



NEWSLETTER

AFTER SCHOOL CARE: 5444 6666 (YMCA)

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

MASS TIMES

Holy Rosary – Hamelin St
Saturday's 6pm
(Numbers Limited)

Or online at:

<https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au>

<https://www.frgministry.com/mass>

CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2021

Mon 22 – Tue 23 Hockey Clinics (Gr 2 -6)
Tue 23 Catholic School Swimming Carnival
Wed 24 Foundation Rest Day
Fri 26 School Photo Day

MARCH 2021

Tue 2 – Fri 5 Swimming Lessons (Gr 3-6)
Wed 3 Foundation Rest Day
Mon 1 Grade 6 Leadership Day Incursion
Mon 8 Labour Day Public Holiday
Tue 10 'Didjeribone' Performance Incursion (Gr 3-6)
Wed 11 Foundation First Wednesday
Thu 11 Sacrament Meeting
Fri 12 Pupil Free Day – Staff PD
Fri 19 Canteen – Pizza Day
Fri 26 'Shekere' Performance Incursion (F – Gr 2)
Sat 27 Sacrament Commitment Mass – 6pm
Sat 27 Harte House Mass – 6pm

APRIL 2021

Thu 1 Last Day Term 1 – 2.15pm dismissal
Fri 2 Good Friday
Mon 19 First Day Term 2

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It was great to see everyone back after the short lockdown and I know everyone was very relieved to only have the short time away. Thanks to our staff who very quickly moved to action and were able to put together a variety of activities and learning experiences for children to complete whilst at home. In addition, thank you to our parents and children for the way you engaged with the school and again, let's hope it's not a regular occurrence.

It was great to receive a letter from Bishop Shane announcing the appointment as administrator of Fr Minh Tran to our Parish beginning on March 6th. Fr Dell'Avo has unfortunately suffered ill health for some time and will move to long term sick leave. We thank Fr Dell'Avo for his work within the school and our Parish and wish him all the best for the future. We look forward to welcoming Fr Minh to the Parish in the coming weeks.

Our swimming program for Grade 3-6 is almost upon us (March 2nd - March 5th) and again Mr Coates and his team have been busily putting together all the details for this program. Swimming is something all schools are required to do, and I encourage parents to include their children in the program as we build upon this important life skill. In addition, it is important that children continue to participate in swimming programs outside of school hours to ensure everyone continues to develop their skills.

Our Learning Conversations were again very successful, and the staff really enjoyed catching up with parents early in the year. If you are keen to look in the classroom, please contact your child's teacher and they will be happy to show you where they spend each day.



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

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

Due to the current circumstances the dates shown in the calendar for this term are subject to change.

Paul Wilkinson
Principal

SCHOOL NEWS



SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS THIS FRIDAY!

Our school photos will be held **THIS Friday, 26th February**. Please ensure that children are in a clean summer school uniform, clean tidy hair with **NO** bright coloured jewellery, ribbons or headbands. **All photo orders are online this year.** More information is attached to this weeks newsletter. If you are unable to access the photo ordering site at home or on your mobile device, please speak to the school office.

Please note, family photos can also be ordered online. Orders for family photos will close at 4.30pm on Thursday 25th February. Only families who have placed an order will have their photo taken.

TERM 1 PARENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS (PSG'S)

Bookings are now open via P.A.M for Parents/Carers to make an appointment for their upcoming PSG meeting. This meeting will take place with their child's classroom teacher and Learner Diversity Leader where parents can link in via their online PAM account or if they choose to come in person.

These meetings are an extension to the recent learning conversations parents have already had with their child's classroom teacher; with a focus on goal setting for the term ahead and to discuss the Personalised Learning Plan. Meetings are scheduled to take place during Week 6 and 7 of this term.

Feel free to contact me should you have any questions around this process. - *Mandy Antoniadis (Learner Diversity)*

PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETING

Our Parents and Friends group will be meeting on Wednesday 3rd March for the first time this year. Holy Rosary has always had an active and successful parents group who have not only raised vital funds for the school but in addition provided social opportunities for all. We will be meeting to discuss opportunities for 2021 and invite all new and existing parents to come along.

