SACRED HEART COLLEGE

2022 VOI

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PRAYER

Loving God Our creator, our saviour, our companion, Bless this journey of a new school year.

Refresh our souls and renew our spirits as we embrace the beautiful experiences you have called us to embrace.

We welcome those who are new to the Sacred Heart College community. We pray that you strengthen them to share the wonderful gifts you have given them.

Lord, make our hearts pure as we return to school, And may you guide us to return with open hearts and minds, Eager to participate fully in all that our education offers us.

Give us generous spirits to be enthusiastic in our studies and the openness to accept new opportunities.

We pray for the courage to advocate for justice, for humanity and for all of creation And the voice to "Tell the Good News."

> We ask this in your name, Amen.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Tell the Good News

Welcome back everyone and a special welcome to those students and families joining us for the first time. The official theme for Catholic Education Sandhurst Schools is "Tell the good news". This theme, along with our 2022 focus on the Mercy value of Courage, seems to be very appropriate given the experiences we have worked through in recent times. In the opening liturgy for the school year we were reminded of the gift of courage, as Catherine wrote in her letter of July 1841, "Speak as your mind directs and always act with courage". In other words it is God who gives us the strength to face the demands of our mission.

Welcome to Sacred Heart

A special welcome to our new staff who join our College community this year. In the teaching ranks we welcome Caitlin Sinclair, Karen Kaine, Vittoria Paffrath and Zoe Urquhart. We also welcome recent graduates Ethan Stephens and Sarah Binnie who join us as our trainees for 2022. Joining us in learning support we have Robyn Lucas and each Tuesday for the first semester we have Brenda Spilva who will be delivering the PEERS program, assisting students with social skills development.

New arrivals

During the summer break we welcomed two new members to our Sacred Heart family. Claire and Simon Trewarne welcomed a baby daughter, Dylan Joyce Trewarne. Recently we also received the wonderful news that Caitlin and Matt Dwyer welcomed their first child, Samuel Jack Dwyer. Congratulations to all and we look forward to meeting Dylan and Samuel soon.

Congratulations to Cameron and Jess Sudholz who were married during the break.

New building

We were very excited to move into our new library and administration building to commence the start of the school year. A big thankyou to Jenny Loughnan and Bev Baird for all the work they invested in making sure the building was as ready as it could be for the beginning of the school year. The landscaping has recently been completed and the sign installed. We are very pleased with the final product and we have received very positive feedback from our parents and members of the wider community.

2021 VCE Results

The College was very pleased with the achievements of last year's graduating class. Nearly all students undertaking tertiary studies received their first choice. A number of Year 12 students had study scores 40 or above which was a great achievement. Two of our current Year 11 students, who had undertaken accelerated studies also achieved study scores of 40 or above, placing them in the top percentile grouping in the State. Jess Mangan achieved this in Maths Methods and VET Health and Mia McCully for Psychology and VET Health. See photo.

Literacy Project Launch

This term we are very excited to launch our new literacy project across all year levels at the school. Literacy needs to be a whole school approach as every teacher is a teacher of literacy. Staff are developing shared language for an approach to the teaching of literacy in all subjects and all classes. During term 1 all classes are focussing on key vocabulary in all key learning areas. To assist staff develop a common approach Monday February 21st will be a professional development day and will be student free.

Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs)

The College received and distributed the rapid antigen test kits last week. A further consignment of RATs is expected late this week and will be distributed in the same manner as last week.

When to use the tests:

We request that all children who have received RATs are tested Monday and Wednesday mornings.

Rapid antigen testing is voluntary for all students; however, to keep our community safe, we encourage families to be involved in this program.

If your child has tested positive in the last 30 days, you do not need to test your child within this period.

Specific instructions of how to use the rapid antigen test are contained within the box.

What should I do if my child tests positive?

The tests will need to be undertaken in the home. If your child returns a positive test from a rapid antigen test you should follow the latest advice at https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/rapid-antigen-tests

You are required to report this through the Department of Health system or via the coronavirus hotline at 1800 675 398.

Parents **must** also report their child's positive result to school via info@shcy.vic.edu.au **and by phoning** 5742 1300 so we can support them and record that they will be absent while in seven day isolation.

If after testing your child they return a negative result, but are still unwell, please ensure they stay at home until they are symptom free or have evidence of an underlying health condition that is causing these symptoms.

