



News from the Heart

Together we Grow & Rejoice

Thursday, 6th December 2018



Kindergarten-Faith Page

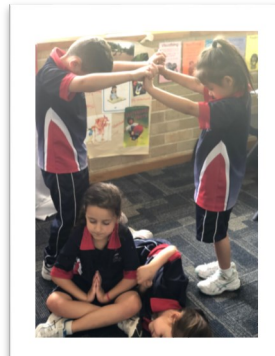


The Annunciation- Luke 1:26-38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Reflection

Advent is the liturgical season during which the Church prepares to remember and celebrate the birth of Jesus. It is a time in the life of the Church community characterised by waiting in hope and expectation. Kindergarten have been exploring and understanding what 'The season of Advent' entails. They have embodied the scripture and explored the key concepts and symbols to start building their understanding and appreciation of waiting for the birth of Jesus. It has been a great joy to see the students develop their understanding of the Holy Trinity and their links to the sacrament of Baptism as they make links to their own life and their mission during the Season of Advent. They have shown empathy, compassion and love to one another and are excited to contribute towards the St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal making clear links to the Mission unit in the beginning of Term. As part of their learning about Catholic Mission, Kindergarten students discussed what life is like for many children in Myanmar especially during the times when Jesus was born. They understand that their mission doesn't stop after Christmas but is a calling to live like Jesus every single day.



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Year 6 Graduation

On **Wednesday 5th December** we gathered together to celebrate the graduation of our Year 6 students. The Graduation Mass was a beautiful celebration of the 7 years of learning and blessings that our class of 2018 have experienced. The theme was 'Stand in the light' and it really was an opportunity for each member of Year 6 to shine.

A special thank you to Father Walter and Father Jack for celebrating the Graduation Mass and being there for the students.

A night like this does not come together without the generosity and support of so many people. I would like to start by thanking Miss Monique Isaac, our REC and Year 6 teacher for her coordination of such a beautiful event. Miss Isaac has been planning this celebration for weeks from practising the students, to meeting with parent committees, to planning the mass and reflections, all of which culminated in a wonderful celebration.

Miss Isaac was ably supported by the staff of Sacred Heart who assisted with setting up, practising children, printing booklets and helping on the night of the supper. Thank you for supporting the growth of these students from K-6. It was also lovely to see Mrs Julie Roberts and Mr Mark Boss, some of their past teachers, join us for this momentous celebration.

Following the Graduation Mass the students shared in a beautiful supper that was organised by the Year 5 parents. A special thank you to the parent organising committee, which included;

Decorations: Daniel Miller, Sonia Baltasar, Jihan Sakr, Antoinette Boutros

Food preparation, handover to Year 5 and clean up: Gisell Fahd, Teriza Eid, Jihan Sakr, Dianne Bejjani, Silvanna Elcham, Rita Daher, Janette Nader, Michelle Price, Megan Burns, Caroline Nanales, Caroline Taouk, Georgina Matta.

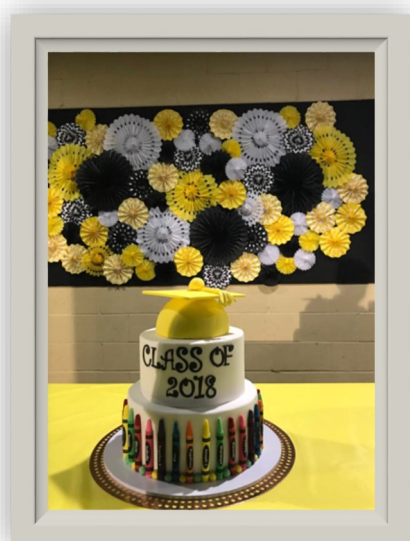
A special thank you to Mrs Fahd & Mrs Eid who took the time to purchase all the food for the supper. Thanks also to Mrs Baltasar for donating some of the beautiful decorations. Thanks to Sandrella Ayrout from Cakerella for making the amazing graduation cake and Mrs Mary Nasr from The Floral Events Co. for organising the balloons. It was a wonderful team effort that made it such a memorable night for the Year 6 students.

Your time and effort in making this a special night was very much appreciated. In addition there were many more Year 5 parents who helped out on the night with food, setting up and packing up, to you all, I extend my sincerest thanks.

I would like to congratulate the Year 5 students who helped with serving the supper, they did a great job of ensuring that everyone was very well fed.

Last but not least, I thank and congratulate each and every Year 6 student and wish them every success in high school and their future endeavours. You will be very much missed but we have high hopes for each of you. Continue to make us proud and remember to come back and visit us and share all your wonderful achievements with us. Best of luck!

Mrs Kastoun



Student Semester 2 Reports

The Semester 2 reports have been finalised by the classroom teachers and will be sent home to parents tomorrow, **Friday 7th December**. We do not schedule formal parent teacher interviews in Semester 2, however if you would like to seek clarification on the student reports, please feel free to make an appointment to see the classroom teacher.

