It’s complicated.

We all know what it is like to be asked a seemingly innocent question, knowing that the questioner’s intention is actually malicious and rude and that they are only wanting to humiliate us. This often happened to Jesus, as it does in next Sunday’s Gospel concerning the payment of tax to the Roman Emperor. In every case, Jesus doesn’t fall into the trap. Rather he changes the issue and puts it back on those doing the questioning—not to insult them but rather to show two important aspects of life. It is complex and there are no easy answers to the big issues that come our way. I could never come up with the clever answers Jesus gives (I’m not that quick) but I am learning to say, when put on a spot, “I’d like some time to think about that.” We do need time to think widely and deeply if we are to respond to life’s situations kindly and wisely.

Why should people who are malicious and rude be allowed to determine how our conversations run? Whether in private or public conversation, in the family or at work, the arrogant and rude can tend to highjack the discourse. As Christians we need to take back the conversation to allow our language to build up people, not destroy them. Consider the current political landscape. I heard someone repeat recently an ugly violent remark, by a ‘shock jock,’ concerning a politician and I was able to reply quietly; “and how does that further any good discussion.” The point was taken. Unless our public and indeed personal conversations are to be further eroded, we Christians, must make statements that stop the malice and allow our conversation to truly serve the good of the wider community.

Loving Father, you know how easily our words can hurt rather than help people. Give me the courage to use my words wisely to build people up. Give me also the wisdom to challenge those who use ridicule to attack others. I ask this in Jesus’ name confident that you will hear me.

Sr Kym Harrts osb

Sacred Heart Catholic school acknowledges the traditional owners of country throughout Tasmania and their continuing connection to land, sea and community.
We pay our respect to them and their cultures, and to the elders past and present.
Dear Parents

Welcome to Term 4! It was great to see so many happy, smiling faces return to school yesterday. I hope that everyone enjoyed the 2 week break. This term will be a busy but no doubt a really enjoyable one. Here is a small snapshot of what is coming up:

Today
Aboriginal children going to the Museum in Hobart.

Tomorrow
Mass at 12pm being organized by Grade 1/2
Dance Fever lessons start.

Thursday
Grades 3&4 going to TSO Concert in Hobart

20th & 21st October
Grade 2 Camp & sleepover at school

29th – 31st October
Grade 4 Camp

5th November
School Athletic Carnival – Huonville Oval

21st November
Schools’ Triathlon Challenge – Bellerive Oval

24th November
2 Week Swimming Program commences

28th November
Sacred Heart Twilight Fair

11th December
Scared Heart Christmas Concert

These are but a few of what Term 3 has in stall for us. Best wishes to everyone in our school community for a great Term 4.

CAMBODI-A-THON – SPONSORSHIP MONEY RETURNED PLEASE

Parents we seek your support in having your child return all their sponsorship money for Cambodi-a-thon by this Friday, 17th October. We hope that all students are able to contribute with money they have collected. Thank you for supporting this wonderful community fund-raiser.

SACRED HEART WINS SCARECROW COMPETITION

Recently Sacred Heart Catholic School entered the Botanical Gardens Scarecrow competition. Jack Ross McMullen, Lucy Cox (Grade 4), Harrison Johns and Lachlan Thompson (Grade 3) with the help of teacher, Michael Crawford and staff members, Scot McQueen and Isaac Dean created “Ned Kelly” the Scarecrow. They did an amazing job working really well as a team. All the scarecrows were displayed at the Botanical Gardens. Not only did “Ned” frighten off all the birds, but he also “frightened” all voters into gaining their support! “Ned” won the People’s Choice Award, which was a fantastic result. Well done to our Scarecrow team!
STUDENT RECOGNITION – MOLLIE FORD

Mollie Ford competed in the 2014 Huon Hoofbeats spring show held at Huntingfield on Saturday 13th September.
The Ribbons she won
4 x 1st place
3 x 2nd place
2 x 3rd place
1 x 4th place
And also reserve champion in the “Topsy” (beginners) ring.
Keryn Gane an ex Sacred Heart student is her wonderful coach and she only broke her horse in 10 months ago.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES
These were a great success with our students really enjoying the experiences that we offered each Friday afternoon. Special thanks to all the staff who assisted and to the many parent volunteers who helped out.

SCHOOL ATHLETIC CARNIVAL – WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER
Parents are advised that our School Athletics Carnival is being held at the Huonville Oval on Wednesday, 5th November. All children from Kinder to Grade 6 will be participating.

P&F FAIR MEETING TONIGHT – ALL WELCOME
We needs lots of support. If you can spare a hour or so, come along. We really value parent involvement at Sacred Heart Catholic School. Meeting will take place in the JLC at 5.30pm.

