Dear Parent/caregiver,

HOLY WEEK

This week we focus on the events leading up to Jesus’ death and Resurrection. Last weekend we celebrated Palm Sunday and in particular, we recall Jesus entering Jerusalem amidst much excitement.

A modern day event that I often find myself making a mental comparison with is when we see our favourite footy team entering the MCG led by their captain in front of 90,000 supporters yelling, screaming and supporting their team. How excited must the players feel surrounded by this affirmation.

I wonder if Jesus felt excited, happy and perhaps honoured to be welcomed as he walked along the streets of Jerusalem. A few days later he was faced with a different type of crowd yelling, “crucify him” I wonder how he must have felt then.

On Holy Thursday we recall the last supper; the last time that Jesus met with his friends. They met around a table to share a simple meal; but one perhaps that they would never forget! Many things happened around that table, that night, but none more important than Jesus breaking bread and sharing it with his friends saying;

“Take this, all of you, and eat of it: for this is my body which will be given up for you.”

Last Friday, in the church, Father Greg repeated similar words as he celebrated Mass for us.

On Good Friday, we recall with sadness the terrible pain, suffering and humiliation that Jesus went through. He was whipped, insulted, spat at, crowned with thorns, made to carry a heavy cross, stripped of his clothing and nailed to a cross and we think that we have it tough some days! Perhaps we can spare a thought for the people in our world today who undergo daily persecution for their faith; and what they believe in.

But there is always light at the end of the tunnel. On Easter Sunday, we celebrate The Resurrection of our Lord. There is always hope and a chance to start afresh! Sometimes, something good comes out of a terrible tragedy. Our recent bushfires are testimony to that. Hopelessness has led to hope as people rebuild their lives with the help of our community. There is light at the end of the tunnel!
VISITORS TO OUR SCHOOL
Yesterday, our Southern Regional Director, Mr Sean Gill, from the Tasmanian Education Office visited our school with 20 colleagues from Victoria and New South Wales. As they walked around our school and through our learning areas, many positive comments were made about our school environment and the teaching and learning that was taking place.

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS
Our compulsory round of Parent Teacher meetings will be held on Tuesday, 16 April. Notices for these meetings were sent home to all families last week. Thank you to the many families who have already returned their forms. If you have not yet returned your notice, can you do so by tomorrow. Appointment times will be sent home after the Easter Break.

PLAYGROUP INVITATION
Last week we sent home a notice to all families inviting parents to join this program. We are hoping to start our Playgroup session after Easter. If you are interested, please send your reply form to the school office as soon as possible.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES RETURNED THURSDAY
We ask that Project Compassion boxes with your families donation of money for CARITAS, is returned to school tomorrow or Thursday. Each class will bring out their money and add it to our coin line on Thursday.

MONTHLY MASS THIS FRIDAY
Last Friday we celebrated Mass with Fr Greg. It was a wonderful opportunity to present our Junior Joeys with their badges and also introduce the children who are preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist. Thank you to our Grade 5/6 classes who prepared this Mass for our community.

RECONCILIATION
Last Friday, children from Sacred Heart, St James and the Huon Parish came together for a day of preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Best wishes to all these children as they prepare to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist.

CYBER SAFETY SESSIONS
As part of our commitment to Information Computer Technology (ICT) the school has organised Cyber Safety sessions for our students, staff and parents. These sessions will take place after Easter on Monday, 8 April in our school hall. The Parent session will take place in the evening from 6.00 – 7.30pm. This will be a very informative session and we strongly encourage family members to come along.

REPRESENTATIVE SWIMMING CARNIVALS THIS WEEK
Congratulations to our Grades 3-6 children who represented our school at the Huon and Channel Carnival last Tuesday and the Catholic Schools carnival last Thursday. Our children not only represented our school well in their events, but their behaviour was fantastic. Special thanks to Miss Longey who did an amazing job organising these carnivals for our children.

