Welcome back to all Year Two students and parents! What a busy last term ahead!

RELIGION

Our Religious Education Units for this term include: “Signs of God’s Love” and “Advent and Christmas.” In the unit “Signs of God’s Love” students learn about the love of God for His people as they read about the journey from slavery to freedom in the Crossing of the Red Sea. They are introduced to the symbols and signs of the Eucharist. In the unit “Advent and Christmas” the children will learn about Advent as a time of waiting and hoping. They explore the experience of waiting and ways in which the Church waits for and prepares to celebrate the birth of Christ. Students learn about Matthew’s account of the birth of Jesus Christ and the visit of the Magi. You are welcome to join us for our class Mass in the Church.

YEARS 2 & 3 CLASS MASS

2JB & 2JM with 3GF & 3HC
Friday 31st October
10:00a.m.

LITERACY

Please remember to fill in and sign the reading log each time you hear your child read. Take-home books are the responsibility of each child to read and exchange in the classroom. During the last term, children are encouraged to fill in the Reading log with all books they read from the local and school libraries as well as books from home.

SPELLING PROGRAM

Just a reminder that your child needs to:

1. Learn his/her words each night (Look Say Cover Write Check)
2. Write interesting and descriptive sentences for each spelling word (in grey lead pencil)
3. Hand up their homework book and reading log each week (both signed by a parent)

MATHS

In mathematics this term our primary aim is to consolidate the children’s understanding of place value. By the end of Grade 2, children need to be confident with numbers and building fluency as well as the quick recall of basic number facts.

Some ideas to help your child at home:

• Counting practice (by 1s, 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s)
• Discussing worded maths riddles/problems
• Sharing and grouping of objects
• Working out change at the shops
• Playing maths games
INQUIRY UNIT

This term we are exploring “The Good Ol’ Days”. Grade two students will explore how the past is embedded in the present. Some key themes include investigating what aspects of the past we can see today and how have changes in technology shaped our daily life? This exploration will be complimented and enhanced by an excursion to an historic site (Yarrabee Yesterday’s World) on the 11th November.

SWIMMING

The school swimming program will start in Week 10 (beginning 8th December) and will take place at the Kew Recreation Centre. More information will be sent home shortly.

REMINDER

Please remember that at Sacred Heart we are a nut-aware school and have a non-sharing of food policy. Also we ask that you do not send to school any nut-based products such as Peanut Butter, Nutella, Snickers, etc.

GARDEN CLUB

Thank you to the volunteers who helped to weed and replant the garden at the end of last term. The children will be helping to look after some new plants throughout this last term. There is always plenty of weeding or mulching to do so if you have some free time, feel free to offer to help!

Grade 2 Timetable 2014

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Children are encouraged to borrow from the library each day before school (except Mondays).

Thank you for your support,
Mr Joe Bolzonello & Mr James Millane
(The Grade Two Team)