Advent Concert

Our Annual Advent Concert will be held next **Wednesday 12th December at 7pm** at the OLMC Parramatta. A note was sent home last week with all the details about the night and the costume information for the students. Looking forward to celebrating the festive season with you all.

Thanksgiving Mass and Morning Tea for Parents

We will celebrate the end of the 2018 school year with a special Thanksgiving Mass on **Monday 17th December at 9am**. I extend a warm welcome to all parents to this mass and to a special morning tea afterwards in which we honour and thank you for all your support over the year. Please join us as we farewell the staff members that are leaving Sacred Heart and give thanks for all the blessings of this year.

Final Staffing for 2019

The final staffing for 2019 is outlined below.

Leadership Team:

Principal – Mary Kastoun (on leave during 2019)

Acting Principal – Natalie Mifsud

Assistant Principal – Megan Owens

Coordinator 2 – Louise Kingsley

Coordinator 1 – Tracey Clogher

Classroom Teachers

Role	Staff Member
Kindergarten	Tracey Clogher
Year 1	Louise Kingsley
Year 2	Ashita Hay
Year 3	Nicole Doan Tran
Year 4	Nicholas Stevens
Year 5	Katherine Breen
Year 6	Monique Isaac
RFF Creative Arts	Rosanna Iuliano
Executive Release	Jacqueline Moshtagi
Diversity/Learning Support	Diane Galea and Catherine Clarke

Ancillary Staff

Role	Staff Member
Senior Finance Secretary	Tina Ward
Office Administration	Nadia Esposito
Teacher's Aides	Jill Rajca, Yvette Takchi, Danielle McGillucuddy, Jennifer Baysarri
IT Trainee	Samantha Buttigieg
School Counsellor	Emma Ocroft

We extend a warm welcome to **Mrs Natalie Mifsud, Mrs Jacqueline Moshtagi, Mrs Jennifer Baysarri** and **Miss Samantha Buttigieg** who will be joining the Sacred Heart Family in 2019.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**Wednesday 12th December
7:00pm**

Advent Concert at OLMC
Parramatta

Friday 14th December 2:30pm

Year 6 Assembly

Monday 17th December

Thanksgiving Mass
9:00am

Tuesday 18th December

Year 6 Fun Day -Bowlarama

Wednesday 19th December

Last Day for students

Thursday 20th December

Staff Development Day

Friday 21st December

Staff Development Day

Year 6 Snapshot



Name: Elias Azzi

Favourite memory of school	When I first became friends with Harry and Ethan.
Contributions I have made to the school community	I have volunteered to assist the school in their fund raisers
One way I think I can make a difference in the world	Is by entertaining people and assisting the poor.
My ambition for the future	I will be successful and enjoy doing what I like to do and give to the poor.
Words to live by: My Motto	My motto that I will always live by is:if you work hard you will get what you worked for.
What makes Sacred Heart Primary School unique?	The amount of people that care for each other in such a small area.

Year 6 Snapshot



Name: Alannah Elcham

Favourite memory of school	My favourite memory of school is camp.
Contributions I have made to the school community	Faith in action (FIAT), refereeing and my leadership role.
One way I think I can make a difference in the world	Helping others when in need and using the mercy values.
My ambition for the future	My ambition in life is to become a teacher and to help educate children and to help them achieve their personal goals and bring out the best in themselves.
Words to live by: My Motto	Behind us are memories, beside us are friends before us are dreams.
What makes Sacred Heart Primary School unique?	What makes us unique is the we are a one stream school so we can get to know more people so it's more united and family run.

Year 6 Snapshot



Name: Ethan Festo

Favourite memory of school	My favourite school memory is colour day
Contributions I have made to the school community	sports leader
One way I think I can make a difference in the world	One way I can make a difference in the world is by spreading the Word of God to everyone I meet
My ambition for the future	Multi media
Words to live by: My Motto	Life is just hurdle waiting to jump over
What makes Sacred Heart Primary School unique?	What makes Sacred Heart unique are the teachers and how they always strive to teach us well.

Year 6 Snapshot



Name: Angelina Gahdmar

Favourite memory of school	All of the school camps we did in Stage 3, colour days and Sacred Heart Feast days.
Contributions I have made to the school community	Being a member of the Assembly team, having my buddy, and running all the fundraisers.
One way I think I can make a difference in the world	By caring for everyone and spreading God's Word. I can also help to end pollution by not littering and help others to live a better life-style.
My ambition for the future	To either become a teacher or run a business.
Words to live by: My Motto	Only be you because everyone else is taken.
What makes Sacred Heart Primary School unique?	We are a small community so we know each other and it's like one big family.

Year 6 Snapshot



Name: Pugalineee Kantharuban

Favourite memory of school	When I was in Stage 3 and we went to Bathurst.
Contributions I have made to the school community	When I helped with the fete and my game got chosen for the Side Show Alley games.
One way I think I can make a difference in the world	Help others no matter if you're in hard times .
My ambition for the future	Is to become a doctor or an dancer
Words to live by: My Motto	Never give up and try forever
What makes Sacred Heart Primary School unique?	Sacred Heart is unique for its acts of kindness and the way we treat each other .Another reason why Sacred Heart is unique is that we have caring teachers and students.

