

Sacred Heart School Thornlie



From the Heart - 19 May 2021

Principal's Message

Dear Parents

What a wonderful couple of days it has been seeing the children looking their absolute best for school photos. Children are now all in full winter uniform and the weather is slowly changing to suit this attire. The photography company has been very positive and complimentary about our students and their manners and behaviour which is always lovely to hear. Last week a member of the public made the point of calling the school to tell us how beautifully behaved the Year Four students were on their excursion. Hearing these positive comments from community members is always a great indication that the values we are teaching at school are being reflected. Great stuff!

This Friday our Year 6 students receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is a very special time in their lives as it signifies their full initiation into the Catholic faith. The children have been well prepared by their teachers Mrs D'Amato, Miss Campain and Mr Bouffler. Our RE Coordinator Mrs Lisa Ripley has also worked well with the parish catechists Jeannie Willock and Alberta Janes to coordinate the Mass and various student and parent sessions. We look forward to the Parish celebration which will be celebrated by Fr Minh Thuy. Please keep the candidates in your prayers.

Thankyou to the many parents who completed the recent parent survey. It is through the feedback provided that we are able to make changes where necessary to improve life at Sacred Heart. Please remember that I am available via email or phone for times where you have a query or concern. Face to face meetings may take a little time to arrange but I am able to respond to emails and phone calls in a short amount of time so please don't hesitate to contact me through the office should you need to share something or ask a question.

Our Parenting Ideas article is about the importance of regular attendance. Research consistently shows that good attendance is a factor contributing to good performance and achievement. I hope you find the article useful.

This term we are focusing closely on our core school value of Reverence. Please discuss this with your children at home when opportunities arise.

God Bless

Steve Gibbs

Principal



Reverence is defined as having a deep respect for someone or something.

"In football, as in politics, resilience pays off" - *George Osborne*

"We need to build resilience together, rooted in religion, rooted in schools, rooted in our health care institutions" - *Sheryl Sandberg*

Parenting Ideas

On time, every day

During the current COVID-19 pandemic parents are rightfully urged to take a cautious approach and keep children and young people at home if they show symptoms of the virus.

It's a balancing act if you're a parent as one the most important things you can do to ensure your child has a bright future is to make sure he or she goes to school every day —and gets there on time. It sounds simple, but it's true. The correlation between school attendance and children's achievement levels is well established. The more time kids spend at school, the more likely they are to experience school success. Of course, most people know this intuitively, yet school absenteeism is a huge problem in Australian schools.

According to a report by the Australian Curriculum and Assessment authority nearly 13 per cent of Australian students are missing at least one year of schooling by the time they reach year 10. In today's highly competitive world, this rate of absenteeism is alarming, putting our kids at a distinct disadvantage.

Current research shows that mornings for most children are the most productive time of the day, with 10.00am the peak period for productivity. When children arrive late and take time to settle as they inevitably do, valuable learning time is lost.

It's reassuring to know that you can maximise their chances of future success just by making sure they turn up to school every day. And, of course, regular school attendance also helps kids prepare for the workforce, where it will be expected that they turn up each day work-ready. The real world is unforgiving of those who stay away with no excuse.

As a parent:

- Commit to sending kids to school every day
- Make sure kids arrive at school and class on time
- Inform the school when they are away, sending medical certificates and other evidence of genuine absence
- Follow current COVID-19 health guidelines and recommendations
- Consider catching-up on missed work
- Make kids who are away stay in their bedroom, which is where unwell kids should be

School Bell Times

To help being on time for either school drop off or pick up, a reminder of our school bell times:

First Siren	8.25 am
Classes commence	8.30 am

Morning Recess	10.20am – 10.40am
Lunch (Eating Time)	12.20 pm – 12.30pm
Lunch (Playing Time)	12.30 pm – 1.00pm

Classes Dismissed:

Kindergarten and Pre-Primary	2.30 pm
(Warning Siren Yr 1-6)	2.40 pm
(Dismissal Siren Yr 1-6)	2.45 pm

Key Dates

Public Holiday - WA Day Monday 7 June 2021

Pupil Free day - Tuesday 8 June 2021

Link to website to **view or download the Term Two Calendar** and Term Dates for the year
<https://shthorn.wa.edu.au/calendar/>



