



Sacred Heart College Middle School

Newsletter

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From the Principal...

Dear members of the Sacred Heart College Middle School Community

Community Service

The educational program at Sacred Heart is commonly described as holistic; that is, a broad range of learning experiences are presented to enhance and challenge the cognitive, social, emotional and spiritual growth of each of our boys. These educational interactions occur within and beyond the classroom. They are facilitated by staff, parents and others who take the time to work with our students.

One of the most powerful means of instruction is the example we – the teachers, the parents, the carers, the coaches, the tutors, the support staff and other significant adults – provide the boys. By bringing all of our talents, interests, energy, experience, concern and commitment to our involvement across the College we can send a very powerful message as to the essence of our key values.

The many families and staff who are involved within and beyond the classrooms sends a simple message that involvement in your community is important. It is a very practical example of service and not all of this generous and capable service necessarily occurs at College activities. There are many respected community organisations which also need the generous support of willing members of the community.

Surf Life Saving Australia is one of these organisations. There are Sacred Heart connections with many of the local surf clubs – predominantly Glenelg, Somerton Park, Brighton, Seacliff and beyond. These clubs provide not only a raft of healthy and challenging physical activities, they also provide emergency and safety services to the public. They also have a strong sense of community mindedness at their core.

Recently, Mrs Karen Wilmot, Personal Assistant to the Head of Middle School, was recognised as the South Australian Surf Life Saver of the Year for her outstanding contribution to and leadership of various aspects of the Seacliff SLSC. Karen's example is an inspiration to all seeking to serve the community in a family-based activity which also serves the community. I'm sure Karen was humbled by the article in the Messenger Press last week – congratulations, Karen! Congratulations also to Mr Luke Hildyard, who was recognised as the SA SLSA 'Coach of the Year'. Luke is a teacher and Head of House at the Senior School and is a senior member of the Somerton SLSC.

Sacred Heart College is blessed with an outstanding staff who bring a great deal to our College community and who also model by example many fine attributes, including Community Service!

Please act safely at the beach this summer and respect the work of the Surf Life Savers who give generously of themselves to ensure we enjoy ourselves in what can be a difficult and dangerous environment at times! A special 'thank you' to all our Surf Life Savers, the 'nippers' and their clubs who continue this proud Australian tradition!

Kind Regards

Steve Byrne



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Diary Dates

Visit our online Calendar of Events:

http://www.shcms.sa.edu.au/news/SHCMS_calendar.html for more information about our events.

Friday 14 November

Homeroom 7.16 Chapel Mass, 9 am
SHC Middle School Principal's Tour,
9:15 am

Monday 17 November

Homeroom 7.17 Chapel Mass, 9 am
SHCMS Finance Committee, 6:30 pm

Tuesday 18 November

Year 7 Beach Safety Day

Thursday 20 November

New Families Information Evening, 7 pm

Friday 21 November

Parishioners Mass, 9 am Orientation Day
for 2015 new students

Monday 24 November

Homerrooms 7.18 & 7.19 Chapel Mass, 9am

Tuesday 25 November

Council & Finance Sub-committee
Meeting, 7 pm
Year 7 End of Year Celebration, 3:30 pm

Friday 28 November

Year 7 Beach Day

Monday 1 December

Homeroom 7.20 Chapel Mass, 9 am

Thursday 4 December

Year 9 Graduation
Last day of term for Year 9 students

Friday 5 December

Good News Assembly, 9 am
Last day of Term 4

2014 Office Opening Hours

Wednesday 14 – Friday 16 January, 9–5pm
Monday 19 – Friday 23 January, 9–5 pm

Monday 26 January

AUSTRALIA DAY, PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Tuesday 27 January

School Formation & Learning Day
STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND

Wednesday 28 January

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From the Head of SHCMS

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was great to see our Drum Corp representing our College in this year's Christmas Pageant as an extension to the Marion City Council Band. The boys did a terrific job entertaining the masses. Likewise I would like to acknowledge all of our students who were extremely respectful and reverent during Tuesday's Remembrance Day Service. An important connection is always made with our boys when we publicly acknowledge old scholars of Sacred Heart who fought and lost their lives in the various conflicts they have served in - may they rest in peace.