Year 6 Snapshot



Name: Lara Tyler

Favourite memory of school	My favourite memories are colour days, the fete all of our excursions and camp
Contributions I have made to the school community	School fete stall, liturgies, gala days, set up for inspiration day
One way I think I can make a difference in the world	Help and encourage people and use the mercy values to help the people in need just like Jesus did.
My ambition for the future	My ambition is to become an architect
Words to live by: My Motto	God doesn't ask you to figure it all out, he only asks you to believe.
What makes Sacred Heart Primary School unique?	We have such a small school, we all know each other and we act like a big family

Year 6 Snapshot



Name: Harry Zeait

Favourite memory of school	My favourite school memory is of Colour Days.
Contributions I have made to the school community	I am a Sports Leader and have contributed to masses and liturgies as well as mum helping the school with events
One way I think I can make a difference in the world	One way I can make a difference in the world is being kind and helping everyone
My ambition for the future	Photographer, actor, gamer or soccer player
Words to live by: My Motto	Do and say everything as if Jesus is next to you
What makes Sacred Heart Primary School unique?	What makes Sacred Heart unique is that we are a small community, we care about each other like family.

Year 6 Snapshot



Name: Seth Fernandes

Favourite memory of school	Our overnight camp at Canberra
Contributions I have made to the school community	I did the artwork for the whole school "writing" poster.
One way I think I can make a difference in the world	I think that if I become an inventor or scientist I can change the world in so many ways.
My ambition for the future	I want to make the world a better place for people and animals.
Words to live by: My Motto	Smile like you've never cried, Fight like you've never lost, Love like you've never been hurt and Live like there's no tomorrow.
What makes Sacred Heart Primary School unique?	The teachers are so kind and friendly and the students are so easy to get along with and that is what makes Sacred Heart unlike any other school.



Class Merit Awards

Term 4— Assembly 1, Friday 2nd November 2018

Kindergarten

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Casper Harenza	Working hard and improving his reading

Year One

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Grace Brancatisano	Improved focus during all aspects of her learning. Well Done.

Year Two

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Aleia Jaure	Identifying where to begin a new paragraph in modelled writing.

Year Three

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Azrin Bejoy	Her creative imaginative Text and great use of language features.

Year Four

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Mary Rizk	Planning, drafting and creating an exciting and imaginative Christmas Story.

Year Five

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Matthew Inopiquez	His detailed summary during literacy groups.

Year Six

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Raymond Seaib	Showing initiative and creativity during his writing tasks.

Birth Announcement

Charlotte Grace Huele

Date of Birth: 18th November 2018

Weight: 3.3kg

Height: 49cm

I feel happy to be a big sister because I am a good helper. I give her the dummy and I set up the baby swing for Charlotte –Isabella Rose Huele



Honour Awards

Term 4— Assembly 1, Friday 2nd November 2018

Kindergarten

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Grace Rizk	Demonstrating compassion and empathy.

Year One

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Jaylou Lemi	Always displaying compassion by supporting her peers.

Year Two

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Ramon Zamora	Welcoming visitors with a warm smile.

Year Three

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Jessica Bejjani	The compassion she shows others.

Year Four

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Elissa Maroun	Displaying compassion to those in need.

Year Five

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Charbel Boutros	Always treating people fairly and equally.

Year Six

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Angelina Gahdmar	Doing her absolute best during school activities.

Birth Announcement

Arthur Jacob Maroon

Date of Birth: 10th November 2018

Weight: 3.3kg

Height: 51cm

The Maroon 5 have now become the Maroon 6



Principal's Awards

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Patrick Fahd	Improving his writing by using conjunctions.
Mia Alwan	Improving her number sense and always trying her best.
Casper Harenza	Making connections and asking questions when reading a new text.
Sophie Drain	Demonstrating confidence and expression during drama.
Isabela Guillen	Reading with fluency and expression.
Elias Azzi	Showing grit when adding fraction problems including improper fractions.
Thanos Kingsley	Using coding techniques to operate the robot 'Cozmo'.
Raymond Seaib	Using coding techniques to operate the robot 'Cozmo'.
Joseph Khattar	Thoughtful consideration and support of others at First Reconciliation.
Dimitri Kingsley	His consistent effort across all Key Learning Areas.
Isaac Daher	Letting his curiosity lead his learning by further engaging in Science experiments.
Chelsea Khattar	Her mature approach to all her work.
Grace Rizk	Completing rich tasks in Science with enthusiasm.
Marita Ishak	Her creative application for the 2019 Story Team
Isabelle Liew	Her creative application for the 2019 Story Team.
Tia Chmait	Her creative application for the 2019 Story Team.
Oskar Harenza	His keen interest in Scientific investigations.
Evana Ishak	Using constructive feedback to improve her writing.