Prayer for Wisdom

He said to me, “Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words.”

(Daniel 10:12 adapted)

Day for Daniel

Dear Parents,

Day for Daniel is a National Day of Action to raise awareness about child safety and protection. It is one way we can take action and conduct child safety activities to help in ‘Keeping Kids Safe’, along with many other initiatives in our School Wellbeing Program and our Child Safe Policy compliance. We will be celebrating the day on Friday 28 October. Children will be able to Wear a ‘splash of red’ to show support for this day.

The objectives of ‘Day for Daniel’ in our school are:

- to raise awareness about child safety and protection and to promote a safer community for children.
- to educate children regarding their personal safety and empower them to RECOGNISE, REACT and REPORT if they feel something is not right
- to make a statement that crimes against children are not acceptable in our school and in modern Australia.

Developmentally appropriate scenarios are also used to explore and discuss safety situations that children and young people may encounter. Lessons will include:

Year F  Safe and Unsafe behaviours
Being Healthy, Safe and Active

Year 1/2  Respectful Relationships
Body Ownership

Year 3/4  Safety Clues and Situational Awareness
Risk Taking

Year 5/6  Rules Rights and Responsibilities
Private Body Parts
All students will have a focus on the people that are important in their Safety Network. It would be a worthwhile conversation to discuss with your child who these people are they have recorded on their Safety Hand. The Year 3-6 children will also be shown a new school based online reporting form for reporting times that they feel unsafe. The School Wellbeing Team will monitor any reports that come are reported by students.

Next Friday is also World Teachers’ Day. World Teachers’ Day acknowledges the efforts of teachers in an increasingly complex, multicultural and technological society. It is a day on which students, parents and community members can demonstrate their appreciation for the contributions that teachers have made to their community. Parents and children may consider acknowledging teachers on the day. Some possible ways include: thank you cards or some words acknowledging the dedication of the staff. Teachers include classroom teachers, specialist teachers and the ‘other’ teachers who may not be in the teaching position yet are still teachers to each of us.

Regards,
Brian Martin
Principal

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 Day
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).
Tuesday 1 November is Melbourne Cup Day (Public Holiday)

Playgroup at Sacred Heart

Dear Parents,
I am pleased to announce playgroup is at 2pm on Friday afternoons in the school hall / the Heart. If you would like more information please contact Sherilyn Mangalino on qt_she@yahoo.com or 0411 137 509, or drop by on a Friday afternoon.
At this stage playgroup is only available to siblings of children already in the school.

