



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
Weekday Masses – Tues - Sat 9.15am
St Francis Xavier – Strickland Rd
Sunday – 8.30am

CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2022

Tue 6 th	2023 Foundation Orientation Session
Tue 6 th	2022-2023 Orientation Session
Wed 7 th	Gr 6 Graduation Mass
Wed 14 th	Whole School Mass – 9.15am
Wed 14 th	Last Day Term 4 (Students) – 3.15pm finish
Fri 16 th	Last Day Term 4 (Staff)

JANUARY 2023

Fri 27 th	First Day Term 1 (Staff)
Fri 27 th	Uniform Shop Open – 10am -2pm
Mon 30 th	First Day Term 1 (Students)



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

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

2023 TERM DATES

TERM 1:

Fri 27 January – Thu 6th April
(Students return Mon 30th)

TERM 2:

Mon 24th April – Fri 23rd June

TERM 3:

Mon 10th July – Fri 15th September

TERM 4:

Mon 2nd October – Wed 20th December
(Last Day for students TBC)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

As we enter the penultimate week of the year, we have finalised our staffing for 2023.

Welcome to Mr Dan Walker (Strathfieldsaye Primary school), Mr Conor Van Der Staay (St Ambrose Woodend), Miss Jessica Moloney (Marist College) and Miss Bronte Deary (Strathfieldsaye Primary school). Our new staff members will be onsite tomorrow, 6th December, for our Orientation Day.

Our 2022 Foundation children will join us and their teachers for an Orientation Day session in the morning. The Grade 6 children will be off at their high schools for the day and between 12.00pm - 1.00pm all children will move to their 2023 classroom.

In response to future planning and catering for expected changes in the teaching agreement and our recent survey, there will be some additions to our specialist curriculum. All children in Foundation – Grade 6, will be participating in specialist Physical Education and STEM, as well as the addition of a languages co-teacher to support our AUSLAN program.

Our staff next year will be as follows:

LEADERSHIP

Principal: Mr Paul Wilkinson

DP/Catholic Identity Leader: Mrs Jo Thurley

Curriculum Leader: Mrs Shelley DeAraugo

Learner Diversity: Mrs Mandy Antoniadis

Pastoral Care, Wellbeing & Compliance: Mrs Megan Gerrish

CLASS TEACHERS

Foundation: Miss Meg McKenzie & Miss Jess Moloney

Grade 1: Mr Conor Van Der Staay & Miss Gabby Smith

Grade 2: Mrs Juanita Howlett & Miss Samantha Doyle

Grade 3: Miss Catherine Walsh & Mr Ollie Geary

Grade 4: Miss Bronte Deary & Miss Lauren Spence

Grade 5: Miss Jasmin O'Sullivan & Mr Dylan Lovell

Grade 6: Mr Dan Walker & Mrs Megan Gerrish

INTERVENTION SUPPORT ROLES

Mrs Kerry Baber, Mrs Megan Matheson & Mrs Liz Williams

SPECIALIST TEACHERS

Visual Arts: Ms Eva Rosaia & Mrs Bethany Kerlin

Performing Arts: Mrs Elizabeth Teed

PE (F - 6): Mr Troy Coates

STEM/Sustainability: Mrs Tracey Angove & Mrs Bethany Kerlin

Auslan Co-teacher: Chloe Severn

LEARNING SUPPORT OFFICERS

Mrs Fiona Teasdale, Mrs Marnie McNamara, Mrs Nicole Morrison, Mr Harry Campbell, Mr Nathan Grace, Miss Amy Ashton, Mrs Abby Cummings, Mrs Bronwyn McConnell & Mr Will Purcell

Grade 6 graduation will be celebrated with mass and celebration in the Parish Hall on Wednesday evening. We look forward to acknowledging the primary school phase of the children's education and wish the leaving families and children all the very best for a bright and successful future.

We also have a number of cases of COVID within the school, please be vigilant and utilise the test kits sent home on Friday should you be symptomatic. Again, we ask that children who are ill remain at home to enable a proper recovery and support the health of others.

Paul Wilkinson (Principal)

SCHOOL NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Danielle & Matthew Penny on the safe arrival of Ruby last week. Sister to Ivy (FNJ) & Leo.

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

THIRD WEEK
OF ADVENT

Joy

Light the third candle of Joy.



Christ our Joy,
Brighten our hearts with your
presence. May we see your joy
in the hopes and dreams of our
sisters and brothers around the
world. Help us to spread your
light and love.
We await your coming with
delight.
Amen



The third Sunday in Advent is
Gaudete Sunday, from Latin
meaning 'rejoice'.



END OF YEAR SCHOOL MASS

We will come together for our final whole school Mass in the Church on Wednesday 14th December at 9.15am. We invite all of our parents, friends and community members to come together to celebrate the wonderful 2022 school year.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Congratulations to Jack Yates who made his Confirmation on Saturday evening. This Holy Rosary Parish program is offered to all baptised children as part of the school RE curriculum. Details regarding next year's Sacramental program will be provided early in Term 1 2023.

