

Sacred Heart School Thornlie



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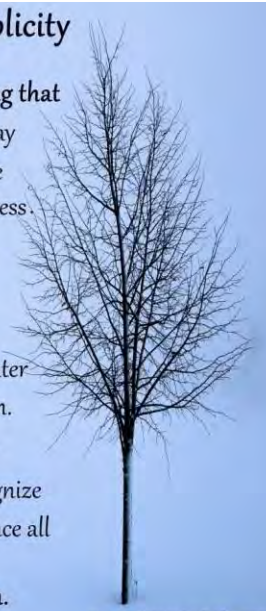
A Prayer for Lenten Simplicity

Free me, Lord Jesus, from anything that obstructs my way to you. Clear away the clutter of petty grudges. Remove smudges of resentment and bitterness. Cleanse me of thoughts filled with anger envy, or self-pity.

Create space in my life for more kindness and less spitefulness, greater generosity and stronger compassion.

Enlarge my heart with a spirit of gratitude this Lent, so that I recognize the simple gifts that lay in abundance all around me.

In your sacred name, I pray. Amen.



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Principal's Message

Dear Parents

Welcome to Week Seven of our term. We have had an eventful couple of weeks. Last week we had our school swimming carnival which was a great day. As always Mr Bouffler did an amazing job organising things and Murphy house ended up victorious. Well done to all the competitors and we look forward to our interschool carnival.

Recently our new playgrounds were installed, the next step is for mulch and soft fall to be installed and the playgrounds will then be ready for use. Down the track a shade sail structure will be placed over the Ninja playground. Exciting times ahead! Many thanks to our P&F for contributing to this initiative.

A reminder that during the last week of term on Wednesday 27th March we will be having an Easter hat/bonnet parade in the morning at 9am this will then be followed by the P&F raffle announcement. This is an opportunity to be creative and create a design that emulates the theme of rebirth that accompanies Easter. Traditional themes such as rabbits, butterflies, eggs, etc could be incorporated into the design. All children are invited to get involved if they would like.

Our fee statements have been sent out and payment options were due on 1st March. Please ensure you have sent these in and have your payment structure in place. If you are reading this newsletter and email admin with the password fees, you can access a 5% discount on your tuition fee. First email in is the winner.

Our Happy Families article is titled, 'When My Child Won't Listen'. It provides some information about practical ways you can build better listening skills in your children. I hope it helps to prepare for the holidays!

God Bless

Steve Gibbs

Principal

Respect

"One of the most sincere forms of respect is actually listening to what another has to say." **Bryant H. McGill**

"Respecting someone indicates the quality of your personality." **Mohammad Sakhi**

Happy Families

When My Child Won't Listen

One of the most common complaints I hear from parents about their children is that, "The kids just won't listen." But guess what. They are listening. They're just not complying! You'll typically find that a handful of standard answers permeate the Internet and parenting advice books when it comes to this topic. Let's acknowledge them first, because they can be helpful.

1. Keep it simple

Short sentences are easier to process than long lectures. Keep your statements and requests simple, clear, and direct.

2. Get on your child's level

Making eye contact, smiling, and ensuring your child has heard you always improves the likelihood that your child will act.

3. Repeat it back

Ask your child to tell you what you told them. If you ask them to pick up the wet towels from the bathroom floor and they're not responsive, ask them, "What did I say just then?" and wait for them to tell you.

4. Speak more quietly

Speaking louder (yelling) won't draw them to you and it's unlikely to encourage them to want to listen to you. Try speaking softly. They'll open their ears, lean in, and listen carefully.

5. Gentle touch

A soft touch on the arm, a squeeze or a hug, or an arm across the shoulder... These gentle touches can be enough to act as a circuit-breaker so your child can pay attention to what you're asking and help move things along.

6. Drop the don't

Say what you want. If you tell your child what not to do (such as "don't hit the stick against the wall") It requires more effort on the part of your child to redirect their energies. Now they have to stop doing the thing that's bothering you and think of something to do instead.