RECONCILIATION

Sacramental Programme Commitments 2021 – Important Dates - First Reconciliation

First Reconciliation

Enrolment Mass (Requirement to receive the Sacrament)

Date: Saturday 29 May

Time: 6.00pm – 7.00pm

Location: Sacred Heart Church

Family Meeting (Parents and children required)

Date: Wednesday 2 June

Time: 5:00pm – 6:00 pm

Location: Sacred Heart School Hall

Retreat Day – Excursion to the Schoenstatt Shrine in Mount Richon

Date: Thursday 3 June

Time: All day

Location: Schoenstatt Shrine in Mount Richon

First Reconciliation

Date: Wednesday 23 June

Time: 6.00pm – 7.00pm

Location: Sacred Heart Church



Wellness Week – Week 6, Monday 24 to Friday 28 May

Sacred Heart is celebrating **Wellness Week next week** from **Monday 24** to **Friday 28 May**. This is our initiative to focus on student and staff health and wellness. **Healthy students learn better and healthy employees work better!** During this time we will focus on mental health and physical activity. Be prepared to de-stress, breathe and move your body. Feel good and live well during Wellness Week and every day! The students will be invited to be involved in activities such as: Daily Fitness, Mental Health focus activities, Meditation and best of all a **homework free week** so families can spend some stress-

free quality time together afterschool. But wait there's more! –so mum or dad don't have to iron your uniform and you can participate fully in daily fitness –students will be able to **wear their Sport uniform OR faction shirt/polo for the whole week!**

We have many things planned for so don't miss out on the fun and start thinking about what you can do at home to join in.



20 years of
Reconciliation
Australia

MORE THAN A WORD

Three stylized human figures in Indigenous art style, rendered in vibrant colors (pink, yellow, and blue) with dotted patterns and radiating lines above their heads, set against a starry night sky background.

**RECONCILIATION
TAKES ACTION
- 2021 -**

National Reconciliation Week 2021

27 May – 3 June

nrw.reconciliation.org.au

#MoreThanAWord #NRW2021

National Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

The dates remain the same each year; 27 May to 3 June. These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey— the successful 1967 referendum, and the High Court Mabo decision respectively.

Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Sacred Heart students and staff will commemorate National Reconciliation Week commencing with a Liturgy on National Sorry Day on **Wednesday 26 May**.



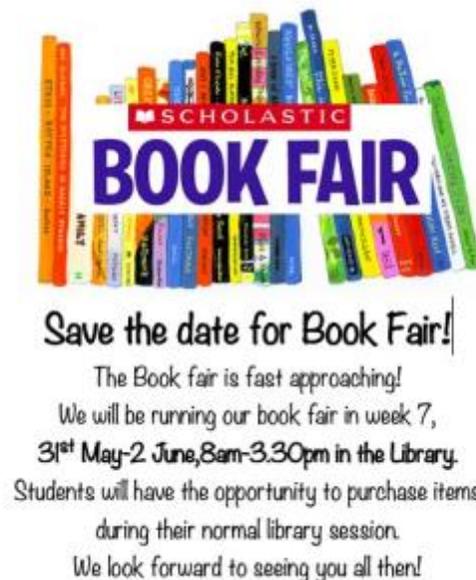
News from the Finance Officer

******* FIRST Instalment or full payment of school fees is now OVERDUE*******

A big thank you to families who are up to date with their fee payments. All families are reminded of their commitment to pay their children's school fees which help to ensure the ongoing operation of the school.

If you have any questions about your 2021 School Fee Statement or would like to set up an alternative payment arrangement, please contact the Administration Office on 9251 3000 and ask to speak to our Finance Officer Lindy Munnings.

News from the Library



Book Fair:

This term we are very excited to have the Book Fair return! This will be held in **Week 7, 31 May to 2 June**. The library will be open before and after school on these days, with opportunity for students to purchase items in their normal library time as well as at break times. More information will follow as we get closer to the date.

Book Week:

We will also celebrate **Book Week** this term in **Week 11**. Get your thinking hats on to dress up as your favourite book character! I will send more reminders closer to the date.

