



# NEWSLETTER

AFTER SCHOOL CARE: 5444 6666 (YMCA)

HOLY ROSARY WEB SITE: [www.hrwhitehills.catholic.edu.au](http://www.hrwhitehills.catholic.edu.au)

## MASS TIMES

Please note that Masses have been suspended until further notice.

Sunday Mass with the Bishop can be live streamed at

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

## CALENDAR

### SEPTEMBER 2020

Sun 6	Father's Day
Fri 11	Pupil Free Day - Staff PD
Fri 18	Last Day Term 3

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

### **COVID-19 ASSISTANCE FROM THE CITY OF GREATER BENDIGO**

The City of Greater Bendigo has a number of services and supports available through a helpline to assist families impacted by COVID-19, including general information and advice, food relief, financial relief information, etc.

The City of Greater Bendigo Helpline information is available 7 days a week on phone 5434 6237 or via email [covid19relief@bendigo.voc.gov.au](mailto:covid19relief@bendigo.voc.gov.au)

Information is also available on <https://www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/>

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It was great to be able to return to school this week, even if only for a few. We continue to be a part of remote learning and I wanted to begin by thanking you, our families, for your ongoing support. We know only too well how hard remote learning can be on families. Please make sure you contact your child's teacher or me if you have any queries or questions. It is vitally important to us, your school family, that you feel supported so as to make remote learning as smooth as possible.

This week we also have our Learning Conversations and remind families, that these meetings are important as they form a strong component of our assessment and reporting policy. The Learning conversations are more than just a catch up, and in these unprecedented times, an important vehicle in which we can discuss and set learning goals for the rest of the year, as well as reflecting upon those we have tackled this year. Please make a booking if you haven't done so, as our teachers are looking forward to discussing your child's learning.

A reminder to families who require their children to be at school for supervision during this time, who meet the criteria as outlined previously that our survey for the next two weeks will be released on Thursday. It is important that we have an accurate account of children who will be on site to enable adequate staffing over this time. Families who have a change in circumstances and may need to be on site are asked to contact me directly instead of the classroom teacher, as I have access to our rolls and can ensure we have adequate staff.

As we head toward the end of the term, we will be beginning preparations for 2021 and I would appreciate if families who are leaving Holy Rosary, could let me know as soon as possible to ensure we have the best opportunity to plan effectively. Thanks in advance.

Finally, sadly we will be farewelling Travis Edwards, our chaplain of 5 years. Travis has made a remarkable contribution to Holy Rosary, sharing many highs and supporting us through some challenging times. Travis will move on to other career opportunities and I would like to wish him all the best in his future endeavours. I know you will join me in thanking him for his contribution to

the wellbeing of staff, students and families, we will miss his ability to connect and willingness to support no matter the challenge.

Take Care



Paul Wilkinson  
Principal

## ***STUDENT NEWS***

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are: Jack Leech, Lillyanne Crennan, Hudson Kearns, Jonathan Keller, Grace Wyatt, Erin Bradshaw, Joel Foster, Rose Mortimer, Isaac Plant and Leni McRae. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

## ***SCHOOL NEWS***

### **CATHOLIC IDENTITY**

#### **ACCESS TO MASS AND TO CHURCHES**

We are all encouraged to continue active participation in the life of the Church through activities such as time in personal and family prayer, reflecting on the Scriptures, making a spiritual communion, or participating in a Mass online.

There are many options for Mass online, including:

- <http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>
- <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>
- [www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass](http://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass)

The Bishop is also live-streaming Mass on Sunday mornings via the diocesan website: [www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au](http://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au)

On free to air TV, *Mass for You at Home* is broadcast at 6.00am every Sunday, Channel 10

#### **“HATS ON!” AT HOLY ROSARY FROM SEPTEMBER 1**

At Holy Rosary, our SunSmart Policy notes that all children will be required to wear school broad brimmed hats from ‘Hats On Day’ - September 1 to ‘Hats Off Day’ - May 1, whenever they are outside including sports lessons. However, if the UV is 3 or above it is recommended hats be worn for protection. Children without hats will be required to remain under cover near the Grade 1 rooms. – ‘NO HAT, NO PLAY’ policy will be enforced.

With this in mind, we ask all students to wear their hats from Week 8 (Tuesday September 1) of this term.



#### **TRAVIS EDWARDS**

Dear Paul, Staff, Families and Children of HR White Hills,

Last week I tendered my resignation from the Chaplain role at HR, this is a role that for over 5 years has brought enormous fun and frivolity to my working week.

I have had the privilege of working with Paul now for 10 plus years, plus faced some challenges (having to hear about Geelong constantly), had some wins and some losses but most importantly got to meet incredible families.

This journey now ends and I’m sure you and the school will continue to prosper under Paul’s strong guidance, leadership and faith.

Please accept and pass on my gratitude to all the families of HR, my time here will be remembered fondly.

Thanks,

Travis, Trevor, Pumpkin Beard Etc. etc

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Bookings are now open for the YMCA Spring School Holiday Program. Please see the flyer below.

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM SPRING 2020

## WEEK ONE 21 SEPT - 25 SEPT

### CREATE WITH PAPER

Mon 21 Sept



Get creative making and decorating your own papier mache sculpture and have fun with paper themed games and activities.

### LEGO MASTERS

Tue 22 Sept



You've seen the show, now test yourself in our Lego Masters day. Use your Lego skills with your team to complete the Lego Challenges. Lots of brick building fun!

### SPACE DAY

Wed 23 Sept



Join us as we travel to outer space for some fun, out-of-this-world activities! From rockets to moon sand we explore all things space!

### BOOK MANIA

Thur 24 Sept



Come dressed as your favourite book character and enjoy games, activities and art all about books.

### AROUND THE WORLD

Fri 25 Sept



Pack your bags and travel with us as we explore art, craft and food from different countries around the world.

## WEEK TWO 28 SEPT - 2 OCT

### CAMPING FUN

Mon 28 Sept



We bring the camping fun to us. Enjoy toasted marshmallows by the fire plus fun games and activities throughout the day.

### CRAZY CARTOONS

Tue 29 Sept



Learn the art of cartoon drawing with our virtual class then make your own picture frame to display your art. Relax in the afternoon with one of your favourite cartoon movies.

### LIFE IS LIKE A DREAM

Wed 30 Sept



Have a dreamy day making dream catchers, friendship bracelets and other dreamy activities. Oh so relaxing!

### ART ATTACK

Thur 1 Oct



We explore many ways to make art using clay, paint and even recycled materials. What masterpiece will you create?

### PARTY DAY\*

Fri 2 Oct



It's party time! Come along and celebrate the last day of the holidays with heaps of fun games, activities and yummy food!

\*Please speak to service about any dietary requirements

\$84 per day - bookings can be made through your My Family Lounge account

What to bring: Don't forget your broad brimmed, bucket or legionaries hat, sunscreen, snacks, lunch and drink bottle.

## BENDIGO SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

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