ST VINNIES CHRISTMAS HAMPER DRIVE

Thank you to all the families who have kindly donated to the Christmas charity appeal. We are still taking donations until Friday 9th December. Jim and Helen Austin from St Vincent De Paul will collect these items next Monday and distribute them to the White Hills community accordingly.

HOLY ROSARY
PRIMARY SCHOOL
LEADERS FOR TOMORROW

**VINNIES
CHRISTMAS
HAMPER APPEAL**

Christmas is a special time of the year when we think of others. We ask all families at Holy Rosary to please consider those less fortunate this holiday season and to participate in the Holy Rosary Christmas Hamper Appeal by donating an item or two...

Foundation - Toiletry Items
Grade 1 - Grains & Pasta
Grade 2 - Tinned Foods

Grade 3 - Holiday Treats
Grade 4 - Savoury Items
Grade 5 - Condiments
Grade 6 - Breakfast Cereals

Please donate items into Classroom or Office hamper baskets
by Friday 9th December.



SCHOOL SPORT – WHAT’S HAPPENING?!

Troy Coates & Sophie Taylor (PE Coordinators)

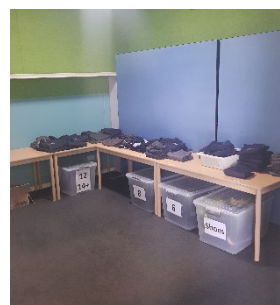


HEALTH & PE CHRISTMAS WALK

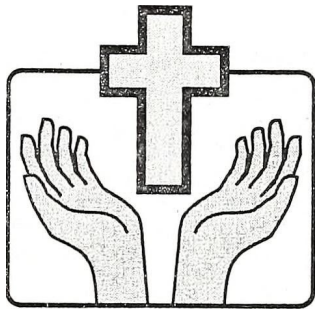
On Thursday the 8th of December at 10.30am, the whole school will be participating in a Christmas Walk as part of our Health & PE Week Celebrations. Students will walk together around a designated course within the school grounds whilst listening to Christmas carols over the speaker. Students are invited to bring one Christmas themed accessory to wear on our walk. For example, a Christmas hat, headband, tinsel scarf, elf ears, etc. Students should be wearing full school PE uniform on this day. The walk will be for approximately 20-30 minutes and will be a great opportunity for students to mingle with their peers whilst getting in some steps!

PASTORAL WELLBEING

We have had the wonderful opportunity in the last week to move our food share pantry and second-hand uniform into the Rosarium. A big thank you to Mrs Ellis, Mrs Hughan, Mrs McConnell and Grade 6 leaders for helping with moving all the uniforms. You will now be able to access the food share pantry and second-hand uniform shop just through the automatic doors in the Rosarium. Tuesday 6th of December will be our last food share delivery for the year. If you would like to come and gather items from the freezer, fridge and pantry stores, that would be wonderful. There are many frozen items including meat, fish fingers, and frozen vegetables that may be able to assist during this time. All items not used by our Holy Rosary Community will be donated to the St Vinnies appeal at the end of the week.



- Megan Gerrish (Pastoral Care, Wellbeing and Compliance Leader)



How Can We Help?

In the Pastoral Care / Wellbeing Team we would like to offer any support that we can, whether it be emotional, physical, spiritual or mentally. We can assist with support relating to your child or needs your family may have at the present time.

We may assist with

- Practical Help (Meals, groceries etc)
 - A Listening Ear
 - School Attendance
- General information & advice, with links to outside agencies & community support

Megan Gerrish (Pastoral Care Leader)

CYBER SAFETY

Cyber Safety is important all year round. However, with our Christmas holidays just around the corner, it is important to think about keeping our children safe online. Especially if they will be spending more time online and at times unsupervised. This week there are some tips included to assist to keep children safe online and considerations to make when choosing which online platforms our children may access. - *Megan Gerrish (Pastoral Care, Wellbeing and Compliance Leader)*

Safe internet use

Tips for parents:

- Be aware of how much time your child spends on the internet.
- Talk to your child about the dangers of online conversations, particularly with someone they have only ever met online.
- Explore the internet with your children and let them teach you about their favourite websites and apps.
- Keep computers and internet-enabled devices in a room that the whole family can access, not in your child's bedroom, and monitor internet access on those devices.
- Consider installing filtering and/or computer blocking software provided by your internet service provider.
- Ensure you can access your child's email and social media accounts, and check the contents randomly.
- Check your phone bill for unusual outgoing calls and consider using caller ID to identify incoming calls.
- Consult your phone company for options to ensure privacy and security.
- Inquire with your child's school, public library and places they frequent to find out what internet safety measures are in place.

Tips for children:

- Do not send a picture of yourself to anyone you don't know, and never place a full profile and picture anywhere on the internet.
- Never give out your personal information, including full name, home address, phone number or school, over the internet.
- Never arrange a face-to-face meeting with someone you know only online.
- Tell your parents or another adult you know of any contact that makes you feel uncomfortable.
- Think carefully before uploading or sending images or videos to people over the internet. Once you press 'send', it's definite and final: you can't get it back or take it down.

