

Term 3 Week 5, 11 August 2021

Sacred Heart Pymble



Upcoming Events

August 20

Staff Development Day

23 – 27 August

Book Week

23 – 3 September

Book Week

PRINCIPAL

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Thank you for your support and assistance with navigating our new Home-Based Learning (HBL) experiences. It has been suggested that there is high likelihood that HBL will continue for the rest of the term.

Last week we urged you to contribute to an online survey to assist us with responding to HBL challenges. The survey closes this Thursday, and we appreciate that so many parents are taking time to complete the survey and give us feedback. We are always looking to improve. Link: <https://forms.gle/suCnwLk3YsTkXmYb6>

This week our Catholic High Schools in Broken Bay have taken a Staff Development Day to plan for the remainder of the term. Our Director has advised that our Primary Schools should also plan a **Staff Development Day/Pupil Free Day** to Plan and Review our HBL. SHP has decided to proceed with that Planning and Review Staff Development Day on **Friday 20 August**. We are keen to use our survey to carefully review feedback from our parent community. **No HBL or activities** will be offered for students on Friday 20 August. **Teachers will not be onsite** and will be involved in the Staff Development Day via zoom. If you are an essential worker and require supervision for your child on that day, please contact our school office by Monday August 16.



PRINCIPAL

FEE SUPPORT

I am keen to ensure that everyone is aware of information on our website with a message from Catholic Schools Broken Bay.

We are mindful of the impact the COVID Pandemic and the current Stay at Home Orders are having on some families and its impact on their ability to pay school fees. Catholic Schools Broken Bay are committed to ensuring that no family will be denied a Catholic education because of financial difficulties. To support our community through this period we have expanded our COVID-19 Fee Support program to include COVID-19 Lockdown Support.

For more information please visit <https://www.csodbb.catholic.edu.au/the-parent-hub/fee-relief-during-covid-19-2/>

Please do not hesitate to call us if you have concerns.

POEM FOR TEACHERS

We were delighted to receive an original poem from one of our school captains, Hakone. A huge thank you for her outstanding tribute to our staff.

Two Words - Hakone L

Dear SHP teachers, now where do we start?
 Your passion, your nurture, comes straight from the heart.
 You're more than essential, I think we all know,
 Even on Zoom, our knowledge does grow.
 Dedicated and patient, a constant beacon,
 Our reliance in you will never weaken.
 We're getting the hang of HBL Learning,
 But face-to-face teaching is what we're all yearning.
 These challenging times, throughout the whole nation,
 It's time that we share our appreciation.
 Our teachers, you help us to stand when we fall,
 Our coaches, you are, the best of them all.
 Once lockdown is lifted, all will be well,
 We miss you so dearly, we hope you can tell.
 No gifts can express the extent of our praise,
 So, we'll conclude with this powerful phrase.
 "Thank You."

Love from the students at SHP

To see the poem and video please visit our Facebook Page

Mary Hor
Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Assumption of the Virgin, 1750-1767, Jan Frans Beschey, Hermitage Museum.

On August 15, we celebrate Mary's Assumption into Heaven. The dogma teaches us that Mary was taken, body and soul, into the glory of Heaven. Only Mary, who was born without stain of original sin could give birth to Christ, who is fully God and fully human. This is called the Immaculate Conception.

Mary is the first to receive the fullness of the redemption that her son has won for all of humanity. The Catholic Church recognizes Mary as a sign of the salvation promised to all.

Mary's faith enabled her to recognize the work of God in her own life. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to all.

Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and co-operative in God's plan of salvation.

(This excerpt is taken from Loyola press)

Liana Stella

Religious Education Coordinator



PARISH

PYMBLE PARISH
INVITES YOU TO JOIN THIS YEARS

RCIA program



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

An opportunity for everyone, Catholic and Non-Catholic, to review the formation of the Catholic Faith in the 21st Century.

Ever wondered what is the value in being a practising Catholic in today's Church?

In previous years, participants have thoroughly enjoyed the interactive lecture experience and the discussion between members.

The sessions, run for about 1 to 1.5 hours each week, finishing with tea or coffee and an open discussion.

There are about 25 sessions in all and we are looking at starting in September. We take breaks during Christmas and school holidays. The whole course is completed before Easter.

If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office via email info@pymblecatholicparish.org.au or phone (02) 9144 2702.

THERE ARE NO COSTS INVOLVED

www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au

LITERACY CENTRE

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

As mentioned in the Compass announcement last week, the Premier's Reading Challenge has extended its completion date by a couple of weeks. The PRC now closes for students on **Friday 3rd September**. Don't forget to log all books as your child reads them. You were all sent information and passwords in March and students were asked to write them in their diaries or keep the passwords in a safe place.

