



Important Dates

**Yr 5 & 6 ACHPER
Sport Leadership
Day**
Friday 3 May 2024

**9am Assembly -
Led by SRCs**
Friday 3 May 2024

9am Mass - 2/3 HW
Wednesday 8 May 2024

**9am Assembly -
Led by R/1M &
R/1T**
Friday 10 May 2024

**Mother's Day
Breakfast from
8:30am**
Friday 10 May 2024

**SAPSASA Cross
Country
Championships**
Monday 13 May 2024

**National
Simultaneous
Storytime -
10:30am**
Wednesday 22 May 2024

**9am Assembly -
Led by 1/2 K & 2/3
HW**
Friday 24 May 2024

**Family Mass at
Sacred Heart
Church - 9am**
Sunday 26 May 2024

**Scholastic Book Fair
- 27th - 31st May**
Monday 27 May 2024

**9am Mass - 3/4 P &
4/5 F**
Wednesday 29 May 2024

Pupil Free Day
Friday 7 June 2024

**King's Birthday
Public Holiday**
Monday 10 June 2024

Orientation Morning
- 9:00 - 10:30am
Wednesday 19 June 2024

9am Assembly -
Led by 5/6 L
Friday 21 June 2024

Receptions
Transition Visit -
9:00 - 11:30am
Wednesday 26 June 2024

Receptions
Transition Visit -
9:00 - 11:30am
Wednesday 3 July 2024

End of Term 2 -
3:00pm Finish
Friday 5 July 2024

9am Assembly -
Led by 3/4 P & 4/5
F
Friday 5 July 2024

Semester 1 Reports
emailed to families
Friday 5 July 2024

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From the Principal

Dear Families,

Welcome back from holidays. We trust you had the opportunity to spend some quality family time together and enjoyed the break. Our school closure day on Monday 29th April has enabled staff to engage in a variety of professional learning sessions to build their skills and knowledge including diabetes training, curriculum mapping and planning, disability standards training.

Student Leadership

Our House leaders are meeting fortnightly with Ms Hancock to build leadership skills and discuss how they can build House community throughout the year. They have identified that having House Meetings twice per term would be a great way to build a strong sense of house pride and engagement. Students will be invited to wear their coloured house top on these days and will participate in a morning meeting to build a house culture and enjoy fun team activities designed by the leaders.

Week 3 - Friday 17th May from 9-9.30am

Week 7 - Friday 14th June from 9-9.30am

Our SRC are meeting fortnightly with Ms Fenu to discuss school directions and initiatives. They will also identify fundraising ideas for a casual clothes day at the end of each term. Our Term 1 successful fundraising event was for Project Compassion and we also had the Easter raffle run by the P & F.

Green Hearts



We are pleased to announce that we have been able to purchase new garden beds for Green Hearts and will be purchasing a storage shed and equipment thanks to grants we have been successful in applying for and/or receiving. We have received a \$1000 PIE grant. The PIE grant program is supported by the Office of the Minister for Education, Training and Skills, Government of South Australia. Catholic School Parents South Australia is responsible for administering the grants for Catholic Schools in South Australia.

We also received Wellbeing Boost Funding secured in 2023 as part of the Australian Government's one-off student wellbeing boost funding through the Education Department and Minister for Education which has helped to support this important initiative.

We would like to thank **Miriam Davison** who liaised with Adelaide Hills Veggie Gardens to arrange the garden beds and Jhovana Fenu who secured the PIE grant. We look forward to replanting in Term 2 and growing produce we can use to cook and eat.

Safe Environments for All



At IHM we recognise that every child has the right to be safe and free from all kinds of abuse, including bullying and harassment, and neglect. Schools are mandated child safe environments with legal, policy and procedural requirements for staff and volunteers.

The South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools (SACCS) requires its schools to implement child safety policies and practices, including child safety education. At IHM we teach the Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum.

In the attached link you will find the Child Protection policies and associated materials our school and system adheres to:
<https://www.cesa.catholic.edu.au/our-schools/safe-environments-for-all>

Playground Rules - Important

A reminder for families that as a matter of safety (due to no staff supervision) **NO STUDENTS OR SIBLINGS** are permitted to play on the playground **before and after school**. In the mornings students should proceed directly to their classroom, put bags away and wait for their class teacher, ready to start school promptly at 8:45am.

