“Speak to me, I will listen with the heart.”

Our parents, one of the greatest joys is when our child opens his or her heart to us. We feel fulfilled in who we are. We know that we can’t force it to happen. We know it rarely happens when we are tired or cranky or busy or distracted. We know that such a sharing touches something very deep within us and within our child.

God too is a parent...one who has made it clear that listening to the desires of our hearts is of highest importance. God is never tired, cranky, busy, distracted, rather God is just waiting for us to crawl up into the divine lap and pour out our heart.

Unbelievable as it seems, God listens to each of us as though we were the only one. We may find that hard to understand as we complain that our prayers go unanswered but we have to ask ourselves what type of prayers are they. Are they just words we repeat with our hearts far away? Are they orders given to God to make life easier – don’t let the boss be angry? Find me the parking spot? Let us get a good price for the house? We are more than these concerns, we have deeper needs and God knows this. Something deeply human within us blossoms when we share heart to heart with God.

This Lent, take some quiet moments with God. Perhaps when waiting to pick up the kids, when putting the washing out, during a lull at work, ask yourself, “What is my heart feeling?” and share that with God.

_Loving God, you want us to draw close to you. Send up your Spirit so that we may see how much you loved us by sending us your Son. May the example of Jesus inspire our prayer. We ask this in his name confident that you will hear us._

Sr Kym Harris osb

“Forgive from your heart anyone who has pained you”
Mary MacKillop
12.12.1890

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**Dates For Your Diary**

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Dear Parents/Carers

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

At Sacred Heart we are preparing for Holy Week and the Season of Easter in a number of ways.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
All classes are preparing large pictures that represent the suffering that Jesus went through leading up to His Crucifixion. You may have noticed these around the walls of any Catholic Church. We have chosen eight Stations of the Cross for classes to reproduce onto large timber boards. These will be displayed around the outskirts of the oval next week for classes to visit. Whilst the children are at each station, they will discuss what the picture is saying to them and spend some time praying as a class.

HAVE LIFE AND HAVE IT TO THE FULL CARITAS DAY
Our Grade 5/6 Team have been busy preparing this special day to highlight what some other people have to endure in their daily lives and how lucky we are in our own lives. Next Tuesday, 15th April, our Grade 5/6 students will visit all classes and run a range of activities that promote what children who live in the slums of Brazil do in their daily lives.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES RETURNED NEXT WEEK
A few weeks ago, your child would have brought home a Project Compassion Box to place some coins into throughout Lent. We spoke to all the children about how the money that we collect through these boxes will go to help different communities around the world that could really use our help. On Thursday, 17th April, we ask that your child returns his/her Project Compassion Box to school so that we can put all the money onto the ground inside a special shape that the Grade 5/6s have organized. Thank you for supporting our School Community with this.

HOLY WEEK PRAYER SERVICE
Next Thursday, 17th April, we are having a special Holy Week Prayer Service in the school hall commencing at around 2.15pm. This will be special part of our Holy Week preparations and we encourage parents to come along.

MASS OF OILS
This Mass is traditionally held in St Mary’s Cathedral in Hobart on the Tuesday of Holy Week. This will be the first time that Archbishop Julian will celebrate this Mass as Archbishop. All the Parish Priests from around Tasmania come together for this special celebration where the oils and Pascal candles being used for the coming year are blessed. If you would like to attend, this Mass commences at 7.30pm.

A MUSIC ASSEMBLY will be held on the last day of school; Thursday, 17th April commencing at 12pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.
KINDER ENROLMENTS 2015
A reminder to all families that we are now accepting enrolments for our Kindergarten class for 2015. If you have not already done so, please contact the School office and an application package will be sent out to you. Kinder enrolment interviews will take place early in Term 2. Over the last two years, our Kindergarten places have filled up very quickly, so don’t leave your applications too late.

CONGRATULATIONS TO WILLIAM HARDY
Last week Mr Rob Banfield from the Cygnet Sailing and Boating Regatta Association came to our school assembly and presented William Hardy from Grade 4 with a special prize as one of the Art Competition winners. There were many children who entered and William did a great job to win! Well done William!

PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS LAST WEEK
Thank you to the many parents who attended last our Parent Teacher meetings last week. These meetings provided parents with an opportunity to see how their child has been progressing to date. From all accounts, parents and teachers found these meetings very worthwhile. I would especially like to thank the teachers who put so much time into preparing for these meetings on top of all the other things they do each day.

*If you were not able to attend, it is important that you make a time to see your class teacher before the end of this term.*

EASTER RAFFLE
Please do your best to sell the tickets and return the money and tickets to the school office. There will be 8 prizes this year and the P&F has also decided to provide each child with an Easter egg as well. All tickets and money must be back to school by next Tuesday, 15th April as the raffle is being drawn on Thursday, 17th April at the end of our Music Assembly.

KERMANDIE FOOTY UNDERWAY
We have many boys at Sacred Heart who play footy for Kermandie. Last weekend I watched our Grade 4&5 boys play against Lauderdale and I must say that I was really impressed with the standard of play, the way that the boys improved throughout the match and their great sportsmanship. It was great to see our PBS, Being Safe, Being Positive and Being Respectful coming through as the boys played. Great job boys! It was also wonderful to see our dads, Andrew Lovell and Adrian Short, doing a great job coaching and managing the boys! Their encouraging words were good to hear. It was also good to see so many parents cheering the boys on from the sidelines!

