## **NEWSLETTER**

3 December 2021

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#### Prayer

Sisters and brothers:

I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus. God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer:

that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ,

filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

On Sunday, we begin the second week of Advent. We light the second purple candle which is called the 'Bethlehem Candle'. This candle represents love and symbolizes Christ's manger.

(Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11)

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE - Dr Darren Egberts

This week's prayer celebrates the words of St Paul to the people of Phillipi in Greece almost 2000 years ago. It is a beautiful part of this Sunday's Mass readings as we move through the second week of Advent.

This newsletter is the last for the year and includes many of the celebrations that have brought the school year to a close for students. Notwithstanding the enormous challenges that have defined 2021, it is a joy to see the unbridled optimism of our young people as they reflect on their year and look to the long Christmas holiday to come. I would like to thank every member of the Sacred Heart College community - students, parents, staff, families and friends - for the support you have shown us through numerous lockdowns and periods of remote learning. We look forward to a brighter, open and surprise-free 2022.



This week concludes with all Year 7 – 10 students and staff gathering together in Quambi to celebrate our End of Year Mass with our College chaplains. We were also privileged to be joined by a large number of family members and friends - a special thing after such a long time where we have been unable to welcome parents and visitors into the school. Special thanks to everyone who contributed to this special liturgy and especially our Director of Faith and Mission, Annie O'Shannessy, for the many hours of work required.









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Following our College Eucharist, the school came together again for the presentation of our End of Year Awards across all year levels and subject areas, as well as a series of special awards recognising citizenship, music and the College core values.

#### **Year 9 Graduation**

Congratulations to our Year 9 cohort who celebrated the end of the school year with a special assembly and presentation representing their graduation from Sacred Heart's Junior School into Senior School next year. Special thanks to Jodie Wattie, Head of Junior School and those students who assisted in putting this excellent event together.

#### **Staff Departures**

With the end of the school year upon us, a number of staff will be leaving us. I would like to thank each of them for their service and commitment particularly in the most challenging of circumstances experienced recently.

Jenny Bromley End of contract Anita Carach-Holm Retirement Antoinette Garcia Resignation

Lauren Hill Twelve months leave Maria Kisich End of Contract

Maxine McKee Gisborne Secondary College

Chris Morton Twelve months leave
Charlotte Noonan End of Contract

Faye Quinn Catholic Regional College Melton

Faye White Retirement

A final blessing to all Sacred Heart College students, staff and families for the upcoming Christmas season and the New Year to follow. I hope the times are filled with joy, rest and good health.

Yours in Mercy,

Dr Darren Egberts **Principal** 

#### DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - LEARNING & TEACHING - Debra McNaughton

#### Step Up

Our 2022 Year 11 and 12 students have completed their VCAL and VCE Step Up programs. They all now have tasks to complete over the holiday period, ranging from reading to note taking and responding to questions. Students were engaged with the Step Up program, despite it coming straight after their exams, and showed a genuine enthusiasm for their selected courses for 2022. While we expect students to rest over the holidays and take the opportunity to spend time with family and friends, we also expect students to come back in 2022 ready to start the school year having completed their holiday tasks.

#### Year 7 - 9 Examinations

The junior students completed their exams this week, and we commend them on their preparation and studious attitude. The skills that are developed through this process will assist the students as they progress through the upper levels of the school in future years.

Progressive Achievement Tests were also conducted for students in Years 7 – 10, and the data from these forms part of the information that all teachers will consider when we have our "Knowing our students" sessions at the start of next year.

#### Year 7 – 10 Academic Awards Assembly

Finally, it is wonderful that we were able to acknowledge the hard work of students in this second difficult year in our Year 7 – 10 Awards Assembly today.

I would like to recognise the perseverance demonstrated by so many students, and the efforts of the teachers who deftly moved their programs from on-site to remote learning and back again several times this year. Let's hope 2022 will be kinder.

I hope that everyone enjoys a happy and safe holiday period.

