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Dear Parents,

Jesus tells his disciples that if anyone wants to be first, they must make themselves last of all and servant of all. This is as challenging to us today as it was to the disciples and early Christians. Our world seems to revolve around position, status and power – whoever has the most toys wins! But what Jesus advocated was a leadership based on being of service to others. Being powerful simply means you are in a position to help even more people. Putting yourself last, instead of first, gives respect, dignity and power to others rather than to yourself. We look forward tonight to celebrating all children in our school. Their efforts in preparing for the school concert has been wonderful to observe.

Some of our achievements this term:

- Confirmation Sacramental program
- Reconciliation Sacramental program
- Learning intervention programs, workshops, reading rounds
- Sporting achievements and athletics events
- Science focus and experiments throughout all levels
- Book week learning and celebrations
- Lunchtime Clubs (Code club, Chess club, Concert, Flow club/Garden club)
- Building a Better Schoolyard program
- Parent blog launch
- School concert preparations and organisation
- Parents' Association fundraisers (hot doughnut day, Prom night, Fathers' day stall)
- Staff professional development
- 2016 Prep interviews

CONCERT

This week has been extremely busy, starting with our concert "walkthrough" on Monday afternoon. Yesterday we had a full dress rehearsal and performed in front of about forty grandparents and relatives. Today was another full day, practising our concert items at Sacred Heart College. We are all looking forward to presenting our Performance, *Hooked on a Feeling*.

We are so grateful for all the assistance many of our parents and grandparents have given us this term. The costumes are so colourful and really enhance each item.

All our staff are to be congratulated on embedding concert practices into this term's learning and for the hard work to ensure the whole curriculum continued.

A special thank you to Jo White who coordinated our concert, with the assistance of Elise Pape, Michelle Seel and Connie Antenucci as part of the team.

Please note that the concert is at Sacred Heart Secondary College starting at 7pm.

CONCERT PHOTOGRAPHY

Concert photos can still be purchased tonight before the concert and tomorrow morning in the Office foyer. Each photo is \$5. Many thanks to the Parents' Association.

SUMMER UNIFORM

Students are asked to wear their summer uniform by week three of next term. The first two weeks will be a change over period as the weather can still be uncertain.

PORTFOLIOS

A reminder that portfolios will be sent home tomorrow. This is an opportunity to view some examples of your child's work this term. Please take the time to do this and we ask that you write a comment on the page provided. Folios need to be returned in the first week of term 3. Thank you

Mr COGHLAN'S CAMINO WALK

Mr Coghlan has posted great photos of his walk on his blog and also written some interesting comments on the places he has visited. Hopefully you get to log on to his blog and read these posts. tomscamino.global2.vic.edu.au

PRAYER CELEBRATION

There will be a Prayer Celebration at 2:00pm in the hall tomorrow afternoon. All welcome.

School finishes at 2:30pm tomorrow

TERM 4 DATES

October

Monday 5th	Term 4 commences
Wednesday 7th	Parents' Association meeting
Thursday 8th	Education Board meeting
Wednesday 21st	Mission Week 'Sock' day
Wednesday 28th	School Feast day

November

Monday 2nd	School Closure day
Tuesday 3rd	Melbourne Cup Holiday
Wednesday 4th	Parents Association Meeting
Monday 9th	Yr 6 Graduation Photos
Wednesday 11th	Prep Orientation night – Parents
Thursday 12th	Education Board
Saturday 14th	Reconciliation COHR 10am; SH 4:30pm
Wednesday 18th	Prep Orientation 11:40am – 1:00pm
Thursday 19th	Night Market
Wednesday 25th	Prep Orientation 11:40am – 1:00pm
	Parents' Association meeting
Friday 27th	School Closure day
Sunday 29th	Reconciliation certificates distributed

December

Friday 4th	Carols in the Park
Thursday 10th	Yr 6 Graduation Mass & Dinner
Friday 11th	Reports, Portfolios & Class information sent home
Tuesday 15th	PA Christmas Party
	School Mass 9:15am
	Yr 6 Assembly 2:30pm
Wednesday 16th	Term 4 ends – children dismissed at 3:30
Thursday 17th	School Closure day