

Star of the Sea Catholic College

Newsletter

27th April 2021

From the Principal

No one really wins out of wars.

In 1845 a ship called *Cataraqui*, which was carrying 367 emigrants from England and the British Isles, shipwrecked off King Island. 400 people died. There were 9 survivors, only one of them a passenger - Solomon Brown.

Solomon Brown remarried in Australia (he lost his wife and four daughters in the shipwreck) and his descendants live on today.

World War I took place between 1914 and 1918 in a place far from Australia. Over the course of the war, around 60,000 Australian's died. And with those deaths Australia lost not only a generation of young men, it also lost future generations. Because whilst Solomon Brown survived the shipwreck and had a family, many of those Australians who died in World War I would have no chance to do so.

Often when people die young we mourn the loss of what that person could have been or could have achieved. And while we should mourn this, we perhaps should also mourn the loss of future families that these men would have had if they had survived, or if the war was not fought in the first place.

But despite all of the loss of potential, there are still many leaders around the world who still look to fighting as a way of getting what they want. And every year we have millions of refugees moving within their own country and between countries as they try to escape the conflicts. And every year we see chunks of the environment destroyed due to wars and conflicts. And every year we see world leaders threatening war because they haven't been getting their own way. And of course we have recently heard of the plan for a Royal Commission into suicides of veterans of war.

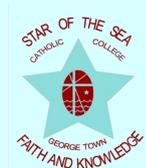
No one really wins out of wars. They leave huge scars on the environment and of course on individual families, on nations, and on veterans. This is especially so in modern wars. We hear of American and Australian soldiers now moving out of Afghanistan after almost 20 years, but in that 20 years no one really won anything.

So what do we want our students to know about wars in the Star of the Sea Catholic community? I would hope that when our students leave Star of the Sea they realise that there are other options, other ways we can sort things out besides war. I would hope they don't feel they need to fight the battles and repeat the mistakes of their ancestors, but instead find ways in which all can live in peace and in service to each other.

Mr Richard Chapman
Principal

Older men declare war. But it is the youth that must fight and die.
- Herbert Hoover

*Attentiveness,
Hospitality
and
Compassion.*



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Star of the Sea Catholic College acknowledges the Leterremairener people as the traditional custodians of the land on which our school stands.

Religious Education and Faith Development

Heart
Spirituality
Attentiveness



Hospitality
Compassion



Let's make the world
a kinder place,
together.

This week is International Pay it Forward Day, a global initiative to make a difference by creating a ripple of kindness across the world. The hope is when people pay kindness forward, they make the day a little brighter. Acts of kindness

when multiplied by millions can change the world for the better. This year International Pay It Forward Day hopes to inspire 10 million acts of kindness around the world.

Thank you everyone who participated in the Interhouse money line challenge. Thanks to your big hearts we had the most successful money line ever and have broken all our previous records. This year we made a line of coins that totalled 212 metres. Our winning house this year was Presentation with a line measuring 103.18 metres.



The slogan for Project Compassion this year was 'Be More' and we at Star of the Sea showed we can 'Be More'. We showed that we are people who know how to put compassion into action. Together we raised \$964.75c. Simply amazing, well done everyone!

Thank you to everyone who made a contribution to the money line because you have helped make someone's life better.

Holy Week Prayer Service

Thank you to the Year 7 and 10 students who took us into Easter with a reflection on the events leading to the crucifixion, death and resurrection of Christ.



SetUp for Success

Our Early Learning program, **SetUp for Success** (simply known as *SetUp*) runs every Wednesday from 9:00am to 10:30am in the Kinder room.

Mrs Trudy Hoffman runs the program, which is a free Early Learning program for children aged 0-5 and their families.

We ask families not to attend SetUp if they or their children are ill.

Our SetUp for Success Facebook page is now up and running.

To receive posts from this page please use the following:

1. *log into our Facebook page (Star of the Sea Catholic College)*
2. *find a recent SetUp post*
3. *click on the icon and it will take you straight to the SetUp page*
4. *once there, like it and you will then receive all Setup posts*



Welcome

We welcome Imogen (Grade 4) and her family to Star of the Sea Catholic College. We hope they enjoy their time here.

Staff Movements

Mr Gary Goodall is on leave for the first two weeks of this term. Mrs Parish will take his classes.

Mr Gary Davis is on leave for this term. Mr Jarod Bailey will fill his role.

Mother's Day Stall and Prayer

Next Thursday 6th May our students will have the opportunity to purchase something for their mothers or special women in their lives at our Mother's Day Stall.

That afternoon we will have a Mother's Day prayer and afternoon tea with the Primary students. Mothers and "mother-figures" are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to the invitation.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN is back and will begin on Tuesday 11th May for students in Years 3, 5, 7, and 9. If you have any questions or concerns regarding NAPLAN, please contact Mrs Melissa McGillivray who is in charge of the process. More information about NAPLAN was sent home to families last term.

