



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>

CALENDAR

MARCH 2021

Tue 9 – Thu 11	PSG Meetings
Tue 9	'Didjeribone' Performance Incursion (Gr 3-6)
Wed 10	Foundation First Wednesday
Thu 11	Sacrament Meeting
Fri 12	Pupil Free Day – Staff PD
Fri 19	Canteen – Pizza Day
Fri 19	Easter Casual Clothes Day
Thu 25	Easter Raffle Drawn
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
Sun 4	Easter Sunday
Mon 5	Easter Monday
Mon 19	First Day Term 2
Sun 25	Anzac Day
Wed 28	Pupil Free Day – Staff PD

MAY 2021

Sat 1	Sacrament Commitment Mass – 6pm
Sat 1	McAuley House Mass – 6pm

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I hope everyone was able to take a breath and enjoy the long weekend.

Our Foundation students have their first Wednesday at school this week and they are now at school full time. How quickly time flies.

In other news the Grade 1ML class have relocated in preparation for the building works later in the year. They haven't moved far, just diagonally across the hall, next to the Grade 1DC class. It was a huge effort and I thank Ms Law and all involved for their patience and hard work!

We welcome Fr Minh Tran to the Parish as administrator. Fr Minh will be living in the short term at St Kilian's, however we look forward to him being active within the Holy Rosary Parish. We are also excited to be able to begin planning the sacramental program for the children, ensuring we 'catch up' on last year and continue to provide the best opportunity for this year's group and the important faith development involved.

The Grade 3-6 swimming program was a great success and well organised and supported by staff and students. We were also fortunate to have a number of children represent our school at the district swimming sports with some great results. Thanks to Mr Coates and Miss Furlong for all their work in organising both aspects of these programs.

This Friday we have a Professional Development day as we join staff at St Liborius and participate in the third part of Berry Street Education Model Training. The significance of the training when we consider the tumultuous year we have all experienced cannot be underestimated and we look forward to continuing to implement aspects of the model in our day to day teaching and interactions at school.

Finally, it was great to be able to have our first P&F meeting last week and look forward to providing opportunities to raise funds, but most importantly reconnect through social activities.



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

PUPIL FREE DAY

A reminder to all families that this **Friday 12th of March is a pupil free day** to enable staff to complete a professional development session. The YMCA will be running full day care at Holy Rosary on this day. Should your child require care please secure your place by logging into My Family Lounge and placing a casual booking or contact us on 0467 555 572. Please note, that if your child normally attends care on a Friday afternoon, they will still need to be booked in should you require care.

STUDENT INFORMATION PACKS

Student Information Packs were sent home in week one of term. These packs included important documents including a student information checklist and privacy policy which need to be signed and returned to school as soon as possible.

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH MASSES

We are pleased to welcome our new Parish Priest, Fr Minh Tran to the Holy Rosary Community. Fr Minh Tran will be conducting regular masses at Holy Rosary Church every Saturday night at 6pm and Sunday Morning at 10am.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Parents of students participating in the Eucharistic and Confirmation sacraments should have received an email about their commitment to the program. If you did not receive this message and believe you should have, please contact Jo Thurley ASAP. All sacramental candidates will be given more details about their pathway once we have met with our new Parish Priest, Fr Minh Tran.

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 Buns as a way of supporting Caritas in this mission. Order forms were sent home with students on Friday. Please return your order and money to the office by Monday 22nd March. Hot Cross Bun will be available for collection Thursday 25th March after school and/or sent home with your child on Friday 26th March.

GRADE 6 CATHOLIC IDENTITY TEAM

To further support the Project Compassion campaign, our Grade 6 Catholic Identity team will be running sports games on the tennis courts during PLAY 1 this week (week 7). If your child would like to participate in these games we ask that you send them to school with a few coins to offer as a donation. All money raised will go towards the Caritas mission. This initiative is new, and the Grade 6 team are extremely excited to see how much money they can raise.

COMMUNITY HOUSE MASS

Our next house mass will be held for Harte families on Saturday 27th March at 6pm.