With best wishes

Debra McNaughton

## **KEY DATES FOR 2022**

Main Office Opens	Monday 24 January
Term 1 Commences for ALL Students - Years 7 to 12	Wednesday 2 February
College Photo Day	Thursday 10 February
Year 8 & 9 Meet the Homeroom Teachers Evening	Thursday 10 February
College Swimming Carnival	Wednesday 16 February
Beginning of Year Mass	Thursday 17 February
Year 10,11 & 12 Meet the Homeroom Teachers Evening	Thursday 17 February
Year 7 Commissioning Mass and Welcome BBQ	Tuesday 22 February
Year 7 Camp	Monday to Friday 28 Feb - 4 March
Year 8 Camp	Monday to Friday 7 - 11 March
Labour Day Public Holiday	Monday 14 March
Year 12 Retreat	Wednesday to Friday 23 - 25 March
Student Progress Interviews (SPIs) 5.00pm to 7.00pm Student Free Day - Friday 1 April	Mon 28 March, Thursday 31 March & Friday 1 April
College Open Evening	Tuesday 5 April
Term 1 Ends for Students and Staff 2:30pm	Friday 8 April
Easter	Friday to Monday 15 - 17 April
Anzac Day Public Holiday	Monday 25 April
Staff Professional Practice Day - Student Free Day	Tuesday 26 April
Term 2 Commences for Students	Wednesday 27 April
Year 11 Retreat	Thursday to Friday 12 - 13 May
College Athletics Carnival	Wednesday 18 May
Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	Monday 13 June
Staff Professional Practice Day - Student Free Day	Friday 17 June
Celebration of Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass	Thursday 23 June
Term 2 Ends for Students and Staff 2:30pm	Friday 24 June
Term 3 Commences for Students and Staff - Semester Two	Monday 11 July
Semester One Academic Awards Ceremony	Thursday 21 July
Staff Professional Practice Day - Student Free Day	Monday 15 August
Year 10 Alpine Camp	Monday to Friday 22 - 26 August
Mercy Day	Friday 9 September
Structured Workplace Learning (Work Experience)	Monday to Friday 12 - 16 September
Term 3 Ends for Students 3:30pm	Thursday 15 September
Student Progress Interviews (SPIs) - 5.00pm to 7.00pm	Thursday 15 September
Student Progress Interviews (SPIs) - 9.00am to 1.00pm (Student Free Day)	Friday 16 September
Term 4 Commences for Students and Staff	Monday 3 October
Term Break - Student Free Day	Monday 31 October
Melbourne Cup Day & Kyneton Cup Day - Student Free Days	Tuesday to Wednesday 1 - 2 November
Year 9 Camp	Friday 18 to Wednesday 23 November (TBC)
End of Year Mass & Awards - Term 4 Ends for Students 3:30pm	Friday 2 December

# YEARS 7 - 10 EXCELLENCE AND ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS CEREMONY

Click here: to access the AWARDS BOOKLET

Click here: to access and download all PHOTOGRAPHS taken at the Awards Ceremony

































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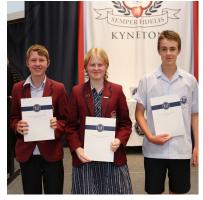




SOSH AWARD WINNERS FOR TERM 3 AND 4
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#### Spirit of Sacred Heart Awards - Term 3 & 4

#### Rationale:

To identify, and celebrate the students who make a valuable contribution to our rich Sacred Heart College community. They undertake daily classes and activities with enthusiasm, commitment and a sense of spirit.



The Spirit of Sacred Heart Awards (SOSH Awards) are designed to acknowledge these students and to celebrate the Mercy Values that are acted out on a regular basis in our College

#### What is the award for?

Recognition of students who demonstrate Mercy Values through behaviour towards students, teachers and the extended community.

Year 7 (Term 3) Mila Pereira Mercy Value/s Respect

How this value was demonstrated -. For her efforts in all classes throughout lockdown (and beyond) in showing up on time, engaging with the lessons and helping other students. Mila is a dedicated student who is respectful in everything that she does.

Year 7 (Term 4) Cody Eve & Catherine Mahony

Mercy Value/s Hospitality

**How this value was demonstrated -** Catherine and Cody made the effort every day to include a new student to their class. They support their classmates and accept them as they are. They are also honest and kind.

Year 8 (Term 3) Lucy MacDonald

Mercy Value/s Hospitality

**How this value was demonstrated –** Lucy regularly demonstrates the Mercy value of Hospitality. Lucy is a quiet, hardworking and generous student. She is generous with her knowledge and her smile. Lucy has also demonstrated the Mercy value of respect. She is always respectful, both in and out of the classroom and her classmates value her energy and enthusiasm.

Year 8 (Term 4) Tom Holland Mercy Value/s Hospitality

**How this value was demonstrated -** Tom Holland demonstrates the Mercy values of hospitality and respect. Tom is very inclusive of everyone in his classes. He regularly contributes to class discussions, he never judges anyone and always makes everyone feel welcome.

Year 9 (Term 3) Declan McDonald

Mercy Value/s Courage

**How this value was demonstrated** — Declan is congratulated for the perseverance and courage shown through his steady improvement in all areas of school life throughout Term 3, particularly during the periods of remote learning.

