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On the cover:

Induction of extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist

Song of Reconciliation

Susan Ashton

Where there is faith there is
a chance

To alter the course and fight
the winds of circumstance

Not to scar, but mend,
not to break, but to bend

And not to know,

but to understand

Where there is faith there is
a chance

Where there is hope there is
a dream

Where there is love there is
a peace

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From the Principal

Induction of Extraordinary Ministers

As part of our Opening Mass celebration, 3 of our senior students were inducted as extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist by Father Junjun. Xavier Martin, Lucy Mansfield and Dimity Connell stood alongside staff who are ministers to distribute communion to members of our community.

Science Laboratories

The new science labs have greatly increased the capacity of classes to participate in experiments in a timely manner so that theoretical concepts can be reinforced with practical demonstrations. This has really engaged our students at all year levels.



Outdoor Education Adventure

Our Unit 3 Outdoor Education students enjoyed a magnificent trek through the Bogong High Plains. Thanks to Mr Richard Geary and Ms Tess Macrae for organising and leading this great learning experience.



Open Day

Open day will be held on the 27th of March, the last Wednesday of Term 1, from 11.30am to 1.30 pm. Grade 6 students and their parents are encouraged to take this opportunity to see the College in action.



Sacred Heart College

OPEN DAY

Wednesday 27th March

11.30am-1.30pm

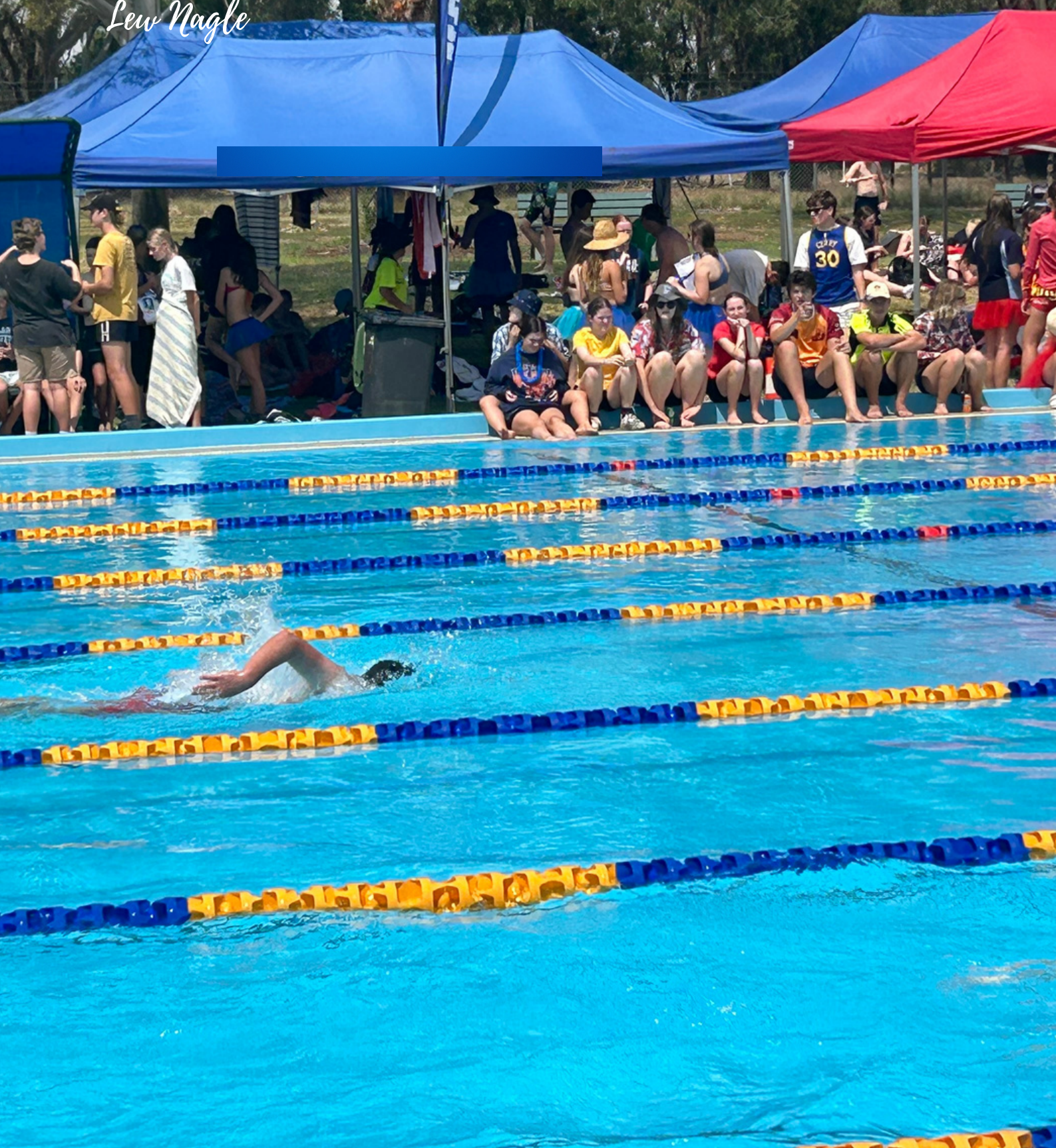


Come and see the College in action.

