Dear Parents,

I hope you enjoy the below reflection from Sr Kym.

Reminding ourselves who we are…and what is important.

This week we celebrated the horse race that ‘stops the nation’. Well, most of the country did. I didn’t and I have my reasons. But before you think I’m not really Australian, let’s say I have other ways of reminding myself of what I am as an Australian. I do realise though that celebrating the Melbourne Cup has less to do with the horse race and more to do with being a way we recognise who we are as a nation. It is something we do to remind ourselves of who we are. That is what rituals are for. They regularly focus our minds and hearts of what is important in case we can get too bogged down in necessities, crises and the sheer ordinary details of life.

We need ritual in other areas of life but most importantly in our relationship with God. Rarely will God push into our lives making a big splash. Rather, in respect and love, God waits for us to respond in love. We need ritual prayer to remind ourselves of this loving, waiting God. The ritual can be as profound as Sunday Eucharist or as simple as a prayer made as the cake goes into the oven. Time honoured rituals are prayer at the beginning and end of each day, and before meals. As believers, it is a good idea to ask ourselves what do we do to remind ourselves that we are people of God.

Loving God, we so often get caught up in the business of life, forgetting that your love upholds our lives. Give us the wisdom of your Spirit that we may regularly remind ourselves that your care surrounds us at all times. We ask this in Jesus’ name, confident that you will hear us.

Sr Kym Harris osb

Dates for your diaries

Fri 4th Nov  Pre Kinder Sessions commence
Wed 9th Nov  Assembly K-P 2.00pm
Fri 11th Nov  Pre Kinder Sessions
           Huon & Channel Athletics Day
Thank you to all families for supporting the CCT Bike-a-thon last Friday. It was an amazing day with the students really rising to the challenge. I was so proud of the students and the outstanding effort they put it. We had teams of primary students that rode over 180kms for the day (and so did the staff team) and we had individual students from Kinder – 2 that rode over 15kms. I will never cease to be amazed by the determination and energy of our students. We hope to have all the money collected by early next week, so we can draw the prize. Students receive one ticket in the draw for every $10 they raised.

Thank you to Mr Greg Dwyer and Mrs Fiona Donato for organising the day and motivating the students and staff. Thanks to the parents that helped set up and pack up and to the parents and the P&F that assisted throughout the day. A great team effort! Special mention to Samara Ford, Tim Ford and Roger Doyle for assisting with the bus at the end of the day when we had a flat battery.

Congratualtions – Excellence in Educational Leadership
I am very excited to announce that last Friday night at the Australian Council of Educational Leaders Tasmanian State Awards Night – Mr Greg Dwyer was awarded the Tasmanian “Excellence in Educational Leadership Award”. The award was in recognition for all Greg’s work in ensuring students and staff at SHCS have the latest technologies available to assist with their learning. Sacred Heart is seen as a ‘Lighthouse School’ for ICT and we have been recognized nationally for our progressive programs and online learning. Greg has led this process over the last three years and has done an amazing job to transform our learning spaces and the programs we can offer our students. Congratulations Greg!

P&F Huon Show Raffle
This week the P&F are holding a plain clothes day for the children for a gold coin donation. The gold coin goes towards purchasing items for the raffle that the P&F hold at the Huon Show each year. A great way to support our hardworking P&F who at their meeting last week donated another $800 to our Grade 3/4 team so we can purchase more suitable reading material. The Kinders will have their plainclothes day on Thursday and the rest of the school on Friday.

2012 Book Day
This year Birchalls have offered our families the opportunity to make their 2012 book orders online. There is a flyer about this new initiative attached to the newsletter. Please read carefully and return the slip to the school office, so we have an idea of how many families would be interested.

Pre-Kinder Sessions
Thanks you to those families that have let us know which Pre-Kinder session they will be attending. The sessions commence this Friday in the Kinder Learning Space.

Southern Catholic Athletics Carnival
Well done to our Athletics Team that participated last Thursday in the Southern Catholic Carnival. It was great see that a large number of students return with ribbons. Thanks to Mrs Campagna, Mr Dwyer, Mrs Doherty and Mr Freeman for assisting on the day.

Canteen
Our canteen will be closed this Thursday.

Have a great week

Stuart Kelly
Principal
Merit Certs
Matilda Seabourne – Making well-considered contribution to class discussion in R.E and history.
Brendan Dolaghan – Having the character to put on a great show
Cam Smith – His enthusiasm and support towards of the CCT bike-a-thon
Isabel Burdick – Using a blank number line to solve subtraction problems
Travis Hickey – Being a leader in the classroom and helping others
Ava Swanson – Solving complex subtraction problems
Janet McHugh – Making great choices in her sounding out
Beau Swanson – Putting extra effort into his writing and work
Lucy Cox – Being a helpful and kind class member
Holly Ashlin – Acting responsibly and helping during lessons
Reece Norris – His enthusiasm during Grandparents day activities.
Lilly Greene – Your encouragement towards others
Max Bradley – Your science entries on your bean observations
Samuel Wright – Making extra effort in mathematics
Jordan Walker – Working in a very focussed way in literacy
Tahlia Scotland – Excellent wok in letters and sounds
Bonnie Thorpe – Her great effort in letters and sounds

Junior Joeys
The whole school – For friendly and caring attitude during the athletics carnival
Emily Wright – Helping younger children on the bus
Owen Gordon-Smith – Welcoming new friends to our kinder room. Always showing kindness and gentleness to his friends
Lilijana Bobbett – Keeping her temper and keeping the peace in spite of unkindness.

