Dear Parents,

We have another busy week ahead of us with the Athletics Carnival tomorrow and Grandparents/Special Persons Day on Friday. We would love to see as many children and grandparents at school on Friday to enjoy the concert and the classroom activities. Please ensure teachers are notified if your children are away on Friday. Grandparents Day will commence at 10.00am and we are asking that families please supply a plate for morning tea. As mentioned previously there is limited space in the hall and seating is only available for the special guests.

Please read the attached note from Mrs Campagna about the arrangements for our Athletics Carnival tomorrow. Looks like the weather is going to be kind to us and we can enjoy a day outside in the sunshine. Please ensure the children have their school hats, sunscreen and plenty to drink. Parents need to write a note in the diary if your child is being dropped off at the track in the morning or being picked up in the afternoon (not returning to school). This information will assist with our organisation with the buses.

Anniversary of the Canonisation of Mary MacKillop
It is hard to believe that a year has passed since the canonisation of Mary MacKillop. Yesterday our Junior Joey group, led by Mrs Dunn, participated in a liturgy in New Town with other Junior Joey Groups from Southern Catholic Schools. It was great to see our children so enthusiastic about the event and participate fully in the activities. I think Fr Greg was very proud when the SHCS students answered all the questions about the Josephites and Mary MacKillop during his homily. Thank you to all families that supported the Joey’s small fundraiser last week (Odd Socks Day). The Leukaemia Foundation was thrilled when they were presented with a cheque for $200.

Playgroup Activity
On Wednesday the 26th October we are transporting our playgroup members up to the Botanical Gardens to enjoy the Tasmanian Playgroup Association’s Teddy Bear Picnic. It promises to be a great day with many activities for the young ones to enjoy. Please contact the school office or drop into the playgroup (Monday mornings 9.30am) if you would like to participate.

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**Dates for your diaries**

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Pre-Kinder Sessions
A reminder for our 2012 Kinder families that our Pre-Kinder sessions commence on Friday the 4th November. Families need to contact the school office to put their names down for the sessions. There are two sessions – 9.00am – 10.30am and 11.00am to 12.30pm.

Kindergarten
We are running two extra Kindergarten days next two Fridays so the Kinders can participate in Grandparents Day and the Bike-a-thon fundraiser. Thank you to Mrs Klein and Mrs Watkins for being so willing to assist to ensure the Kinders can fully participate in these two exciting days.

Parents & Friends Association
Our next P&F meeting is on Tuesday the 25th October at 9.00am in the staffroom. We would love to see some new faces, particularly seeing we are starting initial preparations for our 2012 School Fair. We are having a plain clothes day on Friday 4th November (Thursday 3rd for Kinder) for a gold coin donation that will go towards supporting the P&F raffle that we are holding at the Huon Show on the 12th November.

Learn to Swim
I would like to congratulate all students and staff for their efforts with the Learn to Swim program. It was another successful program with the children gaining many new and life-long skills. Thank you to the Port Huon Sports Centre for their planning and implementing of the program and to the teaching staff and parent helpers over the fortnight that assisted. A special mention to Mrs Longey who swam each day to support the Prep students.

Bike-a-thon
Another note is going home this week with more details about the bike-a-thon next week. Please ensure the details are completed and returned to school ASAP. We need to know with the Grade 3-6 children who are riding early in the morning and other details about bikes and pick up arrangements. Hopefully we will raise valuable funds to support the Phon Family in Cambodia. It is going to be quite a challenging day (particularly for the staff team) but I am sure we can all rise to the occasion. Remember there are prizes for the Grade 3-6 teams that can ride more laps than the staff team. My training for the event included watching many hours of this year’s Tour de France!!!

Letters & Sounds Spelling Program
Yesterday afternoon the teaching staff gathered together to reflect on our progress with our new spelling program that we implemented at the start of this year. It was great to here the enthusiasm of the staff as they discussed the positive aspects of the program and the difference it has made to the spelling and reading of the students. The program has been a great success!

Summer Uniform
This week is our changeover period for our Summer uniform. As mentioned previously I am happy if the girls still want to wear their long trousers with their short sleeve shirts if it is more comfortable for them to participate in class and playground activities.

