Dear Parent/Caregiver,

BEGINNING OF YEAR MASS
Today our school community came together to celebrate the start of another wonderful year at Sacred Heart Catholic School and the many interesting, exciting and fun-filled opportunities that this year will bring. It was a great experience to see all our children so keen to sing and participate well in the Mass.

During the Mass, our staff, parents and students all made an important commitment for the year. Our new student leaders were also commissioned during this Mass.

Special thanks to Fr Greg, who celebrated Mass for us and to Mrs Cate Doherty for coordinating the Mass so well. I am also very grateful to all who assisted in some way, big or small, with our celebration today.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AT SACRED HEART
Congratulations to our student leaders who were commissioned at our Beginning of Year Mass today. This year we have a number of leadership opportunities for our students and we have already had many fine examples of leadership over the first few weeks of term.

Congratulations to the following children:

School Captains Max Bradley & Hailee Baldwin
House Leaders Bailey Gordon & Tara Shanley Hartz
Joshua Coad & Lilijana Bobbett Picton
Aussie Sports Leaders
Dylan Gane Shayla Ackerley
Ebenee Ackerley Juliet Kovac
Ben Stride George Scott
Connor Soward Shannan Doyle
Taylah Darwin Daniel Twaits
Lachlan Carter Natasha Dolaghan
Student Representative Council
Grade 6 Thomas Shanley Natasha Dolaghan
Grade 5 Fraser Johns Lilly Green
Grade 4 Roxy Burdon Jack McQueen
Grade 3 Lucy Cox Harris Short
PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION – AGM TONIGHT
An important reminder that our P&F Association Annual General meeting is on tonight in the Josephite Centre at 7pm. Drinks and nibbles will be served from 6.30pm.

Come along, get to know other families and be involved in your child’s school in a very positive and enjoyable way!

RETURNING SCHOOL NOTICES
Last week you would have received important information and notices from school. We ask that completed forms are returned to school as soon as possible. Many thanks to the many families who have already returned these to school.

HUON FM RADIO INTERVIEW
Every three weeks or so, we will have the opportunity to be part of a talk back session on Huon FM. This week, I took Thomas Shanley and Lilijana Bobbett along. We spoke about the beginning of the school year, PBS, student leadership and our new uniform. Tom and Lilijana spoke very well and were excellent ambassadors for our school.

FREE DRESS DAY NEXT TUESDAY
Please remember that all children can wear free dress to school next Tuesday, 5 March. We ask that your child also brings along some gold coin/s to support our Easter Raffle.

WELCOME BBQ THIS FRIDAY NIGHT
We have already had a great response to our Welcome BBQ this coming Friday night with over 70 people coming. Come along, have some tea, meet other families and have a relaxing time.

NEW MEMBERS FOR OUR SCHOOL BOARD
Our School Board is made up of a group of interested and committed parents, our parish priest, Fr Greg and myself, who come together once a month to discuss a whole range of school related matters. These may include new developments, financial matters, educational matters and our pastoral care to name but a few. Our meetings usually only go for an hour and are quite relaxed.

Do you know a parent who may be a good person to have on our School Board? Please discuss your nomination with the person to ensure they are interested. Board nomination letters will be sent home soon.

SCHOOL FEES
Invoices for our 2013 school fees will be issued this week. Fees can be paid:
• in person
• by direct debit / credit card / via Centrelink
• in cash or by cheque
• weekly, monthly or each term

There is a 5% discount if the total fee is paid in full before the end of March. Please remember that the School Board is very conscious that it is a difficult time at the moment for families in our community. We do not want to place any extra stress on families. Please contact me if there are any issues or concerns regarding fees.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL NEXT MONDAY
Parents and children are reminded that our School Swimming Carnival will be held at the Port Huon Aquatic Centre next Monday, 4 March.

• Prep – Grade 2 carnival from 9.30 – 10.30am
• Grades 3 – 6 carnival from 11am – 3pm.

Children need to wear their bathers, sports uniform, bring a change of underwear, goggles, a cap and their towel. A plastic bag for wet clothing will be handy and plenty of food and water is essential.

Parents and family members are very welcome!

