Dear Parents

It is lovely to have the warmer weather with us as we return for the final term of the 2016 school year. Term Four provides new learning opportunities for students as well as an opportunity to consolidate and embed skills and achievements previously demonstrated. It is ideal to begin the term with a clear learning goal in mind and I encourage you to discuss and support your sons and daughters with this so that all learning reaches its full potential.

I ask you to consider nominating for either the School Board or P&F Executive for 2017 and have provided information below for your consideration. Giving of your time and expertise by serving on these committees is a wonderful way to contribute to the current and future direction of Sacred Heart School. Current School Board and P&F Office Bearers are happy to discuss these positions with you or please feel free to direct any questions or queries directly to me.

Annual Community Meeting

All members of the Sacred Heart School Community are invited to attend the Annual Community Meeting for 2016 at 7.00pm Wednesday 30 November in the Brennan Hall. At this meeting the School Board and P&F Association will report on activities in 2016 and elections will be held for both parties for 2017. The evening will conclude with drinks and nibbles.

Please return the form attached to this newsletter indicating your nomination and/or attendance at our Annual Community Meeting to the school office by Friday 18 November 2016.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL BOARD

The School Board is responsible for the planning and financial management of the school as well as providing advice on assisting the school fulfil its educational responsibilities. The School Board meets at 7.00pm on the third Wednesday of the month.

Functions of the Sacred Heart School Board

- Plan for the present and future operation of the school
- Provide membership on selection panels for the employment of staff to the school
- Disseminate information about the school and about Catholic Education to persons and organisations
- in the local community
- Liaise in all matters relating to the financial management of the school with persons and organisations
- in the local Catholic community
- Manage all finances associated with the school
- Advise the Principal with respect to school policy that has financial implications

Sacred Heart School Board Membership Criteria

- Enthusiasm for and willingness to promote Catholic education
- A deep interest in the welfare of students and staff
- A desire to give service to the Catholic community
An ability to work cooperatively and constructively with all other members of the Board
Sufficiency of time to devote to Board duties
An ability to uphold confidentiality in Board matters
Possession of skills which will be an asset to the Board

SACRED HEART P&F ASSOCIATION

The P&F represents the school’s parent body making an important contribution to the development of Sacred Heart’s community spirit through the organisation of social events and planned fund raising activities.

Functions of the P&F
- Strive to develop a community comprising parents, staff and students
- Work closely with the Principal to achieve common goals
- Provide a healthy forum for ideas and discussions
- Assist in the provision of additional resources for the students
- Encourage active participation and personal involvement of all parents
- Assist in planning and organising functions within the social, sporting, cultural and educational life of the school
- Organise guest speakers on behalf of the parent body on current and proposed parent educational programmes, faith development and other matters of interest

Term Four Calendar
Attached to this newsletter is the Term Four Calendar which containing important information for all families. Please note the following important dates for students and families:

Friday 2 December  Family Picnic and Carols  ALL Pre-Primary to Year Six Students
Wednesday 7 December  Thanksgiving Mass  ALL Year Two to Year Six Students

Staff News
- We welcome Mr Graham Maher back from Long Service Leave and thank Mrs Jackie Connolly for teaching Year 5B full time in his absence
- We welcome Ms Silvana Sciarrone on her return from leave to the Inclusion Support Team
- We welcome Mrs Chloe O’Leary to the Office for Term Four whilst Mrs Margaret O’Neill is away on leave
- We welcome Ms Sendra Jugov and Ms Frances Mercer as School Chaplains for this term
- A number of staff are currently caring for very unwell family members and I ask for your understanding and prayers if this necessitates any time away from school

School Chaplaincy
Ms Sendra Jugov and Ms Frances Mercer have been employed under the National School Chaplaincy Service to assist in the provision of Pastoral Care Services and strategies that support the emotional wellbeing of the school community. This program will support the wellbeing programs and initiatives already in place at Sacred Heart such as the Rainbows Program and the Kids Matter and wellness activities facilitated by Mr Shane Landers our Wellness Co-ordinator.

Participation in the School Chaplaincy program by parents and students is voluntary and parental consent will be obtained prior to any direct involvement of students.

If you have any questions regarding this program please contact Sendra, Frances, Shane or myself through the school office.

