Immaculate Heart of Mary School Brompton

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Important Dates

9am Mass - led by 5/6L Wednesday 28 May 2025 P & F Sausage Sizzle Lunch Friday 30 May 2025

Pupil Free Day Friday 6 June 2025

King's Birthday Public Holiday Monday 9 June 2025 Animals Anonymous Incursion Tuesday 3 June 2025

World Environment Day at IHM Thursday 5 June 2025

Year 1/2s Excursion - Marine Discovery Centre Monday 23 June 2025 End of Term 2 -3:00pm Finish Friday 4 July 2025

Principal's Message

Dear Families,

It is wonderful to be back at school, and I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Ms Jhovana Fenu and Ms Jo Livingstone for their capable and thoughtful leadership during my absence.

It has been a busy and exciting time in our school community. We recently celebrated Catholic Education Week and participated in National Simultaneous Storytime, which was a fantastic way to share our love of reading across all year levels. Last Friday, our Reception students delighted us with a joyful and engaging assembly, proudly sharing their learning with confidence and enthusiasm.

Looking ahead, we are excited to welcome 15 new Reception students and their families as they begin their transition visits over the coming weeks. We look forward to helping them feel at home and part of our school family.

Learning Focus: Mathematics - Number Talks

Following recent professional learning, our teachers have begun implementing **daily Number Talks** in their classrooms. These are short (5–15 minute) sessions where students **mentally solve math problems** and then **discuss the different strategies** they used to find their answers.

Number Talks help students:

- Develop fluency with numbers
- Build mental math skills
- Understand number relationships
- Gain confidence in explaining their thinking

These sessions create a supportive environment where students learn that there's often more than one way to solve a problem. They listen to their peers, consider different methods, and deepen their understanding of mathematical concepts.

By thinking, talking, and reasoning together, our students are becoming more confident and capable mathematicians every day!

PBIS Focus: We Speak Respectfully to Each Other!

At IHM, we are always working on being our best selves - not just in our learning, but in the way we treat one another. Our PBIS (Positive Behavioural Interventions & Supports) focus for Weeks 6 & 7 is all about speaking **respectfully** to each other.

Speaking respectfully means:

- Using kind words
- Saying please and thank you
- Taking turns when talking
- Listening when others are speaking
- Using a calm voice, even when we feel upset

Why Does Respectful Speaking Matter?

When we speak kindly and respectfully, we help everyone feel:

- Safe
- Heard
- Valued
- And ready to learn!

It also helps us build stronger friendships, solve problems peacefully, and show that we care about one another's feelings.

What We're Doing at School

- We're reading stories that show how characters speak with kindness and respect.
- Teachers are modelling respectful conversations and encouraging thoughtful listening.
- We're giving PBIS shout-outs and rewards when students use respectful language!
- Classes are practicing how to disagree politely and express feelings in a kind way.

Try This at Home!

You can help by encouraging respectful speaking at home too. Try:

- · Having family members take turns speaking at dinner
- · Practicing how to ask for help politely
- Talking about how words can make people feel

Let's keep working together to make our school a place where everyone feels respected, welcomed, and heard.

Building Project Update

We are excited to share that the breezeway project has now been officially handed over to us by our builders, Partek. While we're still waiting for some fixed seating to be installed in the coming weeks, we have use of the space!

This week, we'll begin setting up our Library and new Wellbeing Hub, and Auslan Room, ready for use by next week. The area is now open and accessible to the school community - we warmly invite you to come and take a look as we bring this vibrant new space to life!

Looking ahead, our next exciting development will be the construction of a lift. This project will begin later this year, once final approvals, tendering, and builder selection are completed. Edge Architects have provided some fantastic concept images that show what we can expect.

We are proud to be investing in projects that support accessibility, inclusion, and safety for all members of our school community.





Upcoming Events

Tuesday May 27th - Principals School Tour 10.00am

Wednesday May 28th - Year 5/6 Mass 9.00am

Friday May 30th - Sausage Sizzle Friday - Thank you to our P & F for organising this weeks Sausage Sizzle. Please order on the QKR app.

Friday June 6th - Staff Formation Day - Pupil Free Day

Kind regards,

Julie Hancock PRINCIPAL

Recent News

From the Assistant Principal

Holy Spirit Prayer of St. Augustine:

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, That my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, That my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, That I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, To defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, That I always may be holy.



We invite you to read Pope Leo XIV Speech:

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Welcome Fr. Rajashekhar Gundiga, CSC



We warmly welcome Fr. Rajashekhar to the Sacred Heart Catholic Parish. He has been appointed as the Assistant Priest and will be the celebrant for our upcoming Mass on Wednesday 28th May at 9am.

