



# IMMACULATE HEART NEWS

ISSUE 8 WEEK 8 TERM 2



SECONDARY SCHOOL – MS BURTON

## Message from the Principal's Desk

*Mrs Sammantha Da Luz*

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope this newsletter finds you all well and in good health. I am now in recovery from my surgery and I have to thank Mr Paul Kelly who is in my chair for the last few weeks of term. Please direct any urgent issues to him or if you require my specific attention, please contact my PA, Ms Tamara Carpenter.

I have to inform you of some departure news in this newsletter: Mrs Jennine Thomasson will be sadly leaving IHC at the end of this term to care for her husband who is in ill-health. Please could you keep Mr and Mrs Thomasson in your prayers as we wish them strength and positive healing during this difficult time.

We have managed to cover Mrs Thomasson's classes quite effectively by engaging SIDE (School of Isolated and Distance Education) with an onsite tutor for our ATAR students and an additional teacher for the middle school classes. Our aim is to minimise any disruption to our course deliveries and to maintain a high standard of educational offerings.

We hope to begin work on our amphitheatre remediation as soon as we receive shire approval and are continuing our playground and recreational facilities.

Our project management team will meet with AISWA soon to go through our next Capital Grants Application for a multi-purpose building: gymnasium/theatre and Performing Arts classrooms. We are also finalising plans for our D&T workshop, administration and new car park.

We are advancing upon our application to run our own Out of School Hours Care facility at IHC. Mrs Paula-Lee Cutler is coordinating that process for us at the moment and I hope to be able to report on more progress soon.

Please keep all of our Senior students in your prayers as they embark upon their exams this week and remind them to stay hydrated, eat well and get plenty of sleep!

I would like to thank all our leadership, grounds, Admin and teaching staff in helping us to prepare for our re-registration visit last week. The campus was looking good and all schedules met. We hope to report upon a positive outcome soon.

Take good care everyone until the next time.

## Save the Dates

For further details, please visit the College Calendar:  
<http://incwaeuauu/calendar/>

### Week 9

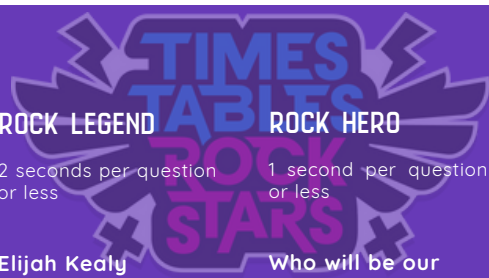
- Mon 10 Jun: Year 5 to 12 Incursion - Bully Zero - Understanding Bullying
- Tue 11 Jun: Year 6 Master Chef (Canteen Closed)
- Wed 12 Jun: Try-a-Trade Day - Year 10 Students
- Thu 13 Jun: Primary Assembly - Music
- Thu 13 Jun: Last day of extra-curricular
- Fri 14 Jun: Years 7 to 12 Mass
- Fri 14 Jun: Last day of Cor Mariae Youth Group

### Week 10

- Wed 19 Jun: College Feast Day - Whole School Mass
- Thu 20 Jun: Secondary School Assembly
- Fri 21 Jun: NIPSSA Primary School Cross Country
- Fri 21 Jun: Last day of Term 2: Reports released

### Term 3

- Mon 15 Jul: Term 3 Commences
- Mon 15 Jul: Parent Teacher Interview Appointments released
- Wed 24 Jul: Parent Teacher Interviews
- Mon 19 Aug: School Photo Day 1
- Tue 20 Aug: School Photo Day 2



### ROCK STAR

3 seconds per question or less

Haleah Sinclair  
Xavier Leggett  
Jeremiah Ajang  
Charlie Oakley  
Aidan Godsmark  
Maan Man

### ROCK LEGEND

2 seconds per question or less

Elijah Kealy  
Axell Sinclair  
James Joubert  
Daniel Wingfield

### ROCK HERO

1 second per question or less

Who will be our first Rock Hero?

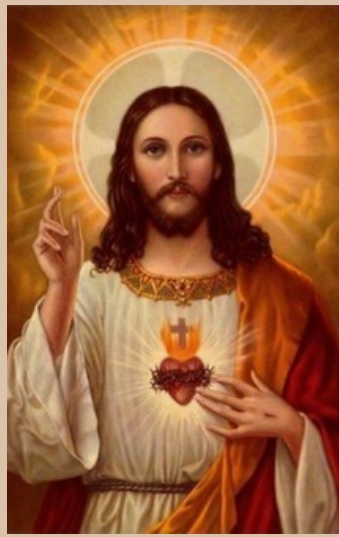
### GONE GREEN

consistently answers all facts in 4 seconds or less

Elijah Kealy  
Charlie Oakley

## From the Heart

Week 8 ends with Friday the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and Saturday the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Both Feast Days have great significance not only in the universal Church but also at Immaculate Heart College. When many people think of God, they immediately focus on judgement. However, the Catholic devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus also emphasises the love and mercy of God. Images of this devotion depict Jesus facing us and showing forth His Heart burning with love for us. The unmistakable message is one of God's infinite love; the flame above our Blessed Lord's Heart denotes that God's love is all-consuming, similar to that of a fire which consumes all in its path. This devotion dates back many centuries and includes a number of Saints experiencing apparitions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, one of whom is the 13th century Saint Gertrude the Great.



