In Praise of Boredom!

‘Exciting’ - how often does that word appear in advertising! Is this the ‘catchall’ emotion of our time? To be worthwhile, something must be experienced with excitement. Or does it? Look at how life really works. Long hard yards, seemingly monotonous go into scientific discoveries, artistic creations, and even engineering feats. As for relationships - wind surfing together in a beautiful location might look exotic, but we know that true closeness is usually forged in the boring times of making meals and hearing the same story over again. Boredom in such situations can change us for the better. The confines of our self-identity are broken open and we are challenged to go beyond ourselves to love and serve in new ways.

This is what Jesus means in his call to take up our cross. It is not a ‘grit your teeth and put up with it’ mentality but a giving over of oneself in the commitment. This type of loving is not necessarily sweet and easy. It is usually a strange mixture of ‘one foot in front of the other’ doggedness combined with an attentiveness that is ready to see change and delight in it. In a strained marriage, it notices the chance to act differently, and positively, with the spouse. In parenting, it is constantly on the lookout to support and challenge the child.

The skills for this type of loving need to be passed on to our children. When the cry ‘I’m bored’ comes up, encourage them to keep going, positively, for a few more minutes. Show them how to be attentive to what they are doing. Help them to take up their cross and enter into life.

Loving God, you call me to a rich and full life and often that entails monotony and boredom. Let me embrace these as creative forces that would transform me and make me a more loving, life-giving person. I ask this in Jesus’ name confident that you will hear me.

Sr Kym Harris osb

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19th Nov  Grade 5/6 Mass at Ranelagh
           Grade 4 camp photo evening
21st Nov  School Triathlon Challenge
           P & F BBQ at Woolworth’s 4.30pm
24th Nov  P & F Fair meeting 5.30pm
           School Swimming Program
           commences (finishes 5th Dec)
18th Nov  Twilight Fair

“May God teach us all patience and the prudence we require”

Mary MacKillop
17.11.1879

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

FAREWELL TO FR GREG BARKER
Fr Greg Barker, our Parish Priest, has advised us that he will be leaving our parish at the end of this year. Fr Greg is moving to Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle for 3 years where he will be closer to his own family. Fr Greg has done amazing work in our parish and is ever-present in our school community. He will be missed by staff, students and families. We wish Fr Greg all the very best for the future.

GREAT FEEDBACK ABOUT OUR GRADE 5/6 STUDENTS
Today we had Jayden Hey from Athletics Tasmania come to run clinics for all our classes at Sacred Heart. The children had the opportunity to practice a number of athletic type skills. When I spoke with Jayden earlier in the day, I asked him how his lessons had been going. He said, “the students have been fantastic; the Grade 5&6 classes I have just had are the best out of all the schools I’ve been to.” This is great feedback to hear about our senior students at this time of the year.

SCHOOL TWILIGHT FAIR ONLY 2 WEEKS AWAY
Our School Twilight Fair is now only 2 weeks away and we need everyone’s support to ensure that it is a really enjoyable and successful fair. All money raised from this year’s fair will go towards a number of new playground projects that all our students will benefit from. How can you assist?

We really hope that all our students and their families can come along to our fair.

Tell everyone about our fair. Encourage family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues to come along. We want our fair to be a really successful one, so we need lots of people to come along.

After school arrangements on Fair Day.
All children are expected to go home as normal at 3pm on the day of the fair. The only children who are allowed to remain at school after 3pm, are those whose parents are at school setting up the fair or working on stalls. Teachers and staff will also be really busy setting up class stalls and activities.

Fair start time
Fr Greg Barker will officially open the fair at 3.50pm. No sales will be taking place before that time.

SCHOOLS TRIATHLON THIS FRIDAY
This week, 18 children from Grades 3-6 are taking part in the Schools Triathlon. They will be in the individual event where they will need to ride their bikes for 5km, run for 2km and also swim. We wish them well for this event.