WGM
Lukas Ford – Always encouraging others
Brendan Dologhan – Helping out
Matilda Seabourne – Showing concern for others
Lawson Grey – Being very polite and welcoming
Roxy Burdon – Inviting others to play

Book Club
We have a book club order from Issue 6 with no name on it. If you are missing an order placed, please contact the school office.

Issue 7 and Issue 8 book club closes on November 8th 2011

Thank You, Cathie Stockford
Calendars will feature artwork by your family as well as school photos.

All children's artwork from the same family will be incorporated into one calendar.

Order your Calendar now! Only $7.00 each

The 2012 calendars will have some improvements from last years including not having the tear off strip which caused some problems.

The P&F welcome any other suggestions to improve our calendar! – Just email to ganeclan@gmail.com

Students Names: ..........................  Grade: ......................
..........................  Grade: ......................
..........................  Grade: ......................
..........................  Grade: ......................

Number of calendars required: ................ @ $7.00

Payment Enclosed:  $......................
**Year 3/4 Work**

**Dance Fever**

This term at Sacred Heart Catholic School, Geeveston, the students have been doing Dance Fever with Michael & Hannah from Dance Fever, Australia.

We are learning two kinds of dancing including Hip-Hop & the Jive.

We do Dance Fever every Thursday Morning

With the Jive & Hip-Hop we have to dance with a partner.

**WE LOVE DANCE FEVER**

By Lilly Greene & Lilijana Bobbett.

---

**Grandparents Day**

On Friday the 21st of October, 2011 Sacred Heart Catholic School had a Grandparents/ Special Person’s Day.

We had to make invites to invite our grandparents or special person to our special day.

Grandparents day was about our Grandparents/ Special Person coming along and having a look at our classrooms and all of our technology. They were impressed with all of our technology and how much space we have in our classrooms.

Each class had to perform a play or a song. Afterwards we had a morning tea with tea, coffee, biscuits and cakes.

The grandparents and special people liked looking at the work that we can do now compared to the work they had to do when they were at school.

All the grandparents enjoyed coming to see our school and we liked having them here.

By Fraser, Ebony, Gracie & Lilijana
Catholic Athletics Carnival

On Thursday 27th October was the Catholic Athletics Carnival at the Domain in Hobart. Students are chosen to compete against other Catholic schools. We were lucky that it was a hot day but we were bit unlucky because after we did our events we were hotter.

Some of the events were 100m sprints, 400m distance, 800m distance, vortex, long jump and relays. Some of the girls in long jump came 2nd and 4th. Hailee came 2nd and Juliet came 4th. The boys in long jump had a bit of a challenge and they had a bit of bad luck but they did their best.

Everyone had a great time and when it was time to go we hopped on the bus and came back to school.

By Tara and Shayla

The Athletics Carnival

On Wednesday the 19th of October 2011 Sacred Heart Catholic School in Geeveston had their Athletics Carnival. All the students from Kinder to Grade Six participated to the great event.

It was an incredibly hot day and everybody was putting ice in their hats because they were so HOT! Kinder started off with Shot Put, Preps had Tunnel Ball, Grade One had accuracy throw, Grade Two had Long Jump, Grade Three had the 80m Sprint, Grade Four had High Jump, Grade Five had Vortex and Grade Six had 800m (Two Laps). The team that won was PICTON and Hartz were just behind them. It all came down to the last relay and PICTON won the relay. It was the first time PICTON had won the Athletics Carnival in over 20 years. We had a BBQ for lunch and after doing the relays we all got an icy-pole.

We liked the day because it was great weather and we think everyone had a great day.

Thank You to all the teachers for running the events and a special thanks to Mrs Campangna for organizing a wonderful day.

By Tara and Hailee
Can’t make it in? Going on Holiday?

Place your booklist order online!

Birchalls are pleased to make their internet Ordering System available to Parents and Students. Just follow these steps:

1. Internet orders will commence on the 12th December 2011
2. Go to www.birchalls.com.au
3. Click on Text Books Online button.
4. Where it says Enter your school code here type the following code which corresponds to the Grade you want:
   - Kinder: 2SHGK
   - Prep: 2SHGPRE
   - Grade 1: 2SHG01
   - Grade 2: 2SHG02
   - Grade 3: 2SHG03
   - Grade 4: 2SHG04
   - Grade 5: 2SHG05
   - Grade 6: 2SHG06

5. Type in the password: 2012
6. Please a tick in the boxes next to the items you wish to order
7. Press click here to add all 'checked' items to your shopping list
8. Quantities can be changed or amended for each item at this point, once you have changed the quantity of the items, press the refresh quantities button.
9. A postage charge of $10 will be added to your order
10. Once quantities are correct click the confirm the above order
11. Click on the link to pay by credit card
12. Enter ALL your details as requested
13. Follow the prompts. You will be direct to Commonwealth bank secure payment service for your credit card details. Please be advised your card will be charged straight away. Allow 14 working days for delivery
14. Internet orders close two weeks prior to commencement of the school year.

Any question please Free Call 1800 806 867

-----------------------------------

Please tick one of the following boxes and return to the school office

☐ I would be interested in completing my childs booklist online
☐ I would prefer to come into school and place my childs booklist
2012 SCHOOL CALENDAR

SPONSORSHIP

We are currently seeking 12 businesses to sponsor the 2012 school calendar.

Every month will feature the details of a different business.

Cost will be $100.

Last year over 200 calendars were purchased by families so they are viewed by a wide range of potential customers.

We are providing this opportunity to our school community prior to canvassing other local businesses so if you are interested please contact Sharee Burgess at ganeclan@gmail.com or on 0407889314 or Narelle Gane at flossgane@bigpond.com or on 0429331881 as soon as possible.