Mrs Suzanne Fox
Principal

SCHOOL PHOTOS
There has been a slight delay with the school photos and they will be sent home in the next couple of weeks. We apologise for the delay and thank you for your understanding.
**School Uniform**
Students can return to school in Term Four in either **full Winter or full Summer Uniform** for the first two weeks. **All students will be expected to wear full Summer Uniform by Monday 24 October (Week Three).**

**INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS**
The Interschool athletics carnival will be held Week 3 this term. The dates and venue are outlined below. The Training times and the Year levels training are all listed below.

**VENUE - GERRY ARCHER ATHLETIC TRACK**
(Corner of Abernethy Rd and Leach Highway, Kewdale.)

**START / FINISH TIMES:**
FIELD Events (Yr 4-6): Wednesday - 9.30am to 1.15pm (approx)
TRACK Events (Yr 1-6): Friday - 9.20am to 2pm (approx)

**TRAINING:**
Days: **Monday and Wednesday 3.00-4.00pm**

Days of training will be dependent on the event students are in.

**Events:**
Monday: 400m, 200m, 100m and relays.
Tuesday: long jump, shot put, and turbo
Wednesday: long jump, shot put, and turbo

**NOTE:**
All team games and Years 1-3 will train at lunch time.

_Miss Shaw_
Physical education teacher

**AFTER SCHOOL SPORT**
Will commence in Week Four and will only be for students in Yr 4-6
The sport will be **GOLF**

**SUMMER VACATION SWIMMING CLASSES**
Summer will soon be here – enrol now for swimming lessons
Enrolments for December/January lessons are now open. It is important for every child to learn vital swimming and water safety skills. **VacSwim** offers affordable school holiday swimming lessons run by qualified instructors at a range of locations throughout the state.
For further information and online enrolments visit [education.wa.edu.au/swimming](http://education.wa.edu.au/swimming)

**JAPANESE NEWS**
This Sunday the students from **Gunma Kokusai Academy** arrive for a 2½ week visit with us. We have 5 students staying with some of our families this year.

They will be attending school with their hosting student so if you see them around the school please make them feel welcome.

A huge thank you to the families who are hosting the students and to the teachers who are having the students in their classrooms. I hope you all learn a lot from each other and enjoy the experience.

We hope they enjoy their time with us at Sacred Heart.
**Forest Therapy Little Adventurers**

Little Adventurers is a Family Nature Club with a vision of encouraging families to live a healthier lifestyle by spending more time being active outdoors, connecting with Nature.

**Time in nature is not leisure time; it’s an essential investment in our children’s health.**

Nature play promotes development of fine and gross motor skills, including coordination, balance, agility, grip, and manipulation of materials. Nature play also provides opportunities for building social and emotional skills such as resilience, confidence, cooperation, teamwork, concentration and attention. It’s much more fun to build a sand castle or a cubby with friends! But there are also opportunities for quiet reflection and being alone, also very important in our hurried lives.

**Workshops every Wednesday 4.15pm – 5.45pm**

(Please note that sometimes we do go over time, you need to advise the facilitator if you are on a schedule)

$7.50 per person

**Includes:**

Forest Therapy Bushwalk (up to 2km), Guided Meditation, Nature Exploring Activities & Afternoon Tea

Maximum 15 persons per workshop to maximize the experience

**This is a family workshop therefore Parent participation is required with their child.**

Location changes weekly & repeat every month.

**You need:**

Plenty of water, Sturdy Shoes, Hat, Sunglasses, Sunscreen (30+) &/or insect repellent,

Clothes to suit the activity & potential weather conditions, Binoculars & Camera (Optional)

**Payment Terms**

Payment can be made via paypal or cash on day.

**Week 1**

Whistlepipe Gully Walk, Kalamunda

(5 Oct, 2 Nov, 7 Dec)

**Week 2**

Lesmurdie Foot of the Falls Trail, Perth Hills

(12 Oct, 9 Nov, 14 Dec)

**Week 3**

Banksia Hill Loop Trail, Canning River Park

(19 Oct, 16 Nov, 21 Dec)

**Week 4**

Sixty Foot Falls, Ellis Brook Valley, Gosnells

(26 Oct, 23 Nov, 28 Dec)

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**CONFIRMATION & COMMUNION PHOTOS**

The Confirmation and Communion photos are now uploaded: [www.prophotobooth.com.au](http://www.prophotobooth.com.au)

or the direct link is:


The password for Confirmation is: **scn26**

The password for Communion is **shcm327**
PLEASE REMEMBER THIS EVENT AND DON’T FORGET TO GO AND SUPPORT THE P & F

**Bunnings Sausage Sizzle**

Our annual Bunnings Sausage Sizzle will be held on **Saturday 29 October 2016 at Bunnings Maddington**. As this is one of our major and final fundraising events of the year, we need your support to ensure this day is a great success. So, please do let all your friends and family know to come have a sausage sizzle or two!

