around his backyard. He was training everyday for five weeks.

At the end of the five weeks of training, Robbie went back to the Doctor. The Doctor said “you can start riding again, and doing tricks.” Robbie decided to enter the replay of the Mexican Cup.

It was time for the big event. Robbie Maddison was on his way to the stadium and had butterflies in his stomach.

It was Robbie turn to perform. He came back into the stadium and the crowd stared to raw. Robbie Maddison stared to rev the bike and he stared to ride up towards the jump. The crowd was silent, not a noise could be hear, all you could hear was the rev of the bike.

Robbie Maddison hit the ramp, got in the air and went for the body varial. The take off was perfect, he flew through the air, took both hands off the handlebars, spun around, put his hand on the handlebars, without touching the brakes, and lands it. The crowd roared with appreciation. Robbie Maddison fell onto his kness knowing that he had just won the Mexico Cup.

BAILEY REEVE & NATHAN MCQUEEN (Grade 5 students)
Relay for Life
Lucky Number Tickets

We have lots of numbers left and they MUST go.

Thank you for your support so far for our Relay For Life Team.

To help us reach our target we are running a fundraiser of selling 100 numbers at $5.00 each, with 3 winning draws, 1 draw of $100 and 3 draws of $50.

If you would like a lucky number please fill in the slip and return it to the school and your number will be allocated on the board in the front office. If you have a preference of number, please indicate on the slip below.

Thank you for your support.

Regards
Maree McQueen
Team Captain

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WORLD YOUTH DAY – FINAL CALL!!

This is the final call for anyone interested in joining the Tasmanian Pilgrimage to Madrid for World Youth Day 2011. This amazing opportunity will see you join other like-minded young (16 – 35yo) Tasmanians on the journey of a lifetime to Rome, Assisi, Siena, Lourdes, Loyola, Burgos and finishing in Madrid with 2 million people from right across the world for the massive, week long celebration! All details on this pilgrimage can be found at: www.wydtas.org.au. If you are at all interested, this is your LAST CHANCE, you must contact Rachelle by Monday 14th March on 0400 045 368 or rachelle.smith@aohtas.org.au to join.
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