Enjoy the coming week,

Luch Brighella
Principal

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Dates for your Diary

Mon 4th March  
School Swimming Carnival Port Huon Sports Centre  
Prep - Grade 2  9:30am - 10:30am  
Grade 3 - 6  11:00pm - 2:00 pm  

Tues 5th March  
Free Dress Day - Gold coin donation  

Wed 6th March  
Assembly - hosted by 5/6 team 2:15pm  
Grade 3 Excursion - Hartz Mountain 9:00am

Merit Certificates

Juliet Kovac: Her fantastic work ethic and thoughtful, clever and wonderfully presented homework.  
Justen Ashworth: His outstanding attitude to his work and the fantastic discoveries he has made and shared.  
Ben Mitchell: Saying positive words about another class member.  
Bonnie Thorpe: Giving her best with her hand writing.  
Jordan Coleman: Sharing his awesome ideas and thinking in science!  
Jordan Walker: His positive attitude and efforts in all areas of his schooling.  
Oscar Thorpe: Working very hard on all English tasks.  
Lilli Steel: Having a great attitude with some tricky maths.  
Izzy Russell: For being a responsible and helpful member of the class.  
Blake Doyle: For being a wonderful member of the class.  
Mackenzie Ford: Her great organisational skills in group work.  
Callum Ballard: Excellent attitude and effort in writing activities.  
Charli-May Coates: For your positive attitude towards everything you do.  
Ethan Carter: Celebrating your successes in maths.  
Archie Pepper: Excellent listening during our being safe lesson.  
Abby Pugh: Helping her friends when they are upset in Kinder.  
Laimon Oates: Having a go in Spanish.  
Natasha Dolaghan: Having a go in Spanish land.

MISSING SCHOOL SPORT RUGBY JUMPERS

Size 6 Melanie Darling  
and Kyesha-Anne Carter

Please check your childs bag, jumper and around your home.  
If found please return to the school office

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J-Mart Opens!

Hopefully by now your child has explained to you what it means to be SuPeR. All the students are responding so well to our PBS program. They are receiving Joey stickers for their Joey cards when they show us they are being Safe, Positive and Respectful. Many students have enough Joeys to spend them at J-Mart, our rewards shop that we open each Tuesday and Thursday at lunchtime. Some students have chosen to spend their Joeys on small rewards such as bouncy balls, special sharpeners or erasers or bubble blowers. There is a great array of items to choose from. Other students are choosing to save their Joeys to spend on larger rewards such as doing art and craft at lunchtime, playing board games or free ipad time in class just to name a few. It’s great to see the students being acknowledged for their SuPeR behaviour.

Spanish with Senora Tomato/Miss Demarco

The children have just enjoyed their second Spanish lesson. They have been showing great awareness of respect and safety as they move around the school to and from Spanish class. You may like to practice these words together at home.

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Rojo red, Azul blue, Amadillo (pronounced amadisho) yellow, Verde green.
Notice From Huon Valley Council-School Based Immunisation Program

A review has been conducted, by the Department of Health and Human Services into the current School Based Immunisation Program taking into consideration future needs and immunisation rates. The result of these changes for our school is that vaccinations provided as part of the school based immunisation program will no longer be offered to Year 6 students, hence visits to Sacred Heart, as a primary school, is no longer required.

Vaccinations will now be provided to Year 7, 9 and 10 as a catch up until 2015 then will continue for Years 7 and 10 thereafter.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding adolescent immunisation, please do not hesitate to telephone Council’s Environmental Health office on 6264 0354.

Guitar lessons are $14.00 per half hour.

Mr Lowe will be starting guitar lessons from early as next week. Mr Lowe has had 17 years of experience in teaching guitar. Tim majored in classical guitar at the conservatorium of music. He can teach all styles and all levels of guitar playing, including Rock, Classical, Jazz and Flamenco.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Tim on, 62641465 or mobile 0447322624, or via e-mail lowetj@utas.edu.au

Fun, one hour “Acting for Film and TV” classes in the heart of Hobart for Grades 1-6, running through school terms.

Mention your school’s newsletter item on your application form to TRY A CLASS FOR FREE. All details at www.cooperscreenacademy.com Now at 131 Macquarie Street.

Kermandie junior football club registration & training
Trialling Thursday nights at 5pm for the next 2 weeks, beginning Thursday 28th February 2013. Hope to see you all there ready for season 2013!! For more information please contact Sammy 0407808012
Are you looking for quality childcare?

Huon Valley Council Children’s Services Unit has the following care options for children aged 6 weeks to 12 years:

- **Family Day Care** – small groups in individual educator’s homes
- **Centre Based Care** – child care centres at Dover, Geeveston and Huonville
- **Outside School Hours Care and Vacation Care** – programs in Huonville and coming to Geeveston in mid 2013

We provide a warm learning and care environment with experienced and qualified educators across all programs.

Come in, phone or email today to enquire about your choices. We will be happy to discuss your options and show you around our care facilities.

**For more information:**
- **The Cottage:** 91 – 93 Main Street, Huonville
- **Ph:** 6264 0333
- **Email:** childservices@huonvalley.tas.gov.au

We look forward to hearing from you and making your family a part of our education and care community.