



News from the Heart

Together we Grow & Rejoice

Thursday, 16th August 2018



STAGE 2—Faith Page



Genesis 1-2

God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Stage Two is currently learning about how we must care for God's wondrous creation. This Scripture passage informs us that God has entrusted us with all of his creation. We are responsible for all that he has created, including each other. We must always remember that we have been given these great gifts, but most importantly, the gift of responsibility over all that has been created for us.

Reflection

The middle of the year is an important time for Stage Two to reflect on the changes they have made in their homes and at school that have had a positive impact on our environment. In order to inform others to do the same, Stage Two created these posters to influence others to make these changes, even with the smallest of actions. Here are some of the posters Stage Two have created using the Screen printing art technique.



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Feast of The Assumption of Our Lady

On Wednesday 15th August we celebrated the Feast of the Assumption of Mary with the Year 6 students attending Mass at the Morley Centre, joining the rest of the Westmead Catholic Community. A special thank you to the McAuley Community for generosity offering to pick up our Year 6 students by bus so that we could participate in the mass. We also held a Liturgy of Word at school which was prepared by our Stage 2 teachers and students. We remembered in a special way the Blessed Virgin Mary, and we celebrated the belief that the body and soul of Mary was taken into heaven after the end of her earthly life. Mary's assumption into heaven is seen by many as a fulfillment of Jesus' promise to all faithful servants; that they too will be received into the kingdom of God.

Voice of Youth Competition

The Year 6 students participated in the Voice of Youth Public Speaking Competition. All students selected a topic that they were passionate about, researched the topic and presented interesting speeches to a Stage 3 audience. 2 students were then selected to move to the Parramatta Cluster Finals and represent Sacred Heart, Westmead.

Congratulations to **Tayla Ishac** and **Sharanya Kugan** who were selected from amongst their peers and participated in the Cluster Final yesterday. Tayla's speech focused on the topic, "Should NAPLAN be Banned" (and I certainly was convinced that it should be banned after hearing her speak). Sharanya's topic was titled "Poverty" (and she managed to tug on our heart strings). Both girls delivered their speeches with such confidence, great intonation, and were very compelling to watch – well done !

One student from each cluster is selected to move through to the Easter Division Finals and represent the Parramatta Cluster and we congratulate **Sharanya Kugan** on being selected, Sharanya was awarded First Place !!! What a great achievement and we wish you the best of luck for the next level of the competition.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**20th-24th August

Book Week

Monday 20th August

Spoken Word Rehearsal (Yr 6)

Tuesday 21st August

Captive showcase Performance

7:00pm

Wednesday 22nd August

Captive showcase Performance

7:00pm

Book Week Dress up and Parade

2:00pm

Thursday 23rd August

Diocesan Athletics Carnival

Raffle for Spell-a-Thon & Skip A Thon

(Please have all donations returned)

Friday 24th August

Kindergarten Excursion

Calmsley Hill Farm

Stage 2 –Assembly

2:30pm

Spell-a-thon and Skip-a-thon

The spell-a-thon and Skip-a-thon finals took place today and the children should now be able to share their achievements with those who have sponsored them and receive their pledge.

Once all sponsorship money has been collected, it is placed in an envelope and returned to school. Children who have collected more than \$50 in sponsorship will be placed in a draw to win a great bonus prize. Please send all money back to school by **Thursday 23rd August, 2018** when we will draw the final raffle. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity. Our aim is to purchase 8 new ipads for classroom use with the money that we raise.

Father's Day Gift Wrapping - Tomorrow

If you are free at 9am on Friday 17th August, please make your way to the staffroom and help with gift wrapping the gifts for the Father's Day stall.

**Father's Day Mass**

All families are invited to send through a picture of their dads for the Father's Day Mass no later than **3:00 pm on Monday 27th August**. This will be used in the Father's Day Mass celebrated on Friday 31st August. Please forward the picture to **Mrs Clogher** via email, tclogher@parra.catholic.edu.au

Principal and AP Challenge 9

Write a description about your favourite book character in the form of poetry. Use poetic devices such as synonyms, metaphors, alliteration etc.