Have a great week

Stuart Kelly
Principal
Principal Merit Awards
Jackson Gordon – Being a consistently positive member of Grade 5/6
Xavier Peatling – Showing a fantastic attitude to all aspects of his school life
Grace Hardy – Showing initiative and recognizing her own strengths
Emily Coad – Being a friendly and happy member of the class giving everyone lots of smiles
Cam Smith – Displaying fantastic manners and a mature attitude
Jayden Gane – Being self-motivated and taking great care with his work
Joshua Coad – Having a positive attitude towards his literacy tasks
Lukas Ford – Always striving to do his best on all tasks
Sophie Buick – Always offering to help other students

Junior Joey’s Certificates
Jeremy Ashworth – Living the motto ‘never see a need without doing something about it’
Ava Hickey – Always helping others when they are in need
Alfie Cullen – Thinking of others
Mitchell Ransom – Caring for and helping those who are struggling
Harris Short – Living the motto ‘never see a need without doing something about it’
Milo Burgess

WGM
Chelsea Ballard - Looking after the school with pride
Mitchell Ransom - Cleaning and taking responsibility for the classroom
Shayla Ackerley - Giving up her time to clean the classroom
Lilli Steel - Picking up equipment in the playground without being asked.
Athletics Carnival

What: Sacred Heart Catholic School Athletics Carnival (Hartz V Picton)
When: Wednesday 19th October
Where: Huonville Little Athletics Track
Time: 9:30-2:30

The children have been practicing for the athletic carnival and are very excited about the day. Wednesday is going to be quite warm so please ensure your child has a school hat, sunscreen and plenty to drink. Cold drinks will be available for purchase at the venue on the day.

Need: Lots of Parent help. For the carnival to run successfully we will be relying on parents to help. Your assistance will be required with the running of the events as well as assisting groups of students as they move between the different events. If those parents who are interested in helping with a specific event or with their child’s class on the day as they move around the events, could you please make contact with either myself or your child’s teacher before the day.

Other information:
- The children will move around the events in their class groups
- The relays will be conducted in front of the pavilion at approx 2:00pm.
- Children can be driven to the carnival by their parents and taken home once the carnival has finished.
- There will be a barbeque provided on the day (sausage in bread for 50c).
- It would be nice to have a picnic style lunch where parents come along to watch and have lunch with their child/children.
- Parents will need to make sure that their children have everything that they need.
  - Sports uniform + house team colours. Picton (Blue), Hartz (Red)
  - School Hat
  - Sunscreen (children can still get sunburn on an overcast day)
  - Plenty to drink & eat during the day.

There is a timetable of events and the name of the teacher running the events included below.

Regards,
Debbie Campagna
| Time  | Grade | Subject | Activity                          | Activity | Activity                          | Activity | Activity                          | Activity | Activity                          | Activity | Activity                          | Activity | Activity                          | Activity | Activity                          | Activity | Activity                          | Activity |
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| 0930  | 1st   |          | prep                              |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |
| 1005  | 2nd   |          | Tunnel Ball Under Over            |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |
| 1040  | 3rd   |          | Sprint 100m                       |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |
| 1115  | 4th   |          | Long Jump                         |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |
| 1140  | 5th   | Lunch   | Lunch                             |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |
| 115-11.40 | Lunch | Lunch   | Lunch                             |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |
| 1215  | 6th   |          | Tunnel Ball Under Over            |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |
| 1250  | 7th   |          | Tunnel Ball Under Over            |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |
| 1325  | 8th   |          | Tunnel Ball Under Over            |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |                                  |          |
Congratulations to Mr Kelly
Australia’s most outstanding school teachers and leaders celebrated

This week the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership awards were announced.
Australia’s best teachers and principals were honoured at the Australian Awards for Outstanding Teaching and School Leadership ceremony in Melbourne on 13 October.
Thirty-nine state and territory finalists and five national winners were recognised for their expert knowledge, exemplary skills and unwavering commitment to young Australians in five award categories.

