Love one another as I have loved you. John 15:17

Heartbeat

13 November 2013
Week 6 Term 4 2013

Remembrance Day — Lest We Forget

Lord, help us to remember and learn from the past. Let us give thanks for those brave people who were prepared to give their own lives for others and let us pray for an end to all wars so that such bravery is not called upon again.

‘No one has greater love than this, than to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends,’ says the Lord, ‘if you do what I command you.’
John 15:13-14

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place: and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarcely heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Mass Times
Saturday 6pm & Sunday 8.30am, 6pm
Dear Parents and Carers,

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You may have noticed a number of people wearing poppies on Monday. Why the poppy? The poppy was one of the first flowers to bloom on the battlefields of Flanders during World War 1. Their bright red colour symbolised the bloodshed during the horrific conflict, but also the hope of new life, and the poppy became the symbol of Remembrance Day. The Remembrance Poppy has been used as a symbol since 1920. Today, poppies are worn on clothing in the days leading up to Remembrance Day, and poppy wreaths are placed on war memorials. This is why Remembrance Day is often known as Poppy Day.

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As our Year six students are preparing for middle school, our Year five students are considering their own leadership skills and how they could serve others at Sacred Heart. The year five students are preparing their nominations/expression of interest in the leadership positions for 2014. Students can nominate for school captain, membership of the Student Representative Council (SRC) and Sports Captains. Students will present their speeches to the student body in week nine of this term. On Friday the 6th of December students from Years three to six will vote for next year’s leaders.

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We wish those students nominating the best of luck with their speech writing and their presentation to the students, as to why they should be elected to their chosen role for 2014.

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From the Leadership Team

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We have an unidentified deposit in our bank account in the amount of $1650. If you have recently made a deposit and think this may be yours, please either call the office on 8932 2888 or email our Finance Officer, Mrs Widya Lieminda finance.shps@nt.catholic.edu.au
Welcome to our School Community ...

A warm welcome to
Luke Paynter- Simonson, Year 5/6 Room 14 and
Imogen Paynter- Simonson, Year 2/3 Room 12
We pray you will settle in quickly, make new friends and enjoy your time at Sacred Heart.

Students of the Week—Week 5

Transition Room 1
Elsie Lasker
Alliyah Black

Year 2 / 3 Room 12
Acel Gandia
Renae Woodberry

Transition Room 3
Skye Snowdon-Watt
Savvas Maillis

Year 3 / 4 Room 11
Jesse Osborn
Jolie Aspinall

Year 1 / 2 Room 6
Kylie Fletcher
Brian Redpath

Year 4 / 5 Room 9
Luke Griffin
Em Venus Gandia
Matthew Wilson-Bronson

Year 1 / 2 Room 7
Budiana Green
Loylita Cubillo

Year 2 / 3 Room 5
Tyeanne Tinoco
Alister Lasker

Year 4 / 5 Room 10
Reese Macdonald
Ben Sack

Year 5 / 6 Room 14
Nikita Ryan

“Good On Ya” Recipients Week 5

Mymona Bryers, Ethan Lopes
Nicole Thompson, and
Tarah Sanchez

Book Club Orders due Tuesday, 19th November

Dechlan Richards from Year 6 took part with the 1st Palmerston scouts who collected donations at Palmerston McDonalds for the annual Ronald McDonald House Charity “McHappy Day” which supports children and families of seriously ill children. Thank you to all that donated.
This Friday, November 15th we will hold a fundraising activity to raise money for areas of the Philippines devastated by Typhoon Haiyan. Millions of people have been affected by this disaster. We have many Filipino families in our school community, and also have a connection with the Philippines through Fr Joey, who worked in our Parish and school earlier this year.

On Friday we will have a coin trail, placing coins of any denomination along and around our school emblem. The coins collected on our school emblem, will then be our way of living out our motto of “Love One Another”.

We encourage families to donate coins to support our fundraising efforts. These families had previously been displaced by recent earthquakes, and now face ongoing health issues due to lack of accommodation, food and water. Any donation we can make will be greatly appreciated by these families.

Room 6 have been working very hard on a range of skills and concepts in Maths. We practise our number skills every day. This week, we have been working on three dimensional (3D) shapes, position and direction - knowing left from right, the points of the compass and also placing co-ordinates on a grid. The children loved this activity and quickly acquired the skills to complete the task. Here is Tynan's work.
Enrolments for 2014 are currently being taken for our Early Learning Centre, which caters for the needs of children aged 3 to 5 years. Please contact the office on 8932 2888 or email admin.shps@nt.catholic.edu.au for an enrolment form or you can contact the ELC directly on 8932 8036.

It’s that time of year again to ask our school community for donations of unwrapped gifts for children to the age of 14 years. Donations can be dropped into the school office. Many thanks.
Fast Five with…..
Imogen (Yr 2) and Luke (Yr 5) Paynter-Simonson

What is your favourite colour?
Purple and yellow.

What is your favourite letter in the alphabet?
I and L.

What is your favourite animal?
Whale and leopard.

What do you do in your favourite sport?
Rugby league and netball.

Why is Sacred Heart the best school ever?
Because of the teachers and because it’s small.

Community Notices

You are invited to attend an ENERGY SAVING IN THE HOME WORKSHOP
Tues 26th Nov 6.30pm—8pm
Where: Palmerston Library Training Room (at the back of the Library)
Cost: $5 / $2 concession
For more information E: coolenboffice@iinet.org | P: 08 8932 3642 | W: www.coolenbo.org

Darwin Wants Climate Action!
Join in the Walk
When: 8.30am Sun 17th November
Where: Rapid Creek Footbridge near the sea

21st The Journey
featuring the Sing Song Signers
Produced by Down Syndrome Association of the Northern Territory Inc.
Directed by The Sing Song Signers
Thursday, 14th November 2013
The Studio, Darwin Entertainment Centre
Tickets available at DEC Box Office, tel: 8988 3333 or go to www.yourcentre.com.au for online booking and DSANT, tel: 8985 6222. email at admin@downsyndromeat.com.au

Are you good with wood? If so - we need a STAR!
Mrs Michelle Richards, our Performing Arts Teacher is busy preparing props for our upcoming Christmas concert. She needs a big wooden star (made of light wood) which has ten pointed spikes that can be separated from a middle base. If you are able to help Mrs Richards out please either contact her via the school office on 8932 2888 or email her at michelle.richards@nt.catholic.edu.au