Answer to Principal and AP Challenge 8

Congratulations to **Daniel Czarnota** for winning the Suduko Challenge, the correct answer has been shared below. Unfortunately we had no child complete the Infants Challenge.

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8	2	9	7	1	5	3	6	4
3	5	1	6	4	9	7	8	2
1	9	2	5	7	8	4	3	6
6	3	5	9	2	4	8	1	7
4	7	8	1	6	3	9	2	5

Term 3 Parent Forum - Numeracy

The parent forum took place on Monday 13th August, 2018 and highlighted how Numeracy has changed over time. Parents explored warm-ups, a variety of rich-tasks and the working mathematically strand of the syllabus. We had a teacher from each Stage present to walk parents through a Stage specific task and the strategies that they expect the students to be using. Thank you to all the teachers who gave up their time to support parent learning. Many thanks to the parents who were able to attend and gain a deeper insight into the teaching of Mathematics.

Mrs Kingsley shared the following information on the Working Mathematically strand, which is often the area that many of our students struggle with:

Understanding

K-2 students make connections between related concepts and apply what they know to new ideas.

3-6 students move onto understanding the 'why' and 'how' of mathematics. Students connect ideas.

Fluency

K-2 students become fluent in choosing the appropriate procedures. They begin to recognise robust ways of answering questions.

3-6 students develop fluency in calculating answering efficiently, and choose appropriate methods

Problem Solving

K-2 students solve problems when they use mathematics to represent unfamiliar or meaningful situations and plan their approach.

3-6 students solve problems when they use mathematics to represent unfamiliar or meaningful situations and plan their approaches.

Reasoning

K-2 students are reasoning their thoughts when they are explaining the mathematics involved.

3-6 students increase their capacity for logical thinking and are evaluating, explaining and generalising. They adapt the known to the unknown and transfer learning from one concept to another and explain their choices.

Below is a link to further information about Mathematical Reasoning:

<https://syllabus.nesa.nsw.edu.au/mathematics/mathematics-k10/working-mathematically-and-content-strands/>



Lifted Junior Concert

Last week the students that participated in the Faith in Action Team attended the Lifted Live Junior Concert at Rooty Hill RSL. This experience was presented by the Diocese of Parramatta and Catholic Youth Parramatta. The students experienced a unique and dynamic, faith-based event that aims to draw upon and mirror the most positive ingredients of contemporary, popular culture that young people are currently living in. LIFTED Live gave our very lucky students a concert by the accomplished Genevieve Bryant and a theatrical experience with presenters from the Catholic Youth Parramatta team. Everyone had a fun day and felt very uplifted after experiencing this first hand.



Cumberland Zone Athletics Carnival

Last Tuesday the athletics team represented Sacred Heart at the Cumberland Zone athletics carnival. It was a cold and windy day but this did not deter our competitors! Congratulations to all of the Sacred Heart Primary School representatives competing in several different events. A huge congratulations to Annie Burns and Noah Golds for achieving outstanding results in the 800 metre final event and to Val Nanales for his achievement in long jump. These students are going through to represent our school at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival.



Year 6 Snapshot



Name: Crystal Semaan

Favourite memory of school	My favourite memory of school is when I made it through the talent dance quest and when I had to create a group dance. Another memory is our 2017 Touch Football Gala Day.
Contributions I have made to the school community	Volunteering my time in an activity at the fete to raise money for the school. Another contribution is helping organise the 2017 graduation for the yr 6 leaders.
One way I think I can make a difference in the world	Convince other people to follow Jesus' footsteps and become better than who you are right now. Another thing is that waking up and smiling every day makes a difference as we need to appreciate what we have and the world we live in.
My ambition for the future	My ambition for the future is to either become an actor or a doctor because I have liked to always help others and to go in more with my career/career's.
Words to live by: My Motto	Faith, Love, Hope and Peace
What makes Sacred Heart Primary School unique?	Sacred Heart is very unique because the students are very educated and help others when they need help with their learning. They always seem to have kind and loving teachers who would do anything for us. They teach us to step up and become a better person and a better learner.