7. Find a way to say "yes"

When you have to say "no", spin it into a "yes". If you're asked, "Can we stay at the park longer?" you can say, "You bet. We'll have a longer stay at the park on the weekend when we come back with your friends." If they plead, "Can we please have ice-cream", respond with "You sure love ice-cream. We'll have ice-cream on Friday night with our movie like always." Your yes is usually going to be a "not now," but if you phrase it right, it goes down a treat.

If we want to be even better parents, the five suggestions in this next section will help us take it to a whole new level:

The fancier answers:

1. Keep it simple

When you ask your child to do something, consider the connection. Connection means feeling seen, heard, and valued. Do your children feel like you see them as more than a convenient way to get something done? Trying to command without connection – like yelling between rooms – is a lousy way to have your kids pay attention and usually won't lead to anything resembling compliance. (It's not

realistic to expect that you'll "connect" every time something needs doing. But maybe we can connect more than we currently are)?

2. Timing

If your child is in the middle of something their listening and compliance will be way down. This doesn't mean we shouldn't ask our children to be involved in helping when they're doing something. That's not realistic. But when we're sensitive to their priorities, things go better. Consider statements like, "When that episode is done, please turn off the tv."

3. Capability

We expect too little of our children physically and we expect too much of our children emotionally. Demanding they "calm down" or "stop it" might be more than they can manage. But asking them to clear the table will typically not be too much. Consider their developmental capability, emotionally and physically, before issuing edicts.

4. Context

Your child might be perfectly capable of going to bed on time most nights, but on a sleepover night (or some other major event), the context changes. Demanding perfect behaviour at a funeral might make sense and be a sign of respect, but if they're grieving and confused, or if all of their cousins are there and they're excited, we might need to adjust our expectations. Requiring our children to listen to us the same way in every context is to expect our children to act like robots. Be mindful of context.

5. Gentle reminders

Call your child by name. Look at them and quietly remind them of the issue that's requiring focus. The fewer words you use the better. Two is ideal. For example, "Your bedroom," "Your stinky socks," "The dishes," and so on. Say please, and smile kindly.

Dr Justin Coulson

Term One Key Dates for your diary

The link to the Term 1 calendar is attached and is posted on the school website. A hard copy of the Term 1 planner can also be obtained from the school office.

Link to website to view Term Dates for the year - <https://shthorn.wa.edu.au/calendar/>

Key Dates:

- NAPLAN - 13 to 25 March
- Friday 15 March - Year 4 Assembly
- Tuesday 19 March - Harmony Day
- Wednesday 20 March - Dance Concert B Classes
- Friday 22 March - Dance Concert W Classes

- Wednesday 27 March - Easter Bonnet/Hat Parade
- Thursday 28 March - Stations of the Cross 2.00pm and last day of Term 1
- Monday 15 April - Term Two - First day back to school
- Thursday 25 April - Public Holiday Anzac Day
- Friday 26 April - Pupil Free Day
- Monday 13 May - Pupil Free Day
- Monday 3 June - Public Holiday - WA Day

