

Star of the Sea Catholic College

Newsletter

18th May 2021

From the Principal

We get up each morning and play our part and contribute to life's music.

When we watch a movie, we may notice the original music playing in the background at certain parts - the movie's score.

For some movie scores, when the orchestra gathers to play the music so it can be recorded and added to the movie, they don't actually know what they are about to play. The first time they see the music is on the day they play it. They just trust the composer and the conductor and go ahead and play the music which is on the sheets in front of them.

The story goes that when the orchestra first gathered to play the music for *Jurassic Park*, they had no idea what they were about to play. After they had played it for the first time they looked around at each other and knew it was something special.

Life can be a bit like this. We get up each morning and don't really know what the day will bring. We just go and play our part and contribute to life's music.

Sometimes the music of life can be happy and joyful, like when we celebrate certain occasions or good things come unexpectedly our way.

Sometimes the music of life can be sad, like when we experience sickness or death.

More often than not the music of life is somewhere in between, as we just go about our ordinary, everyday lives.

But whatever the case, we are contributing to life's music. We can contribute by playing our instruments well. We do this when we are caring, compassionate, hospitable and attentive to the needs of others. Or we can play our instruments poorly, like when we are mean, selfish or unwelcoming. It is up to us, but we know that when we play our own instruments well, and encourage others to do the same, life's music can be beautiful and special, no matter what life throws at us.

In the Star of the Sea Catholic community we need to encourage each other to play our instruments well. Nano Nagle played her instrument to the best of her ability and was able to create beautiful music for the poor and the marginalized. By following her example, we too can make life's music beautiful and special, not only for ourselves but for those around us.

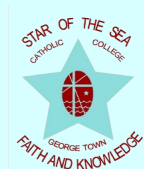
Mr Richard Chapman
Principal



Life is like a piano,
the white keys
represent happiness,
the black keys
represent sadness.
But as we go through
life's journey,
remember that the
black keys also
create music.

- Ehssan

*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

Pentecost

Heart
Spirituality
Attentiveness



Hospitality
Compassion

Pentecost is the culmination of the Easter season and the birthday of the early Church. The feast of Pentecost is 50 days after Easter and the word Pentecost literally means 50. After the death of Jesus on the cross, his resurrection and ascension into heaven, his first disciples were at a loss of what to do next. Before Jesus left them, he promised, "you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

The feast of Pentecost celebrates the day the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles. God knew that when Jesus descended into heaven the apostles would need more than the Gospels. So, he sent the Holy Spirit to be our helper and our strength. The Holy Spirit helps us to look at the needs of the people around us and to serve others. The Holy Spirit moves in our world with great power and presence transforming hearts and minds to reach out to others with compassion, justice and love.

Whenever we experience or share the fruits of the Holy Spirit, we experience the spark of God in our lives.

What are some ways we recognise the Spirit of God in ourselves and each other?

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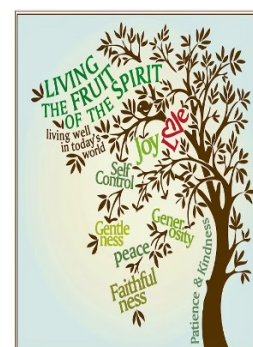
A person of the Spirit is compassionate and understanding.

A person of the Spirit puts others' needs first.

A person of the Spirit is generous in thought, word and deed.

A person of the Spirit tries to live out the message of the Gospel.

May the Spirit of God be ever present in your life.



Stars of the Week - 13th May 2021

Kinder	Elijah Bromley	For his great counting skills.
Prep/1	Lindsie Barrett	For the huge improvement she has made with her reading and spelling.
Grade 1/2	Hunaisha Ahmed	For her neat and careful handwriting.
Grade 3/4	Daniel McConnell	For demonstrated ability and focus with maths.
Grade 5/6A	Jessie Anlezark	For working hard across all subject areas.
Grade 5/6B	Joshua Chapman	For a consistently dedicated attitude to improving his learning across all learning areas.

Term 2 Calendar

Tuesday 18th 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

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*



Check In Tas App

From now on we will be only signing parents, carers and visitors into school events (like assemblies and meetings) using the Check In Tas app. If you haven't already got it we would encourage you to download it onto your phone. For those who don't own a phone we will be providing an opportunity to check in using the app from an iPad.

COVID-19 Restrictions

We thank all of our families for the way they have followed the COVID-19 restrictions that have been placed upon schools. Every few weeks we will put a reminder of these restrictions in our newsletter, assuming there are no significant changes. Here are this week's:

- Students should not come to school if sick (especially with cold or flu symptoms), and parents and carers are also asked not to come on to the property if sick.
- If waiting for your child outside the buildings or dropping off your children, please maintain social distance from others. Only stay as long as you need to in classrooms.
- If attending Primary assembly, please sign in and use hand sanitizer. We will space the chairs out.
- Should you wish to contact your child's teacher but are reluctant to come into the school, you can contact them through phone or email.
- If you have any questions, please contact the College office.

2022 Enrolments

We are now accepting enrolments for Kinder and Year 7 for 2022. If you would like your child to attend Star of the Sea in 2022, or know of someone who would like their child to attend, enrolment forms are available at our office and through our website (www.starsea.tas.edu.au).

NAPLAN

Most of our NAPLAN tests have now been completed and this week we will be holding catch-up tests for absent students. We thank our Grade 3, 5, 7 and 9s for their "no fuss" approach to NAPLAN this year.

Flu Immunisations

A number of our staff received flu immunisations last week at the school as a preventative measure. We thank Dr Mooney and the George Town Medical Centre for coming along and allowing it to happen.