SetUp for Success

SetUp commences again tomorrow (Wednesday 28th April). Our Early Learning program for 0-5 year olds and their families runs every Wednesday morning in the Kinder room between 9am and 10:30am and is absolutely free.

Enrolments and Kinder Information Evening

We are now accepting enrolments for Kinder and Year 7, 2022. If you know of anyone who is interested in enrolling their child into Star of the Sea in 2022, please encourage them to pick up an enrolment package from the office.

Our Kinder 2022 Information Evening will be held on Tuesday 11th May at 7.00pm.

Anzac Day 2021

Thank you to the students and staff who attended the Anzac Day service.

Past student and winner of the RSL Bursary for 2020, Bronte Miller spoke at the Service during the day.



Term 1 - 2021 Awards

Application to Learning Awards

Kinder	Marli Leslie	Prep	Bronte Heppel
Grade 1	Macey Crick	Grade 2	Ashton Ratcliffe
Grade 3	Daniel McConnell	Grade 4	Karol Gerges
Grade 5	Leo Linley	Grade 6	Axle Sturzaker

Merit Awards

Grade 7	Matilda Clarke Jennifer Munroe Will Upston Austin Evans	Consistent Effort and Application Consistent Effort and Application Consistent Effort and Application Consistent Effort and Application
Grade 8	Giovanni Gandolfi Bella Phillips Ashley Byard Hayley Ford	Consistent Effort and Application Determined Effort in all areas Consistent Effort and Application Determined Effort in all areas
Grade 9	Lochie Wells Hayden Simmons Jessica Boyd Lily Upston	For improvement in attitude in all aspects of schooling Determined effort and application Determined effort and application Consistent Effort and Application
Grade 10	Azalea Lewis Jakira Pollock Ella Vanderzwan	Consistent Effort and Application Consistent Effort and Application Consistent Effort and Application

Swimming Champions

Year 4	Maverick Watson	Carlie Lowe
Year 5	Billy Power	Maddison Hyland
Year 6	Joshua Chapman	Shiloh Leslie
Year 7	Blake Miller	Erin Vanderzwan
Year 8	Nikiah Edwards	Robert Tame
Year 9	Lochie Wells	Brianna Taber
Year 10	Jack Watson	Ella Vanderzwan



Congratulations to the Easter Raffle winners.

Luis Lee
Jessie Anlezark
Jen Parish



Term 2 Calendar

Thursday 6th May - Mother's Day Stall; 1.30pm Mother's Day Prayer Service and Afternoon Tea

Tuesday 11th May - Kinder 2022 Information Evening @7.00pm; NAPLAN testing begins

Friday 14th May - National Walk to School Safety Day

Wednesday 19th May - 9/10 Winter Sport commences

Thursday 20th May - 7/8 Winter Sport commences

Friday 21st May - Star of the Sea Cross Country (Colour Run)

Tuesday 1st June - Inter High Cross Country

Thursday 3rd June - TPSSA Cross Country Carnival

Monday 7th June - Queen's Birthday public holiday

Tuesday 22nd June - School Photo Day

Friday 25th June - TPSSA Winter Sport Round 1

Friday 2nd July - End of Term Assembly; Term 2 ends for students

Sunday 4th - Saturday 11th July - NAIDOC Week

Compass

We've listened:
Changes to your Compass App are coming soon!

This term there will be some updates to your NewsFeed, let's take a look at what's new:

Sort by

We've redesigned your NewsFeed, making it simpler to navigate and easier to manage. You will now have the ability to sort your news by 'most important' or 'most recent', to ensure that you're up to date with all interesting and important school news!

Important news

Never worry about missing an important update again! To help you stay in the loop, all priority notifications will be highlighted and flagged as 'Important news'.

Save Posts

Our saved posts help you keep track of school communications. Using the bookmark icon, you will be able to create a customised shortlist of NewsFeed posts for when you need them.

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Mother's Day Stall

Mother's Day is fast approaching, and this year our Mother's Day stall will be held on **Thursday 6th May**.

The stall will provide an opportunity for our Kinder to Year 10 students to purchase gifts for their mothers, grandmothers and other important women in their lives. Items will range in price from 50c to \$5.

We would be grateful for any gifts you may be able to donate to the stall such as:

- Any suitable store bought items
- Handmade items
- Cellophane, gift bags, ribbon etc
- Cash which the Parents and Friends Group can use to purchase items for the stall
- Glass jars

Items can be donated at the office any time between now and the end of Term 1.

Thank you for your support.



Star of the Sea Catholic College Invites you to our Mother's Day Celebration and Afternoon Tea

*When: Thursday May 6th
What: Prayer Service in the Church
followed by Afternoon Tea
Time: 1.30pm*

RSVP Wednesday May 5th

There will be _____ adults attending the Mother's Day Celebration and Afternoon Tea.

Special Dietary requirements? _____