It's hard to believe that we are into the last month of school for 2014. There is indeed much happening in the College as we prepare to not only complete this academic year but also to ensure that we are ready for 2015. At this busy time, it is important for the students to focus on the "finish line" and ensuring they complete the race in the style they and their families would be accustomed to. I would encourage you to spend time talking with your son to ensure that all assessment tasks are completed and completed well so that this can be reflected in his final grades for the year. For our Year 9 cohort this will be their last couple of weeks as Middle School students and indeed as a generic cohort they have been outstanding in all aspects of school life – I know that they will continue to set high standards for the rest of the year.

By the time this article goes to print we would have held the "College's Band Sandwich" which is designed to be a showcase of "The Arts and Languages" I would like to thank all the staff who put hours of work into this event and trust that parents and families enjoyed the evening. As a College we have a range of very talented boys.

Over the coming weeks I look forward to the various transition events as well as meeting parents and carers who are new to the College on Thursday evening.

Below is a prayer for the Australian Defence Force personnel who actively serve our country with pride and bravery.

A prayer for the Australian Defence Force

Eternal God, the only source of peace,
We pray for all who serve in the defence force of this land.
Give them courage and comfort in danger,
Patience in waiting, and discipline in the just use of force.
Help us to seek for all people
The freedom to serve you and each other in compassion and peace.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Have a great week.

Tim Mullin

Band Sandwich – 13 November

Congratulations to all involved in a wonderful community event. Watch out for the next week's CEA newsletter for more photos.



For your Reflection...

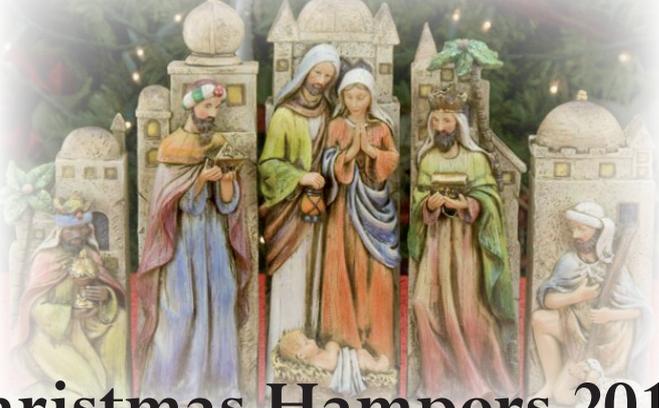
Sharyn Davis Assistant Principal, Religious Identity and Mission (APRIM)

'For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Matthew 25:35-36

In our last newsletter there was a flyer asking for support with donations for The Adelaide Day Centre for Homeless Persons. This same flyer was given to the Sacristans from each homeroom. We discussed why there was a need for us to support this charity and how best we could come up with a variety of items. It was decided that each class would be responsible for a particular item and so the boys took this request back to their classes. The response has been terrific, with donations arriving the very next day.

Since all of the boys have been asked to contribute towards the hampers, we ask you to discuss this project with your son and encourage him to think about 'the giving' by using pocket money or earning money and shopping for the gift themselves. In the consumer world that we find ourselves in it is easy to get caught up in our own ever-growing 'needs' and miss the true joy that comes with giving at this time.

The Adelaide Day Centre for Homeless Persons Inc.



Christmas Hampers 2014

This Christmas, Moore Street Day Centre will be delivering more than 2,050 Christmas hampers to needy people all over Adelaide!

We urgently need your support to fill the hampers with non-perishable foods and toys.