STUDENT ENROLMENTS AT SACRED HEART

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2014
We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten places in 2014. If you are interested in a position for your child, please contact our school office for an application form and prospectus. **We already have 15 applications for Kinder in 2014 and enrolment interviews will take place soon.**

ENROLMENT OPPORTUNITIES THIS YEAR
We still have some positions available in a number of grades. If you are interested in a tour or an application package, please contact our school office.
WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN PROGRAM
The Woolworths Earn & Learn program is back! This community program enables schools and early learning centres throughout Australia to earn educational resources simply through the school community shopping at Woolworths.

Last year, our program provided 720,000 pieces of educational equipment to more than 12,500 schools and early learning centres. Schools selected from thousands of different items through our program, highlighting how each school’s needs are different and how critical a breadth of range is.

From Monday 8th April until Sunday 9th June 2013, when you shop at Woolworths you will be given a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent, excluding cigarettes, liquor and gift cards. Collect these Woolworths Earn & Learn Points and your local school will be able to redeem these for educational resources.

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program offers products to suit students of all ages. Schools and early learning centres can choose resources based on their unique needs, across every educational category possible, including mathematics and English resources, science equipment, arts & crafts materials, sports gear and more.

EASTER RAFFLE – Please ensure that all tickets and money are returned tomorrow as the Easter Raffle is to be drawn at 2.30pm.

EASTER BREAK
Parents are advised that the Easter Break commences on Friday, 29 March and ends on Tuesday, 2 April. School resumes on Wednesday, 3 April.

WORLD’S GREATEST SHAVE
Last Friday, Connor Soward participated in the World’s Greatest Shave by colouring his hair. Connor raised over $300 with kind donations made from our school community. On Friday night, he joined members of the Dover community to raise over $5000 for the Leukaemia Foundation. What a fantastic effort! Thank you to everyone who supported Connor with a donation.

51 WAYS TO PRAISE
Included in this week’s newsletter is a list of 51 ways in which to praise. This fits in very well with PBS, especially in being positive. Everyone loves a positive comment! Why not try one of these!

HAPPY EASTER
I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a happy Easter and I hope you enjoy the break.

Enjoy the coming week,

Luci Brighella
Principal

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Dates for your Diary

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2013 School Swimming Representative Team

Last week our school Swimming Team represented Sacred Heart at the Huon and Channel Carnival in Huonville and at the Southern Catholic Schools Carnival at the Hobart Aquatic Centre. We boasted a team of 39 energetic and competitive swimmers. All students performed admirably and approached the days with a level of sportsmanship that was so pleasing to see.

Congratulations to the following students


Gr 4: Ethan Lovell, Travis Hickey, Philip Nichols, Ethan Carter, Jack McQueen, Brielle Gordon, Oliver Bittner, Ellie Fraser-Marriot, Charli-May Coates.


There were lots of fantastic individual and team performances from both carnivals and all of our students should be very proud of their efforts. A huge thank you to all the parents who were able to support our swimming team and helped out on the days, everyone involved really valued this.

Miss Shae Longey
Spanish with Senora Tomato/Miss Demarco

Due to Public Holidays and our great Swimming Carnival, the students have just enjoyed their 4th Spanish class, even though it is already week 8 of term.

Last week we revised our numbers by playing Bingo and practiced singing our colour song as we played “fruit salad” in the hall. Yesterday, we wrote common words to place around our classrooms or homes. The students brainstormed which words they thought were important to have displayed at school or at home, then proceeded to design their Spanish words.