HEAD LICE
This has been a real problem this year, not only at our school but also in the area. We ask that you as parents check your child’s hair regularly. If you find lice, then your child must stay away from school until the hair is treated. Solutions for treatment are readily available from pharmacies. Please see the notice about Head Lice being sent out this week to all families for further information.

TRAILER RAFFLE
This week each family will receive a book of tickets to sell for our Trailer Raffle. We encourage all families to support this P&F Fair fund-raiser. If you require extra books to sell, they are readily available from the school office.
SHOW DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
A reminder that the Royal Hobart Show is on next week on Thursday, 23rd October. This is a public holiday. Friday, 24th October is a student free day. Therefore there will be no school on for students on these days.

SCHOOL FEE PAYMENTS

During the school holidays we mailed out our school fee statements for October. With only 3 months remaining this year, we seek your support in ensuring that your school fees are paid by the end of this year. Many families have organized direct debit payment amounts to allow payment in full. There are a number of families that will need to make adjustments or additional payments to ensure this happens.

School fees allow us to provide the many extras that we do at Sacred Heart for the benefit of our students. Programs like Dance Fever, iPads for students, specialist teachers, camps and trips are all extras that we want our children to have and enjoy, but they will be the things that we have to go without if school fees are not paid.

If any family is experiencing financial hardship, there are ways that the school can assist you, but you do need to let us know. Thank you for your support with this process.

Have a great week!

Luch Brighella
Principal

Message from Skoolbag

Just a note to let you know that with Apple's latest iOS 8 update they have managed to break various functions in the Skoolbag app. We are aware of these issues including push notifications not working, and to rectify this we are currently updating the apps with a new version.

Please note that the issue does not effect users who are still running iOS 7.

For current Skoolbag customers your app will be upgraded to 2.6.0 version. Updates are being submitted daily to Apple who then take around 5 - 7 days to approve them. You can expect the update will be ready for download within the next 2 - 4 weeks.

For new Skoolbag customers (within the last 7 days) your apps are being submitted with the new 2.6.0 version.

If your school or parents have any more questions, please email support@skoolbag.com.au for more information.

We thank you for your patience in this matter, as this was an issue that was beyond our control.
WELCOME TO THE COUNTY FAIR!

CAN YOU HELP!

The Fair Committee have started a ‘Fair Wishlist’ wall on the JLC window. This will also be in each newsletter. Circles on the window will contain items we need in preparation for the fair. Please have a look and if you can help, please advise Ellen in the office or one of the coordinators below. We appreciate any help!

JARS FOR JAR LOTTO (EMPTY OR FULL)

SQUARE HAY BALEs FOR SEATING AND DECORATION

BOOKS FOR THE PREP BOOK STALL

USEFUL BITS AND PIECES FOR THE CRAFT STALL OR ITEMS ALREADY MADE

ANYTHING IN GOOD, CLEAN CONDITION FOR THE PRE-LOVED/UPCYCLING STALL

MORE ABOUT CAKE STALL COMING SOON FOR ALL THOSE COOKS OUT THERE!

POTTING MIX - POTTED PLANTS - EMPTY POTS ANY OTHER CREATIVE ITEMS FOR THE PLANT STALL

STALLS LIST WILL BE SENT HOME NEXT WEEK SOME HELP IS STILL REQUIRED

THANK YOU TO OUR FAIR SPONSORS

KEEP AN EYE OUT EACH WEEK AS WE UPDATE THE LIST OF VERY GENEROUS INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES THAT WILL HELP MAKE OUR FAIR A SUCCESS

(These businesses support us, please support them)

Piero Brighella
ADVANCED MECHANICAL SERVICES & TRAILERS
Donation of Trailer - Valued $1500

THE SALMON SHOP
Donation of Vouchers - $50

FULLERS BOOKSHOP
Donation of Books

THE MERCURY NEWSPAPER
Rulers & pencils

Don’t forget to lock in 28 November 2014

Co-ordinators Maree McQueen maree.mcqueen@catholic.tas.edu.au and Fiona Donato fiona.donato4@bigpond.com
“Dad’s Day Out”
Saturday 25th October 2014
Lune River
Gemm Frosty/king
Time: 10am - 2pm
Cost: $5 per family includes BBQ lunch

When: Saturday 22nd November 2014
Where: wayraparatee Child and Family Centre
What: 1st Birthday Celebrations
Time: TBA

When: Saturday 6th December 2014
Where: Ida Bay Railway
What: End of year BBQ and train ride
Time: 10am - 2pm
Cost: $5 per family includes BBQ lunch

It’s important to RSVP by contacting the centre on 62970052 or Leigh on 0418932167 before the outfits for catering and transport purposes.

