Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that everyone enjoyed the beautiful weather during our Easter break and that you are all ready for another busy and productive term.

At the end of last term students gathered with families and friends in our church to reflect upon the events of Holy Week. In this ‘Year of Mercy’, there was a special emphasis on the ‘Washing of the Feet’ where our student leaders had the opportunity to serve others by washing the feet of our school leaders, SRC representatives and parents. It was a solemn and reflective liturgy and I thank everyone who came along and in particular thank Danni (mother of Andrew and David Calabro) and Immanuel (father of Beulah Samuel) for kindly volunteering to have their feet washed. This Tuesday at 11:30am we will celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus with our Alleluia Mass. Everyone is invited to attend this special school mass.

The Easter Egg raffle was once again a great success and a BIG thank you to our Parents and Friends for organising this event. The winners for the raffle were:-
- 1st Prize - Eva (Eliana’s mum 5/6M)
- 2nd Prize - Nhi (Trinity’s mum 3/4B)
- 3rd Prize - Isaac (2D)

Money raised will be notified in a later newsletter.

The Easter Hat Parade was once again a bright, creative and colourful event. Congratulations to all those students who joined in the parade.

The last week of term was definitely a busy one with the Year 3/4 sleepover and excursion to Matilda. This was truly a special excursion for our students and one which I’m sure they will remember for years to come. A big thank you to the teachers who ‘slept over’ at school (really got no sleep!): Tanya, Belinda, Alexandra and Marty. There were some tired Year 3/4 students on the last day of term and it was good that they had two weeks to recover.
Our next **school tour** will be on Thursday April 21st at 9:30am. If you know families who wish to enrol their child or are looking at schools for next year it is important to contact the office to book in for this tour as we already have high interest in this tour.

Next week will see the start of the **swimming program** for students from years prep-4 and I wish to thank Tanya for organising this. The Year 5/6 students will be away at **Camp Rumbug** from Monday 18th to Wednesday 20th and I wish them safe travels and happy camping.

Please check the Term 2 calendar for important events especially the **Sacrament dates** for students and there will be a **working bee** this term (date to be confirmed). I have also asked for expression of interest to help our Environment Ministry with the upkeep of our beautiful garden. Just a reminder that all parents who wish to help out on school grounds need a Working with Children check.

I was in contact with Pam during the holidays where she was enjoying London before starting the Pilgrimage : In The Footsteps of St. Paul and we all wish Pam a safe journey.

Whilst Pam is on leave Belinda Cheong (nee Lucchesi) will be acting Deputy Principal and I warmly welcome her professional expertise.

Wishing everyone a wonderful term.

**Jenny Del Prete**
**Acting Principal**

**Important Dates for 2016**

**TERM 2**
- **Tuesday, 12th April**  Alleluia Mass 11:30am
- **Monday, 18th to Wednesday, 20th April**  Year 5/6 School Camp
- **Monday, 18th to Thursday, 21st April**  Swimming Program Years Prep-4
- **Tuesday, 19th April**  School Board meeting
- **Thursday, 21st April**  School Tour at 9:30am
- **Friday, 22nd April**  Anzac Day Service
- **Monday, 25th April**  Anzac Day Public Holiday
- **Sunday, 8th May**  Mother’s Day
- **Monday, 9th May**  NAPLAN Testing will be held week beginning 9th May
- **Thursday, 26th May**  Sacrament of Reconciliation at 7:00pm in the church.
- **Friday, 3rd June**  7pm Year 5/6 Confirmation
- **Monday, 13th June**  Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
- **Tuesday, 21st June**  Parent Teacher Interviews (early dismissal for students)
- **Friday, 24th June**  End of Term 2, students dismissed at 1:00pm

**TERM 3**
- **Sunday, 11th September**  Sacrament of Eucharist at 10:30am mass.

**P&F**
There will be a P&F meeting in the staffroom on Friday 15th April at 9.15am and all are welcome. Responsible Service of Alcohol will be held on 5th May and cost is $30 per person and further details will follow.
Northern Adult Migrant English Program - Home Tutor Scheme
There are free information sessions and training programs every term and dates are as follows:-

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For more information please call the Northern AMEP on 1300 062 314 or email namephometutor@melbournepolytechnic.edu.au

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Our school photos are scheduled to take place on Friday 20th May 2016. Further details will follow in the upcoming newsletter.

SWIMMING PROGRAM
A reminder that the Swimming Program for students in Years Prep-4 will start next Monday 18th April and run for four days until Thursday 21st April. For more information please see separate note.

CAMP RUMBUG
Year 5/6 students along with Marty, Nicole and Kate will be attending Camp Rumbug which is located at Gippsland North on Monday 18th April until Wednesday 20th April. Jenny will be driving down and spending Monday night at camp and Liz will be driving down and spending Tuesday night at camp.

Working with Children check reminder. All parents wishing to help out at school including attending excursions must have a current working with children check.

PREP 2017
Reminder to parents that if you have siblings of students already at Sacred Heart, who will be five years old by 30th April, 2017,you need to advise the Office at your earliest convenience please.

SCHOOL TOUR
We will be having a School Tour on Thursday April 21st for any parents of children, who will be 5 by 30th April, 2017 and eligible for school. Please phone the Office on 9484 3514 to give your details should you wish to join this tour.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST TO ASSIST THE ENVIRONMENT GROUP
If you would like to help with the upkeep of our beautiful garden please complete the slip below. I am planning on organising sessions where the students in the environment group can actively work on garden maintenance. If you can spare an hour once a fortnight or once a month that would be wonderful. Thanks, Jenny.

Name: _____________________________________________

Child’s Name and Grade: ____________________________

Preferred Day and Time to assist in the garden: _________________________________________________