From the Principal

Philippians 2:4
“do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.”

As we pray, please keep in your hearts all those who are suffering loss. We have so many in our local and global community who are hurting. We pray that God would touch these people with His healing hand and give them the comfort and peace they need to carry on.

On 24th March 1980, Archbishop Oscar Romero was celebrating Mass in his cathedral when he was shot dead. He was archbishop of San Salvador, the capital of El Salvador, a country in Central America - ruled by an extreme right-wing government, backed by the army, and well-known for repressing and torturing and murdering its citizens.

Six days later, on 30th March, thousands attended Archbishop Romero’s funeral, gathering in the square in front of the cathedral. Even there, at the funeral of the murdered Archbishop, 20 people were shot dead by the army, despite the international news media who were present to report whatever they saw.

Lord, we bring before you all who are imprisoned unjustly and all who are tortured.
We think of those people who live in fear of injustice and repression.
We pray that the minds of those who abuse others may be turned to what is good and honourable. May those of us who live in freedom not take our heritage for granted, but be of good influence in leading others to value one another as brothers and sisters.

Amen.

Week 8
We enjoyed a couple of great days working with Leonie Anstey and looking closely at how we teach Mathematics to enable engagement and understanding.

We cannot stress strongly enough how important it is that we don’t speak negatively about Maths to our children. Our children see, hear and model what we do. Often as students arrive in Year 7 they already have a negative attitude towards Maths (in particular algebra) and for some reason adults think it is ok to say to their child that it’s ok if they aren’t “any good” at Maths because they weren’t! We have to stop this negative talk if we want our children to develop a healthy attitude towards learning and enjoying Maths and to be the creators of the future. We had 25 parents who joined us for the parent session and all thoroughly enjoyed the activities they were shown to engage with Maths at home. We have already seen and heard some of our students mentioning what they have been “playing” and what they learnt! This is excellent news!

We are continuing to speak out against bullying and trying to establish common understandings and how to be tactful without hurting others. Students are standing up for their friends, making good choices and learning how to be assertive without putting others down. Please help us to teach our children the importance of supporting each other and speaking up if someone is being nasty.

If we are about fostering cooperation between ourselves and our children, we have to present as mature adults whilst understanding that on occasion they will present as immature children.

A healthy parent-child relationship is based on cooperation, not a competition for power. We adults only obey rules or directives we want to obey, and we only want to obey those we understand and that seem to have a sound reason or purpose. Our children are no different. Like us, children don’t like obedience forced upon them and, like us, if this happens to them, they will resent it and perhaps even rebel against it.

None of us likes to be told to do something by someone, when it is obvious that what we are told to do is purely for their convenience. We will soon lose all respect for such people, take less notice of them and look after our own interests more; so will our children, if they see what we ask of them to be purely for our own personal convenience.”
As adults, we take objection to someone constantly looking over our shoulder to see if we are doing our job. We expect some latitude and trust from those to whom we might be accountable and they in turn, should expect that we won’t let them down by being careless or neglectful. Our children are like us, they don’t want to be continually observed, corrected, spoken at, ordered to do. We need to separate childish behaviours from non-cooperation, overlook the former and calmly help them to reconnect with cooperation. If our demands on our children are positive and moderate, they are more likely to be respected and responded to.

“No parent can expect always to make correct choices in the way we interact with our children. We will, on occasion, be over-demanding, inconsistent, and “over-the-top”. This gives us the opportunity to model forgiveness to our children by owning our behaviour and saying sorry as we would expect them to.”

Aboriginal Stations of the Cross

Our Aboriginal Stations of the Cross will be commissioned during a prayer liturgy and smoking ceremony tomorrow during Pastoral (from 11.45am). Guests have been invited, but if you would like to join us for this special event, please feel welcome to come and join our community as we celebrate.

With blessings,

Mrs Janet Cartwright
Principal

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Calendar dates are subject to change

Class Awards Primary Term 1 Week 7

1C: Joshua De Belin
Levi Phillips

1M: Jake Harris
Ally Evans

1D: Beau Northerly
Harry Winsor

1N: Zane Lang

2GH: Caleb Jones

2N: Caleb Lester
Jake Winsor

2W: Emily Dickinson
Grady Sheather
Elliott Sargent

3B: Lucy Deep
Ellie Miller

3M: Olivia Harding
Jay Mugridge

Shirley Bear
Dusty-Rose Douglas

Aussie of the Month
Xavier Jones

Congratulation
Notices

**ICAS: UNLOCK YOUR TRUE POTENTIAL**

Each year students at Sacred Heart are given the opportunity to test their knowledge and understanding by participating in the ICAS competitions. Participating in the competitions gives students the opportunity to understanding their capabilities, identify their strengths, identify improvement potentials and track their progress.

This year there are tests on offer for the following subjects.

Please note that costs have increased and that we will only run the test if there are three or more students nominated across the subject.

Any nominations are to be received with the correct monies before Thursday the 6th of April.

### 2017 ICAS Dates

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### Awards and Recognition

In addition to a Student Report, each student that participates receives a Certificate ranging from a Participation Certificate up to a High Distinction (top 1%) or the UNSW Medal for highest achievement in the test.