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
Week 1	29-Jan SPLI Commence Pup Free Day	30-Jan Pup Free Day	31-Jan First day for students Welcome Back Assembly 10.00 am	1-Feb	2-Feb Welcome Back Mass 9am	3-Feb/4-Feb
Week 2	5-Feb	6-Feb	7-Feb Choir Auditions (Lunch Time)	8-Feb Choir Auditions (Lunch Time)	9-Feb Walk to School with Luna Bam P & F Evening on the Green 6pm	10-Feb/11-Feb
Week 3	12-Feb P&F Meeting 5.40pm	13-Feb	14-Feb Aft Wednesday Dance Troupe Auditions (Lunch Time) Homework Club Yr 2-5	15-Feb Swimming Trial- (Years 4-6) Dance Troupe Auditions (Lunch Time) Kindy parent info session 5pm Parent Information Evening 6-8pm	16-Feb Walk to School with Luna Bam Virtual Assembly 1.30 pm	17-Feb/18-Feb
Week 4	19-Feb	20-Feb Year 8 to Attend Parish Mass	21-Feb Homework Club Yr 2-6/SAC Meeting 6pm	22-Feb Year 4 Reconciliation	23-Feb Walk to School with Luna Bam Virtual Assembly 1.30 pm	24-Feb/25-Feb
Week 5	26-Feb	27-Feb Year 4 to Attend Parish Mass	28-Feb Homework Club Yr 2-6	29-Feb Year 5 Reconciliation/ P&F Screening	1-Mar Walk to School with Luna Bam Swimming Training	2-Mar/3-Mar
Week 6	4-Mar Labour Day	5-Mar IEP Meetings Year 5 to Attend Parish Mass	6-Mar IEP Meetings Homework Club Yr 2-6	7-Mar IEP Meetings Faction Swimming Carnival Yr 4-6	8-Mar Walk to school with Luna Bam IEP Meetings Swimming Training Virtual Assembly 1.30 pm	9-Mar/10-Mar Stator Commencing Mass for Staff, SAC & Pupils
Week 7	11-Mar NAPLAN 13-25 March	12-Mar Swimming Training	13-Mar NAPLAN Begins Homework Club Yr 2-6	14-Mar Year 6 Reconciliation	15-Mar Walk to school with Luna Bam Swimming Training Year 4 Assembly Year 2 Excursion	16-Mar/17-Mar Stator Confirmation Continence Mass for 1st Mar
Week 8	18-Mar NAPLAN CASH UP	19-Mar Swimming Training Harmony Day Mass/Dress up	20-Mar Dance Concert (B Classes) Homework Club Yr 2-6 SAC Meeting 6pm	21-Mar Interschool Swimming Carnival	22-Mar Walk to school with Luna Bam Dance Concert (W Classes)	23-Mar/24-Mar
Week 9	25-Mar NAPLAN ends HOLY WEEK		27-Mar P&F Easter Egg Raffle	28-Mar Stations of the Cross in Church 1.30 Last day for students and staff	29-Mar Good Friday	30-Mar/31-Mar

Religious Education

Reconciliation Year 4-6

During lent it is customary for Catholic people to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation to renew their relationship with God. We have been very pleased to offer this opportunity to baptised students in Year 4-6 who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation over the past few weeks in preparation for Easter. We thank Father George James and Father Sabu Jacob for celebrating this Sacrament with our students.

Pictured are some of our Year 4 students who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



Upcoming Masses

Sacrament of Confirmation Commitment Mass Saturday 16 March 6pm

Students and family members who wish for their Year 6 child to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year are invited to attend the Sacrament of Confirmation Commitment mass on Saturday 16 March

at 6pm. Attending this mass confirms your commitment to support your child in preparing for this very important sacrament. We look forward to supporting all year 6 students on their faith journey this year through the sacramental program.

Sacramental Dates for 2024:

Sacrament of Confirmation

- Sacrament of Confirmation Commitment Mass: Saturday 16 March, 6pm Mass
- Sacrament of Confirmation Retreat (daytime) for all year 6 students: Thursday 2nd May
- Parent/Candidate Meeting (evening): Thursday 2nd May 6pm
- Sacrament of Confirmation Mass: Friday 17 May 6pm

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

- Sacrament of First Reconciliation Commitment Mass: Saturday 15 June 6pm
- Sacrament of First Reconciliation Parent/Student Meeting 6pm Thursday 1 August
- Sacrament of First Reconciliation Retreat Day (all year 3 students) 8 August
- Sacrament of First Reconciliation 13 August 6pm

First Holy Communion

- First Holy Communion Commitment Mass: Saturday 27 July 6pm Mass
- First Holy Communion Retreat Day (all year 4 students) 29 August
- Parent/Student Meeting 6pm: 29 August
- First Holy Communion 8 September 12 pm

Project Compassion fundraising

Thank you to all our students who have donated to Caritas Project Compassion by placing money in their classroom donation boxes. A special thank you to Jordan from Year 6 who generously donated a significant amount of money for Project Compassion. It is wonderful to see that our students and families at Sacred Heart are doing their part to end poverty, promote justice and help others who are in need.