Regards
Brian

PLEASE NOTE STUDENTS FINISH FOR THE YEAR AT 3.20PM ON THURSDAY 15 DECEMBER 2016
SACRED HEART COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Fri 21 Oct 2016
Newsletter Released
Sat 22 Oct 2016
PA Father Son Camp
Sun 23 Oct 2016
PA Father Son Camp
Tue 25 Oct 2016
School Banking
Wed 26 Oct 2016
10:45am - 11:45am World Teachers’ Day
Morning Tea
Fri 28 Oct 2016
Day for Daniel
World Teachers’ Day
Mon 31 Oct 2016
School Closure Day
Tue 1 Nov 2016
Melbourne Cup Day
Wed 2 Nov 2016
Foundation Parent Night 2017
Fri 4 Nov 2016
Newsletter Released
Tue 8 Nov 2016
9am - 11am Foundation Orientation 1/5
School Banking
11:30am - 1:30pm Foundation Orientation 2/5
Wed 9 Nov 2016
Dental Van At School
Thu 10 Nov 2016
Dental Van At School
Fri 11 Nov 2016
Dental Van At School
Remembrance Day
Mon 14 Nov 2016
2:30pm - Assembly - Prep / JF
Tue 15 Nov 2016
School Banking
Thu 17 Nov 2016
9am - 11am Foundation Orientation 3/5
11:30am - 1:30pm Foundation Orientation 4/5
Fri 18 Nov 2016
Newsletter Released
Sun 20 Nov 2016
Foundation Mass
Tue 22 Nov 2016
PA Subway lunch
School Banking
7:15pm - PA meeting
Fri 25 Nov 2016
Red assessment folders out
Mon 28 Nov 2016
2:30pm - 3pm Assembly - 1/2JD
Tue 29 Nov 2016
School Banking
Wed 30 Nov 2016
7pm - School Education Board
Fri 2 Dec 2016
Foundation Orientation 5/5
Newsletter Released
Mon 5 Dec 2016
Red Assessment folder due back
Tue 6 Dec 2016
School Banking
4pm - 6pm Creative Music Concert in hall
Wed 7 Dec 2016
4pm - 6pm Creative Music Concert in hall
Fri 9 Dec 2016
9am - Thanksgiving Mass and Morning tea SH
Mon 12 Dec 2016
Reports out
Tue 13 Dec 2016
9am - 11am Yr 1-6 Orientation
School Banking
Wed 14 Dec 2016
SH Graduation Mass 6.00 Dinner 6.45
Thu 15 Dec 2016
10am - PA: sausage sizzle
Newsletter Released
1:45pm - 3:20pm Christmas Paraliturgy
3:20pm - Students Finish
Fri 16 Dec 2016
Staff Curriculum Day
Dear School Community,
As some of you may know, under the taps located near the girls’ toilets, we have tubs. These tubs are used to catch the water that is wasted when students drink from the taps. The water is then poured on the nearby plants. But, they are not under the taps anymore, they have gone missing!
We are now in need of the school community. We are hoping you could donate any empty ice cream tubs that have been cleaned so we can place them under the taps. We only require 20 tubs to save the water. This idea was made by the Environment Leaders 2 years ago; it has been a great way to save water at our school.
We hope you can donate.

Thank You,
The Environment Leaders

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**Skipping Club**

Hi Parents and Students,

This term, starting week three, the sport leaders have organised skipping club on Thursday mornings. Everyone is welcome to come and join in. It will start at 8:20am and end at 8:40am. This activity will be held in the hall. This is a great opportunity for students to keep fit and make new friends. There will be music and lessons for the children who don’t know how to skip. We hope to see you there.

Kind regards,
The Sport Leaders.

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**Term 4 Second-hand Uniform Shop Dates**
Friday 21 October 2.30pm – 3.20pm
Friday 4 November 2.30pm – 3.20pm
Thursday 17 November 10.30am – 12.30pm
Friday 2 December 9.00am – 10.30am

The Uniform shop will reopen in 2017 on
Friday 3 February 2.30pm – 3.20pm
ATHLETICS SUCCESS

Congratulations to Eva, Kytran, Juliette and Elaria who won a silver medal at the Eastern Metropolitan Region Track and Field Championships last Thursday. On Monday October 24th they will compete at the State Titles in the 9/10 Girls 4 x 100m Relay. GOOD LUCK GIRLS!

Reminder!!!!
Foundation and Year 3 Students

1:1 Digital Technologies 2017

The compulsory 1:1 Chromebook Program will begin at Sacred Heart Primary School in 2017. This means that each current Foundation and Year 3 student must purchase a Chromebook to bring to school next year (Year 1 and Year 4, 2017).

The purchase of the device must be completed through the Centrecom portal. You can access the Centrecom Portal through the link below:

https://eduportal.centrecom.com.au/Account/SignIn

Please see attachments:
After School Care Camp Australia Newsletter
Michael Grose – When kids bend the truth
Yr 7 Enrolments for 2018 and 2019 – Salesian College Principal Visit
Commonwealth Bank News, Ward Avenue Kindergarten
Hello there, Sacred Heart families, and welcome back for Term Four!

I wanted to remind all parents that the school has a **PUPIL FREE DAY on the 31st of October** (Monday before Melbourne Cup Day). We are trying to get the numbers to be able to run a program on that day. It would run from 7am-6pm, and would be a day of massive fun - we would run all kinds of games, activities, cooking and sports! However, **we do need a minimum of 18 bookings for this day to go ahead**. If it gets to a week prior to the 31st (which is the 24th October) and we do not have 18 bookings, I will give notice that the day will not go ahead, and of course, you will not be charged. It is vital that you **please book in ASAP** for this day; there will be no opportunity for late bookings! If we do not have 18 bookings by the 24th of October, the day will not go ahead.

