

# Star of the Sea Catholic College Newsletter

Wednesday 8th April 2026

## From the Principal

As we move forward from the joy of Easter Sunday we are reminded to also leave behind our old selves, to move on from past mistakes and sinful behaviour. We are called to embrace the love and teaching of Jesus, which has the capacity to transform our lives.

Easter celebrates resurrection and renewal. Is there something in your life you can renew or resurrect?

The story of Jesus emphasises hope even after suffering. Is there space for renewed hope in your life that can carry you forward?

The Easter story is about sacrifice and love. When can you make sacrifices in your life in order to put others first? Where can you show more compassion, patience, or generosity in your daily life to demonstrate your love for others?

Doing these things helps to deepen our faith, bringing us closer to God.

Carmen Robotham  
Acting Principal

<b>Wednesday 15th April</b>	<b>End of Term assembly in the Church 10am</b>
<b>Thursday 16th April</b>	<b>TPSSA Athletics Carnival</b>  <b>Last day of Term 1 for students</b> End of Term Assembly 10:00am
<b>Saturday 25th April</b>	ANZAC Day
<b>Monday 4th May</b>	<b>First day of Term 2 for students</b>

## Term 1 Primary Assembly Roster

The following classes will be leading assemblies over the coming weeks:

**Please note that this roster may change**

<b>WEEK 10</b>	Thursday 9th April	Mrs Robotham and G 6 Leaders	12.10pm
<b>WEEK 11</b>	Thursday 16th April	Mrs Robtham and G 6 Leaders	12.10pm



*Attentiveness,  
Hospitality  
and  
Compassion.*

Easter reminds us that even after pain, loss or uncertainty, hope can still rise, and find a place in our heart again. - *Purely Prayers*

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

## Reflection for Easter

Why do we have Easter Eggs at Easter time?

Eggs symbolise new life which is also a message of Easter as we think about Christ emerging from the tomb. Giving eggs to others forms part of celebrations around Easter, but they also have religious roots as they are a reminder of all that Christ has given to us. Easter eggs are a reminder of Jesus' resurrection.

In times past, people painted or decorated eggs to give as gifts, as a reminder of the gift of Easter.

## Prayer

Lord Jesus,

As the joy of Easter settles into the reality of everyday life,  
Help us to recognise You in the ordinary.

Turn our sorrow into dancing, and our fear into Mission.

Let us be instruments of Your resurrection and hope.

*Amen*

## Mother's Day

**Mother's Day is fast approaching.**

**We will be having our Mothers Day Stall in the first week of Term 2.**

**We would really appreciate your donations of appropriate gifts for mums.**

**Any donations can be left at the front office.**

**Thank You for your generosity.**



## Anzac Day

This year ANZAC Day falls in the Term One holidays. Students from Star of the Sea are invited to participate in the ANZAC Day events that the school will be involved in on Saturday April 25th. More information will be shared next week and via Compass. Please provide consent for students to participate via the Compass app.



**ANZAC Day  
April 25**

### *Staff Movements*

**Mrs Romein** returns this week after a period of leave.

**Mrs Harmer** will be on LSL for the final week of the term.

### *Student Free Day and End of Term*

Term One ends for students on Thursday April 16th. Friday April 17th will be a Student Free Day.

### *Hot Lunches*

Hot lunches for this week are:

**Wednesday** - Grades 3 to 6

**Thursday** - Prep to Grade 2

(Due to the Easter Break which begins on Good Friday)

### *Project Compassion Fundraising and Events*

Thank you to everyone who has supported events and fundraising for Project Compassion. The Project Compassion boxes, the Giant Easter Egg Raffle and the Walk for Water event raised a combined total of **\$2284.50**

### *Easter Egg Raffle*

The Giant Easter Egg Raffle was drawn on Thursday April 2nd at the end of the Easter Prayer service. Thank you to everyone who made donations toward the raffle. Congratulations to the winners:

1st Prize Fiona Harmer

2nd Prize Lucas Davis

3rd Prize Ruby Clarke

### *SetUp for Success*

Our early learning program, SetUp, is back in 2026 and is on every Thursday during term time between 9:00am and 10:30am in the Kinder room and is for children from birth to 5 years of age.

It is completely free and all are welcome. Mrs Ros Ashenden will run SetUp during Term 1.



### *Primary Basketball Tournament*

This weekend our Grade 3/4 students will participate in the Primary Basketball Tournament, thank you to Mrs Freeman for all of your work in preparing our students for this competition and giving them the opportunity to participate. We wish all students the best of luck for your matches this weekend.

#### **Game schedule 3/4 GIRLS:**

##### **Saturday:**

10:40am, at Elphin Sports Centre on court 2

3:40pm, at Launceston College, court 2

##### **Sunday:**

9:40am, at Elphin Sports Centre, court 4

1pm at Elphin Sports Centre, court 4

#### **Game schedule 3/4 BOYS**

##### **Saturday:**

10:40am, at St Pats College, court 2

2pm, at St Pats College, court 1

##### **Sunday:**

10:30am, at Launceston College, court 1

1pm, Launceston College, court 1

Here at Star of the Sea Catholic College, we promote the wellbeing of our students through ensuring that they are safe at all times, not just physically while at school, but also through the use of the internet as we continue to live in a flourishing digital age. Students have a continuous focus on eSafety through their Digital Technology lessons and their knowledge is also applied during many classes through using the internet for research-based learning. The Alannah and Madeline Foundation has a number of programs that focus on care, prevention and advocacy to ensure that we empower children and young people to be positive digital citizens of the future.

Mrs Natasha Nesbit  
Acting Deputy Principal



**eSafety Week 2026**  
**Be Connected. Be eSmart.**

**Led by the Alannah & Madeline Foundation**

**Why It Matters**

As a Catholic school, we promote respect, kindness and dignity for all—online and offline.

**Students Will Learn To:**

- Communicate with kindness
  - Stay safe online
- Make responsible choices
- Build positive digital relationships

**At Home**

- Talk about online experiences
  - Encourage kindness
- Set healthy screen time boundaries

**Our Message**

Be safe. Be respectful. Be a positive digital citizen.

More information can be found here: <https://www.alannahandmadeline.org.au/>

### *Easter Bunny Visit*

Last Thursday we had a visit from the Easter Bunny. Students in the Primary classes discovered the Easter Bunny had snuck into classes sometime during the morning to leave behind some Easter eggs. After lunch everyone went hunting for Easter eggs in the Secondary yard. Thank you to the Easter Bunny who was very busy and a little bit sneaky during the day. He even found time to leave something for our staff.