REPRESENTATIVE ATHLETIC CARNIVALS
Congratulations to all our students from Grades 3-6 who represented Sacred Heart Catholic School at the recent Huon & Channel and Catholic Schools Athletic Carnivals. Our students did our school proud on the track with their performances and off the track with their encouraging words and excellent behaviour. Well done everyone and special thanks to Miss Longey, Miss Thomas. Miss Pearce, Mr Kinder, Scot McQueen, Isaac Dean and the many parents who helped out.
HUON SHOW THANK YOU
What a great day it was at the Huon Show. We were blessed with fine weather, but also with many wonderful staff and parents who sold raffle tickets and helped promote Sacred Heart Catholic School. We sold over $800 worth of Trailer Raffle tickets which was fantastic. Special thanks to our P&F Association who organise this event each year.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT - HUON SHOW ART COMPETITION
Sacred Heart had many examples of the fantastic artwork that our students do at school as part of the Huon Show Art Exhibition. It was wonderful to see such an excellent display of student work from across the school.
The following children were presented with awards:

Lilly Greene        Grade 6    1st Prize & Special prize for Outstanding Artwork
Maireade Brennan   Grade 6    3rd Prize
Ava Swanson        Grade 5    1st Prize
Will Tinker         Grade 4    2nd Prize

Congratulations to these very talented students.

DANCEFEVER EVENTS THIS YEAR
Parents are advised that our end of year DanceFever events are as follows:

Monday, 8th December - Grades 3-6 children will take part in the DanceFever event at the Derwent Entertainment Centre from 5-8.30pm.

Wednesday, 10th December Kinder – Grade 3 event will take place in our school hall commencing at 9.15am.

More detailed information will come home to families at the beginning of next week.

PARISH MASS TOMORROW AT RANELAGH
Mass will be celebrated at St Mary of the Cross in Ranelagh, commencing at 10am. Grade 5/6 will be attending. Families are most welcome to attend.

DRUM KIT NEEDED URGENTLY
If you have a drum kit that you would like to sell or donate to the school, please let Mr Brighella know as soon as possible. The kit does need to be in good working order.

2 WEEK SWIMMING PROGRAM COMING UP
Parents are advised that our 2 week swimming program will run from Monday, 24th November – Friday, 5th December. The program will run during school hours at the Port Huon Sport Centre for all students from Kinder – Grade 6.

Super Joey Award
Congratulations to Olivia Bittner receiving the Super Joey Award.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL IS ON FACEBOOK
We have just set up a school Facebook page to share many of the interesting, exciting, challenging and enjoyable things happening at our school. Just search our school name and you’re in. It would be great if you could share our page with your family and friends or perhaps like some of the comments and photos that we post. We have set up our page to share what is happening at Sacred Heart, but also to promote our great school to the wider community. Facebook is a fantastic media opportunity for this if it is used properly and effectively.
### Daily House Challenge

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<td>Lucky Jars - filled jars or small items to fill jars</td>
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<td>Scratchie tickets for money tree (please delivery to school office not collection box)</td>
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*If anyone has old wooden apple picking ladders to loan for decoration they would be much appreciated.*

**Co-ordinators:** Maree McQueen maree.mcqueen@catholic.tas.edu.au and Fiona Donato fiona.donato4@bigpond.com
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)

