On the 6 November 1931, a young Aboriginal fast bowler named Eddie Gilbert opened the bowling for Queensland against the powerful New South Wales side. His first ball had the NSW opening batsman caught behind. That dismissal brought the great Don Bradman to the crease. Gilbert's first ball to Bradman knocked the bat from his hands, the next made him fall backwards on the pitch, and the third had him caught behind. Back home in faraway Barambah, Gilbert's home town, Aborigines listening to the game relayed through the Barambah school principal's radio joined the Brisbane crowd of 7000 in cheering themselves hoarse.

Eddie Gilbert may have been the best bowler never to play for Australia. The Australian Dictionary of Biography records that 'in 1929 news of Gilbert's phenomenal success in local matches reached Brisbane and the Queensland Cricketing Association brought him to Woolloongabba for a demonstration. Despite his remarkably short approach run, his 5 ft 7 ins (170 cm) stature and his slight nine stone (57 kg) frame, his muscular physique and a reach some 4 ins (10 cm) beyond the normal powered a whip-like wrist action which released the ball like a stone from a catapult.'

In 1930 he took five wickets playing against the South African side and the next year, destroyed a visiting West Indies side taking 7 for 91. Injury, discrimination and persistent, unfounded claims of 'throwing' ended his career. In his final season in 1936, he again dismissed Don Bradman.

Eddie Gilbert's early life was very hard. He was born around 1905 or 1906 at Durundur Aboriginal reserve near Woodford in south-eastern Queensland. His birth was not registered and his parents are unknown. While still an infant, Eddie and his brother were separated from their parents when Durundur was abolished. His life after cricket was even harder. Sent back to the Aboriginal reserve in far North Queensland once his career finished, his mental health began to deteriorate. Admitted to Goodna Psychiatric Hospital on 8 December 1949, he remained there until his death on the 9th of January 1978. Among the mourners at Gilbert's large funeral in Cherbourg was Sir Donald Bradman.

Eddie Gilbert is one of hundreds of Aboriginal Australians who have overcome poverty and discrimination and other immense difficulties to reach the top in sport, politics, music, science and, indeed, every aspect of life. Sport was one of the few avenues for success for Aborigines of his time and Eddie Gilbert forged a hard won path for others to follow. At every Mass last Sunday, we marked the commencement of NAIDOC Week which is held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

We pray this week that as a nation we observe a sacred duty to preserve Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, that we remember the history, that we properly acknowledge and celebrate those achievements and, most of all, that we find the path to true reconciliation and justice for our nation's first peoples.
NAIDOC Celebration
All parents are warmly invited to attend our College Assembly on Friday to celebrate NAIDOC week. As I mentioned above, this is a time of special recognition and celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and achievements and an important time in our Church’s year.

Staffing
As Mr. Rob Dureen is currently on sick leave, Mr. Marcus Donnelly will be taking over as Deputy Principal at the Lenah Valley Campus in Rob’s absence. Mrs. Sue Walker will continue as Acting Deputy Principal at the New Town Campus.

We are pleased to welcome back Mrs. Shelly Horne to Prep at Lenah Valley from her recent sick leave and Mrs. Meredith Balfe to the secondary campus from her recent period of long service leave.

Reports
The major mid-year reports are currently being compiled and are due to be sent home on the Friday, 30th July. Teachers have been hard at work over the past weeks completing reports in preparation for our parent teacher evenings on Wednesday, 4th August.

Though valuable and important, the mid-year written reports can only ever convey part of the story of your son or daughter’s educational progress. The parent teacher interview is essential to flesh out the comments and for teachers to receive feedback also from parents on student’s work habits, attitudes and individual needs. For this reason I strongly encourage all parents to attend the parent-teacher interviews on 4th August.

Literacy Forum – Parents and Friends
We had a very enjoyable and productive Literacy Forum last week where we discussed the new Literacy programs now operating across the College from Kindergarten to Year 10. This was the first of several proposed parent forums on educational issues for this year. We will also have an additional Literacy forum in Term 3.

Mainland Tertiary Information Expo
A parent information evening will be held on the evening of Thursday the 8th of July commencing at 6.00 p.m. at the Hutchins school. Representatives from universities and other tertiary institutions around Australia will be available to answer questions relating to course information, accommodation options, scholarships and how to apply for the various options available. Parents of students in Year 10 might find this very interesting.

Student Achievement
Congratulations to Kalinda Gasparin (g Blue) and Nikayla Roach (8 Blue) for being selected in the Under 15 team to represent Tasmania in the AYC Netball Association at the CANA Carnival which is to be held in Townsville from the 24th September to 3rd October. Well done girls!