THIRD WEEK OF LENT

We are now in the third week of Lent with the Project Compassion story of Oliva, a 22-year-old woman from Tanzania. She did not have the opportunity to go to school and was embarrassed that she was unable to read, write or count. As an adult, her business was losing money because she couldn't add up her money and give the right change to customers.

Then Oliva enrolled in Caritas Australia's literacy and numeracy classes. She also set up a home classroom to teach her neighbours, for free, because they were too shy to attend larger classes. Oliva has now graduated, attendance at her classes are growing, her kiosk is thriving and she is helping her children with their homework. She aims to become a pastor and run for leadership in the next local election - to help her community to 'Be More.'

Approximately 260 million children don't have the chance to go to school (un.org)

Watch a short film about Oliva's story [here](#).

"Aspire not to have more, but to be more." Please support Project Compassion: lent.caritas.org.au





SCHOOL SPORT – WHAT’S HAPPENING?!

Troy Coates (PE Coordinator)



DIVISION SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2021

Congratulations to our 9 Divisional swimmers who competed on Friday 5th of March at Bendigo East Pool. They all showed outstanding sportsmanship and competed beautifully. We are very proud of them. As you can see from the photos we had some students achieve excellent results with a number of place getters. We congratulate and wish Alex Dobie all the best at the Regional Swimming Carnival in Swan Hill on Thursday, March 18. Well done all and it was great to see the parents cheering on from the side of the pool.



FOOTBALL PROMOTION DAY - FRIDAY 19th MARCH

On Friday the 19th of March, at 3:15pm, AFL Central Victoria will be setting up a promotion day on our school oval. This will run straight after our normal Friday school assembly. There will be a mini stall setup, with a table and flyers. The AFL CV mascot will be walking around and there will be a handball target, with some give-aways. The aim is to engage our students by igniting the passion in the game, whilst providing general information on Auskick and Junior football. You will see flyers around the school and in the Newsletter.



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.

FROM THE MUSIC ROOM

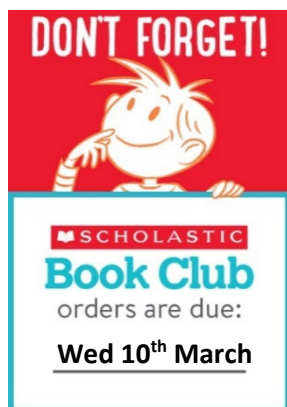
This term we are looking at the instruments of the orchestra and learning about them through Prokofiev's music and the story of 'Peter and the Wolf'. The children have been looking at how the various instruments are played and what they sound like through watching the story being told through narration and performance.

Today, children in Grade 3 – 6 attended an incursion performance called 'Didjeribone', and experienced a live performance with various instruments. On Friday March 26 our Foundation – Grade 2 students will also be able to enjoy a live performance called 'Shekere Beats'. It's very encouraging and exciting to see the return of live music and performance.

The students have also been involved in creating a collaborative, whole school Music Mural in the Music room with the theme of 'Stronger Together', reinforcing the importance of working together to create a strong and unified community. It's great to see the colour and energy of their efforts every day! – Elizabeth Teed (Performing Arts)



SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB – ORDERS DUE TOMORROW



A reminder to all families that bookclub orders for Issue 2 are due tomorrow. All orders must be placed online via LOOP. No cash orders will be accepted at the school office.

Need more information about Book Club? To view the Parent's Guide to Book Club visit https://www.scholastic.com.au/media/5817/bc_guide_parent_2021_au.pdf

LOOP is the easy way for families to order and pay for Book Club.

Log in, or create a new account at [scholastic.com.au/loop](https://www.scholastic.com.au/loop)

1. If you are new to Book Club, follow the Wizard to set up your profile
2. Click the ORDER tab, and select your school and child's class
3. Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
4. Enter the product item number shown on the Book Club catalogue
5. Make payment via credit card.

