World Youth Day Prayer (verse 3-4)

Heavenly Father,
grant that we may bear witness to your mercy.
Teach us how to convey the faith to those in doubt,
hope to those who are discouraged,
love to those who feel indifferent,
forgiveness to those who have done wrong
and joy to those who are unhappy.

Allow the spark of merciful love
that you have enkindled within us
become a fire that can transform hearts
and renew the face of the earth.
Mary, Mother of Mercy, pray for us.
Saint John Paul II, pray for us.
Saint Faustina, pray for us.

World Youth Day

In July this year, young adults from all corners of the world will make a pilgrimage to gather in Krakow Poland. There they will be welcomed by the Polish community and Pope Francis to celebrate the 31st World Youth Day.

World Youth Day was started by Saint Pope John Paul II, who had always had a great love and concern for the Catholic youth of the Church. He recognised how hard it was for young people to practise their faith in a world where many were telling them God did not exist and the teachings of the Church were too much to ask. In 1978 after he had been elected pope he said to young people gathered in St. Peter's Square: ‘You are the hope of the Church and of the world. You are my hope.’

With this in mind, in 1984, John Paul II invited young people to join him in the Vatican on Palm Sunday for an international Jubilee of Youth. To the surprise of many 300,000 young people turned up to pack out St Peter’s square and beyond. Inspired by this gathering, he again invited the youth back to Rome and in 1986 the first official World Youth Day was held with the theme ‘May you give an account of the hope that is within you’. Since then it has been celebrated each Palm Sunday in Rome and every two to three years at an international host city with large numbers attending. In Manila Phillippines (1995) four million people congregated and in Rio de Janeiro (2013), over three million pilgrims (including myself) camped out on Copacabana beach to celebrate mass with the pope on the final day.

Though the name would suggest otherwise, World Youth Day is not just a day; it spans approximately two weeks with two parts. The first week is called ‘Days in the Dioceses’ where local parishes of the host country welcome pilgrims into their communities to share their lives, experiences of faith and the richness of the Church in that area of the world. The second week, lasting six days, includes the main events in the host city. During this week the youth take part in catechesis, vocations and youth festivals and commemorate the way of the cross. On the final day all pilgrims walk to the final camp out destination where they will join Pope Francis in adoration of the Eucharist before sleeping out under the stars. This night is a special prayer time for pilgrims with an atmosphere of great joy, wonder and contemplation as they celebrate their faith together. On the final day, pilgrims wake up to celebrate the closing mass with the Pope who will also announce the next host city! For more information go to www.krakow2016.com
I have had the amazing joy of being able to attend two World Youth Days so far as a pilgrim; Sydney in 2008 and Rio De Janeiro in 2013. Both have made significant impacts on my faith. It is a great privilege to be asked by the archdiocese to assist this year as a small group leader on the Victorian pilgrimage; Footsteps of St. Paul. I am blessed and very thankful to be supported by our school and parish to take on this role and attend this incredible event. Please pray for me as I undertake this pilgrimage.

This year’s theme is ‘Blessed are the Merciful’. If any members of our school community have prayer intentions they would like me to keep in mind during this pilgrimage, I ask you to forward them to my school email lrighetti@shoakleigh.catholic.edu.au.

I look forward to sharing this great experience with the school community on my return in August.

Lucy Righetti
Yr 1/2 Teacher

School Calendar
The 2016 School calendar may be downloaded by following this link http://www.shoakleigh.catholic.edu.au/calendar.html

Parent Handbook
The Parent Handbook may be accessed ONLY by following this link http://www.shoakleigh.catholic.edu.au/private.html. There is no link on the website.

School Newsletter
Email addresses for new families have been entered onto the school system. Please provide an email address to the school to receive newsletters, if you have not already done so on your enrolment form. The school office email address is office@shoakleigh.catholic.edu.au

School Closure Days
Closure day 4 will be on Monday 31 October (Melbourne Cup Eve)
Please register your interest with Camp Australia if care is required (this service will be offered depending on numbers).