This week we wish also congratulate Owen Holloway (g Blue) who recently travelled to Singapore to attend RoboCup 2010. As part of a team of 9 Tasmanians, he competed against 30 other international teams and was part of the team that won first place for the Most Original Performance (best overall) and the Collegiality Award which was voted by the other participating teams. The team also achieved third place in the Superteam competition. Congratulations Owen!

Well done also to Elana Watson (7 Blue), Nikki Salter (7 Red) and Lauren Norton (6 Red) who recently competed in the Under 14 Girls C Pool A Launceston Classic Basketball Competition. The team they were involved with came home with the championship medal! Congratulations and well done girls!

Congratulations to Matthew Pace (6 Blue), Ashley Sutton (6 White) and Ryan Cook (6 Red) who have been selected to travel to Korea for participation in a soccer tournament. Well done and good luck boys!

Mr Craig Deayton
PRINCIPAL

NEW TOWN CAMPUS CANTEEN NEWS
Unfortunately, due to price increases by suppliers our BBQ Chicken Wrap will now be $3.00 and the Chicken Salad tub will be $3.60.

The school canteen approved hot dogs are now skinless and gluten free.
SECONDARY AND PRIMARY NEWS

SECONDARY NEWS

GRADE 10 - VET HOSPITALITY NEWS
All students who are undertaking Work Experience in the Hospitality field (Week 12 – 16th July) must see Mrs O’Neil (VET Coordinator) by the end of this week to confirm work placements and ring businesses. If you know of any business that would take a Sacred Heart student, please phone: 6279 4090 to advise Mrs O’Neill. All assistance would be gratefully received. Students have been undertaking equipment review, working on their coffee (Barista) making skills and soup. The soup made will be sampled by students with any excess being donated to the Salvation Army. All students who are undertaking work placement must study their Coffee Standard sheets, so they are familiar with the types of coffee that can be made and how to make them.

GRADE 9 FOOD STUDIES NEWS
Grade 9 Food students are currently working on a unit on Pastry. They have made sausage rolls with loads of healthy vegetables included, quiche and lemon meringue pie. These classes will increase their skills in making different types of pastry. Students who have not handed in their Carbohydrate assignments must do so now – these are now a month or more overdue. Some students have slips regarding the late submission of these assignments that must be signed by parents and returned with their work.

GRADE 9/10 CHILD STUDIES NEWS
Baby Bella (the simulated baby) is now being taken home by students. Thank you to those parents who have signed permissions slips to enable their child to experience what it means to care for a baby. Thank you also to all parents for their help in regard to this valuable learning. Grade 10 students are now undertaking a major assignment for this year on child growth and development for baby/children up to the age of 5. This assignment will cover such areas as physical, emotional and social growth of a child followed by investigation of language, play (creative) and spiritual development in children.

Grade 9 students are investigating the components of caring for baby with a current assignment looking into the huge variety of nappies currently available on the market. Students are asked to look at, analyse and make a napptie choice taking into consideration usefulness, value for money and environmental factors in this important purchase for baby. (A child uses on average six and a half thousand nappies in their baby years). This learning will be melded in with learning on how to care for baby and where to find assistance should you need it.

PRIMARY NEWS

NEW TOWN CAMPUS
Dear Parents,
This week has been NAIDOC Week, which gives us an opportunity to focus upon recognizing and valuing Indigenous Australians. All classes have been working hard discussing topics and preparing posters representing the theme for 2010, Unsung Heroes – Bridging the GAP. In this, students were asked and assisted to seek out and recognize those less well known Australians, both Indigenous and of other origins, who work tirelessly in improving the education and understanding of all and who help to build connections between all groups in our community.

We celebrated NAIDOC Week with a liturgy at this afternoon’s assembly. A huge thank you must go to Mrs Vicki Jeffrey for her work in sourcing information, offering guidance and liturgy preparation which all helped to make our liturgy a very meaningful and reflective occasion.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART
There has been a lot of spinning ropes and children jumping up and down around the New Town Primary Campus playground as many hone their skills or try out new tricks ready for next week’s Jump Rope for Heart Day, Thursday July 15th. We have even seen a few teachers taking part (and showing off) and even more parents dodging the ropes as they walk past. The enthusiasm with which the students have picked up ropes of various sizes and get in that little bit more daily exercise has been wonderful to see, especially when they excitedly want to share with us some new trick that they have learned or taught each other.

Next Monday afternoon, we will be paid a visit by a Jump Rope for Heart representative in preparation for our Jump Off Day. This visit is to encourage the students to “have a go” and learn something new for themselves. It is truly amazing what tricks can be performed with skipping ropes, and we are looking forward to seeing an “expert” in action.

