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REGULAR PROGRAM DATES:

Learning Treasures – Term 4
9.00am - 10.30am every Monday from
Monday 12th October - Monday 7th December

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Term Dates 2015

Term Four - Monday 12th October - Wednesday 16th December

2016

Term One - Thursday 4th February - Friday 8th April

Banking Details:
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REFERENCE: Your Name
A word from the Principal...

Last Sunday was the commencement of the liturgical season, Advent. At school on Monday, Mr McMahon and our Year Six students lead us in our first Advent liturgy for 2015. At these liturgies, daily prayer and at Mass on Sundays, we often centre our attention on the coming of Christ.

The coming of Christ, is not just reflecting his historical coming, which we commemorate at Christmas time. Rather, and most especially, it's his final coming, which will take place at the end of time.

When you think deeply about this matter, that's what Advent is all about. It's a time of mental rehearsal. It's a time of preparation. It's a time for taking inventory. It's a time for asking ourselves: “How prepared are we to meet Jesus right now? Where is Jesus’ spirit in our daily lives?”

On a very sad note, on behalf of the school community I would like to pass on our sincere condolences to Miss Nicki Pitt, our Assistant Principal, after her mother’s passing on Saturday. Mrs Robyn Pitt was a staff member at St Joseph’s, Queenstown and St Brigid’s, Wynyard. Robyn’s spirit, generosity, service and love for others will be remembered for a long time by not only her family, but also these communities. I would like to thank everyone for the support they have shown Nicki and her family this week. We also extend our thoughts and prayers to our friends at St Brigid’s during this time.

Mr Gregg Sharman
Principal

This Week’s News....

Graduation Dinner
Our Year Six Graduation Dinner is being held on Monday 14th December. RSVP’s are now overdue. If you are attending please let the office know.
Sports Dinner
On Wednesday, 9th December, we are holding a sports dinner. This is an opportunity for us to recognise all of those students who have participated in school sports throughout this year. RSVP to either the office with payment would be appreciated or by email to melissa.thorp@catholic.tas.edu.au. Cost for the sports dinner is $10.00 per person.

Reports
Parent opportunity on Thursday 10th - 10 minute meetings. Please see your child’s class teacher to make an appointment

Prep - Year Six Orientation Session
We will be holding an Orientation session for our Prep to Year Six students on Thursday 10th. This is an opportunity for students to meet with their 2016 Class Teacher (where one has been appointed). This session will run from 11.30am - 1.00pm.

Whole School End of Year Mass
On Thursday 10th December at 9.00am we will be holding our Whole School End Of Year Mass. All family, friends and parishioners are warmly invited to join us for this celebration.

Christmas Concert
On Friday, 11th December students will be presenting the ‘Nativity Story’ on the bottom oval commencing at 6.30pm. This special story will be narrated and performed by the students with their class concert items featured throughout the play. This is a significant event in the school calendar so we hope everyone is able to attend. If you would like to donate any costumes or props to the play, they can be left at the office for Mr Hart anytime before 9th December.

Concert Attire - Students are required to wear the following for the school concert: Black/dark bottoms with a red, white or green t-shirt. Please organise this attire for rehearsals which will be held next week.

If there is inclement weather the concert will be held on Tuesday, 15th.

Graduation Mass
On Sunday, 13th December, we will be holding our annual Graduation Mass at the church from 10.30am. All families are invited to join us as we present our Year Six end of year awards, along with our Chanel and MacKillop Awards (Prep - Year Five) for 2015. This is also a fantastic way to celebrate our year six students final days in primary school.

Year Six
Mr Mark Kingston will be teaching the Year Six class on Wednesday the 4th of December until Friday the 6th of December. Ms McHarg’s will be absent due to a family matter. Thank you to Ms McHarg for ensuring students continue with their regular program.
Utility Officer
We are very pleased to announce that Mr David Plaza has been successful with his application for the Utility Officer position vacant. David will commence in February 2016.

Thanks
Special thanks to Mr Matthew Sheehan, Mr Jason Williams, Mr Ian Leale and Mr Allan Lord for their ongoing contributions to the development of our school grounds. I know these gentlemen have been very generous with their time and resources, helping us to progress with the installation of new play zones in our school.

Soccer Grand Final
Well done to our soccer team for making the Grand Final last Wednesday. Unfortunately the team went down, 0-1, after going into extra time to the "All-stars". Congratulations to our students for the way they played and their sportsmanship throughout. Well done to staff, Mrs Cartledge and Kurt Everett for their work, as well as parent helpers and volunteers or making soccer a success in our community.

St Peter Chanel's Got Talent
Over the next few days students will be participating in auditions for SPC’s Got Talent. The final showcase for this will be Wednesday 9th, from 12.00pm.

Table Tennis
Table Tennis has now concluded for the term. This will not be held tomorrow afternoon. We would like to thank everyone for trying out this new school sport and thank Mr Kurt Everett for his coordination.
School Canteen News!