**CITY OF GOSNELLS CHILDREN’S SERVICES TERM 4**

**Little Buzz**

*Mentor Program for girls – An awesome after school program for girls aged 9 to 12 years living in the City of Gosnells. Activities will embrace life skills including art and cooking.*

**Dates and venue**

Wednesdays (19 October – 7 December 2016), 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Thornlie Community Centre To register please call 9397 3121. Registration is $15 per term.

**Tuesday Afternoon Play in the Park**

*Bring the kids down and join in the FREE fun with messy activities, big games, sports equipment and more.*

**Dates and venues**

18 October, 8 November, 29 November – Mills Park Nature Play Space, Beckenham 3.00pm - 5.00pm
25 October, 15 November, 6 December – Walter Padbury Playground, Thornlie 3.00pm - 5.00pm
1 November, 22 November, 13 December – Sutherlands Park Playground, Huntingdale 3.00pm - 5.00pm

**Friday Morning Play in the Park**

*Bring the kids down and join in the FREE fun with messy activities, big games, sports equipment and more.*

**Dates and venues**

21 October, 11 November, 2 December – Sutherlands Park Playground, Huntingdale 9.30am - 11.30am
28 October, 18 November, 9 December – Mills Park Nature Play Space, Beckenham 9.30am - 11.30am

**Children’s Week Family Fun Afternoon**

*FREE and fun activities for the whole family. Activities include an animal farm, bouncy castles, skate clinic, laser tag, sausage sizzle and more. All ages and abilities are welcome.*

**Date and venue**

Monday 24 October 2016 3.30pm – 5.30pm

Mills Park Nature Play Space and Skate Park, 86 Brixton Street, Beckenham. This is a free event.

**Right Track Dance Party**

*Right Track Dance Parties are fun events held each term for young people aged 10 to 14 years. Each party will have a live DJ so you can enjoy some great music whilst meeting new friends, dancing, playing games, winning prizes and more.*

**Date and venue**

Friday 18 November, 6.00pm - 8.00pm

Gosnells PCYC, 17 Royal Street, Kenwick

Call 9459 1168 to pre-purchase tickets. Tickets cost $6 (includes sausage sizzle)

For more information please see the [www.gosnells.wa.gov.au](http://www.gosnells.wa.gov.au) or contact Children’s Services on 9397 3125.
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TERM DATES 2016—STUDENTS

Term One  Term Two  Term Three  Term Four
1 February  27 April  18 July  11 October
9 April      1 July    21 September  9 December

ABSENTEES/SICKNESS
In order for the school to reconcile attendance it is a requirement that a message is left on the Absentee Line 9251 3005 as emails to teachers are often not opened at the start of the day. Your co-operation in this regard is appreciated.

School Hours: Mon - Fri  8.30am to 2.45pm
Office Hours: Mon - Fri  8.00am to 4.00pm
APPOINTMENTS
Parents are reminded to contact the office in order to set up an appointment with staff members.

Principal: By appointment only.
Loreto Child Care Centre: 9251 3014
Outside School Hours Care: 9251 3015
0417 091 296

PARISH TIMETABLE
WEEKEND MASS TIMES
Saturday Vigil 6.00pm
Sunday 8.00am and 10.00am
WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8.45am
Wednesday 8.45am Parish or School Mass
Saturday—8.45am
RECONCILIATION
Sat 5.00-5.30pm before Mass or anytime by Appointment.
PH: 9459 4459
Website: www.thornlie.perthcatholic.org.au

COMMBANK SCHOOL BANKING EVERY MONDAY.

ARE YOU USING THE SACRED HEART SCHOOL APP???
Never miss out on getting your school orders in………..Access your Newsletters. Access any forms. Be reminded automatically of events/closing dates. Check the school calendar!!! All easily available on your phone.
App for IPhone or Android.

CANTEEN ROSTER
17-21 OCTOBER 2016

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GOING HOME THIS WEEK
12/10/2016
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Canteen Roster