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Stations of the Cross

To commemorate Jesus' crucifixion in the lead up to Good Friday, our Year 6 students will lead the school in a dramatic production of The Stations of the Cross which marks the last 14 stages before Jesus died on

the cross. All parents, parishioners and family members are invited to attend this heartfelt commemoration on **Thursday 28 March at 2.00pm** in the church. We thank Mrs Vinci, Miss Bronwen Herholdt and the Year 6 Faithful Faces Team for leading us in this commemoration.

Finance News - 2024 School Fees

SCHOOL FEES

School Fees for 2024 were **emailed** home to all families in mid February.

Parents were asked to complete the payment options form on Page 2 and return it to the office by **Friday 1 March**. Thank you to those families that have already returned the form and made a payment, it is very much appreciated.

Payment of school fees either in full or the first payment of the three-instalment option are due next Friday 22 March.

A reminder that there are a number of payment options available including:

- payment in full by 22/3/2024 which attracts a 5% early payment discount on tuition fees
- payment in 3 instalments: due 22/3/2024, 28/6/2024 and 20/9/2024

Other payment arrangements ie; weekly/fortnightly/monthly by Direct Debit or BPAY must be approved by the school. Please contact Lindy Munnings on accounts@shthorn.wa.edu.au¹ for a confidential discussion regarding payment plans or if you are experiencing difficulties in meeting your school fee commitments.

HEALTHCARE CARDS

It is the responsibility of the parents to present their new card at the school office (so a copy can be taken) to ensure that discounts are not cancelled because the card has expired. If you have received an updated Health Care Card recently, please bring it in to complete the forms as soon as possible.

Lindy Munnings

Finance Officer

Harmony Day



¹<mailto:accounts@shthorn.wa.edu.au>

A reminder to all students that Tuesday 19 March is Harmony Day. On Tuesday we invite all students to dress in their national costume or the colour orange which is the colour of Harmony. We will have a mass at 9am followed by a parent morning tea in the hall.

We warmly invite parents and grandparents to come along to dress in their national costume too or in the colour orange and join us mass at 9am followed by a Parent Cultural Morning Tea. All parents and grandparents are invited. Please bring a plate of food representing your culture to share. Click on the link to register your attendance <https://forms.office.com/r/JKLNxshbqW>

End of Term One Dance Concert

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Please find below important information regarding costume requirements, dates and times for our end of term dance concert. All classes will perform in Week 8 in the school Brennan Hall. **Please note the change for Year 6 classes.**

Wednesday 20 March 2024, 1:30pm – 2:30pm - All B classes, PP to Year 5

Friday 22 March 2024, 1:30pm – 2:40pm – All W classes, PP to Year 5 and BOTH Year 6 classes now

The order of performances is also attached below. Parents are asked to please enter the Hall from the back entrance of the Hall so as not to interrupt the dancers.

Year	Theme	Costume requirements	Footwear requirements
PPB & PPW	Chihuahua	<u>BOYS & GIRLS</u> - Plain black t-shirt -Plain black pants/black shorts/black leggings or black bike shorts. **Dog ear headbands (provided by the teacher)	- white sneakers - white socks.
1B & 1W	Tears of a Clown	<u>BOYS & GIRLS</u> -Plain white t-shirt. - Any plain bright coloured shorts. **Clown hat and nose (provided by the teacher)	- white school sports sneakers -white school socks.
2B & 2W	Hammer the Frog	<u>BOYS & GIRLS</u> -Plain bright green coloured t-shirt -Plain black or green leggings/ pants/shorts or bike shorts. **Frog eye headband (provided by the teacher)	- white school sports sneakers - white school socks.
3B & 3W	Sway.	<u>BOYS & GIRLS</u> - Whatever sports faction your child is in (ie.Welch/ Maguire/ Murphy/ Wright) wear a plain coloured short sleeved t-shirt that matches their faction colour. - Plain black shorts/black bike shorts/or black leggings *Girls hair – wear a coloured scrunchie or ribbon that matches their shirt colour.	- white school sports sneakers - white school socks.
4B & 4W	Everybody Get Up!	<u>BOYS & GIRLS</u> - Any appropriate black shirt that has some sort of writing or logo on it. This could be a band logo on the front or a picture. - Denim shorts/or denim jeans/pants. -Any appropriate coloured cap. **No bucket hats please as the children will be wearing the cap backwards.	- white school sports sneakers - white school socks.
5B & 5W	No Americano	<u>BOYS</u> - Plain blue t-shirt - Black shorts/ or black pants <u>GIRLS</u> - Plain red t-shirt - Plain black shorts/black bike shorts/or black leggings *American flag props (provided by the teacher)	- white school sports sneakers - white school socks.
6B & 6W	James Bond	<u>BOYS & GIRLS</u> - Plain black t-shirt -Plain black pants/black shorts/black leggings or black bike shorts. **white vest and bow tie sticker for front of the shirt (provided by the teacher)	-Black formal school shoes -plain black socks