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP DATES FOR TERM 3 - OPEN FROM 2.30PM TO 3.20PM IN THE PORTABLE IN THE JUNIOR SCHOOL
FRIDAY 15 JULY
FRIDAY 29 JULY
FRIDAY 12 AUGUST
FRIDAY 26 AUGUST
FRIDAY 9 SEPTEMBER

Thank you to Courtney, Coco and Fletcher’s mum, who kindly donated home-made colourful heat bags for Sick Bay – they are much appreciated and will be put to good use for our students care. Students will be able to purchase heat bags at the Fathers’ Day Stall in September.

“All welcome Gold coin donation
“The Heart”
Open all week!
Monday afternoon 3:00pm
Tuesday to Friday 8:30am - 3:30pm
Stay for a cuppa after morning drop off or shelter from the cold at school pick up time

**Ask for a key at the office if the hall door is closed**
Enrolments for Salesian and Sacred Heart Girls’ Colleges

Year 7 2018
Applications: Close Friday 17 February 2017
Letters of offer: Mailed 27 April 2017
Final Day to Accept Offer: 11 May 2017

Year 7 2019
Applications: Close Friday 25 August 2017
Letters of offer: Mailed 13 October 2017
Final Day to Accept Offer: 27 October 2017

Timing of the Year 7 2019 enrolment process has changed in line with Catholic Education Melbourne guidelines. The new process will result in Catholic secondary colleges offering places for Year 7 enrolment in Terms 3 and 4 for Year 5 students.

Other secondary colleges may have different dates in this transition period. Please confirm directly with any other colleges for their dates.

BREAD FOR THE HUNGRY

As reported in the last newsletter this is a combined effort of our parents and parishioners who collect bread from Bakers Delight in Oakleigh each Thursday evening. They then bag the bread and bring it to the school for distribution – please see request below from Mary – one of the co-ordinators of the team.

Welcome to Term 3. Hope you and your children had a lovely break.

Thank you to Vera for assisting with bread collection over the school holidays; it is very much appreciated.

I am hoping to get some more people on board, could you please let me know if you know anyone who may be interested. Please contact the school office if you are able to help and I will contact you with more details.

Mary

MUSIC THROUGH THE DECADES

This year’s School Concert is dedicated to music through the decades. Please add this event to your diary (if you haven’t already)
Tuesday, September 13th 2016
7pm at Sacred Heart Girls’ College, Oakleigh
More information about this night and what will be required for each class regarding costumes and props will be sent home.
WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTO AND YEAR 6 GRADUATION PHOTO WILL BE TAKEN ON WEDNESDAY 20 JULY – STUDENTS ARE TO WEAR WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM. IF STUDENTS HAVE SPORT ON THIS DAY PLEASE BRING SPORTS SHOES TO SCHOOL. BLACK SCHOOL SHOES ARE TO BE WORN FOR THE PHOTOS.

IMPORTANT - Please make sure your child is collected on time after school either by yourself or a nominated carer – School finishes at 3.20pm each day.

It is important that children are collected on time after school. Teachers/staff have scheduled meetings on Tuesdays and Wednesdays to attend immediately after school and other ad hoc meetings during the week, so it is difficult when there are children left whose parents/carers have not collected them. We understand that there may be an occasion when you are a little late due to unforeseen circumstances and ask that you advise the school office on 8574 4500. It should not be a regular occurrence. Students may be sent to After School Care (Camp Australia) at parent expense, located in the Mora Avenue building, if not collected by 3.30pm and you will need to pick them up from there. This is to ensure the safety of all students.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT JOHNSTON STREET AND DAVEY AVENUE HAVE PERMIT PARKING ZONES FOR STAFF ONLY AND ARE NOT TO BE USED BY PARENTS.