Time: 6.30pm

Date: Wednesday 3rd March

Venue: The Rosarium

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

COMMUNITY MASSES

Our first house mass was held on Saturday night. It was wonderful to see McCarthy House staff and families in attendance. Our next house mass will be held for Harte House staff and families on Saturday 27th March @ 6pm.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Last week a Project Compassion money box was sent home with the eldest child in each family. By giving something up in our daily lives we can make a big difference to the lives of others. Have you ever thought about giving up your daily coffee and placing the money you would have spent in the donation box? Can you take on the challenge to create lasting change. Give something up for 40 days and start donating today?



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - 21ST FEBRUARY 2021



We begin our annual Lenten Project Compassion journey by learning about the story of Jamila and her family. Jamila 22, is a Rohingya woman, living in the world's largest refugee camp in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. A single mother, she fled armed conflict in Myanmar to save herself, her elderly mother and eight-month-old baby.

With the support of Caritas Australia, through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila was able to access emergency food and shelter. She also received counselling, emotional support and learnt sewing skills, to help her earn an income. Jamila now feels less alone, with a sense of community around her. She is able to 'Be More' to her little family.

PROJECT COMPASSION
BE MORE

 **Caritas**
AUSTRALIA



SCHOOL SPORT – WHAT'S HAPPENING?!

Troy Coates (PE Coordinator)



CATHOLIC SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL – CHANGE OF DATE

The Catholic School Swimming Carnival will now be held on Tuesday 23rd February. Approximately 25 students from Grade 3 - 6 will be attending to represent Holy Rosary. The Carnival is at Bendigo East Pool, starting at 10am and concluding at 1pm. Students arrive at school at their normal time and will be getting a bus to the pool at 9:30am.

PLEASE NOTE, DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS, NO PARENTS/SPECTATORS WILL BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND.

Students will need to wear their bathers to school, underneath their Holy Rosary sports uniform. They will need to bring a hat, towel, snack, lunch and a drink bottle. The school will be providing a swim cap to wear in their races to represent Holy Rosary. A note has been sent home with your child, with their events and event number for the day.



SWIMMING LESSONS (GR 3-6)

The Year 3-6 children will have their swimming lessons **NEXT WEEK**, from Tuesday 2nd - Friday 5th of March (4 days). This will be at Gurri Wanyarra in Kangaroo Flat. Permission forms have been released via PAM.

WHAT TO WEAR AND WHAT TO BRING: Sports uniform to school, bathers, towel, hairbrush, thongs to wear to the pool (these are not allowed in the school playground), plastic bag to put wet bathers in, goggles if your child usually wears them. The children wear their bathers to the pool and get changed at the pool after their lesson.

WHAT THEY WILL DO: At the swimming lessons students will participate in 4 X 45 minute swimming sessions. Children will be swimming in ability levels supervised by qualified AustSwim Teachers from the Gurri Wanyarra Wellbeing Centre.

THE AIMS OF THESE LESSONS: To learn about water safety and improve swimming stroke technique.

STATE NETBALL TRIALS

The Team Vic 12&U Netball 2021 Registration to Trial is open.

I am sharing the opportunity for any year 6 children that wish to trial for State selection.

Please note, this **MUST** be endorsed by Paul Wilkinson (Principal) and myself. The calibre of the player must be high. This is not a come and try day, it's a very high standard trial.

You can see further information on the trial using the link below:

Follow this link <https://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/team-vic/pages/netball.aspx> to find all of the information and the RED button to go ahead and register, should you gain the go ahead from Paul and myself.

Please see selection guidelines:

<https://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/team-vic/Documents/TeamVicNetball12YearsandUSelectionGuidelinesConference2021.pdf>

The registration to trial will close on Monday 1 March. If you feel your child may be suited to trial, please get in contact with me ASAP.



PARKING

Parking Services from the City of Greater Bendigo have contacted our school and requested that the following information be conveyed to our school community.