But what is the connection with IHC? Well, in addition to "Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us" being a regular prayer prayed in the College, the road opposite our College, is also named Santa Gertrudis (in Latin). However, I have to admit that the town planners of Lower Chittering who named the road, probably didn't have its religious meaning in mind. Santa Gertrudis also happens to be the name of a breed of cattle! The Immaculate Heart of Mary devotion is no mystery to the IHC community and on Wednesday of Week 10, weather permitting, we will have our College Feast Day Procession. This will involve all students and staff of the College processing around our campus with a statue of Our Lady and the Most Blessed Sacrament being carried in a Monstrance by Fr Paul before a whole school Mass. We pray that this religious Act of Faith calls down many blessings for our very special IHC Community.

*Mr Paul Kelly  
Head of Theology, Faith and Liturgy*

## Sock Puppet Creations

*Mrs Fiona Marsden*

This term, Kindergarten students have been engaged in an integrated program focusing on living and non-living things. During their exploration of animals, Mrs Scott visited the class to make animal sock puppets with the students. Each child designed their own animal and used various craft materials to transform their socks into unique animal creations.



## NSS

*Mrs Hasoly Tran*

Once again Immaculate Heart College participated in the National Simultaneous Storytime 2024. We were part of 2,359,147 participants at 21,969 locations across Australia and the world. This year's featured Australian author and illustrator was "Bowerbird Blues" by Aura Parker. Members of our Leadership Team, along with Year 11 English students, read the story to the students.



# SUSPICIOUS SEA

Shivering ships shudder across the ocean,  
Clicking crabs clatter on the sea floor,  
Slimy sea snails slip and slide in the sticky lotion,  
Wet waves wash the shore.

Fisherman dish up free-range fish with pride,  
Snap, clang, bubble! A Cracken climbs a crashing ship,  
Surfers slide under big wavy ride,  
Cuttlefish slide under the rip.

By Kyran



*After a reading activity on Farmer's Markets students had to share their insights into the benefits of farmers' markets to the local community through persuasive writing. Students had to outline the important elements of an argument including stating their position, listing their reasons, and providing evidence to support them, and then summing up or concluding.*

#### **Farmers' Markets**

Fresh fruits and vegetables or go to the supermarket? I know I would MUCH rather go to a farmers' market. Here are four reasons why I think you should go to farmers markets.

Firstly, if we go to farmers market the farmer gets more money and they sell it straight to us. Supermarkets pay for their trucks and fuel costs, their workers, their warehouse, and bills so the farmer only gets paid a quarter of what they are meant to.

Secondly, the consumer gets more nutritious food, it's fresher and it's healthier. At farmers markets there is no pesticides, herbicides, it's organic which means the food is grown naturally. The consumer can try new things like jams, cheeses, and special fruits.

Thirdly, the farmers market brings the local community together and supports local farmers. Farmers markets are held at schools, parks, and car parks. The local community can meet the farmer and learn how their food is farmed.

Fourthly, there are low food miles, and the food is picked that very morning. If you go to supermarkets your food has high food miles which means the food has travelled on trucks, planes, ships, and trains to get all the way here which is bad for you and the environment! Food from the farmers market is not bad for the environment because it is organic, sustainable, not herbicides/pesticides which means there are no poisons on plants or land.

In conclusion, fresh fruit and vegetables or go to the supermarket? You know what you should do. So just go!  
#farmersmarketsarecool.  
#supportlocalfarmers

**By Naomi Cumbo - Year 3**

#### **Farmers' Markets**

Fresh Vegetables, Fruity, fruit and friendly farmers? Shop at farmers' markets. Here are four reasons why I think you should shop at farmers' markets better for the farmer, good food for the consumer, community and better for the environment.

The farmer gets paid less than they earn. Imagen being a farmer and only getting paid way less than you deserve. Supermarkets needs to pay for the drives, fuel, workers, warehouses, and power bills so there is only a little bit of money for the farmer.

Farmers Markets is good for us because there are no pesticides (bug killer), and the food is grown naturally. The food is picked the night before.

Farmers' market is excellent for the community because it brings the community together and supports local farmers. It's better for our food because it is low food miles this means the food has not travelled far. Food at supermarkets travels on trucks, trains, planes, and boats.

Fresh vegies, fruity, fruit or disgusting foods from supermarkets? I know I would much rather yummy food from farmers' markets.

#SHOPATFARMERS'MARKETSTODAY!

**By Isabelle Rose - Year 4**

#### **Farmers' Markets**

Every day would you like fresh food on your plate? If so, try a local farmer market. Here are four reasons why going to a farmers' market is the best. It benefits the farmers, consumers, community, and environment.

Firstly, a farmers' Market benefits the farmers. The farmers can make more money as they sell straight to the consumer. Supermarkets will only give the farmer a quarter since they must pay truck drivers, fuel costs, workers, and warehouse bills so the farmers never get a good price. How would you feel spending \$100 and getting \$25?

Secondly, the consumer can by more nutritious, fresher, and healthier foods. The food has no pesticides (bug killers) and herbicides (weed killers) which means that the food is organic (grown naturally). Customers can also purchase jams, cheeses, and special fruits. Imagine eating non-chemical food.

Thirdly, farmers' markets bring the local community together. Farmers' markets are held in schools, parks, and carparks. Going to farmers' markets is also nearer to your home. Imagine everyone going to supermarkets far away and polluting the air.

Finally, the environment benefits. The food is always picked the day before. The food has low food miles (not transported far on trucks, planes, ships, and trains). It is sustainable (rotated crops), no poisons on plants, and no poisons on the land. Imagine the world polluted and we had nowhere to live?

So, would you like fresh food on your plate? Remember, farmers' markets benefit the farmer, consumers, community, and environment.

#farmersmarketsarebetterthansupermarkets  
#gofarmers!

**By Josiah Rong De - Year 3**