Keep up the great work, everyone – and let’s make next week’s day the best yet!!

INDEPENDENT GRADE 6 SPORTS DAY
On Tuesday 13th July, all Grade 6 students will participate in a Winter Sports Day at Hutchins School. All southern Independent Schools will take part in rosters in Girls and Boys Soccer, Netball, Hockey and Football.

PRIMARY INTER-SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
Next Wednesday July 14th, a small group of students from both New Town and Lenah Valley campus will represent the College at the All School cross country at Symmons Plains. Best of luck and compete well.
MUSIC NEWS
This week Grades Five, Six and some secondary students enjoyed a performance of concert band, a capella singing and rock band styles from St. Francis Xavier College Canberra. These travelling troubadors provided wonderful modelling to our budding musicians. Congratulations to Luke D’Alessandro, Eamonn Corby, Nicola Galloway, Nikia Shaw, Louisa Hogue, Oliver Davies, Patric Grice and Rohan Corby who were game enough (and good enough) to play with this fine band! It was so heartening to watch experienced Grade 12 players positively offering hints to our younger players. Eisteddfod Week draws near with students preparing for their singing or poetry performances. We wish them all good luck! Our campus enjoyed a highly energetic and interactive concert from Musica Viva this week. We are very fortunate to be able to offer such quality musicianship to our students.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS
Congratulations to Lachlan Chambers, Lachlan Steele and Madeline Krasnicki who recently celebrated the significant milestones in their sacramental journey. In the city parish of St. Joseph’s, these three students after preparing through Reconciliation in March, received the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist in May and June. Congratulations to families encouraging children to celebrate sacraments. Should you wish to have more information, please contact us at school. Thank you – Mrs Bernadette Burke.

PARENTS AUXILIARY NEW TOWN
Some dates to be noted in your diaries:

July 23rd    Cake and Fresh Produce stall
            Produce supplied by Grades 1 & 2
August 20th  Cake and Fresh Produce stall
            Produce supplied by Grades 3 & 4
August 27th  Primary Disco
September 3rd Fathers Day Stall

Mrs Frances Harris—President Parents Auxiliary New Town

LOST UNIFORM ITEM
Eloise Gill (Prep White) has lost her school jumper. It is a size 8 and is clearly named. If found please return to Eloise in Prep.

GRADE SIX WHITE—CHALK TALK
This term in Grade Six White we have been involved in many activities such as sport, country studies, art and music. We have a weekly sports programme on Friday where some girls play netball, some boys play football and the recreation group does various activities. The programme has been successful and lots of fun.

Another wonderful programme in Grade Six is called Kids Witness News, which is sponsored by Panasonic in which small groups make short movies and send them off to a competition. This programme has been especially fun and the movies are coming along well.

Seeing as the Soccer World Cup is going on, our class, 6W has decided to do a project on the various countries participating in the world cup. The projects are really fun and we learn a lot about the countries. We can’t wait to see the finished products. By Mackenzie, Monica and Ben

Mrs Sue Walker—(Acting) Deputy Principal
New Town

PRIMARY NEWS
LENARA VALLEY CAMPUS

CHALK TALK GRADE ONE BLUE

We have had a busy start to Term Two in Grade One Blue. Here are some comments from some of our class members about the things they have enjoyed doing so far.

I’ve been learning that Australia is a big place and I live in Australia. Samuel Askey-Doran

I’ve been learning that people speak different languages in Australia. Ela Nekrasz

I know how to count in twos up to a hundred. Angus Onn

I learnt how to count backwards and forwards. Alex Brinton

We have done art on Australian animals. Sophie Ward

I’ve learned that we have a go at spelling and try to sound it out. Aidan Lietz

I know my number on my letter box, what road I live in and my address. Rubi Brooks

I learnt that Oreo cookies have three layers and Jatz only have one. They are both cookies. Samuel Russell

My reading is getting better because I read books two times. Ben Lynch

I’ve learned that Aboriginal people do different patterns in their paintings. Jack Treloar

PARENTS AUXILIARY CAKE STALL

A friendly reminder that our next monthly cake stall will be held on Tuesday 13th July outside the Prep / Grade 1 Classrooms, at 3pm. weather permitting, otherwise it will be held in the canteen. We kindly thank Kinder & Prep for supporting this month’s cake stall. This is a great fundraiser for the school and ask for support in purchasing the cakes.

Susan McLeod, Vice President

SACRED HEART COLLEGE DRINK BOTTLES

We have Sacred Heart College Drink Bottles for sale at the Lenara Valley Campus Office. They are $1.00 each with all proceeds going to the Parents’ Auxiliary.

Mr Marcus Donnelly—(Acting) Deputy Principal
Lenara Valley