Order of Performances - Wednesday 20 March 1.30-2.30pm:

- PPB- Oh Chihuahua
- Year 2B- Hammer the Frog
- Year 1B - Tears of a Clown
- Year 4B - Everybody get up
- Year 3B- Sway
- Year 5B- No Americano

Order of Performances - Friday 22 March 1.30-2.40pm

- Year 6B- James Bond
- PPW- Oh Chihuahua
- Year 2W - Hammer the Frog
- Year 1W - Tears of a Clown
- Year 4W - Everybody get up
- Year 3W - Sway
- Year 5W - No Americano
- Year 6W - James Bond



Next Friday 22 March is National Ride to school day. Students are encouraged to ride their bike or scooter to school. Our meeting point will be at “The Castle” on Discovery Drive at 8am. We look forward to seeing as many students as possible participate in National Ride to School Day next Friday!

Is that Luna or Hairy Maclary?

Thank you to Mrs Munnings our Finance Officer who kindly donated the Hairy Maclary book and soft toy to have in the office and sick bay. That way when our real Luna the therapy dog isn't available to provide some Luna love we have a little Luna to provide some cuddles.



Results of House Swimming Carnival

On Thursday 7 March Aqualife hosted our 2024 House swimming carnival. It was a very hot day which made it great to be in the pool. It was wonderful to witness the competitiveness and sportsmanship of our students throughout the day. Thank you to all the supporters, parents, staff and helpers who attended on the day.

Congratulations to **MURPHY** house for winning overall!!

First	Murphy	1536 points
Second	Wright	1485 points
Third	Maguire	1445 points
Fourth	Welch	1367 points

Congratulations to the following students:

Open 100m Freestyle	
Girls Champion	Madelyn C
Girls runner up Champion	Charlotte R
Boys Champion	Angus M
Boys runner up Champion	Laykn C

Open 50m Butterfly	
Girls Champion	Madelyn C
Girls runner up Champion	Charlotte R
Boys Champion	Angus M
Boys runner up Champion	Harry M

Year 4	
Girls Champion	Ella D
Girls runner up Champion	Lucy S
Boys Champions	Ayaz C and Miguel B
Boys runner up Champion	Thomas B

Year 5	
Girls Champion	Matilda S
Girls runner up Champions	Zoe B and Isla E
Boys Champion	Laykn C
Boys runner up Champion	Michael P

Year 6	
Girls Champion	Madelyn C
Girls runner up Champion	India V
Boys Champion	Angus M
Boys runner up Champion	Harry M

Did you know we have a 3-Year-Old Kindy? Enrolments are now open for 4 Year old Kindergarten for 2025 and 2026



We are now accepting enrolments for kindy for 2025 and 2026. Make sure you get enrolment forms in as soon as possible as positions are limited and interviews for the 2025 intake will commence in April 2024.

If your child was born between **1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021** they will start 4 Year Old Kindergarten at the beginning of **2025**. If your child was born between **1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022** they will start 4 Year Old Kindergarten in **2026**.