Year 9 (Term 4) Jack O'Rourke & Molly Pankhurst

Mercy Value/s Service

**How this value was demonstrated** Well done and thanks to Molly and Jack for their great work in hosting our inaugural Junior School Showcase launch. Their spirit of warm hospitability and good natured sense of fun helped to ensure that our celebrations were a success.

Year 10 (Term 3) Baylee Eve

Mercy Value/s Respect & Courage

**How this value was demonstrated** - Demonstrating respect for others and having the courage to be a leader who models respectful relationships on a daily basis.

Year 10 (Term 4) Nicholas Garner

Mercy Value/s Courage

How this value was demonstrated - Demonstrating courage when acting with bravery and integrity.

Year 10 (Term 4) Nicholas Hanna

Mercy Value/s Service & Compassion

**How this value was demonstrated** - Recently, the Year 12 Media Showcase was held in the Theatre after school. There were some major technical issues to do with showing the movies. Nick was contacted and he dropped everything to come in and assist. Not only did he solve the problem, but he stayed for the duration of the event to make sure nothing else went wrong, showing an understanding of how important this evening was to all of those involved. We are very grateful for his compassion and his commitment to the Service of others.



**Bereavements** - Your prayers are asked for the following families who are mourning the passing of a loved one recently. The Schinck family on the passing of Jean Schinck, great grandmother of Kade 7A, and the Cowburn family on the passing of Mick Cowburn, grandfather of Ashley 9B, Gemma 11D and Eliza 12D.

Our thoughts are with you all at this sad time.

#### **DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - STUDENT WELLBEING - Julie Mortimer**

Sacred Heart College is committed to promoting the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children. Further information about Child Safety at SHCK can be found on the College website.

https://www.shckyneton.catholic.edu.au/our-college/child-safe/

#### **UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS FOR 2022**

From the beginning of next year, the College will return to its previous expectations with regards to uniform.

One issue that is beginning to surface is **incorrect school shoes**. There are some students who are wearing a soft, black leather shoe that is marketed as a school shoe. This shoe does not meet our OH&S requirements for our Technology and Science subjects. Shoes must be hard toe leather lace-ups, and these are the only suitable one for these subjects. If you are about to purchase new shoes over the holiday break, please do not buy the incorrect ones. Students will not be able to access all practical areas of the College if they are wearing incorrect shoes.

If you need to revisit the Uniform Brochure to make sure your student is wearing the correct uniform, please click on the brochure below.







# Shop On-Line NOONE UNIFORM SHOP HOURS 2022 Tuesday 25 January Thursday 27 January Friday 28 January 10.00am to 4.00pm Normal trading hours after that are:

**Tuesday and Thursdays** 

12.30pm to 4.30pm

#### 'The Pantry' Update

While we will formally launch our Sacred Heart Pantry in 2022, we have had a successful soft start over the past few weeks. Thank you to all students, families and staff who have begun bringing in grocery items to fill up our pantry. These will all be passed on to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre at regular intervals in 2022. If you would like to contribute to our pantry, you can find it in our Library, where it can accept donations at any time. Please note that we will only be collecting specific items, as per the following list. We ask that you please only bring in items from the list, as this ensures that we are offering the most practical help:

•Tuna in oil 400g \*Tinned tomatoes 400g

•Coconut cream \*Instant coffee small (500g max)

Dried spices: cumin, turmeric, chilli, coriander
 Peanut butter \*Hair conditioner
 Dishwashing liquid \*(500ml max)

•Toothbrushes \*Laundry powder (1kg max)



#### **Christmas Cards for R M Begg**

Over the past few weeks, our Mercy@Work students have been composing a set of over 80 Christmas cards for the residents of R M Begg.

These cards will be delivered in the coming days, with the hope that they might bring some Christmas cheer to our neighbours over in Epping Street. We are grateful to the staff at R M Begg for assisting us to facilitate this initiative, and for helping us to make sure that nobody missed out on a card!

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LEARNING AREA LEADER (Y7-Y9) - Victoria Mackay

#### **Christmas Craft for Advent**

To finish of the academic year students of Years 7, 8 and 9 Religious Education created Christmas craft to celebrate the season of Advent.

Here are some of the beautiful creations made by the students.