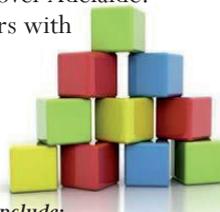
Food items could include:

- Tinned Meats and Fruits
- Christmas Puddings and Cakes
- Pasta and Rice
- Biscuits, Jams, Honey
- Nuts and Dried Fruit
- Long-life Milk
- Tinned Vegetables



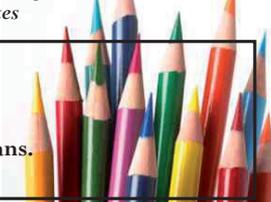
Toys could include:

- Building blocks
- Puzzles
- Plain T-shirts (no advertising)
- Jigsaws
- Card games
- Skipping Ropes
- Bats and balls
- Beach bags, Sun hats
- Textas, Pencils, Stationery
- Books and Colouring-in Books
- Board games
- Kites



Donations are to be brought to Sacred Heart College Middle School.

All donations to be collected from Homeroom by Sacristans.



SHCMS MASSES

You are invited to join us each Monday and Friday for Mass in our School Chapel at 8:55 am and for a cuppa afterwards. Three Masses are held in the Hall – The Welcome Mass, Feast of Sacred Heart and Celebration of the Assumption.

If you or the boys' grandparents (or any other family members or friends) would like to join this group, you'd be most welcome. Just come.

SOUTHERN CROSS NEWSPAPER

The Southern Cross will no longer be making hard copies of the newspaper available to schools.

The Southern Cross can be accessed via the electronic link to the Southern Cross newspaper which is:

www.thesoutherncross.org.au

Should you not have access to the internet please purchase a copy of the Southern Cross Newspaper for \$2 from your nearest Mass centre (Annual subscription \$30 per year for one monthly copy or \$58 for two years). Other options would be to electronically access the Southern Cross through your local community or school library.

If you have any queries please contact the Catholic Communications Office on 8210 8117 or email cathcomm@adelaide.catholic.org.au



Would you like to have the Living Catholic e-newsletter delivered to your inbox each month?

Visit: <http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au>

CESA COMMUNITY NEWS

Please find below the latest and previous editions of CESA Community News, a newsletter for Catholic education in South Australia. The purpose of the newsletter is to provide news on educational initiatives and directions in our schools and to highlight some of our achievements.

Visit the following website for the latest and previous editions of the CESA Community News: <http://www.cesa.catholic.edu.au/news>



MIDDLE SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS AND DUTY OF CARE

Please note the following in relation to official SHCMS school hours as referenced in our Handbook:

- Students should not be on the school premises before 8:00 am.
- Supervision is provided in the Marcellin Resource Centre from 8:00 am.
- Supervision in the school grounds is provided from 8:20 am.
- The Marcellin Resource Centre closes at 4:00 pm.
- Supervision is provided during CEA trainings until 4:30 pm.
- The Finance Office closes at 4:00 pm daily.
- The Front Office is closed at 4:30 pm.

As a school, we cannot provide adequate duty of care/supervision for your son before 8:00 am and after 4:30 pm. It is very important that we adhere to these hours to ensure proper care of your son occurs. If there are extenuating circumstances in terms of picking up/dropping off your son, please phone the school so that alternative arrangements can be organised.

Out of hours care for Year 6 and 7 students is available at the Clovelly Park Primary School, telephone 8276 5366.



Since 1999 Encounter Youth, a non-for-profit charity, has been managing schoolies Festival at Victor Harbor, South Australia. Schoolies Festival is part of an extensive operation that we coordinate to enable young people to celebrate safely, while minimising the impact on the local Victor Harbor community.

Schoolies Festival 2014 is being held on 21–23 November at Warland Reserve, Victor Harbor.

Check out www.schooliesfestival.com.au or visit the Schoolies Festival 2014 Facebook Page for the latest updates surrounding the Festival.

Remembrance Day

On Tuesday, November 11 at SHCMS we gathered together at the front of the school to remember the ANZACS and those who have fought in wars and conflicts. A catafalque party started us off by raising the Australian flag, the Aboriginal flag, and the Torres Strait Islander flags to half-mast. Shortly after our SHCMS Year 9 Student Leaders were spreading their ANZAC spirit through at the year levels. Then came the prayers of intercession which was followed by Luke Romano, Tom Huttunen, Noah Smith and Tom Schar with prayers of remembrance for Australia, our Defence Force and for Peace.