STUDENT NEWS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are; Cameron Smits, Olivia Brennan, Sophie Healy, Angus Johnstone, Angus Paterson, Ewan Paterson & Summer Whyte. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

NATIONALS KARATE COMPETITION

On 26th - 27th of November I competed in the Nationals Karate Competition in Queensland. I finished 5th in Forms (10-11 years; 10th - 6th Kyu Rank), 11th in Continuous Sparring (10-11 years; open all ranks) and 4th in Points Sparring (10-11 years; 10th - 6th Kyu Rank) in only my third tournament. I am currently the third belt in my curriculum (Orange Belt) and my club is Bendigo Kenpo Karate and it is located on Roanoak Ct. - *Xavier Cook (5JE)*



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Students of the Week	
FMM	Jazmeen
FNJ	Ivy
1GS	Hazel
1ML	Indiana
2JH	Frankie
2SD	Luciana
3CW	Maison
3OG	Sibylla
4DC	James
4LS	Ethan
5JE	Emmy
5JO	Levi
6MG	Quiny
6TC	Chris

CRICKET BLAST

Last Thursday, we had 18 Grade 6 students participate in the Cricket Blast Competition at Epsom/Huntly Reserve. It was a fantastic day to be out of the class and enjoying playing cricket with our friends. The girls team won all three matches and made it through to the final against Golden Square. Unfortunately, the girls lost the final. The boys team won three matches, but lost one game to Marist. Thank you to Mr Purcell, Mrs McConnell and Mr Coates for organising the day and coaching the teams. Thank you to parents for coming along to support, the students had a really enjoyable day and showed outstanding sportsmanship.



P&F NEWS



CANTEEN CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

This week is our final week in the Canteen for 2022! To celebrate Christmas, we have **gingerbread cookies** available to order. Get in quick because this item is for one week only!



UNIFORM SHOP HAS MOVED

Our Uniform Shop has finally been able to move back into their home in the Parent Room in the Rosarium! You can find them back in their normal space from 8.45am – 9.15am on Friday morning's during school terms.

The Parent Room has its own external entrance door, which can be found by proceeding around the Rosarium building to the right from the automatic doors.

Please note, that **this Friday will be their final open morning for 2022**. Orders placed after this will be available to collect when we return in 2023.



COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER

It's almost dough-livery day!

Our cookie dough is due to arrive on Thursday 8th December.

All cookie dough orders and incentive prizes can be collected from the School Office from 3pm - 4pm.

Billy G's Gourmet Cookie dough will stay fresh and safe for up to eight hours outside the fridge - but make sure you get it inside and in the freezer, as soon as you can!

Please don't forget to bring or send your child with cooler bags or a box to transport your cookie dough and incentive prizes.

If you can't collect your cookie dough on Thursday, please contact Tamara 0413 473 174.

Thank you for supporting our school with fundraising this term. We hope you enjoy your dough-licious treats and incentive prizes!

COMMUNITY NEWS

KELLY SPORTS

SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Monday 19th December to Friday 23rd December
Tuesday 3rd January to Friday 27th January

We are excited to be back for a fun-filled School Holiday Programme including lots of Sports, awesome games & MUCH MORE

BOOK ONLINE NOW AT **KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU**

*THEME DAY & DAILY SPORTS SCHEDULES ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE

SUMMER 2022/23 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

379 Eaglehawk Rd, Eaglehawk, 3556

A timetable and full programme information is available online or at the programme venue.

Who can attend: Boys & Girls aged 5-12 yrs

General information: We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

What do you need to bring: Appropriate clothing, jacket or sweatshirt, hat, drink bottle and food for morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

Payment details: Payment is required up-front within 2 hours of your booking. A receipt will be issued when a completed booking is received. All details will be included on the receipt.

Please note: Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Sports accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst on the programme.

Prices: (Including GST)	Five-Day Price: \$200
Full Day: \$50	Half-Day Price: \$35
Mon-Fri, 8:30am to 5:00pm	8:30am to 12:30pm or 1pm - 5pm
	Early/Late Option Price: \$60
	Mon-Fri, 8:00am to 5:30pm

Early Bird - Sign up before 9th December and pay \$45 per full day.

Website: www.kellysports.com.au/bendigo
Contact: Beau Cross
Email: beau@kellysports.com.au
Phone: 0428 326 924
Facebook: Kelly Sports Bendigo
Address: 9 Barnbougle Place, Eaglehawk, 3556

BOOK ONLINE NOW AT **KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU**

To see the full program visit: https://www.kellysports.com.au/kelly_events/show_doc/33293

HOLY ROSARY CANTEEN

VOLUNTEER ROSTER - TERM 4 2022

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEERS	
DECEMBER 2022			
THUR 8th	9.00am - 11.00am	Carine Comer	-
FRI 9th	9.00am - 12.00pm	Laura Prange	Volunteer Needed
FRI 9th	11.00am – 12.00pm	Volunteer Needed	-
FRI 9th	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Lesley Lloyd	Volunteer Needed