West Land Nursery
Phillips Civil Contracting
Huonville Pharmacy
Hawthorn Football Club
Dover RSL
Southern Designs
Cybersmart
Coca-Cola
Bruny Island Cruises
Tassal
Bonorong Wildlife Park
Ida Bay Railway
The Mercury Newspaper
Sally Doyle L&S Doyle
Carolyn Crouch Body Shop
Redbreast Plants
Fullers Bookshop
Bennets Petroleum
Strawberry Blonde
Focal Printing
ZooDoo
Hasting Caves
Piero Brighella Advanced Mechanical Services and Trailers
Huon Rubbish Removal
Twigs & Daisy Chains
Goodyear
Dairy Australia
Fruit Growers of Tasmania
Sugar Australia
Chris Hortle
Dover Pharmacy
Makers
El's Fashion
Duggans Tyre Service Huonville
Chemist Warehouse
Martin Doyle
John Osborne Print
Jilly Print
Mike Wilson Accommodation
Jet Boats
Nix Hair
Star Anise
Nest Huonville
Naked Bike Cafe
Rhonda Fibbens Hobby Horse
Geeveston Rubbish Removals
Franks Cider
Kermandie Hotel
PCYC
Eyelines Huonville
Tahune Airwalk
Stihl Shop Huonville
Regal Press
Caled Containers
Taste of Paradise
Hazell Brothers
Patties Food
Drysdale Clothing
Geeveston Golf Club
Stuart & Shelly Griggs
Port Huon Cottages
Dover Hair
Minnie Makeovers
Bendigo Bank
Vise Board
Jackman McCross Bakery
Pip & Ryan Hankin
Fiona & Scott Steel
Artery
JB Nicholas & Sons
IGA Geeveston
TA Ford Contracting
Huon Valley Hardware
Sacred Heart Catholic School

2014 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES AWARDS
Sustainable School Awards
Southern Primary Category

Fantastic foundations to build your planned developments upon and further your outcomes.

ROBS SIMMONS
CHAIRMAN KAB (TAS)

celebrating sustainable communities
a workshop for teachers and parents

MAKE THE DIFFERENCE:
POSITIVE OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN WITH DYSLEXIA

SCHOOL: Sacred Heart Primary School, Geelong

A practical, interactive 2 hour workshop for teachers and parents...

- understanding dyslexia;
- creating dyslexia friendly learning environments
- empowering children with dyslexia and related learning differences

Facilitated by: Simon Thiessen from The Real Learning Experience

DATE: Wednesday, 26th November  
TIME: 3.30-5.30pm

FREE WORKSHOP....TO BOOK YOUR PLACE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.
WHAT’S BEEN HAPPENING AT SACRED HEART

School Athletics Carnival
MORE PHOTOS FROM ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Thank you to Lily, Lilly, Tommy and Blair for representing Sacred Heart at the Geeveston Remembrance Day service.
2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR SPONSORSHIP

We are currently seeking 12 sponsors for the 2015 school calendar. Every month each page will feature one business ad., and all the sponsors and their logos are printed on the back page as well. The cost will be $100. Last year 170 calendars were purchased by families so they are viewed by a wide range of potential customers in the Huon. We are providing this opportunity to our school community prior to canvassing other local businesses. If you are interested please contact Kate Greaves at mitchintas@gmail.com or on 0427971514 as soon as possible.

Thanks.

BOOK CLUB

PLEASE NOTE THAT BOOK CLUB CLOSES ON 25.11.2014

ANY LAST ORDERS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED

THANK YOU

Cancellation of 123 Magic Parent Sessions
Sacred Heart were going to run parent 123 Magic Parent Sessions this term. Unfortunately we have to postpone these until next year. We will be running them in Term 1 2015.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WAYRAPARATTEE

Devil’s Den
Toys, Gifts, & More
Now Open Most Sundays Until Christmas!

JOIN OUR CELEBRATION AT WAYRAPARATTEE
SATURDAY 22ND NOVEMBER 10.30AM – 2.00PM

195 Main Road Huonville
www.devilsden.com.au
QUIZ NIGHT
@ THE GEEVESTON RSL

FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

This is a Tahune Airwalk fund raiser for a co-worker who lost her partner in a tragic accident.

Lucky Door Prizes
Silent Auctions
And much more

So bring your brain calls and a group of friends

Call Sally on 0409437815 to book a table

$10 pp includes light supper
Calendars will feature artwork by your children as well as school photos.

All childrens’ artwork from the same family will be incorporated into one calendar.

Order your Calendar now! Only $7.50 each

The P&F welcome any suggestions to improve our calendar from previous years! – Just email Kate at mitchintas@gmail.com

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Number of calendars required: ....................... @ $7.50

Payment Enclosed: ...............................................

Calendar orders and payment must be received in the office before Friday 5th December 2015