Registration forms will be sent home soon.
### Subjects

The subjects assessed in ICAS are Digital Technologies, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing. Each year, a team of subject experts develop the tests with reference to the curriculum. Our experts write skills-based assessments designed to assess the level of competency a student possesses in each subject area.

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT NAPLAN AND THE HSC CERTIFICATE

Since the government announced its intention to link Naplan results to attainment of the HSC, there has been much misinformation which has added to parent and student concern. Here are the facts:

To receive the award of the Higher School Certificate at the end of Year 12 students need to complete a minimum of:

- 12 Preliminary units (six subjects; usually studied in Year 11)
- 10 HSC units (five subjects; usually studied in Year 12).

In addition, the NSW Government has stated that students must achieve a minimum standard in LITERACY and NUMERACY.

**How does the current Naplan ‘cut off’ of band 8 reflect on the HSC?**

To demonstrate the minimum standard in LITERACY and NUMERACY students will need to pass LITERACY and NUMERACY tests. These tests will be offered twice annually in Years 10, 11 and 12 and for up to five years after students complete Year 12.

STUDENTS WHO HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED A BAND 8 OR HIGHER IN THE YEAR 9 NAPLAN TESTS (READING, WRITING AND NUMERACY) WILL PRE-QUALIFY AND NOT NEED TO SIT ANY FURTHER TESTS (EXCEPT HSC) TO MEET THE STANDARD.

**What if my son or daughter does not get a band 8 in all Naplan tests?**

**Does that mean they cannot go to uni?**

The short answer is NO.

Students who do not attain a Band 8 in the Year 9 Reading, Writing and Numeracy Tests can still take HSC courses of their choice in Year 11 and 12.

Students who do not reach Band 8 in Year 9 can still receive an ATAR.

Students who do not reach a Band 8 in Year 9 can still qualify to go to university.

**If my son or daughter does not get a band 8 in all naplan tests can they still receive a higher school certificate (HSC)?**

Again the answer is YES… so long as they take the LITERACY and NUMERACY tests at some point before they complete Year 12 (and up to 5 years thereafter) and receive a pass mark. Again- these tests will be offered twice each year.

Still have questions?

From the class room

~Stage 3 Assembly~

~Award Winners~
From the Sport’s Desk

A canteen will be running at our Cross Country to be held next Friday 31/3/17. Sausage sandwiches and cold drinks available.

All the best to the below students who are competing at various sports trials in the next weeks.

**OPEN RUGBY LEAGUE**
Toby Rumble
Jay Mugridge
Ryan Bourne
James Paterson

**11 YRS RUGBY LEAGUE**
Darcy O'Toole
Samuel Nasser
Corey Gale
Oscar Roberts
Lachlan Dabin

**BOYS FOOTBALL**
Jack Murphy
Lachlan Smirl
Samuel Grewal
Brock Holder
Sam Sharman

**GIRLS FOOTBALL**
Lily Murphy
India Bodycott
Zara English
Frankie Scott
Isabelle Cowin

**AFL**
Oscar Roberts
Jed Guthrie

**Swimming**
Lachlan Sedgwick

**Secondary Rugby League**
Joe Ward
Owen Battye

Notes are now out for the Young Soccer Carnival and Canberra Goulburn Secondary and Primary Touch Trials.

**Primary Dates:**
Winter Sports Trials (Rugby League and Soccer) - 27/3/17- Queanbeyan
Sacred Heart Cross Country- 31/3/17- Cootamundra
MacKillop AFL Trials- 31/3/17- Wagga Wagga

**Term 2**
Young and District Soccer Carnival- 25/4/17-Young
Archdiocesan touch Trials- 3/5/17- Cootamundra

**Secondary Dates:**
Sacred Heart Cross Country- 31/3/17-Cootamundra
Western Zone Rugby League Trials 15’s and Opens- 5/4/17 Forbes.

**Term 2**
Archdiocesan touch Trials- 3/5/17- Cootamundra
Permission notes that are sent home for sporting events have a return date stated on them. This date helps the organiser arrange the correct number of teams and travel arrangements. Please ensure permission slips and payment are returned by this date or your child may miss out on the event.

Parents who offer to transport any students or manage teams must obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) from the RTA. *It is free and you need it to do volunteer work for the school.* Instructions on how to obtain your WWCC can be picked up from the front office. Once you have received your certificate please leave a copy at the front office with your date of birth.

**VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE:**
Some CCC Individual sport nominations will be completed on line. Parents interested in nominating their child for particular sports need to visit the website to nominate their child, [www.csss.nsw.edu.au](http://www.csss.nsw.edu.au)

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**Canteen News/Roster**

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Thank You

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**P & F Annual General Meeting**

Wednesday 29th March 2017

@ 5.30pm in the school library

All Welcome to attend
Other Events

**SAVE THE DATE**

18<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Join us for a free community evening with respected child and adolescent psychologist

**Michael Carr-Gregg**

at 6.00 pm
Temora Ex-Services Memorial Club Auditorium

For any enquiries please ring St Anne’s Central School on 69771011.
WORKSHOPS for TEACHERS

The Arts Centre is proud to present teacher professional development run by teaching artists from Monkey Baa Theatre Company - Australia’s premier professional theatre company for children. This is a great opportunity for creative Professional Development with skilled specialists in a regional setting.

