

Issue Date 13 June 2024

Important Dates

Children's Parish Mass 9.30am Sunday 16 June 2024 Board Meeting Monday 17 June 2024

Reception Orientation Visit Friday 21 June 2024

Stars Night Out Saturday 22 June 2024 Year 2 Assembly 2.30pm Wednesday 19 June 2024

SAPSASA State Boys Netball Monday 24 June 2024 SAPSASA State Girls Netball Wednesday 19 June 2024

P&F Meeting 7pm Monday 24 June 2024

Year 5 Assembly 2.30pm Wednesday 26 June 2024

Pupil Free Day

Monday 22 July 2024

13.06.24

From the Principal

Dear Families,

It was delightful meeting new and old families at our Transition Class induction meeting this week. We have 36 new students joining our school next term, spread across two classes. We will be welcome teachers Ella Borlase, Ali Rebuli & Caterina Ferragamo. Our new students will have their first visit next week.

NEW BUILDING CELEBRATION

Thank you to everyone that attended our celebration, despite the inclement weather there was a good crowd, who ate all the sausages! Many people went on tours of the new building, led by our senior student leaders, who we thank for their time. Thanks also to Kaya and the school choir and bands for providing the delightful entertainment.



LITTLE STARS

As one group of students move from this program into our mid-year class, another group of students begin next term. This will be the group of students that will make up some of our 2025 Reception intake.

SCHOOL REPORTS

As you know we have moved to a learning management system called SEQTA ENGAGE, and we are taking the next step in our School Report process this term. School Reports will be emailed via the SEQTA ENGAGE system on Tuesday 2 July. All families will need to have activated your SEQTA account to access your child/ren's reports, emails have been sent.

On Monday 1 July teachers will email families a "Curriculum Overview" that outlines the work covered in each subject area, relating to the Semester 1 Report.

The reports will be followed up by a chance to meet with your child's teacher in term 3, the week beginning Monday 29 July (the second week of term). Please do not feel that you have to make an appointment, it is really only if you would like to ask questions about the report and your child's progress.

PUPIL FREE DAY

Just a reminder about day one of term 3 is Monday 22 July that this will be a Pupil Free Day.

OSHC UPDATE

I wish to inform you that Donna Marshall has resigned, for personal reasons, from the position of OSHC Director.

We are very thankful that Miffy has and will continue to be the Acting Director this term.

The position of OSHC Director has been advertised today and we expect to hold interviews in week 9.

Regards

Damian Weeks

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Recent News

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From the Deputy Principal

EMPOWERING PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT: NURTURING OPEN COMMUNICATION

As we have passed the halfway point of Term Two, it is often a time children need extra support, strategies and empathy as they continue to navigate and learn to manage their friendships and relationships with peers. In our shared responsibility of nurturing and guiding our children, communication stands as the cornerstone of understanding and support. Understanding that incidents at school often have multiple perspectives is crucial in fostering empathy, problem-solving, and effective communication.

By acknowledging that there are often two sides to every story, parents can support their child in gaining a comprehensive understanding of the situation. Encouraging open dialogue and asking open ended questions, allows for a more holistic view of the incident, enabling parents to support them more effectively. We encourage parents and guardians to be in communication with their child's classroom teacher and contact them if there are any ongoing issue or concerns. Addressing this early is proactive and working in partnership with the school provides an opportunity for 'wrap around' pastoral care processes to be implemented as required.

At Star of the Sea School, staff use Restorative Practices to address conflicts and support children in building healthy relationships with their peers. These processes emphasise accountability, empathy, and understanding, allowing all children involved to learn and grow from their experiences. Each stage of a child's development is acknowledged, and strategies are developed to support this.

Asking open ended questions provides a great opportunity to hear about different aspects of your child's day and build a positive mindset towards school and their friendships. Below are a list of questions you may like to ask at the end of each day:

- Tell me about the best part of your day.
- What did you enjoy the most during lunchtime?
- · Can you share something interesting that happened in class today?
- · What was the most interesting thing you learned today?
- Can you describe a challenge you faced and how you overcame it?
- What made you laugh the hardest during recess?
- Did you notice anyone being kind or helpful to others?
- · Is there something you wish you could have done differently today?
- What was the highlight of your day today?
- Did you make any new friends or have positive interactions with classmates?
- Did you participate in any fun activities or games during recess?
- Did you feel proud of something you accomplished today?
- What made you laugh or smile today?
- Who was kind to you today?
- Was there a moment where you felt particularly happy or excited?
- Did you have any memorable conversations with your teacher or friends?
- Did you help anyone or receive help from someone today?
- Did you enjoy any books or stories that were read in class?

