

CELEBRATING



Immaculate Heart News

Save the Dates

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Monday 24 October

Swimming Begins Pre-primary to Year 6
Holocaust Institution Incurion Year 9-12

Thursday 27 October

NIPSSA Primary Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 1 November

All Saints Day Mass

Wednesday 2 November

All Souls Day

Friday 4 November

Swimming Concludes Pre-primary to Year 6
Year 4 Eucharist Retreat - 8:45am
Yr 3 - Reconciliation Retreat - 12:00pm

Monday 7 November

Fortitude Day

Friday 18 November
Staff Day - Pupil Free Day

School Fee Payment Reminder

Payment of school fees in a timely manner is pivotal to the functioning of the College. Please ensure that all accounts are settled by the due date.

School Fee Payment Reminder

The end of year is fast approaching and fees are almost due. Please make sure that invoices are paid by the due dates. Note: bus fees are not deducted from Direct Debit payments.
Accounts Department



100th ANNIVERSARY
"The Way, the Truth and the Life"
John 14:6

Issue 15: Term 4, Week 2

Message from the Principal's Desk

Mrs Sammantha Da Luz

Dear IHC community

It has been a whirlwind start to the term with plenty of celebrations and events at hand. Where to begin? We had a wonderful Senior School retreat held at Bindoon and incorporating a day trip into the New Norcia Monastery. Mr Brennan and Miss Dalzell accompanied me and the students on a very reflective and relational retreat which built upon the harmonies of relationships with the purpose of service. These harmonies focussed upon our relationships with self, others, the environment and with God.

Students worked effectively together in teams as did the staff, to prepare, cook and serve our meals, to clean up afterwards and to pray regularly together. Nothing was lovelier than when the students requested to pray the whole rosary (instead of just a decade) and volunteered to lead the prayers, in honour of Our Lady and to support the Million Children's Prayer on 18 October. Staying in two separate chalets, the group would descend into the lounge area to play lots of board and card games in the evening as well as sporting challenges, and then during mindfulness time we created crosses out of wooden clothes pegs! Zane dominated all the Finska challenges and then when we went ten pin bowling, he crushed the opposition with several strikes in the first game. Evan was the most improved where from the first game to the second, he graduated from bowling gutterballs to striking all ten pins! Everyone achieved a strike and/or spare in the games and enjoyed the camaraderie and laughter that comes with such challenges.



Our day at New Norcia began with a beautiful mass in the Abbey Church with Fr Robert who also gave us a pipe organ and piano demonstration which left many of us with goosebumps and tears in our eyes. It was certainly a memorable moment to hear such emotional and beautiful music in such a setting. We then commenced our two-hour walking tour visiting both the girls' and boys' colleges, the old press, flour mill and granary and then the amazing Aboriginal museum display. This chronicled the story of the Yuad people in the times of Bishop Salvado and then the heartbreaking stories of The Stolen Generation thereafter. It was certainly a highlight to visit such a display and to learn more about these important stories in our history.

Praying the midday prayer (Divine Hours) in the Chapel with the Monks was also an eye opener for our students to observe and participate in the Monastery way of life: work and prayer to create balance in life and then we enjoyed a beautiful lunch in the guesthouse as we had worked up a hearty appetite by then! Visiting the numerous and priceless works of art, museum artefacts and special collections was a lovely surprise to our group who continued to marvel at the architecture and artworks that were created by the hundreds of monks who lived and worked in the town for over 100 years as well as the skilled workers who left incredible legacies for us today.

My thanks go to Ms Carpenter for driving us to our destinations during the day and evening, Mr Brennan and Miss Dalzell for their tireless efforts and devotion and to all students for their contributions on camp. I am grateful to have been given the opportunity to get to know you all better and I hope, for you to also get to know me better. Not having the luxury of being a regular classroom teacher, it was very affirming for me to be back in that 'classroom teacher' mode again. I had a wonderful time!

I also had the pleasure of attending the Professional Council of Teachers Outstanding Service Awards when I returned from Retreat, honouring Mr Nino Raju who had been nominated by the Western Australian Modern Greek Language Teachers Association (WAMGLTA) for his service to WAMGLTA. Being the first non-Greek member of the association, Mr Raju has taken on the roles of Secretary (a job that no one ever wants) as well as Webmaster for the association. These roles are all voluntary and we commend Mr Raju's dedication and service to others.

The Year 12s had their Graduation mass, morning tea and luncheon on Friday 21 October. It was a beautiful mass where the choir and congregation sang with gusto and Fr Paul spoke very meaningfully about how we conduct ourselves moving forwards, with humility and respect. Congratulations to Caitlin Campbell, our outgoing School captain, and Sharni Harmalin who received two beautiful crosses which were made by the staff and students on retreat, two stunning rosary beads, a Graduation mug, their certificates and graduation sashes. These were all blessed by Fr Paul at the conclusion of our Mass. Many thanks to Ms Carpenter for organising the gifts and to Mrs Searle for creating the beautiful sashes for us, Mrs Hannd for coordinating the event and all staff and students in supporting our Year 12 students as they leave Immaculate Heart College for the last time. May you always walk with God in your lives, and I look forward to hearing about all your future successes. Go forth and set the world alight!

God Bless.

Year 3 - Design & Technology

In Term 2, students designed a soft toy with a Pre-primary student. The Year 3 students then created and sewed the soft toy making the appropriate changes along the way based on the materials available to them. Throughout this unit students learnt to: create a sequence of steps to solve a given task, explore and understand properties of materials, work independently and collaboratively as required, to plan, safely create and communicate specific sequenced steps and to evaluate their own design processes. Students also demonstrated that they were able to maintain safe practice when using materials, tools, and equipment to create their soft toy.



We then held a 'Teddy Bear Picnic' to finally gift the soft toys to our Pre-primary students. The softies were met with squeals of joy as the Pre-primary students held and played with their new toy! Students then played together in the playground forging new friendships along the way. It was a fantastic morning, and a great way to wind up the end of a term.



Year 11 Outdoor Education Camp

Mrs Skye Hannd

Our Year 11 Outdoor Education students completed their final expedition for the year last week. The expedition was a northern, coastal based program in Sandy Cape which included environmental appreciation (Leave No Trace skills) on day 1, orienteering via mountain bike on day 2, followed by sea kayaking, and finished with sandboarding and stand-up paddle boarding on our final day away.



This trip was an essential part of our schedule in the sense that it is based in a unique environment in which we live and at times take for granted. One of our goals is to demonstrate to students the value of this environment and increase their appreciation for what is on our doorstep, including how biodiverse and fragile this area actually is.



Students finally had an opportunity to transfer learnt skills (school-based) to the off-grid camping scenario and all demonstrated great skill in fire-building, bush cooking and tenting. In the little spare time we had, Mr Reid made sure the laughter was turned up with some cooperation and leadership games.

The growth of our students in just three days was outstandingly noticeable... imagine what we could do with five!

Thank you all for the laugh-a-minute!



I have the pleasure of inviting all Greeks and friends of Greece in Western Australia on Sunday, 6 November 2022 to attend the commemorative events on the occasion of the **National Day of the 28th of October 1940**, taking place this year with the participation of an Evzones Unit of the Greek Presidential Guard, who will be visiting Perth for the first time:

- 10:30 am: **Doxology** at the Greek Orthodox Church of Evangelismos, 57 Carr St, West Perth WA 6005.
- 12:30 pm: **Wreath Laying Ceremony** at the State War Memorial in Kings Park.

Your massive presence will brighten this year's very special celebration of our National Day!

Georgia Karasiotou
Consul of Greece in Perth