Uniforms

It's great to see some of the staff and students wearing the new school jackets which arrived last week. We have had a couple of very chilly mornings over the past couple of weeks so it's great that we now have a warm option for the students. A reminder that students need to make sure they are wearing the correct uniform on the correct days. Normal Winter uniform on regular days and PE uniform on PE days. If students are out of uniform for a particular reason they must bring a signed note from home. Secondary students will receive detentions if they are out of uniform without a note.

NHSSA Wednesday & Thursday Sport Roster for this week.

Wednesday: Netball @ Kings Meadows - Hockey @ St Leonards - Soccer NTCA grounds

Thursday: Soccer & Netball @ Kings Meadows - no Hockey this week, training at school.

Breakfast Club

The breakfast club has started back up and is running on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30am. It's great to see some of our students coming over in the morning to enjoy a warm cup of milo and a piece of toast. A big thanks to the parent helpers who have been joining us in the morning and also those that have put their hand up to help out. If you are interested in helping on any of the days please contact the office. Damien Taylor, our Deputy Principal, will make contact with you to discuss your availability. Please be mindful that you will need a current WWVP card to volunteer.

National Walk Safely to School Day

Last Friday we celebrated National Walk Safely to School day by meeting at the Pirate Park on the Esplanade, enjoying a cooked breakfast and walking together along the waterfront to school. There was a great turn out and over 30 students from all grade levels enjoyed the morning sunshine while walking safely to school. Thanks to all of the students and the families that joined us for the event. A big thanks to the parents and staff who helped make the busy morning run so smoothly.



Nagle House Captain

We congratulate Amber Webb who has taken on the role of Nagle House Captain from the beginning of this term. We know she will contribute well to the Year 10 Leadership group.

MUNA

Last Saturday Jakira and Ella had the opportunity to participate in 'The Model United Nations Assembly', which was run by the Rotary Club in Deloraine. For almost an entire term we have been studying the nation of Japan. We examined their views on certain issues such as climate change, blood diamonds and the current situation in Myanmar. We had to research Japan's allies and enemies so that we could effectively debate the issues raised by the Resolutions.

We were introduced to 11 other schools representing other nations of the world who were all dressed up in their countries' national dress.

Then we got into the debates and discussed complicated issues such as politics and world issues while staying in character. Speaking was a challenge - but it was fun. We didn't win, but it was an amazing opportunity to learn about researching and debating world issues. It was a great way to learn how the United Nations works.

Ella Vanderzwan and Jakira Pollock



Shout Out Term 2, Week 3, 2021

Mia Symes	Clever pattern work
Bronte Heppel	Excellent handwriting
Charlotte Judd	Great counting of numbers
William Singline	Great counting of numbers
Tommy Smith	Sharing very thoughtful prayers
Victor Hugo	Amazing puzzle solving skills
Chase Davis	Excellent story writing
Luis Lee	Great counting of numbers
Macey Crick	An excellent attitude towards her work.
Bienvinido Bennett	Clever pattern work
Indiana Cartwright	Staying behind to help clean after everyone
Enoch Daire	Great work with numbers
Jaxon Hillard	Trying hard to improve his cutting skills
Leo Batte	Cleaning our class
Mia Baker	Doing great job!
Brooke Ballie	Excellent handwriting
Mia Baker	Being a clever writer
Hunaisha Ahmed	Cleaning up
Macey Crick	Excellent spelling
Chad Jenkins	Clever pattern making
Shiloh Leslie	Working to produce an excellent piece of art work
Dyson Bromley	Excellent story writing
Maddi Sturzaker	Being a great listener at mat time
Ashton Radcliffe	Excellent spelling
Yueni Tan	Excellent drawing and writing on her "I am good at job"
Carter Upston	Working hard to finish his activities
Amelie Olivera	Taking care of her friends to keep them safe
Lucas Vincent	Letting his teachers know when someone isn't being safe
Maddison Hyland	Helping a younger student
Indiana Cartwright	Helping a younger student
Darcie Power	Excellent handwriting
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William Singline	Being a fantastic restorer
Zoe Gillies	Excellent HASS work
Tommy Smith	Excellent understanding of place value in numbers
Archie Parker	Being an excellent messenger
Hunaisha Ahmed	Excellent Handwriting

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Mia Barker	For being brave
Hunaisha Ahmed	Excellent Spelling
Maliah Cunningham	Counting her numbers in correct order
Demitrius Quilty-Maguire	Being an excellent messenger
Malakai Hyland	Neat tracing of his numbers
Chantz Brown	Being an excellent messenger
Chase Davis	Excellent reading
Evie Evans	Great story writing
Luis Lee	Cleaning up our classroom
Tommy Smith	Quick and clever ordering of numbers
Wyatt Parkes	Great counting of numbers
Stephen Gerges	Excellent reading
Bronte Heppel	Excellent reading
Yueni Tan	Excellent reading
Brooke Baillie	Excellent number work
Mia Barker	Excellent reading
Chase Davis	Excellent independent writing
Darcie Power	Great writing
Malakai Hyland	Great drawings - lots of detail
Lachlan Smith	Great counting work
Stephen Gerges	Great drawings on a health activity

This weeks winners are:

Primary: Jackson Summers for great packing up. - Lunch with Mr Taylor
Carter Upston for working hard to finish his activities. - \$5 Newsagent voucher

Secondary:
Luke Chapman and Stella Hall. - Both chose the \$10 canteen voucher.

WELL DONE !



PBS Focus is:
**We are safe when
crossing the road by
looking for traffic and
always walking.**