Enrolment forms can be obtained from the school office or via our website <https://shthorn.wa.edu.au/enrolment-process/>

Did you know we have a **3 Year Old Kindy** at Sacred Heart? It is run through our Early Learning Centre which means you are able to claim the childcare benefit. It is a great starting point in preparation for your child attending 4 year old kindy at Sacred Heart. Your child can attend once they turn 3 years old. For further information please contact Megan in our ELC on 9251 3014 or refer to our website <https://shthorn.wa.edu.au/three-year-old-programme/>

Term 1 Canteen Menu

The Canteen is open 8.30am to 1pm Monday, Thursday & Friday. Abi can be contacted on 92513007.

RECESS & LUNCH orders available online via www.quickcliq.com.au or via the class lunch order box.

Don't forget to update your child's class in Quick Cliq for 2024 to ensure their lunch gets to the correct classroom.

EVERYDAY MENU ITEMS		MONDAY	THURSDAY
<p>RECESS</p> <p>Crunch & Sip (Salad sticks) 50c Fruit cup (seasonal fruit) \$1.50 Custard Crowns 50c Dinobite 60c Party Pie \$1.30 Hash brown \$1.00 Cheezie \$1.00 Vegemite cheezie \$1.20 Cheezie sub \$1.50 Pizza cheezie sub \$2.00 Warm Milo & Mini Muffin \$2.00 Berry Yoghurt Drink \$2.50</p> <p>DRINKS</p> <p>WATER \$1.60 99% JUICE BOX \$2.00 Apple or Tropical JUICE BOMBS \$2.80 Apple Raspberry, Apple Blackcurrant, Watermelon, Apple Cola FLAVOURED MILK \$2.80 Chocolate splash, Strawberry Smash, Banana Blast</p>	<p>SANDWICHES & WRAPS</p> <p>White or wholemeal</p> <p>Vegemite \$2.50 Ham \$3.00 Cheese \$2.50 Ham/salad \$4.30 Tuna \$3.50 Salad \$3.30 Tuna/salad \$4.80 Egg \$3.00 Chicken \$3.50 Curried Egg \$3.50 Chick/salad \$4.80 (Salad : carrot, cucumber, lettuce & tomato)</p> <p>EXTRAS</p> <p>Tomato 50c Lettuce 50c Carrot 50c Cucumber 50c Beetroot 50c Onion 30c Cheese 50c Mustard mild 50c Mayo 50c Sauce sachet 50c Add Salad \$1.30</p> <p>Wrap 50c Toasted 50c</p> <p>PASTA</p> <p>Lasagne .50 Macaroni Cheese (V) .50 Twista Pasta Bolognese</p>	<p>Beef Burger \$5.00 (Beef patty, cheese & tom sauce) Chicken Burger \$5.00 (Crumbed chicken, cheese & tom sauce) add extras options e.g lettuce 50c, onion 30c, mustard 50c, pineapple 50c Pizza & Juice Box Combo \$5.00 (Margarita or Ham & Cheese) add pineapple 50c Bento Box \$6.00 Mini muffin, fruit, cheese & crackers, chick wing & a cheese or ham or vegemite s/w Salad Box \$5.50 Cheese, cucumber, carrot, lettuce, tomato & egg ADD ham \$1, chicken or tuna \$1.50</p>	<p>Chicken Strip Wrap \$5.50 (Chicken tender with cheese, lettuce, carrot, cucumber & tomato) Add mayo 50c Hot dog & tomato sauce \$4.50 add extras options (add mustard 50c and/or cheese 50c) Nachos \$4.00 (Corn chips, salsa & cheese) Bento Box \$6.00 Mini muffin, fruit, cheese & crackers, chick wing & a cheese or ham or vegemite s/w Salad Box \$5.50 Cheese, cucumber, carrot, lettuce, tomato & egg ADD ham \$1, chicken or tuna \$1.50</p> <p>FRIDAY</p> <p>Treasure Chest (Hashbrowns, Fish nuggets + Juice Box) \$6.00 Sausage Roll \$4.00 Beef Pie \$4.50 Toasted Pocket Tuna & Cheese \$5 Chicken & Cheese \$5 Ham & Cheese \$4.50 Add Salsa 50c, Mayo 50c, BBQ sauce 50c</p>

Term 1 Canteen Volunteer Roster

NEW VOLUNTEERS ALWAYS WELCOME!