House Swimming Sports

Last Friday the College held the House swimming sports. In a great show of participation, Fatima (Red House) prevailed over Mercy (Blue) and Loreto (Gold). Students really got into the spirit of the day dressing in house colours as well as supporting the Caritas fundraiser.

Lew Nagle



Swimming Carnival

The Sacred Heart College annual swimming carnival was a rewarding success for the student and teacher all involved. The day ran extremely well, having all age groups take to the pool. The newly introduced Walking Lane was an amazing highlight on the day for many students, no matter their swimming capabilities. They were jumping into the pool with their peers, swimming up and down the pool countless times while having an amazing time. Large amounts of skills and talent were on display throughout the day with students being able to showcase their astonishing swimming skills. With the last race commencing, silence drew over the students and even teachers as we announced who would be taking home the Shield for 2024. The day ran extremely well thanks to Claire and her team and all teachers and students who jumped in wherever they could do to help.

Individual event winners moved on to compete in the O & M swimming competitions, which was held at Waves Swim Centre Wodonga on Wednesday 28th Feb. More information regarding individual champions and event winners will be published in the next newsletter.



Cricket

The senior boys cricket team headed off to Wodonga on Tuesday the 21st of February on what was a bright sunny day with perfect weather conditions. The first game was against Rutherglen, Which saw us playing on the hard wicket. With a great batting innings which saw many boundaries setting a high run total to defend.

The team bowled tightly in the second innings, easily defending their total winning the first of two games. The second match was against cross-town rivals P-12 on the turf, the boys bowled first and took many early wickets keeping P-12 to a low score of only 60. The run chase was fantastic with the team belting many boundaries to easily chase down the total set by P-12. It was a great day for the senior boys cricket team, many thanks to Kyle and Mr Ross for helping the boys have a great day playing cricket.



Great new reads in the Library #2



Birdy

by Sharon Kerot 2024

Maddy has become a selective mute after 'the Incident'. Maddy, her younger brother, the Professor, and her photographer mum are having some time out in the country on a family farm. Maddy would much rather stay in the house and only speak to her family, but part of her therapy is going to the local shop and buying the groceries. Here she meets Alice, a lonely old woman whose daughter Birdy disappeared many years ago, and Levi a friendly city girl helping her dad out for a while. A verse novel suited to year 9 students.



Secret Sparrow

by Jackie French 2023

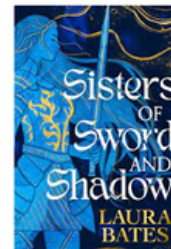
A story of the forgotten women who were at the front in the first world war. In 1917 sixteen-year-old Jean McLain is working as a Post Office assistant in England. But when she wins a national Morse code competition, the British army makes a request Jean cannot refuse. As an old lady she tells her story to a young boy she saves from a flash flood whilst waiting to be rescued. Based on true events, some of which were never written, or talked about.



Sisters of Sword and Shadow

by Laura Bates 2023

What if the Knights of the Round Table had a female counterpart? An epic Arthurian fantasy reimagining the stories of knight and chivalry with a hidden female fighting force. 17 year old Cass does not want to follow in her sister's footsteps: marriage, children. When she is assaulted and robbed by a dark knight she is revenged and rescued by A terrifying female knight. High action and adventure with a feminist twist.



The Dressmaker's Daughter

by Edith "Ditta" Lowy 2020

A young Jewish girl has been protected because her mother works as an expert seamstress for the Nazis. But how much longer can they survive? "One dark morning at 4 a.m. armed guards stormed into our cold, wooden barrack, pointed their rifles at us, and yelled, 'You and you! Out!...' Two days later we arrived at another concentration camp. Young readers edition of this inspiring story of survival.



Visit the Library to borrow any of these books.

Acknowledgment

"We acknowledge the Bpangerang Original Inhabitants whose Country we are gathered on. We pay respect to their Elders past, present & future & extend respect to all First Nations People."

Child Safety

Sacred Heart College is a child safe school. We believe every child has the right to feel safe and to be safe.



Term 1, 2024

eSafety parent and carer webinars

Join eSafety for a free live webinar designed for parents and carers.

Term 1 topics:

- **eSafety 101: How eSafety can help (30 minutes).** For parents and carers of children and young people in primary and secondary school.
- **Understanding how to support your child with online gaming (45 minutes).** For parents and carers of young people in primary school.
- **Understanding parental controls to safeguard your child (30 minutes).** For parents and carers of children and young people in primary school.
- **Online safety and social media: TikTok, YouTube and Instagram (30 minutes).** For parents and carers of children and young people in primary and early secondary school.