Menu

**Chicken Wraps** - Lettuce, Cheese & Chicken Strips $5.00
- with BBQ, Tomato or Sweet Chilli Sauce (sour cream 0.50c extra)

**Hot Potato** with Cheese & Bacon $4.00
- Chicken & Cheese $4.00 (sour cream 0.50c extra)

**Toasted Sandwich** with Ham & Cheese - $3.00
- Chicken & Cheese $3.00
  - Cheese $2.50
- **Pineapple and Tomato $0.50 extra**
  - Chicken Nuggets $0.80 each
  - Chicken Burger - Plain $4.50
  - With salad $5.00

**Pizza** - Cheese & Bacon $2.70
- Ham Cheese & Pineapple $2.70
  - Pizza Fingers - $0.80
  - Party Pies $1.30
  - Sausage Rolls $1.80
  - Savoury Toast $3.00
  - Pinwheels $0.50
  - Meat Pie $3.00

Chocolate Milk - $2.00
Strawberry Milk - $2.00
Milo (hot or cold) - $1.00
Apple & Blackcurrant Juice - $2.50
  - Orange Juice - $2.50
  - Water $2.00

Icy Poles - $1.00
Frozen Yoghurt - $2.50
Popcorn $1.00
Fruit $0.70

Fresh Fruit Cup $1.00 or with a dollop of yoghurt $1.20

**Specials**

*Recess Only* - Pizza Muffins with Ham and Cheese or Ham Cheese & Pineapple $1.50 ea
- Nachos $5.00, Sour Cream & Sweet Chilli Sauce $0.50 each extra.

*Please note: These items are available to order at recess time but please specify if wanted for recess otherwise all orders will be assumed for lunch. No other items from the canteen menu will be available on this day.*

*A reminder that special lunch orders are due back this Friday 4th December*
Learning Treasures Christmas Party

You are invited to join us for morning tea at the Esplanade playground on Monday 7th November, from 9:00-10:30 to celebrate a fantastic year of learning.

Please bring a plate of food to share. We look forward to seeing you there 😊 If it is raining it will be held back at SPC.

Jo Cartledge
Adele Murphy

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Student Bus Fares 2016

The standard student bus fare in 2016 will be $1.60.

Fare paying students can access discounted fares by purchasing a ten ride ticket* or via an electronic ticketing system** on eligible services.

Students who are eligible for free travel can apply for, or renew, their expired Student Bus Pass at www.transport.tas.gov.au

*maximum ten-ride ticket cost will be $12.80.
**maximum individual fare on electronic ticketing systems is $1.28.
Please support our Year Four and Five students by allowing your child to make a purchase from our great Christmas stall.

**DATE:** Thursday 3rd December

**WHERE:** Grade 4/5 classrooms

**WHAT:** Gift-wrapped food items such as truffles, slices, fudge and cupcakes, as well as various Christmas crafts donated by parents. Prices: Most items under $5.00
What is Snapchat?
Snapchat is an application which is free to download on iOS and Android devices that allows users to send images ('snaps') to each other. Operating the app requires use of the device's data plan or wireless internet connection. Images can be drawn on using a whiteboard-style tool and can be given a caption. Images can be sent to other users for up to 10 seconds before they 'disappear'.

What is the age restriction for Snapchat?
Snapchat is restricted to users over the age of 13. If children under the age of 13 sign up for an account they are given access to ‘SnapKidz’ which is a limited version of Snapchat that doesn’t allow images to be sent to other devices.

How are kids using Snapchat?
Snapchat is used by many young people to keep up with their friends and to send photos to each other. Snapchat can however be used for inappropriate purposes and it is important to sit down with your child and explain to them that it is not okay to share images that are rude, offensive or sexualised.

Should I be worried if my child is using Snapchat?
Any application when used incorrectly has the potential to cause harm. It is important that you openly communicate with your child about how they may be using an application and the legal and ethical ramifications of inappropriate use. They also need to be aware the dangers of communicating with people they don’t know via any mobile application.

Does an image really delete on Snapchat?
There are many ways an image can be saved, even on Snapchat. iOS and Android devices have a feature which allow the device to take a photo of what is on the screen ('screencapture'). Snapchat notifies the sender if an image they have sent has been captured, however you are not always notified. There are also many other ways images can be saved without the sender being notified so it is important to encourage children to think before they post.

What are the privacy settings on Snapchat?
Snapchat has very limited privacy settings and it is important to monitor your child's usage of the application. One privacy setting that is available is the ability to restrict who can send your child's snaps. This can be enabled by going into the Settings menu, select Who can send me snaps... then select My Friends. This will ensure that only users on your child's contact list can send images.

Is Snapchat a ‘safe sexting’ application?
It is important to know that there is no such thing as ‘safe sexting’ and Snapchat is no exception. Young people need to be aware that as soon as they send an image they have lost control over where it ends up. Sending sexually explicit images of someone under the age of 18, with or without their permission, could be an offence under State and Commonwealth legislation.

What are the potential problems with Snapchat?
Sharing images that are rude, offensive or sexualised can see young people in breach of State and Commonwealth legislation that carry serious legal consequences. Ethically, young people need to be aware of the impact that their online behaviour has on others as well as their own reputation.

Sexting is commonly defined as the sharing of sexualised or naked images via the internet or mobile phone, this includes mobile applications like Snapchat. Children need to realise that as soon as that image is sent they have lost control of it. Quite often we see images uploaded to the internet, including on various social networking sites, that have been shared between two people privately. Taking, sending and saving these sorts of images can also constitute child pornography offences and can have long term legal ramifications on a child’s future.

If these images become public, the child in the image can, and often is, subject to bullying and cyberbullying. This may happen face-to-face at school or even online with people posting and sharing the image. It is extremely important that parents and carers are aware of the issues associated with various apps and websites so that they can openly communicate with their child about safe and responsible usage.

How do I delete my child’s Snapchat account?
If after talking with your child about the ethical use of Snapchat and your family's rules around technology, you may think it's appropriate to delete the Snapchat account. To delete a Snapchat account you can go to www.snapchat.com/a/delete_account and enter your child’s account username and password. If you do not have your child's password you can put a deletion request into Snapchat.

Open and supportive discussions around technology usage are vital in ensuring your child understands their responsibilities when using technology. Simply removing the technology is not the best response as it could potentially drive your child's usage underground where there are few opportunities for you to support them.

For more information visit www.thinkuknow.org.au