#### Year 9 Camp

For many reasons it was a pleasure and a joy to see our Year 9s take part in their week long camp experience in Anglesea. All students have good reasons to be proud of their own personal achievements throughout the week, and all staff involved are heartily thanked for their efforts. Special thanks are offered to Mrs Barnes for her many hours of work in getting our camp up and running. The real measure of the camp's impact and importance can be seen in the feedback offered by our parent community following the camp:

- "Our child came home with a really positive mindset and gave every indication it was a really valuable experience."
- "We are so happy our child had a wonderful week, meeting new friends, participating in new and challenging activities, and even trying new foods!"
- "Our child has come home very happy and chilled. The students participated in lots of amazing activities and especially enjoyed the surfing. We are so proud to learn that they pushed past their doubts and worries and gave things a go. They made many new friends and being near the ocean was very therapeutic. So we are just rapt!"
- "Our child had an absolutely fantastic time! I think students even surprised themselves by stepping outside of their comfort zone. We are so glad that all of the Year 9s were able to finally experience camp together and create precious memories."
- "Our child had a great time and appears to have really grown and strengthened friendships. They also enjoyed seeing the teachers in a different light outside of the classroom and this has grown their relationships with them."

















#### YEAR 9 GRADUATION - Jodie Wattie

On Friday we celebrated our second ever Year 9 Graduation. This is a time for students and staff to reflect on the journey of our Year 9 students so far. They look back over their Junior School experiences and look forward to what challenges and excitement lies ahead in Senior School.

The Junior School Graduation was introduced last year and has quickly been adopted into our school culture. The students heard some reflections from students, looked back at some photo's over the past three years and received some well wishes from the staff that have supported them this year.



The students also received a Graduation gift. This is a drink bottle that includes the phrase 'Class of 2024'. An important part of the ceremony is the significance of this particularly group of students graduating together, and special bonds and memories that are formed.

We wish our Year 9 students well, and look forward to following their pathways as they move into Senior School.





#### MINI GREAT VIC BIKE RIDE - Craig Darroch

We are just back from the Mini Vic Bike Ride, where we rode from the top of Mount to Arapiles to Hamilton, a total of 221 km over four days.

On our longest day we road 81 km, with 706m of vertical gain from Horsham to Halls Gap via Zumsteins. What a wonderful trip we had, with great weather and fantastic students who rode hard and constantly supported each other.

Many thanks to the College staff and parents for helping with this ride.











#### **NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOM**

#### Year 7 P E Water Safety Tasks - Jodie Wattie

Here are some wonderful examples of the creative work that our Year 7 students have produced for their PE Water Safety Assessment Task. What talented students we have!















#### **NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOM**

#### Food Technology - Christmas baking - Belinda Kime

Today on the last day of classes it was all about having fun and getting creative in the kitchen.

The Year 9s had fun making Santa Claus cupcakes and the Year 7s Christmas biscuit houses.

Here are some photos of there finished festive sweet treats.



















#### **VCAL NEWS**

This year, a group of our VCAL students have been working with St Ambrose Primary school students to plan, build and install a cubby house on the primary school grounds. After months of planning and construction, the cubby house was finally installed by our VCAL students last Sunday. The cubby house has a café theme and includes a serving window, deck area, and windows based around a 'bee hive' design. This community project has helped our students to meet the outcomes for their Personal Development Skills and Work-Related Skills classes, as part of achieving their VCAL certificates.

Congratulations to Christian Lewis, Ethan Daw, Agatha Stamp, Tyrone Hargreaves and Zac Regan on an outstanding project. They couldn't have done it without the guidance and support they received from Mr Paxton and Mr Scarlett, and the group is particularly grateful to both of them for helping to bring this project to life. VCAL hopes to build another cubby next year with a different theme, to add to the St Ambrose 'cubby village'.

We know that the St Ambrose students will enjoy playing in the cubbies for years to come.

















#### THANK YOU LETTER TO SACRED HEART COMMUNITY - Mrs Christine Trist

#### Letter of Appreciation to the Sacred Heart Community

My apologies for not writing this sooner. As you can imagine it has been a difficult and busy year. I would like to thank all the people from the Sacred Heart Community, and all the teachers who helped and supported the Trist family this year on the passing of Phillip Trist, father of Noah and Patrick. I am very appreciative of the help I received from Sacred Heart in regards to helping organise the funeral for Phillip. Also many thanks to all the people who helped with the food for the wake. Your support as been incredible.

I have been so impressed with the Catholic schools we have been involved with as they support the whole family, not just the student attending the school.

Merry Christmas to all and a Happy New Year.

Kind regards

The Trist Family

#### PARISH LETTER - Dr Darren Egberts

Please find below, an article from St Brigid's Parish Gisborne. It details a consultative process they are undertaking under the auspices of the Archdiocese of Melbourne, to explore their future as a mission community in partnership with neighbouring parish/parishes.