Then our SHCMS Year 9 House Captains read out the names of old scholars who fought and died in WW1. Luke Dimech read about *The Red Poppy* followed by James Dimech who recited *The Poppies* poem. Tom Strudwick recited *In Flanders Fields* and Caelum Young played *The Last Post* on trumpet while the prayers and stories sunk in. *The Ode: For the Fallen* by Laurence Binyon was recited by Finn Betterman who is also a school leader. We sang our National Anthem which was played by the school Music Ensemble, then to end the Remembrance Day Service our music students performed *Waltzing Matilda*.

Year 7 & 8 Media Team



Premier's ANZAC Spirit Award Recipient

Four Year 9 students put their entries forward to be considered for the prize. Of the Middle School students who entered, Max Spurling (9.4) was short-listed as a contender for the Prize. Last Friday Max received the phone call he had been waiting for, informing him that he was the recipient of the Premier's ANZAC Spirit Prize. Max will join other award recipients in Gallipoli on ANZAC day 2015. Congratulations Maxwell and safe travels.



Year 9 Geography Excursion

On 5 November this term, the whole of Year 9 embarked on a Geography excursion into the city of Adelaide to investigate our unit's overarching question 'Does Adelaide have a long way to go?'. Our investigation focused on key factors of urban development such as sustainability, infrastructure and globalisation of the city. Before we went to the city we had to plan out the whole day. This included writing an itinerary, marking out a map and writing surveys to give to the public. Students split up into groups of 2 or 3 and roamed the CBD gathering data. Some of the ways we gathered data including interviewing people, handing out written surveys and making our own observations. It was an excellent day! One of the highlights was having lunch at the Central Markets. I know from the information that my group gathered it was also a very successful day. It was a great opportunity for the Year 9 students to gather the public's thoughts on the development of our city.

By Joshua Tinnion



2014 Team/Group photos are now available for viewing and purchase

If your son was a member of a sporting team, instrumental ensemble and/or choir member, photographs from Academy Photographers are now available for purchase.

Take this opportunity to visit the Middle School's Front Office to view the photos and place your orders.

Orders must be finalised by **Friday 14 November** to allow delivery before the end of term.

Contact the Middle School's Front Office if you have any questions.

Unleashing the Genius Within Our Year 6 Students



What is Genius Hour?

Genius hour is a movement that allows students to explore their own passions and encourages creativity in the classroom. It provides students a choice in what they learn during a set period of time during school. It's not easy to determine where the idea was originally created, but there are at least two events that have impacted Genius Hour.

Genius Hour Origins

The search-engine giant, Google, allows its engineers to spend 20% of their time to work on any pet project that they want. The idea is very simple. Allow people to work on something that interests them, and productivity will go up. Google's policy has worked so well that it has been said that 50% of Google's projects have been created during this creative time period. Ever heard of Gmail or Google News? These projects are creations by passionate developers that blossomed from their projects.

Genius Hour in Education

The same Genius Hour principles apply in the classroom as they do in the corporate environment. The teacher provides a set amount of time for the students to work on their passion projects. Students are then challenged to explore something that they want to learn about and to do a project. They spend several weeks researching the topic before they start creating a product that will be shared with the class/school/world. Deadlines are limited and creativity is encouraged. Throughout the process the teacher facilitates the student projects to ensure that they are on task.

During this term all students in Homeroom 6.24 have been given one hour each week to work productively on a project of their choice and they will be presenting their work on Thursday 4 December from 3:30pm to 4:30pm in La Valla and the Year 6 classrooms.

CATHFAMILY

CathFamily is a web site dedicated to assisting families in making the home the living heart of the church. As a church, we have benefited over the centuries from simple home-based rituals to provide practical faith experiences for our children.