PARKING OFFICERS WILL BOOK YOU UNLESS YOU HAVE A SCHOOL PARKING PERMIT FROM MONASH COUNCIL.

Sacred Heart Community Calendar

Fri 15 Jul 2016
Newsletter Released
2:30pm - 3:20pm 2nd Hand Uniform Shop Open
Tue 19 Jul 2016
School Banking
Thu 21 Jul 2016
7:15pm PA Meeting
Sat 23 Jul 2016
5:30pm SH Confirmation Commitment Mass
Mon 25 Jul 2016
2:30pm Assembly - 3/4EP
Tue 26 Jul 2016
School Banking
7pm - 8:30pm SH Confirmation Parent night @ HR
Wed 27 Jul 2016
7pm School Education Board
Thu 28 Jul 2016
Australian Maths Competition
Fri 29 Jul 2016
Newsletter Released
2:30pm - 3:20pm 2nd Hand Uniform Shop Open
Tue 2 Aug 2016
School Banking
7:15pm PA Meeting - training for google doc
Wed 3 Aug 2016
7pm PA: Pot and Parma
Where: Bentleigh RSL, 538 Centre Rd, Bentleigh VIC 3204
Sun 7 Aug 2016
Canberra Camp
Mon 8 Aug 2016
Canberra Camp
Tue 9 Aug 2016
Canberra Camp
School Banking
Wed 10 Aug 2016
Canberra Camp
Thu 11 Aug 2016
Canberra Camp
Fri 12 Aug 2016
All campers Day off
Newsletter Released
2:30pm - 3:20pm 2nd Hand Uniform Shop Open
Mon 15 Aug 2016
Feast of the Assumption
10:30am Assumption Mass
Tue 16 Aug 2016
School Banking
7:15pm PA Meeting
Wed 17 Aug 2016
7pm Parish Council
Thu 18 Aug 2016
Confirmation Reflection Day
6pm - 7pm Confirmation BBQ @ HR
7pm - 8pm Confirmation SH Family Workshop @ HR
Sun 21 Aug 2016
Book Week 21st - 26th
Mon 22 Aug 2016
2:30pm - 3:20pm Assembly - 1/2KB
Tue 23 Aug 2016
School Banking
Wed 24 Aug 2016
7pm - 8:30pm SH Confirmation Ceremony
Thu 25 Aug 2016
7pm - 8pm Cybersafety Esmart Evening
Fri 26 Aug 2016
Newsletter Released
2:30pm - 3:20pm 2nd Hand Uniform Shop Open

Please see following pages:
Math News, St Kilda Mums Coat Drive, Camp Australia, Fostering an Australian Border Force Dog, Creative Music – learn music here at school, Football Star Academy, Traffic & Parking Guide Safety Excerpts
Math News

There are 21 students registered to participate in the Australian Mathematics Competition on Thursday July 28th. This is one of the largest annual events on the Australian education calendar, the AMC was the first competition of its kind in Australia and is now one of the largest of its type in the world. More than 30 countries participate each year.

We know that these students will benefit from this valuable experience which has an emphasis on problem solving, a valuable life skill, as they complete questions that are designed to be challenging yet fun.

Moira Luzan

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St Kilda Mums Coat Drive

Now that the weather has begun to get very chilly, there are many families who are not able to keep their babies and children warm, or allow them to play outside, due to an inability to afford warm winter clothes. As a school community, we would love to once again be a temporary collection point to rehome any warm clothing your children have outgrown, particularly coats, but will gladly accept all warm clothing, hats, gumboots, gloves, scarves, etc.

If you have any of these items to donate, please leave them at the office before Friday, 29th July, and one of our families will arrange for them to be delivered to the St Kilda Mum’s warehouse to be re-distributed to those in need. Donated items must be freshly-washed, with no holes, rips or bad staining. A good guide is to think “would I give this to a friend?”

If you have any questions, please contact Nicky Predl either in the schoolyard, or on 0413 994 788.