One category was Primary Principal of the Year award.
It is with great pride that I can tell you the Tasmanian winner and National finalist was Mr Kelly.
This is fantastic recognition for the work and leadership that Mr Kelly has provided to Sacred Heart Catholic School over the few years that he has been our Principal.
However even though this is an individual award it also goes to showcase the excellence in education being provided by the school’s teachers who are also leaders in the education of our children.

Our school provides not only an excellent learning environment but provides a wide and varied opportunity of programs for our children’s growth and learning development. This enables them to progress through to senior school with all the necessary skills for further learning.

This award just goes to show that we are a very privileged school community to have such a highly skilled principal and teachers providing education to our children. I think we can sometimes take for granted what Sacred Heart Catholic School has to offer and I feel that this award goes to show how valuable our principal and his teachers are.

So on behalf of the school community, I wish to publicly congratulate Mr Kelly on this award, which he truly deserves, and also to share those congratulations with our teachers. Thank you all for your dedication and excellence in the teaching of our children.

Tony Bradley
School Board Chair
What’s On

November/December 2011

Huon LINC  LINC Tasmania
1 Skinner Drive, Huonville. Phone 6264 8482

* Story time @ your library
Join us for 30 minutes of sharing stories,
Singing rhymes and songs and other fun activities.
Every week during school term.

  Huonville
  Wednesday 10am
  Cygnet
  Alternate Thursdays 2pm
  Geeveston
  Tuesday 11.30
  Sessions for 2 - 5 year olds

* Rock & Rhyme @ your library
Join us for 30 minutes of rhyme,
Rhythm and fun with nursery room favourites.
Every week during school term.

  Huonville Friday 10am
  For 1 - 4 year olds

* Scrabble Club
Social group meet weekly for cuppa and games
Every Friday at 12.30 - Huon LINC
Cost Free

* Rural Health Week 14 – 18 Nov
Displays and activities in Huon LINC foyer

* Recognition of Informal Learning
This is a free service to those who have no formal
qualification but do have a lifetime of skills. If you
want the opportunity to have your skills
recognised phone or call into Huon LINC for
more information
Limited Places

* Basic Computer
This course is suitable for those with little or no
computer skills
  1 & 2 November  5.30 – 7.30
  Cost $30

* Taking it Slowly Set up an Email
Account
Learn how to add simple formulas, drag and format,
make a small graph or chart
  15 November  9.30 – 2.30
  Cost $11

* Get Started with Word
Produce a card, invitation or certificate
  22 November  9.30 – 2.30
  Cost $11

* Internet & Email
This course is suitable for those with basic computer
skills
  6 & 7 December
  Cost $30.00

* Get Started with Facebook
Learn how to join Facebook, update your profile and
make new friends.
  13 December  9.30 – 11.30am
  Cost $11

* eLearn
Self paced accredited computer course, Internet,
Word, Excel, Email and general computer use.
Every Monday morning 9.30 – 11.30 during term.
Expressions of Interest now for Term 1 -
2012 Free Course

See over for what else is happening …
Other things to do @ your LINC in 2011...

• **Join School for Seniors** - held on the first Friday each month during school terms 10am -12 noon

• **Writers Groups** – Huonville every second Saturday 10 – 12 noon, Cygnet last Friday of each month, 10 – 12 noon.

• **Study Circle** – Thursday mornings during term time, 9.30 – 11.30am. Support, tips, encouragement to complete your distance or online qualification. Computers also available for use.

• **First Gear program** - Take your learners licence test – Conditions apply

• **Huon LINC Gallery**
  Free gallery space for local artists, including the new Kids Zone

**VOLUNTEER VACANCIES**

**Urgent:** Rock & Rhyme volunteer every 2nd Friday 10.00 am – 10.30 am
(present rhyme, rhythm and fun with nursery room favourites)

**Interested ?** - in Front of House reception - 5 positions, Computer assistant 4 – positions, Literacy Tutor

Phone Huon LINC for details: (03) 6264 8482

**EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST** are being taken now for the following courses that may be offered at Huon LINC and other Huon venues in 2012 …

• Cert II Business
• Cert III Business Admin
• Cert III Children Services
• Cert III Education Support
• Cert II Information Technology

• Chainsaw Licence
• MAST Boat Licence
• Mental Health First Aid
• OH&S Construction White Card
• Work Place II Senior First Aid

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