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Mia and Jess



MEET YOUR STUDENT LEADERS

Stephanie Munro (SRC), Hayley Webster (Vice Captain), Mia McCully (Captain), Ethan Lay (Captain), Harry Nagle (Vice Captain) and Jess Mansfield (Faith & Ministry)

Welcome to 2022! As the student leaders of SHC, we are always here to help and listen to any problems or suggestions you may have. We are super friendly and approachable! If you need us, please send us an email. We are always involved in school activities. So, if you ever need support, please reach out to us.

Stephanie Munro

A NOTE FROM LEADERSHIP

Cam Byrne (Deputy Principal - Students & Organisation)

2022 has started well at Sacred Heart with the new administration building and surroundings looking great.

This year we are very fortunate to have Casey May back again three days a week as College counselor along with students continuing to do weekly wellbeing check-ins via iPulse. I encourage you to ask your son/daughter to show you iPulse.

The Year Level Leaders, Richard, Cameron, and Reed, along with the Learning Advisors, have ensured a very smooth start to the year for our students. If at any stage throughout the year you need to contact the school with a well-being issue please email wellbeing@shcy.vic.edu.au or myself directly cameron.byrne@shcy.vic.edu.au

I look forward to working with and supporting your children in 2022.

UPCOMING DATES

11th February

Student vaccination forms due back <u>16th and 17th February</u> VCE and VCAL Information Evening <u>21st February</u> Student Free Day (staff development) <u>25th February</u> SHC Swimming Carnival <u>1st March</u> Shrove Tuesday <u>2nd March</u> O & M Swimming and Ash Wednesday <u>4th March</u> Yr 10 Hums/English excursion to the Holocaust Centre in Melbourne

REMINDERS

<u> Absences / Late arrivals</u>

Please contact the college office for all absences, or for late arrivals/early departures, if possible before 9.30am. It is a legal requirement that all absences are explained and recorded.

PAM Portal

Families are reminded to log into PAM accounts on a regular basis. All general information and daily notices, including excursion permissions are accessible on this portal. If you have difficulties logging into your account, please contact administration.

Drop off / Pick up points

Bus travellers - Murphy St only. Walkers & car pickup/drop off -Coghill St only.

> Ph: 03 5742 1300 E: info@shcy.vic.edu.au

FOLLOW US ON **f**

Cam Byrne

A NOTE FROM LEADERSHIP

Fleur Linehan (Deputy Principal - Learning & Professional Practice / Year 12 Legal Studies & Business Management Teacher)

Focus on the Classroom: What is happening in Year 12 Legal Studies? Why study Year 12 Legal Studies?

Year 12 Legal Studies students are currently learning about the Victorian Criminal Justice System. They have developed an understanding of the key concepts of the Victorian criminal justice system including the distinction between summary offences and indictable offences, the burden of proof, the standard of proof and the presumption of innocence. They are also learning about the role of institutions available to assist an accused including Victoria Legal Aid and Victorian community legal centres.

They are exploring the rights of the accused and the rights of the victim in the criminal justice system. They are developing their ability to understand the principles of justice of fairness, equality and access and using this knowledge to evaluate the ability of the criminal justice system to achieve these principles.

A key component of this course is students developing their ability to not only define, interpret and analyse legal terminology and information but also to synthesise and apply legal principles to actual and hypothetical scenarios. Students will be demonstrating their knowledge in their first assessment next week where they will answer structured questions and analyse scenarios and case studies allowing them to apply their knowledge.

VCE Legal Studies provides students with the opportunity to really engage in class discussion and make connections to real life situations. Keeping up to date with contemporary legal issues reported in the media really assists students' knowledge and critical thinking skills.

According to the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority: "The study of VCE Legal Studies enables students to become active and informed citizens by providing them with valuable insights into their relationship with the law and the legal system. They develop knowledge and skills that enhance their confidence and ability to access and participate in the legal system."