END OF TERM 1/ START OF TERM 2 DATES
Term 1 ends on Thursday, 17th April
Term 1 holidays are from Friday, 18th April- Sunday 4th April
Term 2 commences on Monday, 5th May

NEXT P&F MEETING – TOMORROW – 1.45pm.
Thank you to the parents who have responded and are attending this meeting. We are looking forward to some great discussion and planning for P&F events this year.

VOLUNTEER CONTACT COVERING OF BOOKS
Are you good at covering books with contact? We have just purchased lots of new books for our students to read and enjoy and we would like to protect them with contact covering. If you can help cover these books (either at home or school) please let the school office know.
SCHOOL FEES PAYMENT BY DIRECT DEBIT
Thank you to the parents who have already organized their payment of school fees by direct debit. The school really appreciates your prompt attention to this. If you have any concerns about these new arrangements, please do not hesitate in contacting me for a confidential discussion. We are very keen to work with families with the payment of school fees.

Best wishes for the coming week!

Luch Brighella
Principal

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<td>Always being positive at school and helping Miss D learn to be a better teacher</td>
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<td>Always being the first to offer help and assistance. Especially on camp</td>
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<td>Brielle Gordon</td>
<td>Her ongoing contagious positive attitude. Keep it up Brielle!</td>
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<td>Fraser Johns</td>
<td>Challenging and motivating himself in maths. Good job Fraser!</td>
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<td>Oliver Townsend</td>
<td>His focused, positive efforts to improve and finish his work.</td>
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JUDBURY MARKETS
SUNDAY
APRIL 12

-Easter Egg Hunt & Free Easter Hat Making-
-Best Pumpkin and Easter Hat Competitions-
-Fine Foods - Quality Crafts
-Car Boot Sale

Enquiries - Tony on 62660228 or tony80155@gmail.com

HUON VALLEY COUNCIL
Children's Services Unit

April community lunch invitation.

You are invited to join us at wayraparattie on
Tuesday 15th of April at
12.30pm
to share lunch and hear Joanne Cutten talk
about the Huon’s Bushfire Ready Neighbourhood
Phone Tree and Pet and Pedal
Partners Network.
Lunch is prepared by volunteers. Gold coin
donation is appreciated to contribute towards
catering costs.
To confirm your attendance please phone
Leigh or Anne on 62970052 or email
leigh.croes@ed.cfs.tas.gov.au

We look forward to seeing you at the lunch.

Vacation Care Program April 2014

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<td>Walk to the Esplanade for scavenger hunt and play on equipment</td>
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<td>Huonville's Kitchen Rules</td>
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<td>make homemade pizza dough and bake your own pizza for lunch</td>
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<td>Friday 25 April</td>
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Wayraparattie Child and Family Centre, GEOC Community Centre and Lightwood Industries will be facilitating two Billycart Building Workshops for parents and their children.
If you have some ideas on what you would like to build please come along and make your design a reality.

When: Saturday 3rd May and Saturday 10th May between 10am and 2pm
Where: Lightwood Industries located at the Geeveston Primary School

If you have any materials suitable to build a billycart please bring them along, timber, wheels, rope, bolts and seats etc.

Please RSVP by calling the wayraparattie Child and Family Centre on 62970052 or GEOC Community Centre on 62971516

A BBQ will be available if you would like to bring along something to cook.

For more information please call Leigh 62970052 or Chris on 62971516

Department of Education

BILLYCART BUILDING WORKSHOPS

Billicarta are for the upcoming Family Fun Day/Billycart Derby which will be held on Sunday 18th May between 10.30 and 3.30. The workshops are for the whole family so come along and have some fun.
School Swimming Carnival Feedback

What went well? What did you like about the swimming carnival?
- Everything was fantastic
- Much better pool venue
- All younger children could take part at their own pace
- Great that big children had a choice of 50m across pool
- Loved that lots more parents/families came this year
- Great atmosphere
- Safe & welcoming
- Well organised
- Great idea
- High level of participation
- High level of enthusiasm from staff
- BBQ & drinks were great
- Plenty of space
- Older kids helping
- Free swimming for infants
- I have noticed many parents investing in swimming lessons at the port Huon pool. It was great to have an opportunity to utilise

What could we do to improve the swimming carnival?
- As TA – some issues with kids disappearing with parents/friends whilst still supposedly under our care
- Have proper racers for the younger children that are confident and good swimmers – some were disappointed they weren’t allowed – especially when they have been having swimming lessons
- Provide parents with an itinerary of events/races
- Give parents who are helping out a specific task of what to do on the day
- Infants get involved in cheering on bigger kids
- Freestyle 50m first, as most kids looked tired when they got to it
- Perhaps kinder could have a bit longer in the pool
- Have a participation ribbon for every student
- Have the list of the events the child is going to be in go home to be okayed by parents
- Because it is weather dependent as a parent I would much prefer the closer indoor port Huon pool but I understand that they do not open during the day
- Maybe a couple of different novelty events
- Could do 25m races for big children (drop rope in middle of pool) not sure if there is a need or how it would go
- For some 50m seemed a good challenge but also a big challenge and maybe a little too much

We value your feedback. Thank you to all who contributed!

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS – FEEDBACK WELCOME

NAME ___________________________ CHILD _______________________ GRADE __________

What went well? What did you like about these meetings?
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What could we do to improve these meetings?
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Any other thoughts?
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We Value your input and ideas.
It helps us to improve the way we do things at Sacred Heart.
Please complete and return to our School Office