#### Future Direction for St Brigid's Parish Gisborne

A new initiative has been launched from the Archdiocese of Melbourne which will have an impact on all parishes. Our Catholic community of St Brigid's Gisborne is being challenged to reimagine our local Church as a Mission Community, partnering with our neighbouring parish/parishes. The thrust of the Mission Image is centred on three main aims:

- to share the Gospel with greater effectiveness
- to facilitate vibrant, vital and viable Faith Communities
- to ensure equitable sharing of resources across the Archdiocese.

This is not an announcement of a change but a potential model to be discussed, discerned and prayed about in the coming months. Our aim now as members of the Mission Initiative is to contact as many of our parishioners as possible to inform them of the possible changes, and to gain their insights and opinions regarding this new direction. At present, we are working to establish a data base by which we can keep everyone informed and offer them the opportunity to have their say. We hope in the new year to offer information sessions which will clarify in more detail the options which are available, as well as suggestions for the future of our Parish. If you would like to be a part of this process, or just simply stay informed, please complete the Parishioner Details Update Form or enter the following URL in your web browser: <a href="https://bit.ly/parishmission">https://bit.ly/parishmission</a> Our team will then strive to keep you informed as well as seek to hear the voices of our local Catholic community on our future direction.

If you would like to discuss or further enquire about the Mission initiative, please feel free to contact one of our team members. Jayne O'Callaghan 0427855471 Neville Spiers 0417117151

#### Career Tools Website



Careers are offering a results service at the Careers Centre in the Dwyer building (access available from basketball courts as the front office will be closed). Listed below are the following days and times we are open:

- Thursday 16 December 9:30am 4:30pm
- Friday 17 December 9:00am - 1.00pm

Note La Trobe will be available on site for any enquiries on Friday 17 Dec between 10:00am and 12:00pm

Karina - 54211261 Kristina - 54211262

Karen - also available on the days

I have attached the change of preference document and the instructions for you to access your results. Please remember to check that you have completed all the relevant VTAC information on your account and ensure you have a back up plan e.g. a diploma.

CHANGE OF PREFERENCE (cOp) DATES AND CONTACTS 2021

#### FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT - Matthew Shaw, Director of Business

#### **CSEF Application 2022 (Camps Sport and Excursion Fund)**

If you hold a current Health Card Card/Pensioner concession/Veterans Affairs Gold Card you may be eligible to apply for the Camp, Sport & Excursion Fund.

Eligible applications receive \$225 per student directly applied to the family fee account, matched by an additional \$225 from the College. CSEF application forms are available for 2022.

The forms can be downloaded from the College website or contact accountsreceivable@shckyneton.catholic.edu.au



# LOST AND FOUND

Over many months this year, students from Years 7 to 10 Drama involved in the 'Acting Masterclass' and Actors Studio' groups at Sacred Heart created a play called **'Lost and Found'.** 

As part of the process, they devised stories and wrote play scenes based on ideas such as:

- What connections have been lost due to COVID?
- What have we lost in our personal lives as a result of the Global pandemic?
- Is 'normal' really all that it's cracked up to be?
- What can we leave behind in a 'post-COVID' world?
- •These ideas were 'workshopped' by the group and became the basis of this new 'online only' play, which is being launched this week.

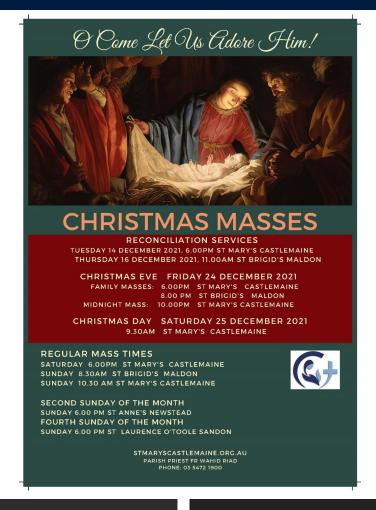
The play will be released - over four episodes, starting this week of December, so make sure you check back in to the Sacred Heart College YouTube channel next week to see the other episodes.

If you would like to receive the link to the future episodes of 'Lost and Found' - please email <a href="mailto:socialmedia@shckyneton.catholic.edu.au">socialmedia@shckyneton.catholic.edu.au</a> and we will also email the links to anyone who registers their interest.





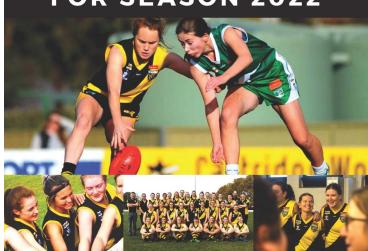




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