



NEWSLETTER

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HOLY ROSARY WEB SITE: www.hrwhitehills.catholic.edu.au

MASS TIMES

Holy Rosary – Hamelin St
 Saturday's 6pm Sunday's 10am
 Weekday Masses – Tues - Sat 9am
 St Francis Xavier – Strickland Rd
 Sunday – 8.30am

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The weekend was certainly filled with some interesting developments surrounding the Coronavirus pandemic. Closing schools at this stage is a possibility and I personally believe, inevitable. As such we have cancelled the Learning Conversations. We will continue to be guided by the appropriate authorities and work through the coming weeks. In the meantime please be aware of promoting positive hygiene and reassure children, who at this time may feel some apprehension.

In Sunday's Gospel, the Third Sunday of Lent, Jesus approached a Samaritan woman at Jacob's well and asked her for a drink of water. This surprised the woman for several reasons. In the first place, it was unlikely that a man would ask a woman for anything and even more unbelievable that Jesus, a Jew, would ask something of a Samaritan, a great enemy of the Jewish people. Jesus explained to her that our thirst would return if we drank water from the well; but if we drank the water Jesus offered us, we would never thirst again. After Jesus told her many things about herself, she came to believe that he was the Son of God and called others to him. Jesus offers us living water just as he did the woman at the well. It is the water of salvation so when we stumble, we know that Jesus refreshes us with forgiveness. This is helpful to remember on days when we are disappointed by our anger, impatience, and discouragement.

CALENDAR

MARCH 2020

Tue 17 School Board Meeting
 Thu 19 Regional Swimming Carnival
 Fri 20 Pizza Day
Fri 20 Casual Clothes Day
 Sat 21 Sacrament Commitment Mass – 6pm
 Sat 21 McAuley House Community Mass – 6pm
 Wed 25 EBT Information Session
 Thu 26 P&F Meeting
Fri 27 Last Day Term 1 – 2.15pm dismissal

APRIL 2020

Sun 12 Easter Sunday
 Mon 13 Easter Monday
Tue 14 First Day Term 2
 Tues 14 2021 Foundation Enrolments Open
Fri 24 Pupil Free Day – Staff PD

MAY 2020

Sat 2 Sacrament Commitment Mass – 6pm
 Sat 2 McCarthy House Community Mass – 6pm
 Wed 6 – Fri 8 Grade 6 Camp
 Mon 18 – Fri 22 Open Week
 Mon 18 – Tue 19 Grade 4 Camp
 Wed 20 Foundation 2021 Information Evening – 7pm
 Sat 30 Sacrament Commitment Mass – 6pm
 Sat 30 Frayne House Community Mass – 6pm



2021 ENROLMENT

Our 2021 enrolment period begins on the first day of next term. Existing families who have a child that will be beginning Foundation next year are invited to collect an Application for Enrolment pack from the Office. Please return these as soon as possible.



Check out our school Facebook page to stay up to date with the latest news!

<https://www.facebook.com/holyrosaryprimaryschoolwhitehills/>

SCHOOL GOVERNANCE WORKING PARTY UPDATE

As a Diocese our working party is considering the future Governance of schools. Please refer to the latest Governance Bulletin available on our school website (<https://www.hrwhitehills.catholic.edu.au/parent-information/school-downloads/319-sgwp-briefing-bulletin-1-march-2020.html>). Monthly updates by way of Governance Bulletins with information regarding the work of this significant Diocesan Working Party will be provided in this way to all members of school communities throughout the year. You are invited to email any questions or comments that you might have to sgwp@ceosand.catholic.edu.au

PAM UPDATE REQUIRED

Parents are asked to update and confirm their email addresses on PAM. Now is also a good time to update medical details and emergency contact details.



Paul Wilkinson
Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

CANCELLED – TERM 1 LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

Due to the current extraordinary circumstances 'Learning Conversations' for Term 1 will be cancelled. Please stay tuned for more updates as they come to hand!

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

1ST SACRAMENTAL COMMITMENT MASS

A reminder that all children who are preparing for the sacrament of Eucharist need to attend Mass on either Saturday 21st March at 6pm or Sunday 22nd of March at 10 am. Don't forget to bring along your Passport for stamping.

HOT CROSS BUN FUNDRAISER

Project compassion aims to end world poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity. As a school community we are promoting the purchase of Baker's Delight Hot Cross as a way of supporting Caritas in this mission. Order forms were sent home with students or copies can be collected from the Office. Please return your order and money to the office by next Monday 23rd March. Hot Cross Bun will be available for collection Thursday 26th March after school and/or sent home with your child on Friday 27th March.

COMMUNITY HOUSE MASS

Our next House mass will be held for McAuley families on Saturday 21st March @ 6pm.



RESILIENCE, RIGHTS AND RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS 2020

This year marks our 3rd year of teaching the Respectful Relationships curriculum, using the Resilience, Rights and respectful Relationships program.