New PRC rules, as of August 4th, to assist students complete the challenge in HBL:

- Students can now enter books that have been read collaboratively as a class, in person or online with their teachers, or at home with their parents/ carers.
- Students are now able to include up to 10 Choice Books.

Congratulations to the 97 students who have already completed the challenge. Don't forget to use the 'ebooks' on 'World Book Online' if you have read everything at home!

KEEP READING AND ENTERING YOUR PRC BOOKS!

BOOK WEEK 2021

21st – 27th August

This year's book week theme is **Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds** and the students have already started unpacking this in their online Library lessons.

Unfortunately, we will be in HBL during Book Week, but we are still going to celebrate it in a variety of ways! Students will be engaged in a variety of learning tasks throughout the week which engage and excite them in Australian Literature.

On **Wednesday 25th August** students will come to their Zooms dressed up for Book Week as their favourite Book Character! They can wear last year's costume or come dressed in a character mask or hat. We are hoping to have a full Book Parade once school returns face to face.

On **Thursday 26th August** students will not have their normal morning class zoom, but will instead be invited to attend a zoom with a Children's Book Illustrator-zoom details to come next week.



BOOK FAIR – IS BACK!

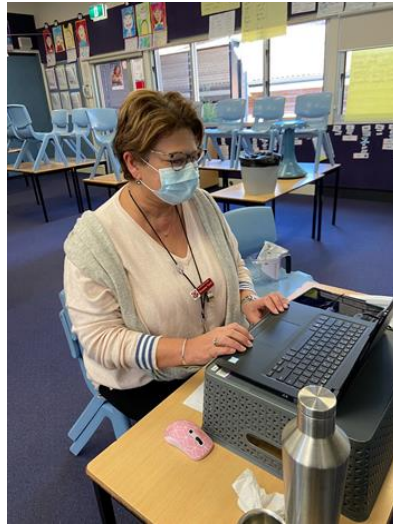
Unfortunately, our onsite Book Fair has had to be cancelled again this year, however, we are delighted that Lindfield Learning Hub has once again offered us an online Book Fair which will be 'live' for two weeks, launching at the beginning of Book Week.

Details about the Book Fair will be sent next week through Compass.

I wish to thank parents in advance who can contribute to the school library at this time by donating a book through the Book Fair. Your child's name will be put in the front cover of the book, and they will be able to borrow this book first when children are back on site.

STAY TUNED FOR DETAILS!

HOME BASED LEARNING @ SACRED HEART



CHESS



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Chess classes @ Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School (Pymble) - Term 3, 2021

Due to the current COVID lockdown, we will be conducting our chess class online. As soon as restrictions are lifted, we will return to face to face coaching at school.

Our online chess classes will be held before and after school Monday – Friday from 8:00am–9:00am, 3:15pm–4:15pm, 4:30pm–5:30pm and 5:00pm–6:00pm. Your child can attend as many of these online classes as he/she wishes until we return to face to face lessons. See the link on this page for more details:
<https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/online-classes-2021>

To register your child in the class, go to <https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment> and enter the following code:
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Sydney Academy of Chess
info@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au

COMMUNITY

KISSING POINT CRICKET CLUB



KURINGAI COUNCIL TRIVIA NIGHT

This week's trivia night will be held on Friday August 13th and will have a special spooky theme. Grab your friends and sign up to put your trivia knowledge to the test.

We will begin at **5pm Friday 13th August** and the session will run for about an hour. The trivia night is FREE as always and is a lot of fun after a tough week of school.

To sign up simply book via the link:

<https://bookings.kmc.nsw.gov.au/CoursesandEvents/StandardTicketBookingProcess/ViewEventDetails/63578515>

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PYMBLE PLAY GROUP



Pymble Playgroup runs from a heritage house in Pymble dedicated to Playgroup, a safe space for children to learn and develop through informal play activities and social interaction.

Making Playgroup part of a weekly routine gives children the valuable opportunity to get out of the house and brings parents and carers together to bond over similar experiences. Long lasting support networks have been developed through the Playgroup network with friendships that continue well beyond the early years.

Pymble Playgroup is affiliated with Playgroup NSW, a not-for-profit organisation. We are run by a group of local dedicated members who volunteer time, skills and services. We do not engage carers or facilitators as each group organises and runs their own sessions based on individual needs and ages of their children. This ranges from structured activities such as arts and crafts to free play.

Playgroup sessions are available morning or afternoon, Monday to Friday, visit our website for existing sessions and email us for more information on fees and how to join.



Where fun, family & community connect

To join an existing session or start your own Session email pymbleplaygroup@gmail.com

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