If you are unable to come in on your rostered day, please contact Abi 92513007 (8AM-1PM) A/H 0421 831 343

If you are able to help out at the Canteen in Term Two please complete this form

<https://forms.office.com/r/sF1fTm8vyP2>

WEEK	MONDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	Jan 29th Pupil Free Day	Feb 1st J. PAYNE	Feb 2nd J. ALBANESE
WEEK 2	Feb 5th J. GARVEY	Feb 8th A. FOSTER	Feb 9th N. ROWE
WEEK 3	Feb 12th J. GARVEY J. PAYNE	Feb 15th J. ALBANESE	Feb 16th M. BENEDICT C. ELLIS
WEEK 4	Feb 19th J. GARVEY	Feb 22nd L. BARNES K. COPE	Feb 23rd R. DEKENS T. DICHIERA
WEEK 5	Feb 26th J. GARVEY J. PAYNE	Feb 29th A. FOSTER	Mar 1st C. ELLIS J. FARANDA
WEEK 6	Mar 4th Public Holiday Labour Day	Mar 7th <i>(Swim Carnival)</i> L. BARNES	Mar 8th M. BENEDICT T. DICHIERA
WEEK 7	Mar 11th J. GARVEY	Mar 14th J. ALBANESE	Mar 15th C. ELLIS
WEEK 8	Mar 18th J. GARVEY J. PAYNE	Mar 21st <i>(Interschool Swim)</i> A. FOSTER R. CARROLL	Mar 22nd R. DEKENS J. FARANDA
WEEK 9	Mar 25th J. GARVEY	Mar 28th J. ALBANESE	Mar 29th Public Holiday Good Friday

Parents and Friends (P&F)

Dance Concert

The P&F will be holding a tea and coffee stall at the Dance Concert this year outside the hall doors near the oval. From 1pm you can drink this while you wait for the concert to commence or as a takeaway cup and taken into the hall with you.

Tea and coffee \$2.00 each cash and eftpos available.

The Ninja Warrior Course and Junior Playground

The Ninja Warrior course and Junior Playground area on the schools oval is now well into construction. We are patiently awaiting the next stage which will see the shade sail installed together with the soft fall

²<https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforms.office.com%2F%2Fr%2FsF1fTm8vyP&data=05|02|Chloe.OLeary%40cewa.edu.au|3978fe65b7fb4eccf46508dc428f734e|c5852f2336334f29b38651da53e35e23|0|0|638458431074087590|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimc4wLjAwMDAilCjQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|0||&sdata=RBD4%2BNa5U6ulubAc%2BBRQ9axRIOcprj7NzEUO1GGm5U%3D&reserved=0>

surfacing and the wood chips. We are getting closer to the final stages of this project and are very excited and eager to see the final stages completed and have students playing on it soon. The new junior playground equipment is installed and completed.

Easter Raffle

The Easter Raffle tickets will go on sale online on Wednesday 20th March and drawn Wednesday 27th March 2024. The Easter Bonnet Parade is on Wednesday March 27th at 9am. Parents are welcome to attend the parade. We look forward to seeing your creative bonnets, hats and or hair. The P&F will be sponsoring this event with the 2 best creations from each class receiving a prize.

Containers for Change

Our containers for change bins are now back and located in the carpark near the exit to Ovens Road please support the P&F by donating your containers.

Please keep your eye on our Facebook page, the newsletter, term calendar and text messages and emails sent by the school for information on upcoming events.

The Sacred Heart P&F meetings offer the opportunity to be apart of discussing ideas for our community events & fundraising. It is a safe space for everyone's voice to be heard and your valuable input can be made to help us achieve our goals for our school community. Attending a meeting also provides you with the opportunity to meet other Sacred Heart families. As a valued member of the P&F we are grateful for as much time as you have to offer us as many people working together towards the common goal makes the work easier.