Kind regards,

Julie Hancock

PRINCIPAL

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From the Assistant Principal

Prayer: The Season of Easter

We are in the Season of Easter as we begin a new Term. Easter begins on Easter Sunday and lasts for 50 days until Pentecost, which will take place on Sunday 19th May. Pope Francis Easter message to us is "*The tomb of Jesus is open and it is empty! From this everything begins anew!*" A message of hope, faith and love. Wishing all our families and students a blessed Term 2 as we continue to learn to thrive together.

Project Compassion

We are always amazed how compassionate and giving our school community is. Our collective stewardship towards justice and dignity makes a difference now, and for all future generations. We raised \$501.00. Thank you for supporting Project Compassion 2024.

Term 2 Masses

YEAR B - Wednesdays 9am in IHM Hall - Celebrant: Father Santhosh

| Week | Date | Class Leaders |
|------|----------------------|-----------------|
| 2 | 8 th May | 2/3 HW |
| 5 | 29 th May | 3/4 P and 4/5 F |

Term 2 Liturgies

| Week | Date | Class Leaders |
|------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 6 | 6 th June | SRC / House Leaders Feast of the Sacred Heart |
| 8 | 20 th June | R/1T R/1T 1/2K |

Sacred Heart Church Community Mass Invitation

All families are welcome to attend the IHM Family Mass on **Sunday 26th May at 9:00am** which will be held at the Sacred Heart Church, 252 Port Road, Hindmarsh. Our sacramental students will be presented on this day.

SRC Assembly



IHM Sacramental Program

Our Parish Sacramental Program is family based, facilitated by our Sacred Heart Church and supported by the APRIM's (Assistant Principal-Religious Identity and Mission) from St Joseph's School, Hindmarsh, St Michaels Primary Campus and Preca Community.

Please keep **Paige** (3/4P) **Zara** (4/5F) and **Tiana** (5/6L) in your prayers as they begin their sacramental preparation for Confirmation and First Holy Communion. The celebration will be on held on Sunday 18th August at the Sacred Heart Church, Hindmarsh.

If you are interested in your child participating in the next cycle of the Sacramental Program or would like further information please email Jhovana: jfenu@ihm.catholic.edu.au

Please note that it is a requirement for children who participate in Sacramental Program to be baptised. If your child is not baptised, we encourage you to contact the Parish office on 8346 3901 or Email: shparish@shphf.com.au

Green Hearts Program: THANK YOU

A **heartfelt thank** you for your generous donations to fill our kitchen cupboards that will provide our students with cookery experience, using all our garden has to offer. We are still accepting donations. **Some of the things we still need are:**

- blenders, nutribullet or stickblenders
- chopping boards
- mixing bowls
- strainers
- peelers
- wooden and steel spoons
- ladles
- scales
- large containers for produce
- baskets for collecting produce
- old jars suitable to sanitise
- oven trays
- big pots for making jam

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Catholic School Parents South Australia and the Office of the Minister for Education, Training, and Skills, Government of South Australia for approving a grant of \$1000 to support our Green Hearts Gardening Project. Our school is truly grateful.

Jhovana Fenu

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P & F News

A big welcome back to Term 2 from the Parents and Friends committee. We hope you have all had a wonderful and safe holiday.

A big thank you to all of the families that participated in our Easter basket raffle - we raised **\$1,192.12**. for the school community! What a super effort!!

A few reminders



The P and F meeting will be held on **Thursday 9th May at 7pm** in the school hall.

New parents are always welcome to join us! Kids are welcome to come along.

We will be planning a fundraising lunch for the students this term and working on other community activities for the school.

For Reception and Year 1 parents - we are arranging a dinner to help you all get to know each other - this will be held at **Plant 4 on Friday 17th May.**

Please check out the School Stream message in the next few days and let us know if you are able to attend.

Thanks again for your continued support of the school community!