We were so happy to see so many of you joining us at our Holiday Club in the September holidays, and coming with us on excursions to the movies and to Super Zu, as well as participating in awesome incursions, making Foosball tables and LEGO farms! Our second Holiday Club here at Sacred Heart was a massive success, with the numbers going up significantly, so a massive thank you to all parents involved in spreading the word and thank you to everyone who booked their children in – whether for one day, or all days!

Just a couple of quick reminders for Term Four at Out of School Hours Care:

- **Hats hats hats!!!!!!!!!!** – Children must have their hats to be able to go outside and play at After School Care. We are strict on this, for the safety and wellbeing of the children, and will not be allowed outside without their hands and sunscreen. We don’t mind if they have a separate hat (not their school hat) for After School Care use only to avoid any confusion. We do not allow children to share hats between their friends.

- **Making bookings** – Please ensure that you are placing all your bookings in online or over the phone with Camp Australia Head Office. If for any reason you need to book them in at the last minute, please call me on 0401 199 896 – this number should be used for last minute bookings or questions only, not for placing future bookings.

- **Extra curricular activities** – We know many children are participating in the fantastic extra curricular activities provided by the school (music, sports, etc.), but we do ask that you please let us know if your child is attending an extra curricular activity if it is on a morning or afternoon when they will be in our care. This is so that we are aware of their whereabouts at all times, and so that we can make arrangements to drop them off/collection them from extra curricular activities. It is your responsibility to inform us of these extra curricular activities, as well as who they will be with, what time they will be doing them, and any other relevant information.
When kids bend the truth.

By Michael Grose

As a rule of thumb, step back and try to identify the purpose of a child’s untruths. This indicates to parents how they should deal with the behaviour.

Children often bend the truth to suit themselves. They sometimes tell fibs to escape punishment or avoid being caught when misbehaviour occurs. Some kids fantasise about their exploits to make themselves appear bigger, more daring or more exciting than they really are. These children often think that they are not much good and so invent a few tales to make themselves seem more interesting. Of course, some children fantasise purely because it is fun to stretch the truth a little. It is more fun to run away from ‘a ferocious man-eating tiger’ than be scared of the next-door neighbour’s moggie.

As a rule of thumb, step back and try to identify the purpose of a child’s untruths. This indicates to parents how they should deal with the behaviour.

Escaping negative consequences

Eight-year-old Pamela spilt a container of milk on the kitchen floor. She panicked, replaced the empty container in the refrigerator and went off to her bedroom to read. When her mother saw the mess, she asked Pamela if she knew what had happened. The child denied any knowledge of it. ‘What milk do you mean, Mum?’ said Pamela, with an innocent look on her face. Her mother, knowing immediately that her daughter was responsible, asked her to help to clean up the mess. Avoiding a scene, she made sure that her daughter didn’t escape the consequence of cleaning up the mess that she had made.

A matter of trust

Thirteen-year-old Britta was refused permission to visit an older friend after school, as her mother thought the friend unsuitable company for her daughter. Resenting her mother’s interference Britta frequently visited her older friend. When her mother asked her where she was going after school she
would lie and tell her that she was visiting a friend that her mother approved of. Eventually her mother found out through an acquaintance that Britta had been lying to her about her visits. She confronted her daughter with the truth. Her mother dealt with the matter of the illicit visits. She was not permitted to go out after school for two weeks. This was an appropriate consequence that matched the misbehaviour. She dealt with the matter of lying separately; pointing out that it was difficult to trust her daughter when she didn’t tell the truth.

Fantasising

Some children continually exaggerate to make everything appear bigger or better than in real life. In this way they appear more exciting or interesting than they think they are. This is a sign of discouragement. It is best to go along with these children’s tales, although you should let them know that you are aware of the truth without bursting their bubble. It is fine to exaggerate, but they should never be too far away from reality. Persistent fantasisers often need plenty of encouragement. Let them know that they are OK as they are. Fantasising and telling tall tales may be fun but they don’t need to fantasise to build themselves up. Youngest children in the family often tell whoppers in an effort to make themselves seem important in the eyes of older siblings.