- Did you feel challenged by any lessons today, and how did you handle it?
- Did you try anything new or different today?
- Who did you look after or care for today?
- What subject did you enjoy the most today, and why?
- Did you use any creative or innovative ideas during class projects?
- Was there anything that made you feel curious or sparked your interest today?
- Did you feel appreciated or recognised for your efforts by anyone at school?
- Did you feel a sense of accomplishment in completing any tasks today?
- Did you ask any questions or share your thoughts and opinions in class?
- What are you looking forward to doing tomorrow at school?
- What would you change or keep about today to make tomorrow a great day?
- Is there anything you'd like to share with me about your day that made you feel happy or proud?
- What are you most grateful for today?
- These open-ended questions encourage your child to articulate their thoughts and feelings more comprehensively, fostering trust and openness.

Great tips: Use 3 of these on the car ride home or write them on to paper strips and put them in a container so children can pull them out at dinner time or before bedtime. It is a great way to share your thoughts and feeling about your day also.

UNIFORMS

Although we are well and truly into Term 2, may I take this opportunity to remind families about our expectations of wearing the uniform correctly. Both this term and next we expect our students to be wearing their winter uniform not a combination of winter and summer. Our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 students wear the school's sports uniform. In Years 3-6, the uniform consists of the following items outlined below. A reminder that our Star Outreach Committee runs the second-hand uniform shop if you require additional items. All uniforms can be purchased from Devon.

Girls	Boys
Pleated skirt or navy slacks	Long grey school pants
Long sleeve mid blue shirt	Long sleeve mid blue shirt
Star of the Sea tie	Star of the Sea tie
Star of the Sea woollen jumper	Star of the Sea woollen jumper
Grey socks	Grey socks
Black regulation school shoe (not black sneakers)	Black regulation school shoe (not black sneakers)

EARLY COLLECTION/LATE ARRIVALS FROM SCHOOL

We understand that occasionally, children may need to arrive at school late or leave early for appointments or other activities. We kindly request that families notify the office or the classroom teacher in advance when these situations arise. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

ILLNESS

Unfortunately, children are sick from time to time and not in a condition to be at school and possibly sharing illness with others. We appreciate that it can be difficult to make a decision as a parent to determine if your child is 'sick enough' to stay away from school. We have had a few students unwell this week, we ask for your support and keep your child home until fit to be back at school.

Have a happy and safe fortnight Annette Diassinas

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On World Environment Day, Wednesday 5 June, the Marine Discovery Centre was acknowledged at the 2024 South Australian Environment Awards.



Marine Discovery Centre team pictured: Georgie Kenning (Marine Scientist), Jess Leopold (Marine Scientist), Carmen Bishop (Director), Karno Martin (Cultural Educator)

The Marine Discovery Centre was a finalist in the 'Working Together Award'

Established in 1997, the Marine Discovery Centre has emerged as a beacon of marine science education in South Australia.

Today, with an annual visitation of 10,000 individuals through school and community visits, the Centre fosters environmental consciousness and cultural appreciation in South Australians.

Through engaging marine exhibits and workshops highlighting Indigenous knowledge, the Centre encourages scientific curiosity and instils a profound respect for the ancient wisdom of Australia's First Peoples in managing marine ecosystems.

In addition to a Certificate of Commendation for the Green Adelaide Pelzer Prize.

Carmen Bishop: Certificate of Merit for Marine and Coastal Education



We congratulate all of the winners and finalists who are making a difference - 2024 SA Environment Awards

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SACPSSA Basket Ball

The first ever SACPSSA Basketball Carnival was a hit today, coached by the one and only Mr Weeks and Mrs Lynch. Thank you to everyone involved.



July Vac Care



July Vac Care is now live on our website.