"The illegal parking of vehicles adjacent to our school poses a safety concern to children, pedestrians and other road users. Parents are reminded that it is essential to comply with parking restrictions when dropping off and collecting children from school.

Motorists must not stop in no stopping areas, even briefly, with or without the motor running. They must not stop next to a continuous yellow edge line, on nature strips, too close to school crossings, park over driveways or double park. A number of schools have short term time restricted areas, such as 2 minute pick up drop off. These parking areas are in place to allow for ease of access close to schools and these restrictions must be adhered to. Drivers should also be aware that they cannot perform a U-turn over an unbroken or continuous dividing line.

With regard to children's crossings, the law requires that a driver approaching a children's crossing must drive at a speed at which the driver can, if necessary stop safely before the crossing. Please slow down and take extra care when driving in school zones.

City of Greater Bendigo Parking Officers and Bendigo Police do conduct random patrols throughout the school year at various locations to ensure that motorists are adhering to the Road Rules."

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSION FUND (CSEF)

The Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) is a Victorian Government program that assists eligible families to cover the cost of school trips, camps and sporting activities. Any parents/carers who hold a valid means-tested concession card, a Gold DVA card or are a temporary foster parent, may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid directly to the school to use towards these items. The CSEF form was sent home to parents at the beginning of term.

If you did not receive a CSEF payment in 2020, have had a new child start, or are a new family, please fill in and return the application form to the office as soon as possible. If you are unsure whether you are eligible, whether you need to reapply etc, please see Paula in the office.

Wellbeing

TECHNOLOGY AND WELLBEING

We all know how much technology has advanced over the years - my kids have a look of bewilderment when I talk about phones with cords or no remote for the tv. With the use of technology really coming to the forefront amidst the COVID pandemic, it allowed us to stay connected to family, friends and colleagues. Along with the many benefits technology brings, there is also widening concern over the time children spend on technology and the type of interactions children are having through technology. The Australian Government's Department of Health and Ageing Guidelines suggest that children 5 years and older should be limited to 2 hours or less a day watching TV, using other electronic media such as DVD's, electronic gaming devices (Play Station, Wii, Nintendo etc), computers or smartphones.

Research also suggests that some common problems of too much 'screen time' can include falling behind on social, emotional and physical milestones; experiencing high stress levels; exposure to violence; disengagement and poor performance at school; and other psychosocial difficulties such as sleep problems and poor emotional regulation.

For more information and ideas on how to limit screen time check out www.childpsychologist.com.au/technology-addiction-and-young-people/ and for the latest guidelines, information and support on all things cyber and young people go to the e-Safety Commissioner website <https://www.esafety.gov.au/> - Chantel White (Student Wellbeing)



STUDENT NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are Ava Baker, Milly Kelleher and Isabella Holland. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Students of the Week	
FBG	Ryan Vinod Paul
FNJ	Ngaire Milne
1DC	Thomas Marchment
1ML	Charlie McKee
2DP	Remmi Comer
2LC	Stella Fitzpatrick
3CW	Jack Carter
3ZD	Mitchell Cope
4AG	Henry Rice
4BS	Caleb Cross
5JE	Jazmin Marshall
5JO	Eleanor Vance
6MG	Max Pinton-Mason
6TC	Caleb Pellegrino

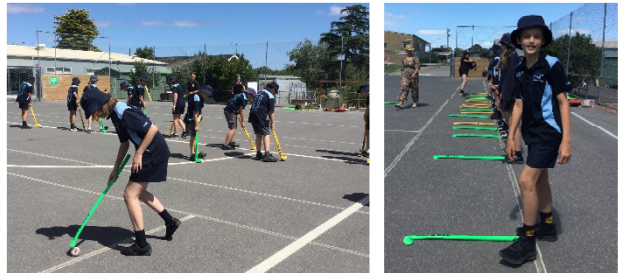
HOCKEY CLINIC

On Monday 22nd of February the Grade 2 - 6 classes participated in a hockey clinic with Hockey Victoria, they played on the school's tennis court, each class playing for a length of 45 minutes each.

