



IMMACULATE HEART NEWS

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Message from the Principal's Desk

Mrs Samantha Da Luz

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have all been enjoying the relatively good weather thus far. We pray for a good dry day on Friday next week for our Athletics Carnival. Taking on board the feedback from staff and parents last year, Mr Martin and his helpers have been working very hard to get everything organized ahead of this event and so we hope you will support us next week, especially as our incredible P&F have also been very hard at work in preparations to feed us all! A coffee truck will be available on site to meet your caffeine needs and as we want to fully support our P&F, the school canteen will be closed on this day.

Members of the Senior Student Representative Council, Mrs Carpenter and myself were very fortunate to have attended the Governor's Prayer Breakfast last week as guests of Shane Love MLA. Mr Love extended these invitations to us last year and continued to do so this year and we are very grateful for the opportunity to listen to some inspirational speakers, be in communion with our State's leaders, other faith schools and the wider Christian community.

The Board of Governors and the Senior Leadership team met this week in a Strategic Planning workshop to review the College Plan and identify improvement areas. It was well supported with all Directors and college leaders involved in frank and fruitful discussions. We look forward to sharing our newly reviewed Strategic Plan with you soon.

I hope you have had a chance to visit our revamped college website at <https://ihc.wa.edu.au/>. The students and staff have enjoyed being more visible to our wider community and to be great ambassadors of our college. Thank you to all staff, students and parents who have contributed to our new website.

Even though we are halfway through the term, the college is busy with planning for 2025. To assist us with our staffing and timetabling plans, all families will be receiving 2025 Intentions forms to please be returned as soon as possible. If any of our families are leaving IHC at the end of the year, please ensure that you do formally notify us, giving at least a full term's notice. Decisions are generally made at the end of Term 3 at the college level and not being notified of departures until the start of next year, is a costly and problematic issue with smaller schools such as ours. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

On that note of departures, we will be sadly farewelling Mrs Kim Hughes at the end of Term 3 who embarks on her long-awaited leave. At this stage, Mrs Hughes will be embarking upon an exciting new adventure after her leave and we wish her and her family all the very best in the next chapter of their lives. We thank Mrs Hughes for her years of service to IHC and know she will be greatly missed amongst all staff and students here.

I am looking forward to cheering on all our athletes in their pursuit of faction glory next week, and hope to enjoy a cuppa and a sausage sizzle with you all.

God bless!



Save the Dates

For further details, please visit the College Calendar:
<http://ihc.wa.edu.au/calendar/>

Week 5

Science Week

- Thu 15 Aug: Feast of the Assumption - Mass
- Thu 15 Aug: Years 3 to 4 Kings Park Excursion
- Thu 15 Aug: Primary School In-house Assembly
- Fri 16 Aug: Athletics Carnival

Week 6

- Mon 19 Aug: School Photo Day 1
- Tue 20 Aug: School Photo Day 2
- Wed 21 Aug: Muay Thai Clinic Begins
- Thu 22 Aug: Pre-primary to Year 2 Mass
- Thu 22 Aug: Whole School Assembly - Athletics Presentation
- Fri 23 Aug: Book Week Parade 9am
- Fri 23 Aug: Educate By Nature - Years 1 and 2

Week 7

- Mon 26 Aug: PK Father's Day Stall
- Tue 27 Aug: Father's Day Stall
- Wed 28 Aug: Science Week Animal Ark Incursion
- Thu 29 Aug: ACC Athletics Carnival - Secondary
- Thu 29 Aug: Primary School Assembly - Years 3 & 3/4
- Fri 30 Aug: Pupil Free Day - Staff Development Day

LEARN Muay Thai AT IHC

STARTS WEDNESDAY 21ST AUGUST

EVERY WEDNESDAY 3:30PM-4:15PM

12YRS - 17YRS

\$15 PER SESSION

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- PROFESSIONAL COACHING
- EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED
- PUNCHES & KICKS
- ELBOWS & KNEES
- TECHNIQUE DRILLS
- FUN FITNESS

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arachkidgym.com.au

From the Heart

Week 4 features the Transfiguration of Jesus on Mount Tabor where Our Blessed Lord's Body is transfigured in such a way that He resembles what He will look like after His Resurrection. This spectacle that sees Jesus' Body filled with Light is witnessed by Peter, James and John, and, two Heavenly visitors from the Old Testament: Moses and Elijah. By inviting the three Apostles to His Transfiguration, Jesus is strengthening them for what lies ahead: His arrest, torture and crucifixion. Like Olympic athletes who sacrifice so much to win a gold medal, Jesus wants Peter, James and John to keep their eyes on the prize, the 'Bigger Picture', namely: getting to Heaven.



One relatively recent saint who certainly did win the prize has her feast day celebrated on Thursday of Week 4, Australia's first canonized saint: Mary MacKillop. She wasn't an Olympic medal winner but, in the words of St Paul, she ran the race to the finishing line. On reflecting on her life in later years, Mary wrote that her childhood was an unhappy one as it was filled with severe hardships. However, the crosses she had to carry in her early years strengthened her for her life as a Nun who co-founded a Religious Teaching Order for the rural poor of South Australia. This Order, the Josephites, grew to eventually run as many as 40 schools in Mary's lifetime. Such is the legacy of St Mary MacKillop.

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

Chickens!!!

Mrs Natasha Shuker

This term in Design and Technologies, students in Year 3 will be investigating food and fibre production. "U Can Hatch Us", Egg & Chick Hatching Education Program has been a great way for students to watch and gain valuable knowledge about the development of a chicken. This program runs for 12 days, and included fertilised chicken eggs, an incubator, a brooder, heat source and food for the chicks once they hatched. Students were able to watch the process of chickens hatching and growing, and they have been studying and reporting on the hatching process. Students have gained valuable knowledge about the lifecycle of a chicken and have been designing chicken coups, as well as designing and creating a safe haven for a chicken egg dropped from a high place, also known as the 'Egg Drop' (photos of this to come at a later date). Many other classes have come to visit Year 3 over the last two weeks, and the Year 3 students have enthusiastically shared their knowledge with other students and answered questions regarding the chicks and the hatching process. One thing is sure, our class will seem very empty once the chicks go to their new homes!



100 Days!

Mrs Mireinne Cumbo

In Pre-primary this week, we celebrated 100 days at school with an Olympic-themed day. We played lots of games, such as throwing bean bags at target shapes, using tennis rackets to knock down red poles with tennis balls, and tossing bean bags while trying to spell "100 days smarter." We counted to 100, read 100 English words, and worked on 100-piece puzzles. We also baked cornflake slice and popped 100 popcorn kernels, predicting how their size would change. We had lots of fun and definitely learned a lot. We are officially 100 days smarter!



DASH Simulators and Events

Mr Joshua Heatherly

On Friday of Week 3, we had Daniel from DASH Simulators and Events visit IHC for the day. The students had the opportunity to engage in a range of driving-based events and races using state-of-the-art simulation equipment, to enhance their understanding and awareness of the real world applications for the skills and systems examined in the workshop. The students had a fantastic time during their allocated time slots and are already asking when DASH will be back.

