



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 & Sunday's 10am
 (Numbers Limited)

Or online at:

<https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au>
<https://www.frgministry.com/mass>

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The weekend saw the culmination of a wonderful period of preparation and commitment as 22 children received the sacrament of confirmation. The connection with the beginning of the church year on Pentecost Sunday ensured the day was a special day in the faith lives of the children and their families. It was fantastic to have Bishop Shane confer the sacrament for the first time in our Parish, we thank him for his warmth and care which made for a memorable day for all.

A huge thank you to Mrs Thurley for her coordination and organisation, staff who filled many roles in the day and along the journey and especially to Fr Minh, who in his short time in the Parish has worked hard with us all to build an important link to the Parish.

Today we celebrate 200 years since the first Catholic School commenced in Australia. In 2021 Catholic Education communities will come together to celebrate this significant milestone. In the Sandhurst Diocese, we gathered at St Kilian's Church to celebrate the 200 year anniversary of Catholic Education as it was the site of the first Catholic School established in the Diocese. It is amazing to think of the presence our Catholic schools continue to have in our country, in particular our own city of Bendigo and more broadly the Diocese.

This Thursday 27th June marks the beginning of National Reconciliation Week, a significant event for Indigenous and Non-Indigenous people of this Nation. The dates for National Reconciliation Week remain the same each year; 27 May to 3 June. These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey— the successful 1967 referendum, and the High Court Mabo decision respectively. Reconciliation is a journey for all Australians – as individuals, families, communities, organisations and importantly as a nation. At the heart of this journey are relationships between the broader Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Much has happened since the early days of the people's movement for reconciliation, including greater acknowledgement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander rights to land and sea,

CALENDAR

MAY 2021

Mon 31 – Fri 11 PSG Meetings
 Mon 31 – Thu 10 Dentist Program Visit

JUNE 2021

Tue 1 Sacrament Meeting (Gr 3) – 6pm
 Sat 5 Gr 4 Eucharist Mass – 6pm
 Sun 6 Gr 4 Eucharist Mass – 10am
 Thu 10 2022 Foundation Enrolments Close
 Fri 11 Canteen Pizza Day
Mon 14 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
 Sat 19 Gr 3 Eucharist Mass – 6pm
 Sun 20 Gr 3 Eucharist Mass – 10am
 Mon 21 – Fri 25 Health & PE Week
Fri 25 Last Day Term 2 – 2.15pm dismissal

JULY 2021

Mon 12 First Day Term 3
 Sat 24 McCarthy House Community Mass – 6pm

AUGUST 2021

Wed 11 – Fri 13 Grade 5 Camp
 Mon 23 – Fri 27 Book Week

SEPTEMBER 2021

Fri 3 Pupil Free Day – Staff PD
 Sun 5 Father's Day
Fri 17 Last Day Term 3 – 2.15pm dismissal



Check out our school Facebook page to stay up to date with the latest news!
<https://www.facebook.com/holyrosaryprimaryschoolwhitehills/>

understanding of the impact of government policies and frontier conflicts and an embracing of stories of Indigenous success and contribution. In 2020 we also celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the Reconciliation walks of 2000, when people came together to walk across bridges and along roads throughout the nation to show their support for a more reconciled Australia. As always, we stand on the shoulders of those who came before us. Australians now benefit from the efforts and contributions of people committed to reconciliation in the past.

The 2021 National Reconciliation Week theme, ***More than a word - Reconciliation takes action***, urges the reconciliation movement towards braver and more impactful action. Each individual has a role to play when it comes to reconciliation, and in playing our part we collectively build relationships and communities that value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories and cultures. At Holy Rosary we acknowledge the DjaDja Wurrung Peoples as the Traditional Custodians of land. We recognise their long history and culture and continue our commitment to the reconciliation process.

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all of us to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation. Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all of us as we move forward, creating a community strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. As a school we continue to build connections and develop our understanding of our country's indigenous culture and the need for Reconciliation.

Finally, a reminder that we will be currently enrolling children for Foundation 2022, please return applications for enrolment as soon as possible to ensure we have an accurate picture of the demand for next year.

Go Cats!



Paul Wilkinson
Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Our Grade 6 Confirmation students undertook the next step in their faith journey at the weekend. We were blessed with the presence of Bishop Shane Mackinlay as he confirmed our 22 Sacramental candidates. A big thank you to all the teachers and staff who supported this special event, especially Mrs Megan Gerrish and Mr Troy Coates who helped prepare the students during their Religious Education lessons.

Please continue to keep our Grade 3 and 4 sacramental candidates in your prayers as they finalise their preparation for the sacrament of Eucharist in the coming weeks.