The Grade 2 - 6's that participated in the clinic learned about skills and a little more about the game itself, including the technique of how to guide the hockey ball, good strategies, how to score a goal, where to move to defend or attack, how to control your awareness around other people and the court, good sportsmanship and what it means to be a good sport!

Everyone had so much fun we cannot wait to see it again next year with the 2022 Grade 2 - 6 classes!

— Gr 6 Community Engagement Group



P&F NEWS

CANTEEN 2021

VOLUNTEERS: A HUGE thank you to the parents who have put their hand up to help out in our canteen! We have almost filled our volunteer roster for Term 1 (attached) in only one week! We do need **just 4 more shifts** filled, so if you are able to volunteer in our Canteen this term, please contact Lindy Vance on 0409 067 404.

Please note, that volunteers in our canteen DO need to have a current WWC Check, but DO NOT need to hold a Food Handling Certificate.

CHANGES:

- We will no longer be accepting cash orders for canteen. Orders must be placed online via Flexischools.
- There will be no window sales during 2nd play on Friday.
- All **snack items will be delivered at the same time as lunch items** at 11.40am
- Frozen items are currently not available for order.

SPORTS NEWS



Holy Rosary Netball Club!

After several false starts in 2020 - we are working towards a successful (and COVID-safe) season with BSNA in 2021.

We are currently seeking expressions of interest for boys or girls in grades 3+ who may be interested to join our Netball Teams this year. Please get in touch for more information!

holyrosarynetball@gmail.com

We still have a few spots in our Grade 3, Grade 4, Grade 5 and Grade 6 teams! Please get in touch at holyrosarynetball@gmail.com or check out www.holyrosarynetball.com for more info!

And NetSetGO! for our Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 is coming in term 2 - more information very soon!



IGNITE A PASSION FOR THE GAME!

AFL Footy Visit At Holy Rosary

Friday 19th March

3:15pm - 4:15pm

Keep an eye out for our AFL Central Vic team to win some prizes & to find out info about the 2021 season

play.afl/auskick

GET INVOLVED IN

TABLE TENNIS

Bendigo & District Table Tennis Association has places available in the Junior Program & C-Grade Pennant.

JUNIOR PROGRAM is open to beginners and experienced players for fun and learning to improve table tennis skills. The program runs four times a year in line with school terms and is open to Girls and Boys up to 18 years of age.

Starts first Friday of Term 1 and runs each Friday between 6pm-8pm during the term.

Wear a pair of rubber soled 'non marking' runners. Balls provided. Bring your own bat or loan equipment available.

Registration \$5 per school term (including insurance cover). Subsidy \$4 per Friday night.

C GRADE PENNANT team competitions run Thursday nights over two seasons. Autumn starts 1st week of school Term 1 through to the end of Term 2 and Spring season starts 1st week of school Term 3 to the end of Term 4. No matches during school holidays.

Playing time is around 7:30pm-10pm.

Wear a pair of rubber soled 'non marking' runners. Balls provided. Bring your own bat or loan equipment available.

Registration Adults \$110 & Juniors \$85 per year. (including insurance cover)

Playing fees: Adults \$5 & Juniors \$4 per night.

BDDTTA
Bendigo District Table Tennis Association
(03) 5446 2646
140 Victoria Street, Eaglehawk

Juniors contact: Deb Wright
0418 123 041 deb.wright10@gmail.com
C Grade Pennant Contact: Gary Fitzgerald
0425 792 933
cgradesupervisor@bendigotabletennis.org.au
<http://www.bendigotabletennis.org.au/>
www.facebook.com/bendigotabletennis

GOLDEN CITY FOOTBALL CLUB

Golden City Football Club is looking for new players.

We're an inclusive, family friendly club and we are looking for players from all age levels and experience to play in our 2021 season starting in April. We have all-girl teams at most age levels. All are welcome!

The season starts in April and runs for 16 weeks. Junior games are played on Saturday mornings on small-sided pitches with modified rules to make the games inclusive, engaging and fun.

Training takes place once a week at our home ground, Shadforth Park, Fenton Street, North Bendigo.