For more information and to register now: [eSafety.gov.au/parents/webinars](https://esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars)



eSafety Commissioner

[eSafety.gov.au](https://esafety.gov.au)

LEARN, LEAD, LIVE

In Term 1 & 2, Year 7 students will be offered the opportunity to participate in NESAY's Learn, Lead, Live (Triple L) group program.

This program will be facilitated by the College's NESAY School Counsellor, Casey May, and her NESAY colleague, Kirsty Hawkins.

Over two sessions, students will engage in interactive activities and conversations about communication, mental wellbeing, bullying, and relationships (to name a few).

Students will learn new skills and strategies that will assist them in developing a positive sense of self, peer relationships, and enhanced communication.

Parents are required to log into their PAM account, carefully read the information and then give consent for their child to attend the program.

If you have any difficulty with logging in, contact Eleanor on: 0357 421 302



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Working days: Monday & Wednesday



Upcoming Events

February

Monday 26th to Wednesday 28th: VCE, OE Camp

Thursday 29th: O & M Swimming Carnival March

Monday 4th March and Wednesday 6th

March: Triple L program

Year 10 Morrisby testing

Thursday 7th March: Pat Cronin Foundation presentation

Friday 8th March: College photo day - reminder to return order forms to the office by Thursday 29th Feb

Friday 8th March: VCE VM White card construction course

Monday 11th March: Labour Day public holiday

12th to 14th March: PSG meetings

13th to 15th March: NAPLAN

14th March: Parent, teacher, student interviews (parents will be advised when PAM bookings open)

15th March: Year 10 Holocaust excursion

18th March: Parent, teacher, student interviews (parents will be advised when PAM bookings open)

19th to 21st March: PSG meetings

21st March: O & M Senior Sports day

22nd March: College Athletics Carnival

22nd March: Sandhurst Switches Off

26th March: O & M Junior Sports Day

27th March: Sacred Heart College Open Day for prospective 2025 enrolments

11.30am to 1.30pm

28th March: Last day of Term 1

29th March: Good Friday

2024 Secondary Schools Immunisation

Parents/carers of Year 7 and Year 10 students have been sent a letter regarding the upcoming Secondary Schools Immunisation Program for this year.

This letter contains important changes to the way the program will run. Families are now required to register online via a unique URL for each year level.

All Year 7 and Year 10 parents/carers, have been sent the link via email.

If you have not received the URL for either Year 7 or Year 10, either log into your PAM account and access Daily Notices or contact the office.

Round 1 of the program will take place on the 17th April at the College.

If you are unable to register using the year level link applicable to your child, the College Administration has hard copies available.

Project Compassion

As we approach Lent, which then leads us into Easter, our school community will once again be supporting Project Compassion which is run by Caritas. Caritas is the Catholic global humanitarian organisation which is committed to empowering impoverished communities so they can fight poverty and promote a more just environment. Through various programs, Caritas addresses systemic challenges and advocates for positive change, emphasizing solidarity and compassion in its mission to build a more just and equitable world.

Project Compassion is a simple fund-raising activity that runs throughout Lent. Students are asked to bring loose change (coins and notes!) to contribute to their LA's total amount raised. By contributing to Project Compassion, each person makes a meaningful impact on global issues such as poverty, healthcare, and education. This initiative emphasizes empathy, solidarity, and the belief that every person deserves dignity and basic necessities. Through collective support individual communities are empowered to address the root causes of poverty and suffering in their local area. Please support this endeavour through a financial contribution. Supporting Project Compassion is not just a charitable act, it is also a commitment to building a more compassionate, equitable and interconnected global community.

If students are arriving late:

- *Students are to come to the office before going to class to advise.*

Leaving early:

- *Parents are to advise the office by phoning or emailing the College: info@shcy.vic.edu.au*

If students are unwell at school

- *If you are unwell at school, students are required to go to sickbay in the Administration building.*
- *Administration staff will contact home if required.*
- *Students are not to contact home themselves.*



College Photos

The College photo day is Friday the 8th March.

Students in Years 7 to 10 have been given their order forms. Ordering is online, which is the preferred method, or place the correct amount of cash in the envelope and return to the office.

Family orders are attached to the eldest child's order form. Regardless of ordering or not, all forms are to be returned to the office.

Students in Year 11 and 12 are asked to come to the office to collect theirs.

Thank you.

The College is always looking for unwanted school uniforms in good condition. In particular, we need sports shorts, College polo shirts, College sports polo shirts, dresses and College winter jackets. Smaller sizes would be great too.

If you have any of these items collecting dust in the back of the wardrobe, we will be more than happy to take them.

Thank you.

**DONATION
DRIVE**

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Year 7: <https://portal.cirv.vic.gov.au/PrivacyCollection/?id=4ad4eb9b-94c0-ee11-9079-000d3ae1aeaf&>

Year 10: <https://portal.cirv.vic.gov.au/PrivacyCollection/?id=63e8769a-94c0-ee11-9079-000d3ae1a915&>

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2024 Term Dates

Term 1: 31st January to Thursday 28th March

Term 2: 15th April to 28th June