Sacramental meeting dates:

Date	Sacrament - Year level
Tuesday 1st June 2021 – 6.00pm	Grade 3 Eucharist Candidates

IGNATIAN YEAR: "TO SEE ALL THINGS NEW IN CHRIST"

On Thursday 20th May 2021 we began the Ignatian Year "To see all things new in Christ"

From now until the end of July 2022, the Society of Jesus will celebrate "The Ignatian Year" to remember the life of St Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits. It is the 500th anniversary of St Ignatius' injury during the Battle of Pamplona on May 20, 1521. While defending the citadel of Pamplona against French forces, St Ignatius was seriously injured after being struck by a cannonball. This led to a long period of convalescence which began his conversion and subsequent transformation from soldier to saint. Source: Vatican News.

TERM 2 PROGRAM SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS (PSG'S)

Bookings are now open via PAM for Parents/Carers to make an appointment for their child's upcoming PSG meeting. This meeting will take place with your child's classroom teacher and the Learner Diversity Leader. Parents are welcome onsite for a face to face meeting or you can link in via your online PAM account.

These meetings are an extension to the recent learning conversations that you have already had with your child's classroom teacher. The PSG meeting is an integral part of your child's learning. The structure of this meeting allows us to discuss and evaluate the goals your child's teacher has put in place for this term.

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

PASTORAL CARE HOLY ROSARY

As a Catholic school, Holy Rosary shares in the mission of the Catholic Church to carry out and continue the work of Jesus Christ. The Pastoral Care Team plays a pivotal role in carrying out this work. At Holy Rosary we are focused on the wellbeing of the whole school community.

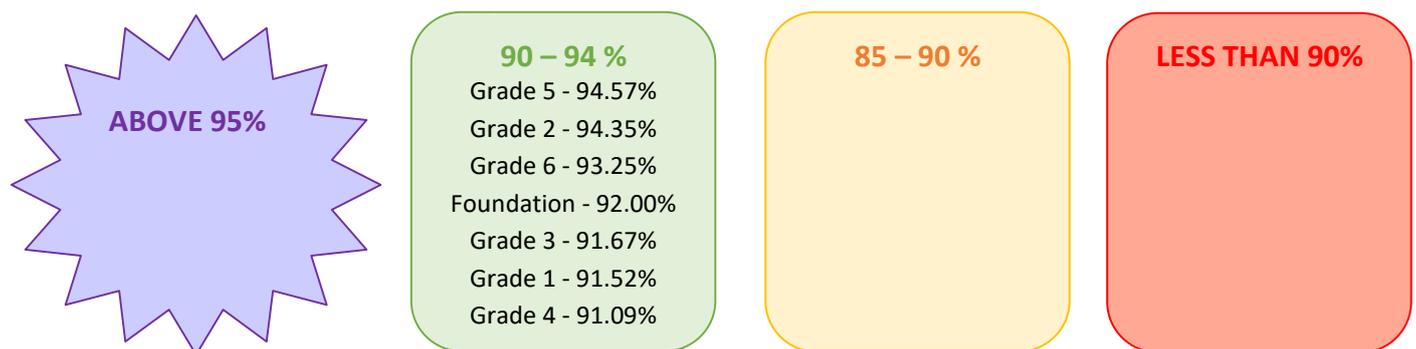
As an active school community which promotes wellbeing we would like to encourage members of our school community to contact the school if you are aware of any families who may benefit from contact with the Pastoral Care Team. The Pastoral Care Team can offer assistance with providing meals, connection to school counselling services, celebrating births and providing support when there is loss, support in attending programs such as Season's for Growth, and participating in community care programs.

For further information or to make contact with the Pastoral Care Team please contact Megan Gerrish.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

At Holy Rosary we seek to nurture, guide, inspire and challenge students to find the joy in learning. Ensuring your child is attending school is a critical aspect for your child to find the joy in learning.

Here is a snapshot of attendance for each year level at Holy Rosary last week. As per government guidelines we should aim for 95% attendance.



CONGRATULATIONS TO WEEK FIVE'S ATTENDANCE LEADERS: Grade 5!

Our whole school average for Week 5 was 92.63%

Attendance in Early Years Matters!

- attendance matters full stop!
- what is your child's attendance at? 95% is the target

INDIGENOUS PERSPECTIVES

National Sorry Day: This Wednesday 26th May is National Sorry Day. National Sorry Day is a time to remember the past policies of forced child removal and reflect on the sad and painful stories of the Stolen Generations. It is a time to recognise the resilience of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and the power of saying Sorry.

Reconciliation Week: Reconciliation Week is from Thursday 27th May - 3rd June. The theme this year is **"More than a Word - Reconciliation takes action"**. During art sessions in the next two weeks the students will be observing and discussing this year's poster and completing artworks with an Indigenous theme.

