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Important Dates

Celebration of the Sacrament of First Eucharist (Sat) Saturday 17 June Celebration of the Sacrament of First Eucharist (Sun) Sunday 18 June

Year 10 Trek (19-21 June) Monday 19 June TAFE Construction Monday 19 June

SSSSA Years 7-8 Netball Competition Tuesday 20 June

Oz Minerals Carrapateena Excursion Friday 23 June Caritas Cubs Reception Transition Program Friday 23 June

TAFE Construction Monday 26 June Year 7 Cuttlefish Excursion Friday 30 June Student First Eucharist Commissioning Mass Saturday 24 June

Caritas Cubs Reception Transition Program Friday 30 June Student First Eucharist Commissioning Mass Sunday 25 June

Year 11 Work Experience & Year 10 VET (3-7 July) Monday 3 July

From the Principal, Mr Damian Smith

Feast of the Sacred Heart

Today is the Feast of the Sacred Heart. It is a special opportunity to remember and celebrate God's love and mercy. The symbol of the sacred heart depicts a human heart encircled with a crown of thorns, crowned with a cross, and radiating flames to show how much Christ loves us.

Mary MacKillop had a deep connection to the Sacred Heart. She named her Congregation, Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart. She understood what it meant to be on a mission with a humble heart. This feast day calls us to ensure that Caritas College is a place where everyone can grow in love, wonder and understanding just as Mary did.



O GOD, YOU HAVE REVEALED YOUR LOVE FOR US THROUGH THE COMPASSIONATE AND FORGIVING HEART OF CHRIST. STRENGTHEN IN US THE DESIRE TO LIVE WITH FULL HEARTED COMMITMENT AS WE CARRY WITH US ST MARY MACKILLOP'S DREAM AND LEGACY. WE ASK THIS PRAYER THROUGH THE SACRED HEART AND THE SPIRIT OF WISDOM. AMEN

Student Free Day

Last Friday teaching staff engaged in professional learning onsite. It was a fruitful day for teachers who specifically focussed on curriculum and assessment. These dedicated days provide our staff with important and valuable opportunities to enhance their knowledge and skills. By participating in professional learning throughout the year, our teachers stay updated with the latest educational research and best teaching strategies and methodologies. This commitment to ongoing development and improvement supports students by ensuring that they receive high-quality teaching and learning.

The Third Teacher

At Caritas College, we recognise that parents/caregivers are the 'first teacher' because they play a vital role in a child's early development and education. We consider the 'second teacher' to be the formal educators or teachers in a child or young person's life. The 'third teacher' is the physical environment where learning takes place. As such, we take great pride in creating effective learning environments for our students to grow and flourish in. They are intentionally designed to engage and support the students in their learning. I encourage parents/caregivers to pop in and have a look at their child's classroom before or after school to see this for themselves.



Year 11 Work Experience

Our Year 11 students are busy preparing to engage in work experience in Week 10 of this term. This is a helpful opportunity for them to explore possible future pathways and acquire hands-on experience in a particular workplace or industry. The teachers are carefully guiding and supporting the students to make the most of this experience. I am very appreciative of the many local businesses who will support our students to gain these valuable opportunities to learn as they edge closer to the pointy end of their schooling journey.

Trek was originally planned to happen in Week 6, but, an unfavourable weather forecast forced us to postpone it until Week 8. Our fingers and toes are crossed that the students can enjoy this important experience as part of their Outdoor Education program next week.

Student Safety

Students and families are reminded to be wary of approaches from strangers, especially when they are unaccompanied or travelling to and from school. If students are approached, they should not respond and should not accept offers of rides or gifts. Students should seek the assistance of other nearby adults if they feel unsafe and should report the event to a trusted adult (parent or school staff member) as soon as possible.

From the Leader of Catholic Identity, Chloe Shanahan

First Eucharist

Congratulations to all the children from our college and parish communities who celebrated their First Holy Communion last weekend and this coming weekend. It has been a privilege to watch these children and their family's growth in their faith. We look forward to seeing these children continue their full and active participation in the Church.

We thank Fr Jim for his leadership throughout this program, supported by the All Saints Catholic Parish, and Michelle Antoniciello for her support of the program and working with our children. We deeply appreciate the time you have dedicated in preparing our children and for all the support you have given the parents as the first educators, in faith, of their children.