For students who enjoy Legal Studies there are a diverse range of career pathways that students who enjoy Legal Studies may wish to pursue via further study or training including:

Barrister • Clerk of Courts • Conveyancer• Judge • Lawyer • Legal Advisor • Legal Secretary • Mediator • Ombudsman • Police Prosecutor • Solicitor • Compliance Officer • Victims Support Officer• Customs • Occupational Health and Safety • Police and Corrections

If you are interested in finding out more about VCE Legal Studies don't hesitate to make contact with me

Fleur Linehan

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

Lucienne Camenzuli (Catholic Identity Leader & Religious Education Coordinator)

Welcome to a new year that has blessed us with face-to-face learning and teaching in the first weeks. We pray that we can soon participate in large group events and fully develop the rich relationships across and within year levels. This year, our official theme for 2022 in Sandhurst Catholic Education Schools is "Tell the Good News!" In last Sunday's Mass we celebrated the Word of God that we are privileged to hear and read in the Gospels. We are reminded of the care and compassion awarded to us unconditionally. This is clearly expressed by the sacrifice of Jesus and his resurrection – a message of salvation. This year, we will find opportunities through liturgies and our daily practices to bring this into action as we are all ministers of the Good News. We are reminded of our role to share 'Living a life in union with a God that loves us so much, that we know we are never alone'.

Our principle college theme for the year is the Mercy value of Courage. Catherine McAuley has this to say of courage: "Should we not then undertake our duties with great courage, for infinite is the love God has for those who repose in [God's] protection?"

Shortly before her death, she advised her founding companion, Mary Ann Doyle:

"Speak as your mind directs, and always act with courage" (Letter of July 1841).

For Catherine, courage is the gift of the God in whom we trust. In other words, it is God who gives us the strength to face the demands of the mission, to counter injustice, to work tirelessly and to endure in the face of hardship or adversity."

This theme merges with Tell the Good News like a hand in a glove as we are called to being people of advocacy, 'service and love, to the poor, creation, and the marginalised'.

Sacred Heart College will maintain the 8th Work of Mercy: Care for our Common Home as a perpetual focus theme. This is in light of our commitment to actively pursuing justice for all of creation. It works in synergy with all of the Mercy values and underpins Pope Francis' plea for consciousness and action to be in solidarity with the voiceless communities of people, creatures and environments who suffer from exploitation, oppression, and climate change.

Religious Education classes across all year levels will be addressing action and solidarity for all of these themes in units throughout the year.

Lucienne Camenzuli





Cameron won the SA junior Points Score!



Olivia finished 2nd in her grade in the Double Barrel!

SPORT

Ethan Stephens (Sports Trainee)

School is back! The students of SHCY have made a great start so far and after a whirlwind first week, school sport is officially underway for 2022. All eyes rest on the highly anticipated Swimming Carnival (25th of Feb), with students hopefully getting down to the pool in preparation during the coming weeks.

Sport-specific electives have also commenced, with new additions such as multi-sport and golf. The ever-popular Year 9 Bootcamp class run by Mr Bonat has also commenced, with students heading down to Priority Fitness on Monday for their first session of the year.

With the warm weather showing no signs of easing up, it is highly advised that students utilise appropriate sun protection, with hats on at all times whilst outside. Also, students are reminded to be respectful of the sporting equipment provided by the school, as although the school year has just started, multiple pieces of equipment have been found out on the yards after recess and lunch.

Ethan Stephens

BBQ

A BBQ will be available on the day of the **Swimming Carnival** for those that would like to purchase food and drinks. Further info will be available on Daily Notices closer to the day.

WELLBEING LINKS

E: wellbeing@shcy.vic.edu.au Ph: 5742 1300

<u>Headspace:</u> headspace.org.au / eheadspace.org.au / 1800 650 890

<u>Beyond Blue:</u> <u>beyondblue.org.au</u> / 1300 22 4636

<u>Kids Help Line:</u> kidshelp.com.au / 1800 55 1800

<u>GriefLine Community & Family</u> <u>Services:</u> griefline.org.au

<u>Lifeline:</u> lifeline.org.au



Daniel's birthday was on Tuesday and he caught a cod during Applied Science on his new fishing gear!





POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR AWARDS

Sacred Heart College has begun implementing SWPBS – School Wide Positive Behaviour Supports for our secondary students. SWPBS is a process for creating safer and more effective schools.

We have adopted a unified set of expectations. Our expectations of "Always Be Responsible", "Always Be Respectful" and "Always Be Your Best" inform how we talk about and teach the behaviour we wish to see in our College.