If you have any library questions at all please feel free to contact me via email laura.stilwell@cewa.edu.au¹

¹<mailto:laura.stilwell@cewa.edu.au>



Walk Safely to School Day - Friday 14 May

Congratulations and well done to the Sacred Heart Community for participating in the Walk Safely to School Day. Last Friday we had **156** children walk to school. There were **410** students present at school, therefore **38%** of our students walked to school! Which is a fabulous result by our community. Thornlie SHS came in second with 25.5% of their students walking to school. Thank you to all families that got involved.



Kindergarten Enrolments for 2022

If your child was born between **1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018** they will start 4 Year Old Kindergarten at the beginning of 2022. Enrolment forms can be obtained from the school office or via our new website <https://shthorn.wa.edu.au/enrolment-process/> and should be lodged with us as soon as possible.

Formal interviews will commence May/June 2021.

Parents and Friends (P&F)

Raffletx Argyle Pink Diamond and Gold Cross Pendant Raffle

We'd like to offer a huge congratulations to Joanna Gibb on winning this amazing prize. We have no doubt this stunning piece will be cherished within your family for years to come. We'd also like to say a massive thank you to Pure Innovation Business Solutions, Argyle Diamond Social Club and The Jewellery Studio for your exceptionally generous donation and making this raffle possible. All profits will be going towards the new playground for the students.

P&F Secretary

We are on the hunt for a new secretary from August until the end of the year. If you have a little time to help out and join the P&F we'd love to hear from you.

STEM Classroom Cash

Its back, The West Australian is giving away a prize pool of \$25,000. All you have to do is cut out the coupons in The West Australian on May 29th, and June 5th, 12th & 19th and hand them into the classroom. Please ask your family and friends to save their coupons for you. The more coupons mean more entries to win these prizes that can be put towards the schools STEM budget.

Entertainment book

Buy an Entertainment Membership to support our fundraising! You'll receive 12 months of valuable savings, and 20% of all digital book purchases get donated back to the school. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact **Rebecca Blackman** at pandf@shthorn.wa.edu.au²

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/83356f>

My School Rules Competition

Our school is one of eight schools participating in The My School Rules Competition. **We ask you to please remember to place any of the shopping dockets from Forest Lakes Forum in the Sacred Heart School box located outside Red Dot at Forest Lakes Forum.**

Alternatively, you may place your shopping dockets in the P&F Box located in the Office, which will be collected and placed in the Sacred Heart School box at Forest Lakes Forum.

²<mailto:pandf@shthorn.wa.edu.au>

The totals of the shopping docket are tallied during the school term and following school holidays. The school with the biggest improvement in points per enrolled student at the conclusion of the competition period compared to the same period the previous year wins the top prize of \$1,000 in shopping vouchers plus all schools win other minor prizes.

We really do value these shopping vouchers as they pay for many of the items we require during the year to carry out fundraising for our school and so we kindly ask you to please support this competition for the benefit of our school.

'Sacred Heart Thornlie P&F' Facebook Page

To keep up to date on all the exciting events that are happening at the school, 'Like' our Facebook Page. This is a great way to keep up to date on the latest events, when forms are due back and to ask any questions the P&F may be able to assist you with.

Search for **Sacred Heart Thornlie P&F**

Containers for Change

We are excited to be involved in the 'Containers for Change' scheme, offering opportunities to raise funds for the P&F, showing our commitment to the environment and encouraging better recycling behaviours in the community. The Containers for Change bin is located in the car park near the other donation points and we encourage you to donate your eligible containers to help the school. Most aluminium, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard drink containers between 150ml and 3L are eligible for a refund.

Eligible containers must:

Be included on the scheme's list of products. Use our eligibility checker below to ensure your containers are eligible.

Display the refund mark (e.g. "10c refund at collection depots/points in participating State/Territory of purchase")

Next P&F Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on **Monday 21st June 2021** in the Staff room at 6:30pm. Come along and join us, we would love to see you there.