Visit the website for the latest and previous editions of the Catholic Family magazine: <http://cathfamily.org>

TRI-SCHOOLS UNIFORM SHOP

Located at the rear of Sacred Heart College Senior School, Scarborough Street, Somerton Park. MasterCard, Visa Card and EFTPOS available. Direct telephone (08) 8350 2586. Second-hand uniforms. Neat, current uniforms are accepted for re-sale during shop hours. All submissions must be **recently laundered**.

Term 4 Trading Times

Tuesdays 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Wednesdays 8:00 am – 12 noon

Thursdays 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

LOST PROPERTY

Remember to clearly label your son's uniform with his full name. The Student Services Officer will get lost property that is clearly labelled back to its owner as soon as possible. However, there are many unnamed articles currently in our lost property area. Items not collected will be sent on to the Uniform Shop for re-sale.



DENTAL CARE FOR YOUR CHILDREN

The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider. All babies, children and young people under 18 years are welcome to attend.

Dental care is FREE for most children. Children who do not qualify for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule can also attend – a small fee will apply for each course of general dental care provided.

All dental care provided is FREE for preschool children.

To locate your local School Dental Clinic, or for more information about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule, visit the website:

www.sadental.sa.gov.au



School Fees

Outstanding School Fees for Term 4 have been posted. All school fees for 2014 should be finalised by 30 November unless a payment plan has been authorised.

Parents/Carers of students in Year 9 are asked to ensure their account is clear before 30 November unless other arrangements have been made.

If you have any problem meeting your commitment, please contact Julie Schultz, Finance Officer, on 8276 7877.

Year 9 Chromebooks

As part of the rollout of Chromebooks this year Year 9 students were provided with a device for their use during the year. The decision of the College to provide a loan device to Year 9 students was made as those students moving onto SHC Senior in 2015 will be provided with a new Chromebook in Year 10 and we did not want parents/carers to have to incur the expense of buying a device that would be used for one year only.

Year 9 students are being asked to hand their Chromebook, bag and charger/adaptor back to the College on Thursday 27 November, 2014. However, we would like to give parents/carers the opportunity to buy the device their son has been using this year at the depreciated value of \$240.00. If you are interested in purchasing your son's device please contact us to make arrangements.

Parents/Carers are further advised that the depreciated write-off value of \$240.00 will be charged for any Chromebook, bag and charger/adaptor which has not been cared for and is handed back in a condition which means it cannot be used by another student.

Trevor Freeman
Business Manager

Getting Ready for the 2015 School Year

Students will be receiving an Information Pack in the coming weeks. This pack contains important information for the school community about getting ready for the new school year.

Student details and medical information forms provide the school with important information that assists us with the care of your son(s) at school. Your assistance in completing and returning forms as soon as practicable will be very much appreciated.



PREMIER'S READING Challenge

Congratulations to all students who participated in this year's challenge and received certificates or medals. A special mention for the students below who were awarded the "Hall of Fame Reader for Life" which is given to students who have completed eight years of the challenge:

Thomas Wyman, Emmanuel Smith, Harry Morrissy, Lachlan Keany, Noah Gladly, Brendan Breen, Elliott Harvey, Daniel Hackett, Hamish Dunkin, James Dimech, Ethan Brewster and Nathan Blyth.

It's never too late to start, so even if students have never participated in the challenge, they can always start in 2015.

Ms Rischin

Orientation Day and Year Level Transition

Friday 21 November is Orientation Day. Students from other schools who will be attending SHCMS in 2015 will be welcomed into our school and spend the day with us. At the same time our Year 9 students will spend the morning at Sacred Heart College Senior to familiarise themselves with the new surroundings and new routines and expectations, as well as getting to know the Marymount College students who will join them for the day.

Here at the Middle School our boys will move up a year level and will be involved in various activities run by the teachers of that year level:

Our current Year 8s will become the school leaders for a day. Students will be given an overview of Year 9 from the Year Level Leaders, various teachers and an old scholar who will share his experience of Year 9. This will be followed by sample lessons by the Year 9 teachers. In the afternoon students will take part in an Amazing Race Challenge, which will involve groups following a series of poem clues to find significant locations around the school.