This Mass will be led by 5/6L and the theme is Vocation - God's Call for us to lead lives of Service. All Welcome.

National Reconciliation Week 2025: Bridging NOW to NEXT



The theme for National Reconciliation Week 2025 is 'Bridging Now to Next'. This theme invitesus into deep reflection on the past, present and future. Urging, all Australians to work together towards a united and respectful nation.

What Is National Sorry Day? (Reconciliation South Australia)

Teach About Reconciliation (Reconciliation Australia)

Catholic Education Week (Term 2, Week 3)

A sincere **thank you** to our IHM school community for embracing and celebrating the theme of SHINE WITH OPEN HEARTS for Catholic Education Week.

Together we highlighted the high quality teaching and learning and the strong and trusted relationship we have with our families.



PUPIL FREE DAY - Friday 6th June: Staff Formation Day

What is Formation?

A definition by A Framework for Formation for Mission in Catholic Education National Catholic Education Commission 2017, p.9

'Faith Formation of Catholic School staff is Christ-Centred. It is an intentional, ongoing and reflective process that focuses on the growth of individuals and communities from their lived experiences, in spiritual awareness, theological understanding, vocational, motivational and capabilities for mission and service in the Church and the world'.

This year's themes is: Growing in Faith through Conversations.

Catholic Charities

This term we will be supporting the St Vinnies Winter Appeal. Our SRCs will lead this initiative on the last day of Term 2, Friday 4th July.

Jhovana Fenu <u>APRIM</u>

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World Environment Day at IHM



This year, we're excited to celebrate World Environment Day at IHM with a special focus on sustainability and taking action for our planet.

On **Thursday 5th June**, students are invited to wear green to school and bring a gold coin donation. All funds raised will go towards purchasing a tree, which we will plant as our IHM World Environment Day Tree for 2025.

During the day, students will take part in engaging and hands-on environmental activities to deepen their understanding of how we can care for our world.

We look forward to a fun and meaningful day of learning and action!

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P & F News

Sausage Sizzle - This Friday 30th May

A reminder to place orders for our Sausage Sizzle lunch by this Wednesday 28th May.

Sausage in Bread - \$3.50 each Fruit Box - \$1.50 each

Please submit and pay for orders via Qkr!



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Children and Illness



Science at IHM



Science Incursion

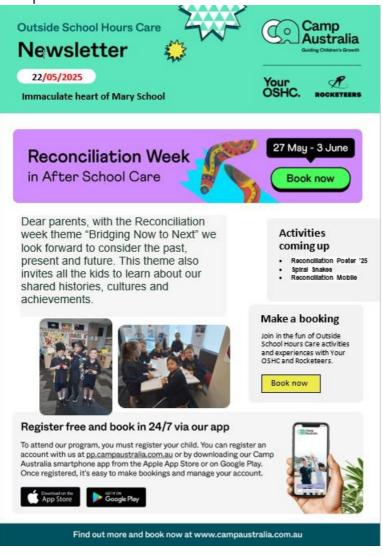
Students in Years 3–6 will enjoy a hands-on science incursion with Animals Anonymous, linking directly to our Biological Sciences learning.

The interactive session will include the chance to meet and gently handle 8–10 friendly Australian native animals, such as pythons, lizards, marsupials, a bird, and even a baby crocodile!

WEEK 6

TUESDAY 3RD JUNE

Camp Australia News



CBC Holiday Soccer Clinics



CBC+TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR HOLIDAY SOCCER CLINICS



cbc.sa.edu.au/holiday-soccer-clinics

As part of our partnership with renown Tottenham Hotspur Football Club, we have football development coach, Matthew Sharman. As part of his visit, during the next school holidays, he will be conducting a skills clinic for students in the wider Adelaide community. The clinics will be held at the ovals on Barton Terrace (not at CBC). There is a small fee for the clinic but this covers the merchandise pack and the food and drinks on the day. This is a unique opportunity for students to gain some expert coaching in soccer - whether they be new to it or a seasoned player!

Held over 3 days, the CBC+Tottenham Hotspur Holiday Soccer Clinics will be jam-packed with tactical knowledge and soccer skills, as part of the THFC Philosophy which reflects the club's dynamic approach to playing exciting, attacking football.

These soccer clinics are open to ANY student in Reception to Year 7, and will be held during the first week of the Term 2 holidays (7 – 9 July). Led by Tottenham Hotspur Development Coach, Matthew Sharman and assisted by qualified CBC coaches. For more information or to reserve your place visit: https://www.cbc.sa.edu.au/holiday-soccer-clinics/