2019 Feedback from teaching staff is that students are embracing this 'subject' and enjoying learning about themselves and others. 'RRRR has promoted great class conversations and helped developed a healthy vocabulary regarding emotions and conflict resolution.'

Please see more information below. If you have any questions regarding our Respectful Relationships education please do not hesitate to contact Bianca Schmidt (in the office Tuesdays and Thursdays).

What is RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS education? - Sally Wilson, VCAA Specialist Teacher

Respectful Relationships Education

Respectful Relationships education focuses on building and promoting gender equity in relationships and challenging of gender stereotypes. Respectful Relationships education is about tackling family violence.

It is about embedding respectful relationships education in school settings as evidence shows us attitudes about gender roles and expectations and stereotypes is a key driver of family violence and through education, positive change can occur.

Royal Commission into Family Violence

The importance of teaching Respectful Relationships education was highlighted in the evidence and findings of the Royal Commission into Family Violence. Recommendation 189 stated that the Victorian Government mandate that Respectful Relationships education in Victorian schools. The Victorian Government accepted all recommendations of the Royal Commission.

Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships (RRRR)

TOPIC 7: GENDER AND IDENTITY

Learning activities within this topic assist students to challenge stereotypes and critique the influence of gender norms on attitudes and behaviour. They learn about key issues relating to human rights and gender identity, and focus on the importance of respect within relationships. The activities promote respect for diversity and difference

TOPIC 8: POSITIVE GENDER RELATIONS

Learning activities within this topic focus on building an understanding of the effects of gender-based violence and focus on the standards associated with respectful relationships. Students develop the skills needed to solve problems, set boundaries within relationships, and play an active role within the prevention of gender-based violence. They develop peer support and help-seeking skills that can be applied in response to situations involving gender-based violence in family, peer, community or on-line relationships.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

2020 is the year for 95% attendance at Holy Rosary

This year you will notice a continued focus on student attendance at Holy Rosary. Student attendance is not only important for learning, it is essential to help create good habits for students in the future. High attendance in the primary years at school also helps to avoid potential school refusal and mental health issues during adolescent years.

Did you know that when your child is late to school or picked up early it contributes to their overall attendances?

DID YOU KNOW...

If a child was to miss 5 days per term...
This would equal 20 days (4 weeks) per year...
Which would amount 1.5 years over 13 years

Do you know what your child's attendance percentage is????? Check on your PAM account!

Please note, under a new Department of Education Policy, if we are unable to contact parents about your child's absence, we will contact emergency contacts.

Emergency contacts can be listed & updated via your child's medical profile on PAM, or by getting in contact with the school office.

You can also use your PAM account to notify the school of a student absence. Parents are urged to be accurate when listing the reason for student absences.



Explaining Absences

Report your child's absence before school commences

Provide a reason for your child's absence

Notify the school of any upcoming absence

STUDENT NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are; Stephanie Ingram, Madisyn Morrison, Bella Clohesy & Azlyn Bell.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



	Students of the Week
FBG	Azlyn Bell
FJO	Isla Patching
1BW	Sibylla Caine
1DC	Maverick Van Der Hagen
2MC	Imogen Schultz
2LC	Laura Papworth & Summer Whyte
3ZD	Maisie Ilott
3JT	Charlie Boland
4AG	Cameron Smits
4BS	Lincon Kent
5JE	Stephanie Ingram
5MG	Miller Connors
6TC	Ryan Healy
6ST	Zoe Cail

CATHERINE MCAULEY AWARD

Congratulations to Isaac Plant (2MC) on winning this week's Catherine McAuley Award. Congratulations also to the other people who had their names put in the box this week.



P&F NEWS

PIZZA & PASTA DAY

Friday 20th March

Please return your slip (below) and money or order via Flexischools by Wednesday 18th March.

- \$5 PIZZA meal deal -

1 Slice of Pizza and a drink

OR

- \$5 PASTA meal deal -

1 serve of Bolognese Pasta and a drink

Extra Pizza slices available for \$1.00 each

Add a Homemade Cookie (Oaty Choc Raisin) for \$1.00

Pizza – Hawaiian, BBQ Meatlovers, Cheese Lovers, Ham & Cheese

Drink – Chocolate Milk, Strawberry Milk, Banana Milk, Apple Juice, Orange Juice, Apple & Blackcurrant Juice

Order either via Flexischools or attach the order slip below to a brown paper bag.

****Canteen window will be open for sales as usual - NO other lunch orders on Pizza Day please****



EASTER RAFFLE



Our Easter fundraiser is fast approaching with our casual day on **Friday 20th of March** and our raffle drawn Thursday 26th March. Raffle tickets were sent home last week.

Here are some key dates:

Friday 20th March - Casual Clothes Day - Students may come to school in casual clothes for a gold coin or Easter egg donation.