Wellbeing

SLEEP AND WELLBEING

Sleep is important for children's growth, learning, mood and development. Getting enough sleep also strengthens your child's immune system and reduces the risk of infection and illness. Good sleep habits like relaxing bedtime routines can help children sleep. When your child sleeps well, your child will be more settled, happy and ready for school the next day. Good quality sleep helps your child concentrate, remember things, regulate their emotions and behave well. This all helps your child learn well.

Children aged 5-11 years need 9-11 hours sleep a night. Some children fall deeply asleep very quickly when they go to bed. Others sleep lightly, fidgeting and muttering, before getting into deep sleep. Puberty affects children's sleep. Often going to bed and waking up later, but they still need plenty of good-quality sleep.

How to help children sleep well:

A good night's sleep is about getting to sleep, staying asleep and getting enough good-quality sleep. Here are some ideas that can help your child get the sleep they need.

- *Bedtime routine*

A bedtime routine is very important at any age, but especially for children. It helps your child wind down from the day and helps their brain and body connect that it is time for sleep. For example, put on pyjamas, brush teeth, go to the toilet, quiet time in the bedroom with a book or quiet activity, say goodnight and lights out.

- *Relaxing before bed*

After a big day at school, your child might still be thinking about the day's events and worries. If your child's mind is still busy at bedtime, it can cause a restless night or bad dreams. You can help your child settle and relax for sleep by keeping activities quiet in the hour before bed. For example, you could play gentle music or read a story together; a bath or shower as part of your child's bedtime routine can also help with relaxation. Relaxing before bed also helps with better sleep for pre-teens and teenagers. Ideally, screen-time (TV, computers, iPad, PlayStations etc) will be limited for about 1-2 hours before lights out. If your child has had a busy day, they often can't settle well once lights are out, perhaps helping them to talk about or journal their thoughts/worries about the day may help settle their mind ready for sleep.

- *Good sleep habits*

Your child might sleep better at night if they keep regular sleep and wake times, even on the weekend; turn computers, tablets and TV off an hour before bedtime, have a quiet and dimly lit place to sleep, have their room and bed at the right temperature – not too hot or cold; get plenty of natural light during the day, especially in the morning, avoid caffeine in sports drinks and chocolate, especially in the late afternoon and evening.

More information on sleep, routines and establishing good habits can be found at:

<https://raisingchildren.net.au/school-age/sleep/understanding-sleep/school-age-sleep>

<https://www.cci.health.wa.gov.au/Resources/Looking-After-Yourself/Sleep>

<https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/HealthyLiving/Mood-and-sleep>

<https://headspace.org.au/young-people/sleeping-well-for-a-healthy-headspace/>

- Chantel White (Student Wellbeing)

STUDENT NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are Charlie O'Connor, Connor Ridington, Tayah Damiani, Thomas O'Connell, Max Pinton-Mason, Bridie Thompson, Christopher Mason, Oliver Anfuso, Tayt Rechte, Carter Sait. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



	Students of the Week
FBG	Olivia Brennan
FNJ	Chaise Jeanes
1DC	Arlie Brown
1ML	Sam Gibbons
2DP	Fraser Wild
2LC	Jimmy Carter
3CW	James Moorhead
3ZD	Jensen Sawyer
4AG	Tayt Rechte
4BS	Fiona O'Connell
5JE	Mason McNamara
5JO	Ari Sawyer
6MG	Jackson Hayes
6TC	Nate Fitzpatrick

P&F NEWS

2021 EASTER FUNDRAISER

Our Easter fundraiser is fast approaching with our casual day on Friday 19th of March and our raffle drawn Thursday 25th March. Here are some key dates:

Friday 19th March – Casual Clothes Day - Students may come to school in casual clothes for a gold coin or Easter egg donation.

Monday 22nd March – Raffle books returned to School - Please ensure names & phone numbers or classroom details are included. Use both sides of the tickets. \$1.00 per ticket, \$20 per booklet.

Thursday 25th March – Raffle drawn - Winners will be notified on the day.

Good Luck and thank you for your support.

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). We do need **just 2 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 are no longer 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



KELLY SPORTS **BACK TO SCHOOL SPORT!**
LEARN NEW SPORTS IN TERM 1

Have heaps of fun in the sun with your friends while playing a range of dynamic and active sports over the term.