New words
In Spanish, ll is pronounced as sh, eg silla (pronounced sisha)

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Merit Certificates

Madelyn Sales: Her beautiful ‘mandarin’ inspired artwork. Maddy’s attitude is always SuPeR, she is an example to others.
Jed Jackson: His growing commitment to his school work. Jed’s attitude is very positive and sets a great example to all.
Gabby Connolly: Her enthusiasm with our science work.
Shannon Doyle: For his enthusiasm in science and his willingness to extend his thinking.
Tiahn Abbott: Working really hard to extend her thinking in our Electricity Science unit.
Jack Burman: Excellent efforts with his homework.
Jordan Coleman: Excellent efforts to extend his thinking during our Science unit on Electricity.
Fraser Johns: Challenging his Science understanding during our Electricity unit.
Maeghan Jernigan: Extending herself in her homework. Great effort!
Sophie Abbott: Wonderful work in literacy.
Mitchel Nichols: Fantastic work in literacy.
Reece Norris: Your positivity during reading time.
Connie Donato: Being an all round SuPeR person!
Samantha Sales: Displaying a positive learning attitude towards writing.
GRADE 4 WANT TO KNOW WHAT 1 MILLION LOOKS LIKE. WE HAVE NEVER SEEN 1 MILLION OF ANYTHING BEFORE. WE HAVE SET OURSELVES A CHALLENGE TO COLLECT 1 MILLION PLASTIC LIDS AND 1 MILLION BREAD CLIPS.

**Please Donate**

We need more plastic lids and bread clips. Please bring them to the office and place in the bucket.

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**Easter Ceremonies**

**Reconciliation 1st Rite March 22nd**
Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Ranelagh from 7.00pm

**Mass of the Oils March 26th**
St Mary’s Catholic Cathedral 7.30pm

**Holy Thursday (Washing of Feet)March 28th**
St James Catholic Church 7.00pm

**Good Friday March 29th**
Stations of the Cross St Joseph’s, Geeveston Noon Service St James Catholic Church, Cygnet 3.00pm

**Easter Vigil March 30th**
St James Catholic Church, Cygnet 6.00pm

**Easter Sunday March 31st**
Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Ranelagh 9.00am
St Joseph’s Catholic Church, Geeveston 11.00am

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**Sacrament Program Preparation Days**

**Confirmation: 17th April**
Eucharist: 24th May

**Enrolments via the wesite:**

hvcp.org.au

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**Confirmation 2013:** The Archbishop will be in the Parish the 1st and 2nd of June 2013 to celebrate the sacraments of Confirmation and 1st Eucharist.
Still have 20 tickets to sell!!
AFL Footy Points Margin Tickets!!

A season ticket will cost $27

Please fill in and return to office by Thursday 4th April.

Name: ........................................................................................................

Please send tickets home with ........................ in grade ....................

Enclosed is $ .........................

Email address: ...........................................................................................

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Round One Winner
David and Sarah Donato – Lindisfarne Number 35

Next Game Round 2
5th April —- St Kilda V Richmond

Many thanks

Fiona and Trish
Juey Bazaar Inc.

fiona.donato4@bigpond.com.au (if any questions)

For the new families CCT is Cambodian Childrens Trust which is an orphanage Sacred Heart have been fundraising for since 2008. There is a link on the school web page with more information.
51 Ways to Praise

Well done    GREAT    Fantastic
You cleversticks    Wonderful
I’m impressed    Good for you
You’re a star    You’ve made my day
Clever girl/boy    I’m so proud of you
BEAUTIFUL    That’s my girl/boy!
I knew you could do it    You little darling
Brilliant!    You go to the top of the class
That’s wonderful work
YOU’RE DOING BETTER THAN ME
That’s really neat    WOW    Super
I’m really pleased with you
You deserve a prize    heavenly    terrific
FIRST CLASS WORK
You’ve worked really hard
What a poppet    A gold star for you
I love it when you do that
I think you’re really good at . . .
That’s incredible!    What an achievement
I’m so glad    Everyone will be proud of you
You must be really pleased    EXCELLENT
first-rate    marvellous
You’ve done really well    out of this world
That’s sensational    SUPERB    wonderful
That’s so creative    splendid    stupendous
far out    cool!    AWESOME

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