Tuesday 23rd March - Raffle books returned to school - Please return raffle books back to the school by this date. Please ensure names and phone numbers or classroom details are included. Use both sides of the tickets - \$1 per ticket, \$20 per booklet.

Thursday 26th March - Raffle Drawn - Winners will be notified on the day. Good luck and thank you for your support.

WINTER JACKET SPECIAL ORDER

Perfect for the cooler weather, this winter jacket is made from crease-proof and water-resistant microfibre with a cotton lining. This jacket can be worn over school jumpers or short/long sleeve polo shirts during playtime and lunchtime.

Cost for each jacket will be \$40.00.

We have some samples available for viewing in the Holy Rosary Uniform Shop on a Friday morning.

Please speak to the uniform shop if you require other sizes.

To order your jacket please complete the form below and return with payment to the school office, or order via Flexischools, by Thursday 26th March. Orders will be sent home in the first week of Term 2.

- Lisa, Debbie, Heidi & Janet (Holy Rosary Uniform Shop Committee)



SPORTS NEWS

EPSOM SOCCER CLUB - PLAY FOR EPSOM IN 2020

The Epsom Football Club have just opened our registrations! Become a Scorpion and Sting 'Em in 2020!!

Whether you are a new or a returning player, a junior or a senior player, come and play your soccer with the Epsom Football Club in 2020 for a whirlwind of fun, excitement and joy!!

Our registrations are now open for the 2020 BASL season, so sign up to play with us using the link:

www.playfootball.com.au

Go to the 'Registration' tab on our website for instructions on how to register if you're having trouble, or contact the club for further assistance. www.epsomfc.com.au *REGISTRATIONS WILL CLOSE ON MARCH 20TH*



WHITE HILLS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB - WANTED U/12 GIRLS FOOTBALLERS

The White Hills Junior Football Club is seeking any girls interested in playing Under 12 Girls football. Trainings will be held at the White Hills Football Ground (Scott Street) on Monday nights and games will be played on Friday nights. If you are interested in playing please contact Lisa Meersbergen on 0428527528 or email to the club whjfclub@gmail.com for further information.

COMMUNITY NEWS

SERPENTINE AIR RACE



Come and celebrate the Centenary of Australia's first official air race! On Saturday 21st March, a 70-mile air race will launch from 'Serpentine Airfield' commemorating Australia's First Official Air Race. Attractions include: Aerobatics – Warbirds – Vintage Aircraft – Vintage Vehicles – Historic Display – Static Displays – Street Food – Activities – Paper plane Competition
Tickets on Sale now from <https://serpentineairrace.com.au/>



COME AND EXPLORE MARIST

**MONDAY 4 MAY 2020
4.00PM TO 7.00PM**

NO BOOKING NEEDED JUST COME BETWEEN 4PM & 7PM.

MARIST COLLEGE BENDIGO
95 GOLF LINKS ROAD, MAIDEN GULLY

YEAR 7 2021 ENROLMENTS OPEN 14 APRIL 2020



WWW.MARIST.VIC.EDU.AU



Bendigo Kindergarten Enrolment Information Evening

**Tuesday 24 March 2020
5:30pm to 6:30pm
Discovery Centre
7 Railway Place Bendigo**



General Enquiries (03) 5443 1229 or enrolments@lmpa.org.au

Come along to the kindergarten enrolment information evening and learn about:

- Enrolling your child through the Central Enrolment System.
- Kindergarten and school readiness from local Early Childhood Teachers
- Services available to support your child's learning.



WE HAVE THE WHOLE FAMILY COVERED

- PT SESSIONS**
- KIDS BOOTCAMP**
- SMALL GROUP CLASSES**
- PRIVATE CLASSES**
- CHILD FRIENDLY CLASSES**
from 7am-5pm Monday to Friday

PT SESSION PRICES
Pay as you go \$50 for 45 mins
1 x 5 pack PT card \$200
1 x 5 pack PT card + 1 x 10 pack class card \$250

CLASS PRICES
Pay as you go \$10
1 x 10 pack class card \$80
2 x 10 pack class card \$140

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



Holiday adventures with the Y

30 MAR - 9 APR 2020

Fun, active experiences

Child care subsidies may apply

Convenient locations

Qualified staff

BENDIGO SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



CANTEEN ROSTER

Term 1, 2020



DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEER	
MARCH 2020			
THUR 19 TH	9am - 11am	Ash McDerby	Volunteer Needed
FRI 20 TH	9am - 12noon	Susie Young & Dee Robertson	Emily Roberts
FRI 20 TH	1:30pm - 2:30pm	Jessica Bragg	Natasha Connor
WED 25 TH	9am - 11am	Donna Papworth	Briony Johnson
THUR 26 TH	9am - 12noon	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
THUR 26 TH	1:30 - 2:30pm	Ash McDerby	Amy Cope