Thank you Leigh Oates
Community Inclusion Worker
wayraparatee Child and Family Centre Geveston

Wayraparatee Free Information Session for Parents
What Are Behaviour Disorders?
PRESENTER: Nicole Wajner, Registered Psychologist
PLACE: wayraparatee Child and Family Centre, GEEVESTON
TIME: 6:00 - 7:30pm (light snacks provided)
ENQUIRIES: Leigh Oates or Kewana Bird 62970052

All young children can be naughty, defiant and impulsive from time to time, which is perfectly normal.

However, some children have extremely difficult and challenging behaviors that are outside the norm for their age. If this is occurring they may have a behaviour disorder. Over two presentations we will discuss the three most commonly diagnosed behaviour disorders:

- SESSION 1: Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Friday October 3
- SESSION 2: Oppositional Defiant Disorder (ODD) Friday November 7
- SESSION 3: Conduct Disorder (CD) Friday November 7

We will cover
CAUSES - DIAGNOSTIC PROCESS - TREATMENTS
- Your questions will be welcomed. However please be aware that this is a general information session and advice about managing specific concerns with your child will not be addressed.
- Attendee’s seeking advice for their personal circumstances are advised to book a counselling session with a psychologist. Options will be discussed at the presentation.
- If you are finding it difficult with care for your children on these dates please call the CFC on 62970052 for assistance with alternative care options.

oonah Playgroup Term 4
Tuesday 10am - 12pm

Tuesday 14th October: Bruny Island excursion
Contact the centre on 62970052 for details

Tuesday 21st October: Bush Canoes
Tuesday 28th October: Kelp water carriers
Tuesday 4th November: Shell Necklaces
Tuesday 11th November: Shell lillah
Tuesday 18th November: Moath Nelson Bush Kinder
See attached flyer
Tuesday 25th November: Fish
Tuesday 2nd December: Middens
Tuesday 9th December: Rock Engravings
Soccer, Hockey or Touch
Now these games can be played in any space using any equipment you find. The smaller the playing area, the smaller the goals (scoring area). Do you remember, shoes make ideal goal posts and they are easily adjusted.

Bowls
A ball that rolls. A reasonably flat area (but bumps and ditches can also add a challenging flavour). Your target might simply be a stick in the ground or an upturned cup. You’re now under way. If you have more than one ball you can play a really interesting game.

Running or Jumping
Players can make up their own obstacle course. Things to jump over, climb under, go around, along or through. Hop the next five metres, skip the next ten. Lack of imagination is the only thing that can stop the game.

Goal Shootings
A basketball ring is fine. An empty bucket or garbage bin works just as well. One on one, two on two, it doesn’t matter - and any ball will do.

Children who are encouraged and supported in their game playing, will gain for the rest of their lives and will be more inclined to stick with healthy sporting and lifestyle activities as they grow older.

Adults who get the chance to join in the backyard games rediscover the beauty of child’s play, get a little healthier and get a little closer to their children. They can’t lose.

Encourage safe backyard games for your children and if you’re lucky you might just get to join in playing their games.

Tennis or Squash
Two rackets or bats, a ball, or even some garden chairs to hit over and you have all the tools you need to Grand Slam.

French Cricket
Remember the game? The batter’s legs are the wicket. Hit their legs or catch a returned hit and you get to bat. Can the batter turn around, or must they face the same direction all the time? The children will tell you. Just remember grown up, when it’s your turn to bat, don’t stay in too long.

Backyard Cricket
You can play the game in any space, using any wicket you want. The rules? The edge of the concrete is four, the pot plants on the full are out, the windows are... ask your children.

Golf
A hole in the ground just big enough to hold an empty pet food tin, a different starting point to tee off for each hole, and the Masters is underway. Who can win the most holes, get the lowest score, nearest to the pin - it’s up to you to find out.

Volleyball, Sockball or Badminton
A rope tied off between two points (like chairs) is all you need for a net - shoes, string or chalk will mark off the boundaries of the court and balls, rolled up socks, or a shuttle to throw or hit and the game is underway.

YoGO!
Fun for Kids 0-5 yrs & their families, FREE!

Mondays 10:30am at the PCYC, Huonville

The Child Care Links program is funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

Southern Stars Boxing Tournament
Tasmanian Novice Titles

Sat 18th of October
3pm start (doors open at 2pm)
Franklin Palais Theatre

Refreshments available
Adults $20
Children $10
Family pass $50

Limited ring side tables available
Ph. 0467311742 for tickets & info
JUNIOR REGISTRATION DAY

MILO

BLAST

UNDER 12

UNDER 14

UNDER 15 and 16 - anyone interested in playing please come along as there will be someone available to discuss this age group for 2014/15 season.

Castle Forbes Bay Cricket Ground
Meredith Road Castle Forbes Bay

Saturday 18th October
10 - 11am

Please contact Daniel Ford 0448 800 502 for further details if you cannot make it

HALLOWEEN

Kids Night Out
17th Oct
6:30pm-10:30pm

Bookings Essential
PH: 6264 5100