Judith and Erika

CO-CHAIRS

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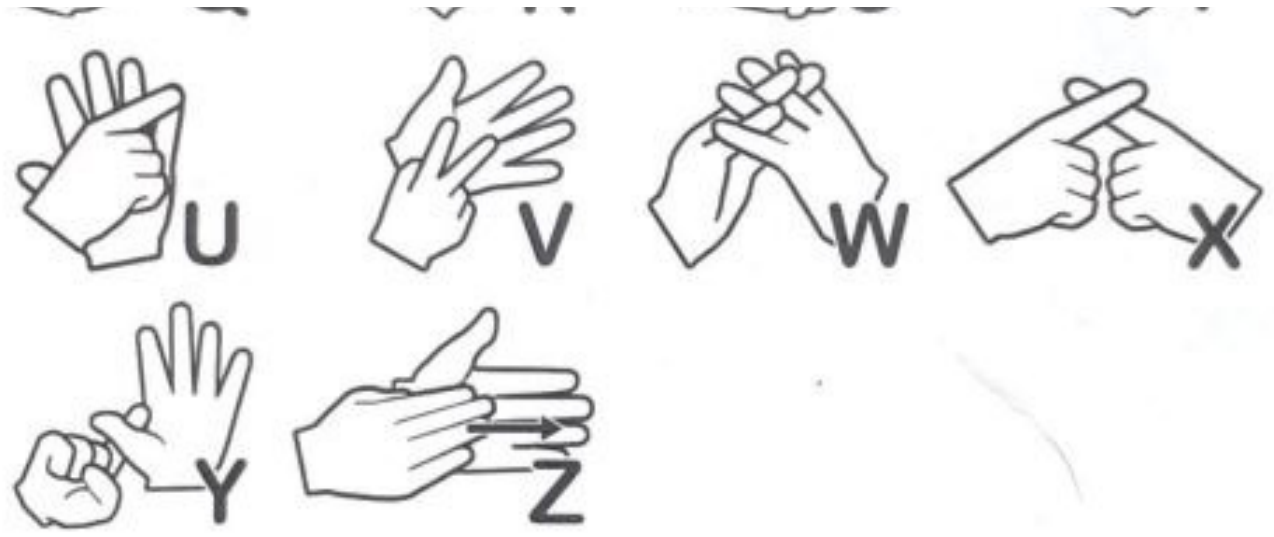
Auslan News

Sign Alphabet

This is the Right-Handed Alphabet. Left handers reverse hands. Think of your non-dominant hand as the paper hand, and your other hand is the working hand. So, to sign 'A' (for right handers) the 'working hand' points to the thumb on the paper hand, or for 'M' the 'working hand' draws an 'M' with its fingers on the 'paper hand'.

Vowel Hint:





Auslan stands for: Australian sign language.

It is the language of the Deaf community. At IHM your children have been learning the Auslan signing alphabet. Fingerspelling is one way of spelling words when there is not a sign. Auslan fingerspelling is also used to spell out names of people and places.

Practice fingerspelling and signing the alphabet with your children. See if they can make words using fingerspelling.

Can they sign their name? A friend's name. Can they fingerspell their sight words?

Happy Signing,

Miss Mary

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School Finance

School Fee statements will be sent home with the eldest child by Week 3 this term. A reminder that families can still apply for School Card. If eligible they can receive a 40% discount on school fees. Applications can be made online or see Julie in the Office for an application form.

<http://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>

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Sports News

Soccer Season 2024



The 2024 NWJSA Soccer Season commences on **Saturday 11th May**. The soccer registration and top hire fee of **\$60.00** can now be paid (either via Qkr! under Excursions/Activities or in the Office) and soccer tops can be collected from the Office.

Students wear the hired school soccer top, navy shorts, navy knee high socks and must wear shin guards.

Coaches can collect their soccer kit from the Office from Monday 6th May. Teams will be advised of their training day by their coaches.

Hoping all our students representing IHM this season have fun playing soccer.

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St Mary's College - STEM Adventures



The image features a promotional poster for 'STEM Adventures Family Edition' on the left and a photograph of a student on the right. The poster is blue with white and light blue text. It includes the St Mary's College logo and crest, the event title 'STEM Adventures Family Edition', the location 'Veritas Centre, St Mary's College', the time '1.00pm-4.00pm', the date 'Sat, 18 May 2024', and a description: 'Featuring hands-on learning workshops, exhibitions and experts in STEM. Discover the future of STEM and learn alongside your child!'. The photograph shows a young girl in a dark blue school polo shirt kneeling on a light-colored floor, looking down at a small, black, four-wheeled robot. Other people are visible in the background of the photo.

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