ALWAYS BE RESPONSIBLE

Whole School:

- Leave no trace
- Wear correct uniform

In the Classroom:

- Be punctual
- Prepared and organised for class
- Look after personal and school resources
- Meet due dates

In the Yard:

- Keep lockers secured
- Be sunsmart
- Report safety concerns

In the Community:

- Think before you post
- Think before you act

ALWAYS BE RESPECTFUL

Whole School:

• Use positive and friendly language

In the Classroom:

- Actively listen
- Allow others to succeed
- Follow instructions

In the Yard:

- Respect others individual personal space
- Follow yard duty teacher instructions

In the Community:

- Be polite and accepting
- Respect rules and laws

ALWAYS BE YOUR BEST

Whole School:

Know your impact

In the Classroom:

- Be solution focused
- Be prepared to have a go
- Remain on task
- Embrace mistakes

In the Yard:

- Be inclusive
- In the Community:
- Volunteer willingly
- Promote our College

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge and pay respect to the peoples of the Yorta Yorta Nation, including the eight clan groups, as the traditional and ongoing custodians of the land on which we gather today and we recognise that it continues to be sacred to them. We Hail them: As guardians of the earth and of all things that grow and breed in the soil; As trustees of the waters – the seas, the streams and rivers, the ponds and the lakes and the rich variety of life in those waters.

COMMITTMENT TO CHILD SAFETY

Sacred Heart College Yarrawonga is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all students at the College. As a Catholic school, we are entrusted with the holistic education of the child, in partnership with parents, guardians and caregivers who are the primary educators of their children. Sacred Heart College will implement the ChildSafe Standards to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all students at the College and promote an organisational culture that manages the risk of child abuse and neglect.

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

All schools in Australia are mandated to comply with the eight Child Safe Standards. The standards are in place to keep your children safe. In order for us at Sacred Heart College to comply, it is imperative that we know who is on site between 8.30am and 3:30pm, the reason for their visit and how long they will be on site for. As such, any visitor to our school (including parents, volunteers and trades people), must enter via the front Administration Office and sign in and cannot simply enter any of the learning areas before doing so. Please do not be offended if a staff member asks you the reason for your visit or if you have signed in. This is for the safety of all children. If you have any queries, please feel free to contact the College.

SNAP SHOT



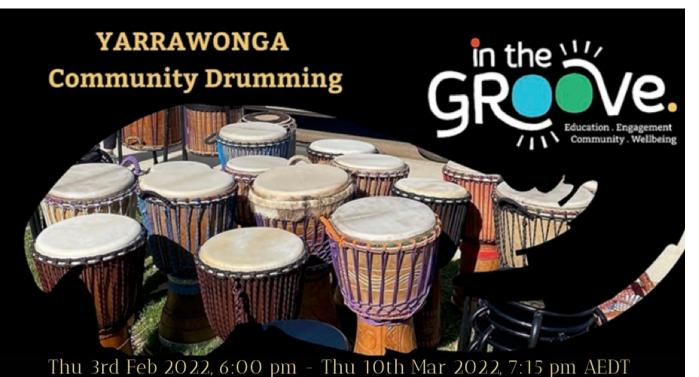






COMMUNITY EVENTS/INFORMATION

Sacred Heart College proudly support community events. If you have any events you would like to share, please email flyer/information to info@shcy.vic.edu.au



Learn west african rhythms on the djembe Connect with a great community of people Experience the wellbeing benefits of drumming

To purchase tickets, visit : https://events.humanitix.com/yarrawonga-community-drumming-in-the-groove-feb-mar 22

Trial your first class for free! Beginners welcome. Drums provided.

Rennie Football and Metball Player Registration **THURSDAY 24TH FEBRUARY** Junior registration starts at 5pm in Rennie Clubrooms

Sausage Sizzle available **Bar Open from 5.30pm**



COMMUNITY EVENTS/INFORMATION

I am having a difficult time at the moment

We are here to help

The pandemic has affected everyone in different ways, and it's important to care for your mental health.

If you're feeling stressed or sad, you can get help from a **Mental Health & Wellbeing Hub** by calling **1300 375 330.**

The Mental Health & Wellbeing Hubs are a free service available to anyone living in Victoria, no matter your visa status.

Our experienced support workers will listen and work with you to find the best ways to get the help you need.



Do you need help in your language?

Call TIS National on **131 450** and ask for an interpreter, then ask to be connected to Mental Health & Wellbeing Hubs on **1300 375 330**.

To find out more visit coronavirus.vic.gov.au/mentalhealthhub