The current Year 7 students will spend the morning rehearsing and performing their "So you think you can dance." routine. This will be followed by an assembly. For the rest of the day, the year level will take part in various *Minute to Win It* games and build water powered rockets in the Science labs before moving to the oval where they will be launched.

Our current Year 6s will begin the morning in the Year 7 classrooms completing their "Get to know you" booklet that will be used on the first day back next year. After recess the year level will take part in obstacle and novelty activities and this will be followed by a quiz after lunch.

The new Year 5 students will be met and greeted near the front office area by student leaders and escorted to the Year 6 area and Mr Mullin will invite the parents/carers to the Kavanagh room for some morning tea. The students will spend the day making themselves familiar with the school, teachers and other students through various games and get-to-know-you activities. They will be treated to a sausage sizzle lunch which will be followed by a music and CEA presentation and a liturgy in the afternoon.

We hope that this day will be an enjoyable experience and that it will give students a sense of what to expect in 2015.

Joe Millemaci
Director of Students

Tuck Shop

Robyn Flowers, Canteen Manager

Monday 3

Debbie Matthews

Tuesday 4

Judith Dingwall
Bronwyn Munn

Wednesday 5

Sue Griessel
Jane Shanks

Thursday 6

Cathy Keogh
Maria Skipworth

Friday 7

Wendy Bottroff
Nicole Farmer
Mary Walker

Monday 10

Cheryl Green
Brooke McDonald

Tuesday 11

Abi Burke
Sarah Kuhl

Wednesday 12

Julie Schar
Robyn Leydon

Thursday 13

Rosemary Brinn
Erica Stewart

Friday 14

Andrew Gluyas
Helen Dimech
Alison Saunders
Karen Ashwood

Hours: 10:30 am – 1:30 pm
(approximately)

Many thanks for your generous offers of help. While it is very important you attend on your rostered days, if because of sickness or some other cause, you cannot attend I would appreciate you trying to arrange a substitute yourself. However, if this is not possible, please ring on 8275 5929.

Year 6 Celebrates Physical Education Week



ACHPER (SA) – The Australian Council for Health, Physical Education and Recreation, SA Branch Incorporated Physical Education Week 2014 (10–14 November) celebrates 30 years in 2014 and is a significant event and a great cause for celebration. It is not only an opportunity for our school to showcase the things we do well and how much we value this important part of the curriculum, it's the right time for us to stand up and be proud of the work we do and fly the flag for Health & Physical Education (Health & PE).

This event is one of the largest weeks in the South Australian school calendar that celebrates the importance of active and healthy living in the lives of South Australian children. Over 50,000 students, from more than 210 schools from all sectors, involving students' families and local communities ensures that this week is the most significant Health & PE week of its kind in Australia.

The theme 'Connecting Schools and Communities'. Physical Education Week provides an opportunity for classroom and Health & PE teachers to promote and incorporate health and wellbeing activities and events into their weekly planning. Physical Education Week is a celebration of health and wellbeing; being active, learning about how to look after ourselves and encouraging schools and their communities to think about ideas and ways of working to incorporate this into their school in a sustainable way.

Physical Education Week offers South Australian students the chance to participate in a variety of activities and learn new skills. Throughout the week we will be running some small activities for the boys which promote physical activity and leading a healthy lifestyle. We are most fortunate to capture the commitment and enthusiasm of numerous teachers, other professionals and volunteers, to ensure the Week appeals to and involves our Year 6 students.

Credit Union Christmas Pageant

It was an early morning start for the SHCMS Drum Corp on Saturday as they prepared for their performance at the Credit Union Christmas Pageant. The morning started with everyone meeting in the Parklands near Greenhill Road to enjoy a nice breakfast. The Drum Corp was again invited by the Marion City Band to join them in bringing Christmas cheer to the many families lining the streets of the city for the annual event. The boys marched and drummed for 3.5km along the streets of Adelaide and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. They marched proudly and strongly, representing SHCMS.

