



Sacred Heart College

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS



College to get new campus for Year 9s

A NEW campus for Year 9 students will be built at Sacred Heart College and is due to be fully operational for the 2005 school year.

The campus will be built on part of the Giblin St site currently used as sports ovals.

The building will be designed as a teaching tool, making extensive use of the natural environment.

The traditional secondary school environment — small classrooms, single desks — no longer supports the style of teaching today. The learning areas at the new campus will include wet areas, flexible spaces for small or large groups to work, storage for art and other resources in class-

rooms and provision for the use of technology-suitable furniture.

The new campus will also be a welcoming place for community groups to become more involved in the education of their young members.

The sacred space will be a significant feature of the campus and will include depictions of Mary MacKillop and Fr Julian Tenison Woods, the founders of the Sisters of St Joseph.

There will also be acknowledgement of the Aboriginal people who were the original owners of the site.

Students are very excited about the future campus and can't wait until they are in the new learning

environment. It will be exciting, challenging and motivating.

● THE redevelopment of the Cross St site, purchased by the college from the Hobart City Council last year, has begun.

The redevelopment will result in increased recreational space, provide a link between the primary and secondary sections of the school, an attractive entrance to the administration building and generally enhance the physical environment of the college.

The landscaping, including paved and grassed areas, will provide passive play areas.

Future plans include a gathering area and an outdoor performance space.



HELPING OUT: The plight of the RSPCA has been well publicised recently. Sacred Heart College responded by organising a pet food and coin donation. The primary students, in particular, were quick to lend a helping hand. Primary SRC members are pictured above with food collected for the RSPCA pound.



YOUNG TALENT: Some of the 80 cast members of Sacred Heart's production of *The Wiz*, to be staged next week.

The Wiz on stage

SACRED Heart College's production of *The Wiz* will open at the college next Thursday after many months of preparation and enthusiasm from the school community.

Involving students from Grades Five to 10, the cast of more than 80 students will be in *The Wiz*, a revamped version of the 1970s adaptation of *The Wizard of Oz*.

All involved play a vital and exciting part in bringing *The Wiz* to life.

The entire community, par-

ticularly the parents' contribution, has exceeded all expectations and is greatly appreciated.

The show runs next Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Doors open at 7pm and the performance starts at 7.30pm in the SSJ Performance Centre in Pedder St, New Town.

Tickets are available from the college for \$8 adult, \$5 student, and \$20 family (two adults, two children). For more information, call the college office on 6279 4090.

Students speak out for peace

THE media seems consumed by images of war and terror, so much so that the students at Sacred Heart College decided to host a peace forum.

As young people, and potential future leaders, we wanted to voice our opinion and let others know that we did not want to live in a world that spends more money on war than it does in the pursuit of peace.

A number of guest speakers were invited to address students from Year 5 to Year 10. Senior students from St Mary's, The Friends' School, Guilford Young College, Ogil-

vie, Mt Carmel, Dominic College and St Virgil's were invited to participate.

Yabbo Thompson, from the Global Learning Centre, began the day with the question: "Where does peace begin?". Mrs Thompson asked students to reflect upon how we can achieve peace inside ourselves, remembering that even a moment of unfriendliness can cause hostility and conflict.

Chaplain Duku, a refugee from Sudan, spoke about the realities of life in a refugee camp, where water and food are scarce.

Lawyer and peace activist Gwynn MacCarrick called for young people to realise that even small acts of kindness can prevent the ongoing conflict of hatred.

Another lawyer, Steven Bender, who was formerly a soldier with a United Nations peacekeeping force in Iran and Iraq, questioned students' interpretation of what war is. He believes it is a state of mind rather than just the act of fighting.

Bronwyn Meredith spoke about her experiences of living through the trauma of turmoil of World War II.

Perhaps the most moving of all speakers was 14-year-old Isabel Gurney from The Friends' School. Isabel posed powerful questions and urged all young people to stand up for what they believed in.

Out of the forum came the students' Creed of Beliefs.

Peace is the responsibility of all, old and young. Peace begins in our own hearts and the young are getting good at treating each other with tolerance and compassion.

We challenge our governments and world leaders to listen to the voice of youth. We want peace in our world.

Paper recycling effort

A STUDENT committee to combat the wastage of recyclable materials at Sacred Heart was set up this year.

A group of students expressed concern about the amount of new paper being used and not recycled.

Like any school, Sacred Heart uses a lot of paper — about 1.5 million sheets per year. Previously, this was all going to the tip.

The Recycling Committee, under the direction of teacher Mr Matt Stolp, works every Tuesday after school.

In one achievement, the committee has put paper-recycling boxes in all classrooms. Some of the paper is recycled by the committee into saleable products such as fire bricks and writing paper. The rest goes to a recycling depot.



REUSE: Claire Burnie making bricks from recycled paper.

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