Beverage containers only

ELIGIBLE CONTAINERS

- ✓ Aluminum
- ✓ Glass
- ✓ Plastic
- ✓ Steel
- ✓ Paper-based cartons between 1 liter and 2 L



INELIGIBLE CONTAINERS

- ✗ Containers that are not between 1 liter and 2 L
- ✗ Multi-neck bottles
- ✗ Wine bottles
- ✗ Pure juice bottles
- ✗ Canteen
- ✗ Prepackaged liquid meals
- ✗ Food or condiments
- ✗ Juice 2 L or greater volume
- ✗ Coffee cans



Catholic School Parents Western Australia - AGM Notice 2021

The Catholic School Parents WA Annual General Meeting will take place in 4 weeks on the 10th June 2021. We are calling for any agenda items and wish to advertise up to two possible vacancies on our Council.

Please find attached the 2021/22 Council nomination form and AGM flyer. Our office can be contacted on 9338 9985 for further information.

AGM Call for agenda items.pdf³ CSPWA New Councillor Nomination Form.pdf⁴

Regards,

Siobhan Allen

Executive Director



³<http://cspwa.schoolzineplus.com/r/QV95/609cb6c11e63b>

⁴<http://cspwa.schoolzineplus.com/r/RW3w/609cb6c11e63b>

Adult Faith Education Programme - Thornlie Parish

Term 2 - The Word of the Lord: Exploring Scriptures (4 sessions, dates TBC, Dr Peter Christofides, Cost \$20)

Term 3 - Discovering Catholic Values: An Introduction to the Basics of our Faith (4 sessions, Mr Joe Tedesco, dates TBC, Cost \$20)

Term 4 - Created in the Image of God: An Introduction to Christian Anthropology (4 sessions, Ms Natalie Thomas, dates TBC, Cost \$20)

For further information or to register please contact the Centre for Faith Enrichment or Thornlie Parish:

<https://cfe.org.au/>

<http://www.thornlie.perthcatholic.org.au/>

Centre for Faith Enrichment



Courses & Events
Available during the daytime, evenings and online. Visit our website for more details about each course. **TERM 2 2021**

 <p>Mirror of the Soul: An Introduction to the Psalms Tuesdays, 25 May - 15 June 10:00am - 12:30pm (4 sessions) \$18</p>	 <p>The Joy of Love in the Family: An Introduction to Amoris Laetitia Thursdays, 3 - 24 June 10:00am - 11:30am (4 sessions) \$18</p>	 <p>Model for Young Adults - The Origins of Our Faith: Discovering the Early Church Wednesdays, 2 - 23 June 7:30pm - 9:30pm (4 sessions) \$18 (suggested donation)</p>
 <p>Australian Catholic Schools in the 21st Century: Witnessing to Christ in a Changing Context 3 - 8 July 7:30pm - 9:00pm (4 evening sessions with one pre-meal) \$18</p>	 <p>Vulnerability in Christ: The Key to Freedom and Redemption Thursdays, 3 - 24 June 7:30pm - 8:30pm (4 sessions) \$18</p>	 <p>Towards Pleiary 2021 - Discovering a Christ-Centred Church that is Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform Thursday, 24 June 9:30am - 6:30pm</p>
 <p>Towards Pleiary 2021 - Discovering a Christ-Centred Church that is a Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community Friday, 29 July 3:30pm - 4:45pm</p>	<p>Find out more and view all our courses for this term online at https://cfe.org.au/courses/</p>	
<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION www.cfe.org.au/courses</p>	<p>FOR ENQUIRIES cfe@perthcatholic.org.au</p>	

Centre for Faith Enrichment is the adult faith education agency of the Archdiocese of Perth.

Please see attached a listing of all the upcoming Term 2 courses and events. Note, this is only a limited snapshot of what we have on offer, much more can be found by visiting our new website:
<http://www.cfe.org.au/>⁵

Useful Links

Uniform Shop⁶ Sacred Heart Thornlie Parish⁷

⁵<https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.cfe.org.au%2F&data=04|01|Chloe.OLeary%40cewa.edu.au|aac109b3760041f0135f08d90ea91ee1|c5852f2336334f29b38651da53e35e23|0|0|637556941839653008|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiv2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=Z%2Bm9TDHdiZV%2F%2Fk%2FheXiy9r8Rq0Yw7DSneiL15dwuHY%3D&reserved=0>

⁶<https://www.nellgray.com.au/Uniform-Concepts/Willetton-Super-Store>

⁷<http://www.thornlie.perthcatholic.org.au/>