Imaginary friends

Some children will use imaginary friends to avoid doing things they don’t want to do. ‘Mr. Bear says I don’t have to go bed.’ If it only happens once in a while then it’s a bit of fun. It can become wearing if it’s a continuous avoidance strategy. If that’s the case, try the direct approach. ‘Mr. Bear could be right. But I’m your mum and I know it’s bedtime. Mr. Bear can join you if he likes.’

Don’t overreact

Be careful not to overreact when children tell lies. It is better to recognise the child’s goal and act in a way that prevents the behaviour from achieving its purpose. There is little point moralising about the evils of lying. Children know that they should be good; they don’t need to be reminded all the time. Children will continue behaviours that serve a purpose, regardless of whether the actions are morally good or bad. It is more useful to ensure that lying doesn’t achieve its goal and to encourage children at every conceivable occasion.

Yr 7 Enrolment for 2018 and 2019

Please find information below regarding enrolment at Catholic Secondary Colleges in our area. 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. Some schools have changed their enrolment processes earlier, and you must apply for 2018 enrolment while your child is in Grade 5.

Most secondary schools now have information on their websites regarding open days and enrolments. Please check the website of your chosen secondary school.

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

The Parish of Sacred Heart School is a priority Parish to the following three Catholic Colleges
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

Enrolments for Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College, Bentleigh

Year 7 2018
Applications      Close Friday 16 September 2016
Letters of offer  Mailed Friday 14 October 2016
Final Day to Accept Offer  Friday 28 October 2016

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

MONDAY 7 NOVEMBER
2:20pm – 3:30pm

All parents/guardians are invited to join students of grade 4/5 to see Principal Robert Brennan’s address on Monday 7 November at Sacred Heart Primary School, Oakleigh between 2:20pm and 3:30pm.

What the presentation involves:

- A valuable Q&A discussion, giving students the opportunity to join in the conversation about staying true to core values that are important to them when choosing a school that is the right fit (both boys and girls)
- A past Sacred Heart Primary School student perspective
- Tips about enrolment
- Question time; and
- Distribution of enrolment information.

For further information, please contact Salesian College Chadstone on 9807 2644.
There’s more to explore at the Canyon of Savings.

Congratulations to all School Banking participants who have qualified for the Term 3 Prize Lights and Grand Prize competitions by displaying consistent savings behaviour. Will your child be the one to meet Robert and Bindi Irwin on a VIP visit to Australia Zoo? The Grand Prize winner will be posted at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking on 17 October. The Prize Lights winners will be posted on commbank.com.au/prizelights from 19 October.

Remember, there are more rewards before our Outback adventure is over. School Banking is releasing two Term 4 reward items that are sure to keep students saving. After completing 10 deposits, your child can redeem a Bush Fly Fan or a Wriggly Glow Worm.

Add to your child’s financial literacy
While School Banking aims to make money skills more fun and engaging for your child, you can further fuel that interest at home. For example, have you explained the difference between needs and wants? A simple way to demonstrate this is to get them to help write your shopping list, placing the “needs” and the “wants” into separate columns. Then let your child find each item at the shops and tick it off their list, to reinforce the idea.

That’s one of many educational tips you’ll find in three new videos we’ve added to The Beanstalk. These short videos cover easy ways to help teach smart money management to your kids. To watch them, and to discover other insightful articles and activities, go to commbank.com.au/beanstalk

Activity: Outback checklist
As the Dollarmites prepare for their trip home through the Outback, they need to buy supplies for the road. Can your child help them work out what will be essential and what are treats they can do without? All they have to do is organise these items into “needs” and “wants”. Then add up the price tags of the wants to figure out how much the Dollarmites would save by only buying the needs.
Community Open Day

Ward Avenue Kindergarten, Oakleigh South
Entry via Ward Avenue or Piccadilly Street

Saturday 22nd October
2 - 4pm

Come see Spring in our Garden
With Faery Emma, Face Painting & a range of stalls:

- used books & toys
- fresh produce
- uniforms
- cakes
- plants
- arts & crafts