The following students were involved:

- Joel Taylor
- Max Spurling
- Josh Kurtzer
- Alex Cruz
- Callum Milford
- Christian Pallasigue
- Josh Williams
- Finn Yates

I would especially like to thank Paul Lewis for his work in preparing the boys for this event and also the parents of the students for all their support in organising the event. I would also like to congratulate all of the boys involved, they did a wonderful job.

I am pleased to say that the event is locked in again for next year and I have no doubt the boys will again represent SHCMS with pride.

Meagan Kozlowski

Performing Arts Coordinator – Instrumental and CEA Music



ADVOCATES FOR THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

The Federation of Catholic School Communities was established by parents for parents and exists to serve the vibrant and engaged parent communities in our SA Catholic schools.

The Federation, as we are commonly referred to, provides an active voice for families with children and young people in South Australian Catholic schools and:

- Advocates for the right of parents and caregivers to choose a Catholic education for their child;
- Encourages and supports active and constructive parent and family engagement in learning and schooling;
- Promotes and supports Catholic education;
- Builds valuable partnerships between families, schools and Catholic education SA and;
- Contributes to the shaping of educational policy and practice.

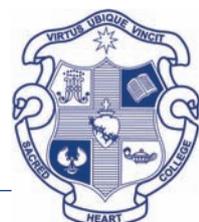
You are invited to do all or one of the following:

- Visit our website at www.parentfederation.catholic.edu.au
- Register your contact details with us so we can directly communicate, connect and consult with you. You can do this by going to:
<http://www.parentfederation.catholic.edu.au/the-parent-voice/have-your-say>
- 'Like' and 'follow' our Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Federation-of-Catholic-School-Parent-Communities/153137151493359>

By being our 'friend' and following us on Facebook or subscribing to our data base you will:

- Connect directly with the work of the Federation;
- Receive information about current and relevant issues in education;
- Participate in any surveys or online forums so your voice can be heard;
- Have access to a wealth of resources and information to support you to support your child's learning.

BE CONNECTED. BE INFORMED. BE HEARD.





Your family
Is invited by
St Ann's Catholic Parish
to
Christmas Eve Mass
7.00pm
At
Sacred Heart College
Middle School, Mitchell Park

BYO rugs or chairs to sit on & water
if the weather is warm
Please contact Sue or Maureen
82761010 for more details

Student Absences and Late Arrivals

If a student is going to be absent from school due to sickness or any other reason or is going to be late, parents/carers are asked to notify the School by phone, through the Absentee Line, or by SMS. Students not in attendance at morning roll call must sign the register at the Front Office upon arrival.

Student Absentee Line: 8275 5907 or SMS: 0428 937 348

Leaving School Premises During School Hours: A note is required for permission to leave the school premises during school hours. This note should be shown to the Homeroom Teacher. Students must sign out in the register at the Front Office before being collected by a responsible adult.

SHCMS Public Calendar

The Middle School calendar of events is available via the SHCMS website (<http://shcms.sa.edu.au>). Click on the icon on the home page to access the calendar. From here you can select the month, viewing options and if you click on a particular event you will be able to see if there is any additional information about that event, access any attached documents (click on the 'more details' link in the pop-up speech balloon) or add the event to your own Google calendar.

FEDERATION E-NEWS

Term 4 edition of the Federation e-News is available on The Federation of Catholic School Parent Communities website (<http://parentfederation.catholic.edu.au>).

Some of the articles include:

- session for parents, teachers and young people: Re-imagining an Education Worth Having – book now!
- PIE Grant applications – now open!
- Save the date for 2015 Parent Engagement Conference
- Setting your child up for success
- Review of Australian Curriculum
- Interview with SACE CEO about Year 12 end of year assessments
- Anxiety in Children – how you can help
- Welcome pack for families joining a Catholic school community
- School Transport Policy Review – Federation's submission
- Funding for Year 7 students – your views?

...and lots more!

Be connected. Be informed. Be heard.

The services and events contained in these advertisements are included in this newsletter for your information only. Parents/carers need to make their own enquiries and assessments about the suitability of these events and services for their needs and those of their children.



To bring up children properly we must love them; we must love them all equally.