Please get in touch for further information. Email goldencitysc@gmail.com, see our Facebook page or visit www.goldencityfc.com

HOW TO ORDER YOUR SCHOOL PHOTOS

1. Visit leadingimage.com.au on your browser (Google Chrome is the preferred browser)

2. Click on 'Order Your School Photos'

3. Select Victoria by clicking on the map

4. Enter our school Access Key: KY4RVTMM

5. Enter your personal email address & click 'Open'

6. Select if your order is for a student photo or for a family photo

7. Fill in the student's details & your details & Click 'Next'

8. Select the photo package(s) you would like to order by clicking the 'Add to Cart' button

9. If ordering for a second student, or wishing to also place a family order, click 'Order for Another' & repeat steps 6-8

10. When you have completed orders for all children (and added a family photo if required), click 'View Cart' to review your order.

11. Select 'Checkout' to complete your order & pay.



I wish to place an order for a

☒ Student ☐ Family

← Order for another

View Cart

← Order for another

View Cart

← Order for another

Continue Shopping

Checkout

NOTE: You will not need to return anything to the school or photographer once you have completed your online order.

ONLINE BOOKING

Your school has decided that school photos will only be available to order online this year.
We are now also offering green screen online.

THE BENEFITS OF BEING ONLINE

- No need for envelopes to be returned to the school office.
- No cash on school grounds or children's bags.
- Easy order tracking and record keeping
- 15 different backgrounds to choose from.



Holy Rosary Primary School - 2021

Contact: info@leadingimage.com.au or call 1800 750 586

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

To order your school photos you need to log onto

<https://www.leadingimage.com.au>

Click on Order your school photos.
and enter the access key below.

Preferred Browser is Google Chrome

Access Key: KY4RVTMM

Packages are available to order with this access key.

Family photographs must be ordered by 4:30pm the night before photo day.

IF YOU DO NOT ORDER BEFORE THIS TIME YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE A FAMILY PHOTO TAKEN.

LEADING
IMAGE School Photos

HOLY ROSARY 
PRIMARY SCHOOL
LEADERS FOR TOMORROW



**Can we just bring
our child in for a
quick photo?**

Please note that whilst the government has advised sick children and staff should stay away from schools, we unfortunately see sick children coming in just for a 'quick' photo. We need to stay vigilant in these times uncertain times.

For our photographers own safety and to ensure our business is not effected please note we reserve the right to refuse to photograph any child if they present to school sick.

Again this is luckily not common but to ensure we aren't forced to address a difficult situation on the day we request that you stress to families that they can not bring their child in for a quick photo: no exceptions.

Should you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact us immediately.
Look forward to seeing lots of smiling healthy faces on your upcoming photo day!



Freecall: 1800 750 586
email: info@leadingimage.com.au
www.leadingimage.com.au

HOLY ROSARY CANTEEN

VOLUNTEER ROSTER - TERM 1 2021

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEERS
FEB 2021		
THUR 25th	9am - 11am	Ash McDerby
FRI 26th	9am - 12noon	Dea Robertson & Susie Young
	11am - 12noon	Volunteer needed
MARCH 2021		
THUR 4th	9am - 11am	Tamara McIntosh
FRI 5th	9am - 12noon	Emma Gibbons & Jenya Thompson
FRI 5th	11am - 12noon	Charlotte Healy
WED 10th	9am - 11am	Briony Johnson & Kellie Carter
THUR 11th	9am - 12noon	Toni Niven & Volunteer needed
THUR 11th	11am - 12noon	Rachael Sutton
THUR 18th	9am - 11am	Cathy Harrington
FRI 19th - PIZZA	10am - 12noon	Emma Gibbons & Emily Roberts
	11am - 12noon	Mardi Holland & Sally Ripper
THUR 25th	9am - 11am	Tamara McIntosh
FRI 26th	9am - 12noon	Dea Robertson & Emily Roberts
FRI 26th	11am - 12noon	Yvette Sait
WED 31st MARCH	9am - 11am	Ash McDerby & Kellie Carter
THUR 1st APRIL	9am - 12noon	Volunteer needed & Volunteer needed
	11am - 12noon	Rachael Sutton