Our next meeting is on Monday 29th April 2024 at 6:30pm in the Staff Room, we would love to see you there.

'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.

St Brigid's College 2025 Scholarship Examinations



Applications are invited from students entering Years 7 and 10 in 2025 to sit the St Brigid's College Scholarship Examinations. For further information and to download an Application Package, please visit the College's website: <https://sbcl.wa.edu.au/scholarships/>³

Applications close at 4.00p.m. on Thursday, 28th March 2024. The Examination date is Monday, 15th April 2024. Please return the completed Application Form to the Principal's Assistant via email to Guerinoni.pauline@stbrigids.wa.edu.au⁴.

SCHOLARSHIPS for 2025

Examinations will be held at the College on Monday, 15th April 2024

A Catholic College established in 1929 by the Institute of the Sisters of Mercy, West Perth congregation. St Brigid's College is one of thirteen schools owned by Mercy Ministry Companions (MMC) and governed by Mercy Education. The College offers a quality education inspired by Jesus Christ, and the vision of Catherine McAuley with a commitment to living out the Mercy values of *Service, Justice, Compassion, Hospitality, Respect and Courage*. We strive to provide an environment that encourages growth of the total person, and the College is structured in such a way as to best cater for the individual needs of all students from primary through to secondary. Comprehensive academic and extra-curricular programmes are offered.

St Brigid's College awards Scholarships for entry to Years 7 and 10 with the intention of assisting students to maximise their potential. The Scholarships are open to all students who are due to start Year 7 or Year 10 in 2025.

St Brigid's College also supports families who might not otherwise be able to afford a Catholic education for their child by providing scholarship monies to partially affray fees. In these instances, means testing will apply.

The College participates in the ACER (Australian Council for Educational Research) Scholarship Selection Test (SST). Scholarships are awarded on academic merit and on an interview with the Scholarship Committee. Candidates must sit for the ACER exam. For entry into Year 7, 2025 and Year 10, 2025, the ACER exam will be held on **Monday, 15th April 2024**.

For more information about the ACER exam, or to purchase sample questions, please click on the following link: ⁵<https://www.acer.org/scholarship> ⁶

Registrations will close on **Thursday, 28th March at 4.00p.m. and no late registrations will be accepted.**

The Registration Fee payable is \$105.

To apply for a scholarship to St Brigid's College:

³https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fsbcl.wa.edu.au%2Fscholarships%2F&data=05|02|8740svc_admin%40cewa.edu.au|337431a5bd944d39c92508dc419e1a33|c5852f2336334f29b38651da53e35e23|0|0|638457394555094001|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimC4wLjAwMDAiLCQljoiv2luMzliLCJBtil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|0||&sdata=tRRK6LO6mo5n2srCQeaHhH6Q9MsAq4rDYQe71ERXJts%3D&reserved=0

⁴<mailto:Guerinoni.pauline@stbrigids.wa.edu.au>

⁵<https://www.acer.org/scholarship>

⁶<https://www.acer.org/scholarship>

- Complete a Year 7 or a Year 10 Entry Scholarship Application Form by hand and send the hard copy to St Brigid's College with copies of the required supporting documents outlined in the application form. To download a Year 7 or Year 10, 2025 Entry Scholarship Application Form, please proceed to the College's website: <https://sbcl.wa.edu.au/>^{7 8}

All Scholarship Application forms must be completed and sent to the College by **Thursday, 28th March 2024 addressing correspondence to:**

The Principal

St Brigid's College

Useful Links

Uniform Shop⁹ Sacred Heart Thornlie Parish¹⁰

⁷<https://sbcl.wa.edu.au/>

⁸<https://sbcl.wa.edu.au/>

⁹<https://www.nellgray.com.au/Uniform-Concepts/Willetton-Super-Store>

¹⁰<http://www.thornlie.perthcatholic.org.au/>