Parking Reminders



We have received several reports from families about receiving parking fines when parking around the school. Please be vigilant and check all parking signs carefully before waiting in your vehicle or leaving your vehicle. Ensure that you adhere to the time limits and any other restrictions indicated on these signs.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Please help us Support

Catherine House and Hutt Street Centre

by donating the following items:

<u>Reception Families</u>: Cotton tips/face cleanser/shower caps

Year 1 Families: Adult female socks/ spray on deodorant (not roll on please)

<u>Year 2 Families:</u> Face moisturiser /hairbrush / hair ties <u>Year 3 Families:</u> Toothbrush / small toothpaste

Year 4 Families: Instant noodles / 2 minute noodles

Year 5 Families: Cups of soup or cans of soup / boxes of teabags

Year 6 Families: Packets of crackers or biscuits / instant coffee



Wear a scarf/ beanie /pj's /tracksuit /fluffy socks / slippers etc, to remind us of how grateful we are to have warm, comfy clothes to wear during these cold winter months.



Vinnies need your help for the 2024 Winter Appeal for the 2024 Winter Appeal.

Vinnies at the Henley Beach Catholic Parish assist the most vulnerable and needy people in the western suburbs. We provide support for people experiencing or at risk of homelessness and also people struggling with poverty and cost-of-living pressures; i.e. food, clothing, utility payments, etc.

You can assist with:

- A tax-deductable donation using a card/bank transfer by phoning **131812** or online: *vinnies.org.au* **DONATE** with the comment/Conference tag: *"Henley Beach Conference"*.
- Purchase tickets in the People's Choice Community Lottery

Log on: People's Choice Community Lottery

Click on: Buy Tickets

Type in: *Henley Beach* then click on the Search button

Click on: Henley Beach Conference St Vincent de Paul Society SA

When you buy a ticket in the Community Lottery, **every dollar** from your purchase will come directly back to the Henley Beach Conference. Please refer to the People's Choice web page for the list of fantastic prizes to be won!

• Collect the Vinnies envelope from the back tables at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, 420 Seaview Road, Henley Beach and return envelope via the Mass collection plates or to the parish office.



2024 COMMUNITY LOTTERY

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Click on:

Henley Beach Conference St Vincent de Paul Society SA



Please refer to the People's Choice Community Lottery web page for a detailed list of prizes.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND SUPPORT



Star Night Out

A night for our parents & friends of the Star community to enjoy themselves

Saturday| 22.06.24 | 7:30pm

FUEGO BY THE SEA 9 Barcoo RD, Westbeach

TICKETS \$75.00 VIA QKR! 3 HOUR DRINKS PACKAGE & GRAZING TABLE WITH HOT & COLD FOOD OPTIONS

\$15.00 LIMONCELLO & BLUE LAGOON COCKTAILS



Discipleship Retreat

You're invited to a Discipleship Retreat.

Following Jesus, the way, the truth, and the life.

Saturday 6th July 9:15am - 3:30pm At Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church 420 Seaview Road Henley Beach Speaker: Fr Manu Kumbidiyamackal MSFS Please bring your own lunch tea/coffee provided.

Enquiries and bookings phone Pauline 0403002240 by 3rd July Cost by Donation

All Welcome

Thank you, God bless Pauline Cotton 0403 002 240

SOTS Recipe Book

WE ARE CREATING A RECIPE BOOK FROM THE FAMILIES AND STAFF OF SOTS, THAT CAN BE TO COME! THROUGHOUT TERM 2 & 3 YOU CAN SEND IN YOUR RECIPES TO VANDREWS@STAR.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU

PASSED ON FOR GENERATIONS

FORMAT FOR SUBMISSIONS: A WORD DOCUMENT ONLY (NO PDF/ SCREENSHOTS) TEXT ONLY (NO IMAGES REQUIRED) INCLUDE RECIPE TITLE AND FULL NAME

CATEGORIES FOR SUBMISSIONS

SOUPS SPREADS & DIPS MAIN COUSES LUNCHBOX IDEAS RICE & VEGETABLES MULTICULTURAL DESSERTS MUFFINS & SCONES BISCUITS, SLICES RAW CAKES SMOOTHIES KIDS PARTIES DIY - SLIME, PLAY-DOH DIETARY OPTIONS

Recipe Books will be available to purchase in term 4 for \$10 each



• ISSUE 4 NOW OPEN - LAST DAY FOR ORDERS FRIDAY June 14th.

• Expected delivery of books ordered from Issue 4 – July 1st to July 5h.

NO CASH ORDERS PLEASE ORDER VIA LOOP

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