The Fire Carrier students will be attending the Mass for Healing and Justice at St Killians at 11 am on Thursday. It is by invitation only but will be live streamed.



SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB – ORDERS CLOSE MON 31ST MAY

The Issue 4 Book Club catalogue was sent home last week. Ordering books through Book Club is an easy way to offer students the best in children's books for the home and to encourage independent reading for fun. Book Club orders close Monday 31st May.

Please note: Book Club orders must be placed online via LOOP. No cash orders will be accepted at the school office.

CATHERINE MCAULEY COLLEGE – INFORMATION EVENING FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS

CMC will be hosting an information evening for parents and carers of children with additional learning needs on Tuesday 25th May. Please see last week's newsletter for more information.

STUDENT NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are; Chelsea Gray, Eden Jones, Mia Thompson, Sienna Gladstone, Thomas Barlow, Levi Plant and Jack Yates. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Students of the Week	
FBG	Henry Harrington
FNJ	Jobe Coleman
1DC	Joshua Mason
1ML	Harrison Bell
2DP	Tahlia Mullane
2LC	Mack Gregory
3CW	Sophie McCarrroll
3ZD	Rose Mortimer
4AG	Madeline Gregory
4BS	Cian Mulryan
5JE	Ivy Sargeant
5JO	Mia Stevens
6MG	Jye Stokes-Logan
6TC	Beatrice Monzon

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

On Wednesday, students took part in the National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS). The chosen text this year was 'Give Me Some Space' written and illustrated by Philip Bunting. As a follow up activity FNJ made a collaborative mural to show case their new found space knowledge.



P&F NEWS

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

A HUGE thank you to the parents who have put their hand up to help out in our canteen this Term! It has been fantastic having parents back on site and helping out! If you are able to volunteer 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.

CANTEEN WINDOW SALES

Canteen Window sale items are now available during second play on Friday's. Window sale items will not be able to be pre-purchased and will be cash only. The list of items currently available is below. Please note that all items are subject to availability.

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| • Warm Banana Pancakes (homemade) | \$1.00 |
| • Raisin Toast | \$1.00 |
| • Popcorn | \$0.50 |
| • Frozen Watermelon Wedge | \$0.50 |
| • UFO (Frozen Pineapple Ring) | \$0.50 |
| • Sugar Free-zies (icy pole) | \$1.00 |
| • Strawberry/Banana Yogurt Pops (homemade) | \$1.00 |

UNIFORM SHOP WILL BE CLOSED 25TH JUNE

The school uniform shop will be closed on the last Friday of Term 2 (25th June 2021) in order for our volunteers to complete a stocktake. Please keep this in mind and order any uniform items before 18th June to ensure the order is filled before the holiday break.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Marist 2022 Enrolments
ENROLMENTS CLOSE FOR YEAR 7
FRIDAY 4 JUNE

STILL A COUPLE OF PRINCIPAL LEARNING WALKS AVAILABLE 25 MAY AND 2 JUNE.
BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL AND LIMITS APPLY.
VISIT THE WEBSITE FOR BOOKING DETAILS.
WWW.MARIST.VIC.EDU.AU

HOLY ROSARY CANTEEN

VOLUNTEER ROSTER - TERM 2 2021

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEERS
MAY 2021		
THUR 27th	9.00am – 11.00am	Chloe O'Brien
FRI 28th	9.00am – 12.00pm	Volunteer Needed & Emma Gibbons
FRI 28th	11.00am – 12.00pm	Charlotte Healy
FRI 28th	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Sally Ripper & Mardi Holland
JUNE 2021		
THUR 3rd	9.00am – 11.00am	Tamara McIntosh
FRI 4th	9.00am – 12.00pm	Jess Brown & Jade Davies
FRI 4th	11.00am – 12.00pm	Dea Robertson
FRI 4th	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Jen Ball & Volunteer Needed
THUR 10th	9.00am – 11.00am	Carine Comer
FRI 11th (pizza day)	10.00am – 12.00pm	Mardi Holland & Jo Best
FRI 11th (pizza day)	10.45am – 12.00pm	Charlotte Healy & Sally Ripper
FRI 11th (pizza day)	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Volunteer Needed & Volunteer Needed
THUR 17th	9.00am – 11.00am	Rachael Sutton
FRI 18th	9.00am – 12.00pm	Susie Young & Dea Robertson
FRI 18th	11.00am – 12.00pm	Denise Bain
FRI 18th	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Jen Ball & Volunteer Needed
THUR 24th	9.00am – 11.00am	Tamara McIntosh
FRI 25th	9.00am – 12.00pm	Jen Thompson & Susie Young
FRI 25th	11.00am – 12.00pm	Charlotte Healy