We congratulate the following students as they received the real presence of Christ our Saviour, as Bread of Life, in their First Holy Communion.

| Angus Barnes Aymber Holmes Ena Zerbe Finn Kiggins | Joe Grantham Kobe Barry Lily Maloney Mia Broadbridge |
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| Godslove Tandoh | Nhyiraba Tandoh |
| Jace Heron | Oakley Grantham |
| Jasmine Tandoh | Tina Truong |
| Zahli Robinson | Victor Barnes |

Sacrament of Confirmation

Families with children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation are reminded that enrolment masses will be held Saturday 24 June at 6.30pm and Sunday 25 June at 10.30am. You will have received an email from Fr Jim with details about the program and supports that are available.

This sacrament has a wonderful connection with Pentecost, the moment when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples, giving them the courage to spread God's word to everyone.

Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary

Each year, on the third Friday after Pentecost, the Church celebrates the solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The day after, we celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Both of these feasts use the heart as a symbol of love.

The Sacred Heart of Jesus has a focus on God's love and mercy, reminding us how much God loves us. The Immaculate Heart of Mary focuses on Mary as a model Christian woman, calling upon her help and showing us what our own hearts should look like.

From the Student Leadership Lead Teacher, Henry Wallis

The SRC have been busily working away this term after the successes of Term 1 which culminated in our annual Teacher Dunk for Project Compassion. Early this term our 6/7 student leaders attended the GRIP conference for student leaders at the Lea Memorial Theatre and had a hands-on day learning what it means to be a student leader.

Our senior student leaders have organised a range of activities throughout the term as well, including birthday games for the school's 152nd birthday, The Push Up Challenge to raise awareness for Mental Health, and a Can Drive for St Vinnies to support families doing it tough over winter.

Our middle and senior school Class vs Class Netball Competition has also returned this term and the competition on Friday lunch times has been fierce! I'd like to extend a special thank you to the students who have volunteered their time to umpire these games.

While Term 2 is not over yet, Term 3 is shaping up to be another busy time for our student leaders as they continue to promote inclusion and social justice issues in our school community.

Learning and Wellbeing

SAPSASA Boys Netball and Girls Football

Congratulations to our Year 5/6 students who participated in the recent SAPSASA Boys Netball and Girls Football Competition. Both the Division 1 and 2 boys netball teams came home with the win on the day and the Division 1 girls football team also came home with the shield.



Miss Woodards' Art Project

As part of her Uni studies, our Music Teacher, Miss Woodards, embarked on an art project that aimed to engage the school community through creative practices. "Combining my passion for music and visual art, I organised a collaborative activity that brought together students of all year levels. Inspired by the artwork of Indigenous contemporary artist, Zachary Bennett-Brook, we divided the design into 32 pieces of A4 paper, resembling a jigsaw puzzle. Each student interested was given a section to colour, allowing their creativity to shine. This inclusive approach not only celebrated diversity but also emphasized the power of unity in creating something extraordinary. The completed artwork now stands proudly in the Junior Music room, serving as a visual reminder of our ongoing commitment to reconciliation and the strength that emerges when we come together as one."



Year 12 - Physics

The Year 12 Physics class have been studying electric and magnetic fields, and have used their knowledge to investigate the path of an electron beam in a magnetic field. From this they were able to calculate the mass to charge ratio for an electron.



Out and About





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CARITAS CUBS PLAYGROUP MONDAY 19TH 9:00-10:30AM



ACTIVITES INCLUDED

PLAYDOUGH FUN ROCKET MAKING SANDPIT SENSORY BOX ALIEN MASKS FACE PAINTING





DO YOU HAVE ANY OLD Caritas college Uniforms?

RETURN THEM TO US TO BE DONATED! LET'S DO OUR BIT TO REDUCE LANDFILL

DROP YOUR OLD UNIFORMS INTO THE FRONT OFFICE DURING WEEK 9

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

- If hair is longer than collar length it must be tidily pulled back with a navy or white hair tie (regardless of gender).
- Extreme hairstyles are not permitted to be worn at school, and hair colours must be in line with the range of natural colours.
- Students are to be clean shaven.
- Make-up, including nail polish, is not to be worn.
- The only jewellery permitted to be worn to school includes a watch and/or one plain stud or sleeper per ear. For sport, earrings may be required to be removed.
- No other piercings permitted.
- All students are required to wear a school hat for all outside activities.
- The approved College shoe is a black leather school shoe with no discernible logos or imagery (canvas shoes are not permitted).



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CAN DRIVE From Weeks 7-9

To help St. Vinnies out the SRC have organised a can drive to help those who are struggling this winter. Over the next two weeks we are collecting any and all long-life canned food. So raid your pantry shelves for cans of vegetables, beans, soup, tuna, and bring them into school. Every little bit helps, thanks





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