Class Merit Awards

Term 2—Assembly 1, Friday 10th August 2018

Kindergarten

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Zoe Fernandes	Identifying what a plant need to grow!

Year One

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Alexander Elkhoury	Maintaining his focus during Numeracy tasks. Keep it up!

Year Two

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Jakob Abousleiman	Demonstrating "Grit" when completing a difficult task in Maths.

Year Three

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Izabel Maroon	Her reflective and thoughtful contributions to Year 3 'grand conversations'.

Year Four

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Abigail Abouchrouche	Planning, drafting and creating a screen print artwork about our impact on the environment.

Year Five

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Dylan Price	His wondering questions about the Mars Curiosity Rover during Shared Reading.

Year Six

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Elias Azzi	An informative Voice of Youth speech on pollution.

Honour Awards

Term 2—Assembly 1, Friday 10th August 2018

Kindergarten

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Angelina Saide	Displaying grit and having a go! Well done!

Year One

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Patrick Nader	Displaying hospitality by always being kind to others.

Year Two

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Angelee Dahdah	Showing kindness to her peers.

Year Three

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Azrin Bejoy	Displaying the Mercy value of “dignity” by listening to the opinions of others.

Year Four

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Antonia Boutros	Consistently displaying compassion at Sacred Heart Primary School.

Year Five

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Natalie Doumit	Her acts of stewardship in helping keep our class tidy.

Year Six

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Isabella Nouh	Stepping in and showing justice when a stranger was not being treated fairly and equally.

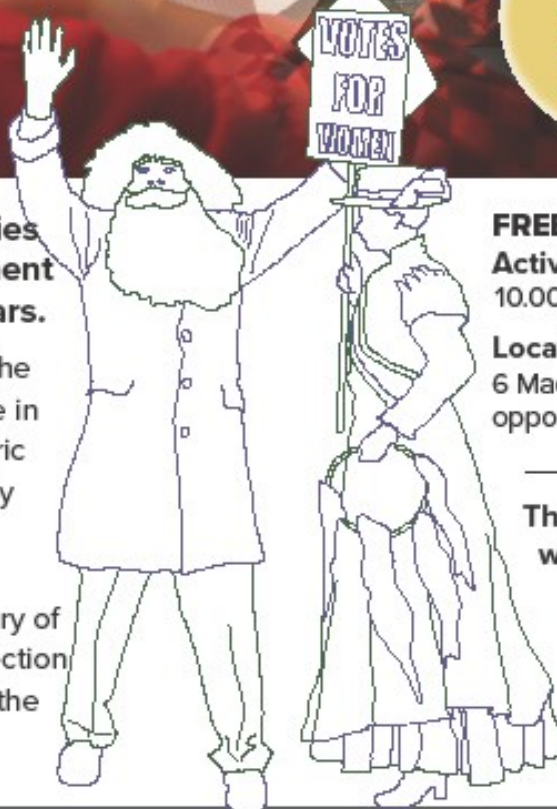
Principal's Awards

<u>Student</u>	<u>Description of Award</u>
Joseph Khattar	His enthusiasm when guiding the Kindergarten students through the Art Gallery.
Matteo Dimla	Sequencing his story independently "I Went Walking" during Literacy.
Ethan Price	Using the word wall and improving his writing.
Angelina Saide	Counting backwards and working collaboratively during Numeracy.
Lara Tyler	Embodying the words of Mary MacKillop.
Tayla Elcham	Embodying the words of Mary MacKillop.
Joseph Baini	Embodying the words of Mary MacKillop.
Imogen Burns	Embodying the words of Mary MacKillop.



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