25 YEARS FOR THE LOVE OF SPORTS

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

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

MULTI-SPORT PROGRAMME

Programmes run weekly on one day a week for one hour.

This term we will focus on the following sports:

✓ Tennis ✓ Cricket ✓ T-Ball ✓ Athletics

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

For Prep – Year 4 students.

PRICES: \$52 FOR 4 WEEKS

Holy Rosary PS – Tuesday: 3:15pm-4:25pm

Be coached by a fully qualified teacher trained in Physical Education. Want to take your game to the next level or just learn a heap of FUN new skills? Then our Multi Sports Program is for you!

Website: kellysports.com.au
Contact: Brett Harris
Email: brett@kellysports.com.au
Phone: 0438 198 031
Facebook: #KellySportsBendigo

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**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

COMMUNITY NEWS

CASTLEMAINE STATE FESTIVAL 2021

FESTIVAL HAPPENINGS
19 MARCH – 4 APRIL

EDUCATION PROGRAM
For this year's special COVID-safe Festival we have created a suite of very accessible education packages. Registered schools will receive a Learning Guide to prepare them for the Festival, a video recording of their selected event to watch in school, and either an in-school live workshop with the artist or a pre-recorded artist talk/workshop to view. We offer packages focusing on Yorta Yorta musician **Allara**, South Sudanese singer/songwriter **Ajak Kwai**, and a visual arts-based package called **Jessie Boylan and the Weathermakers**. You can also look out for students from Campbells Creek PS, Chewton PS and Elphinstone PS in the Festival performance of **One Sky Many Stories**.

The **XYZ Media Team** is back with a vengeance: young people aged 12-26 cover will all aspects of the CSF 2021, bringing their own special perspective to our program through previews, reviews and artist interviews under the mentorship of local media experts.

FAMILY PROGRAM
In addition to opportunities for young people to participate in the Festival through directed workshops, there is also an array of beautiful performances and artworks for the whole family to enjoy together. Whether it's exploring the solar system with **Inventi Ensemble Kids Planets**, watching circus performers fly through the air in **One Fell Swoop**, grooving out with the **Teeny Tiny Stevies** or rocking out with **Otto & Astrid**, you will be sure to have a ball! And if that is not enough, what better than some garden inspiration at **Our Village** and **Buda's Secret Garden**.

VOLUNTEERING
It is always a pleasure for us to welcome new and previous volunteers to be part of our wonderful Festival team! For this year's Festival, we still have ushering and visual arts hosting shifts available to fill over the two weeks. What a great way to enjoy the variety of inspiring performances, exhibitions and activities that we have in store throughout the Festival. If you would like to register to be a volunteer, please visit castlemainefestival.com.au/support/volunteer and we will be in touch with the roster for you to select the shifts that you are available for. The volunteer induction will take place on Monday 15 March at 6:30pm and is important for all volunteers to attend as it will cover COVID-Safe training.

For more information on all aspects of our program, please visit castlemainefestival.com.au.

We very much look forward to seeing you at the Festival!

Castlemaire State Festival Team
information@castlemainefestival.com.au
03 5472 3733

Holy Rosary Primary School OSHC

**Pupil Free Day
Friday 12th March**

8am – 6pm



The YMCA will be operating full day care on this day.

To secure your place log into My Family Lounge and place a casual booking or contact us on **0467 555 572**

HOLY ROSARY CANTEEN VOLUNTEER ROSTER - TERM 1 2021

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEERS
MARCH 2021		
WED 10th	9am - 11am	Briony Johnson & Kellie Carter
THUR 11th	9am - 12noon	Toni Niven & Laura Prange
THUR 11th	11am - 12noon	Rachael Sutton
THUR 18th	9am - 11am	Tamara McIntosh
FRI 19th - PIZZA	10am - 12noon	Emma Gibbons & Emily Roberts
	11am - 12noon	Mardi Holland & Sally Ripper
THUR 25th	9am - 11am	Cathy Harrington
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