Thank you for helping keep kids warm!
Hello Sacred Heart Families and Friends,

Welcome back to Term Three! How quickly this year has gone by!

We hope you enjoyed relaxing holidays – perhaps some of you even spent some time with us in the holidays! Our first ever Holiday Club was a big success. We went to Southland Shopping Centre cinemas, had a silent disco, made dance mats and talking money boxes, did tie dyeing, went to Tunzafun (in Knox Shopping Centre), had a mini Olympics and did more cooking than ever before! It was so fantastic to see so many familiar faces in the OSHC area over the holidays, and even some new faces of children from different schools in the area. We definitely hope to see even more of you next holidays!

In the upcoming weeks, we have a lot of exciting things going on. We are in the process of choosing new Better Buddy Leaders for Term Three, which is very exciting for the children as it is an opportunity for them to practice their leadership skills, as well as their communication skills (including speaking in front of lots of other children!) and even helping staff solve friendship issues and conflicts! We have been so impressed by our Term Two Better Buddy Leaders and it will be hard to fill their shoes – thank you again to Aza M, Ava M, Polly M, Grace P, Sachin J, Thomas G, Rohaan T-M and Sam P for doing a truly amazing job being leaders.

Another exciting event coming up is our fundraising program for Term Three – raising money for The Smith Family. As you might recall, we ran a Market Day last year, where the children were able to sell some of the amazing craft creations they made, and even paint faces for a small donation. We will be running a similar event later this term, so be sure to watch this space!

Just a quick reminder – it is really important that you book your child in if you are expecting them to attend After or Before School Care, as booking numbers effect staffing arrangement, food preparation, activities and obviously we want to ensure your child arrives safely and smoothly! This also goes for Extra Curricular Activities – it is your responsibility to inform us of any after school sport, music lessons or anything else that will impact their movements between the end of school and coming to After School Care. As usual, I want to remind parents that when you book in your child, please be sure to inform us of any medical needs (eg. allergies, asthma, anaphylaxis, intolerances etc), if they have never been to OSHC before – I cannot stress the importance of communicating this to us, as safety is our number one priority!

The service mobile phone number is: 0401 188 896 if you ever need to reach us 😊.

Thank you again to all parents and families involved in making our Holiday Club such a success!

See you all soon!

- Caitlin and the Camp Australia Team
**Fostering an Australian Border Force Dog**

Our family has fostered a 9 week old black Australian Border Force Labrador female puppy, called Nixie she came to live with us on the 4th of May this year. Nixie is a very special dog and when she grows up she will have an important role to sniff out hidden explosives, drugs and firearms for the Australian Border Force. We are fostering Nixie because we want to have some company and also we want to learn how to raise a puppy.

**Why do we bring Nixie to School?**

You may see Nixie in the school playground, wearing her special blue jacket. It is important that Nixie be allowed to play with children to familiarize with the quick and unpredictable movements they make. We also have to take Nixie to playgrounds, parks, shopping centres, car parks, sporting events and train stations, so she goes through socialization and gets used to different environments, as this is vital to achieving a well-balanced behavior in a border force puppy. All ABF puppies must display a high level of confidence in all areas to be suitable as a detector dog.

We really love our Nixie and hope everyone fosters a dog like ours.

By Keshav Krish.
Learn music here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, violin, here at Sacred Heart Primary School, Oakleigh.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Tuition costs from $16.20 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 3, 2016.

Interested parents should call Samantha during office hours on 9818 2333

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40km/h in School Zones

Obey the maximum 40 km/h speed limit at all times around school zones. During peak times there are lots of child pedestrians, this may mean driving at substantially less than 40 km/h. Always drive to the conditions at a safe, slow speed.

No speeding. Slow down to under 40 km/h.
Parking over Driveways

Parking over driveways restricts the residents in the street from entering or leaving their property. It also reduces a driver’s sight lines for pedestrians crossing the road. There are plenty of legal parking options.

Do not park across driveways