Drama as a Teaching Tool

When: Tuesday 4th April 2017 from 4 to 6 pm.
Where: The Arts Centre Cootamundra
Cost: $40 per person
Suitable for Primary Teachers

A 2-hour course for primary teachers, this workshop shares Monkey Baa’s practical strategies for using drama as pedagogy across the primary curriculum. Teach maths using movement, geography through tableaux and literacy through speaking aloud; join us for a fun and action-packed session.

PLAY! A Toolkit for Teachers

When: Wednesday 5th April 2017 from 4 to 6 pm.
Where: The Arts Centre Cootamundra
Cost: $40 per person
Suitable for Early Childhood through to Stage 5 HSC teachers (taught in separate streams)

Early childhood, primary and secondary teachers — join us for 2 hours that will reinvigorate your repertoire of activities, starters, warm ups and active learning strategies for students of all ages. This workshop is perfect for drama teachers seeking new ideas, and teachers of other subjects looking to expand their methodology to include drama.

Monkey Baa is a QTC-registered provider of teacher professional development for teachers maintaining Proficient teacher accreditation in NSW.

SECURE YOUR SPOT
Contact The Arts Centre on phone (02) 6842 4775 or email info@theartcentrecootamundra.org.au

Monkey Baa Theatre Company is currently touring with their stage production of ‘Diary of a Wombat’, based on the book by Jackie French and Bruce Whatley and directed by Eve Di Cesare.

Find out more about Monkey Baa Theatre Company www.monkeybaa.com.au

Bookings by Friday 31 March. Bookings only taken with payment, please contact the office if you require an invoice to pay on. Payment by cheque/cash or direct deposit.
Presents an Exhibition of Ethnic Textiles from Exotic Journey’s

Featuring art works contributed by Community members who travel an alternate road.

Exhibition Opening Friday 17 March
$10 entry, 6pm
Open Daily 20 March to 31 March,
Monday – Friday 9:30am-1:30pm.
Entry $2.00

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Riverina Community College (RCC) has been a part of the Community Visitors Scheme for more than 20 years.

The CVS aims to improve the quality of life of aged care residents who are lonely or socially isolated by matching visitors to a resident using common interests and backgrounds to achieve the best outcomes for both residents and visitors.

The existing CVS program provides a one on one visit by a volunteer to a recipient in an Australian Government subsidised aged care home.

RCC has been granted an expansion to the current program which will also extend to group visitation with an aged care facility – consisting of a volunteer visiting with two or more care recipients at the same time. The new program also includes one on one visiting by a volunteer to a care recipient within private homes to those in receipt of a Home Care Package.

CVS is available to recipients of Australian Government subsidised residential aged care services or Home Care Packages who have been identified by their aged care provider as experiencing or being at risk of isolation through social or cultural reasons or because of disability. RCC is committed in providing a high quality service to the aged residents across the Riverina.

If you would like to become a community visitor and enjoy a wonderful friendship please call us on 1800 000 212

If you would like to refer your clients for this program please call the CVS coordinator in your area:

Wagga Wagga, Coolamon, The Rock, Cootamundra, Harden, Junee, Tumut, Leeton, Griffith, Narrandera and Deniliquin

An Australian Government Initiative

Community Visitors Scheme: A Federal Government Initiative

www.riverinacc.edu.au
NRL HOLIDAY CLINIC

The Play NRL Holiday Clinic is a day program for kids aged 5-14 of any gender that focuses on fun, fitness and participation.

Costs: $82 per child which includes T-Shirt, holiday pack, drinks, snacks, coach, equipment, and wear.

Registration from 7:30am
CDU Commence at 9:00am and Finish at 3:00pm.

Contact Name: Common Club Phone Number: 02 294 435 109

PLAYNRL.COM

CDAT Amazing Race

Put together a team of 1 to 4 people and let the fun begin!

- Unravel the 9 pit stops
- Complete a challenge or quiz

Followed by free BBQ, DJ and gift card giveaways

When: Friday 7 April 2017
Where: Start at Tamora Community Centre, 226 Hoskins Street
Time: 4:30
Age: Secondary School students only

Registration essential
Get a form from your school or
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- Matters of Life and Death
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“This house believes that love is not a commodity to be traded”

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Jeffrey Hodges M.Sc (Hons), B.Ed. is a Performance Consultant, with wide ranging experience helping young people realise their potential through success life management and superior success life. He has a special interest in elite sports achievement and has successfully coached young athletes to medal winning performances at Olympic, World and National levels.

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Discounts:
- Earlybird – Book by 5pm, Wed 5th April
  - $19 Adults
  - $17 Seniors/Students
- Group Discount $15 per person
  (10 or more if pre-booked by 5pm, Wed 5th April)

Tickets:
- $22 Adults
- $20 Seniors/Students
- $7 Children (5-14yrs)
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