



NEWSLETTER

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This week we welcome our Foundation 2022 children for their first transition visit under strict COVIDSafe protocols. It is an exciting time for all involved as we prepare for the new year and a new group of children and their families. The transition visits will be in small groups and randomly selected to ensure we fulfil all requirements according to our guidelines. Only fully vaccinated parents will be permitted to the information sessions; however these will be provided electronically for those unable to attend.

As the year quickly draws toward a close, we are certainly busily preparing for 2022. We will have some significant staff changes next year in all areas of the school.

Most significantly Mrs Goodbody will be retiring after 28 years of dedicated service to Catholic Education. We will be celebrating her contribution as a school in the coming weeks with the children.

In addition, Miss Gillett has accepted a leadership role at Lightning Reef Primary School. This is an exciting opportunity for Amy and we wish her the very best and thank her for her significant contribution to our school.

Mr Crameri has also accepted a classroom teacher/leadership position at St Francis in the Fields, another wonderful opportunity for Luke. We will again miss his care and dedication to the children and the school.

Mr Scott will be taking twelve months leave away from classroom teaching, although we look forward to seeing him around the school in a replacement capacity next year.

Mrs Papworth will be moving north with her family and sadly she will leave the school after a successful year where she has worked hard to cater for the many needs of her class throughout this difficult year.

Mrs Matheson will also take at the end of 2021 as she will be going on family leave in preparation for the arrival of her second child. We wish Megan, Travis and Ollie all the best for the safe arrival of Baby Matheson.

Finally, Mrs Johns has also accepted a position at St Francis in the Fields as a support officer, we again thank her for her care and support of our children and those she has worked with.

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2021

| | |
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| Wed 17 | 2022 Foundation Transition Sessions |
| Tue 23 | Learning Conversations – 2.20pm – 7pm |
| Wed 24 | 2022 Foundation Transition Sessions |
| Fri 26 | Pupil Free Day – Learning Conversations |
| Fri 26 | Learning Conversations – 8.40am – 4.20pm |
| Mon 29 – Fri 3 | Swimming Lessons (F – 2) |

DECEMBER 2021

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| Mon 29 – Fri 3 | Swimming Lessons (F – 2) |
| Tues 7 | CMC Orientation Day |
| Tues 7 | 2022 Foundation Orientation Session |
| Wed 8 | Gr 6 Graduation Mass & Dinner |
| Fri 10 | Pizza Day |
| Tue 14 | Last Day Term 4 – 3.15pm dismissal |

JANUARY 2022

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| Fri 28 th | Staff Return |
| Fri 28 th | Uniform Shop Open – 9.30am – 2.30pm |
| Mon 31 st | First Day Term 1 |



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



What are reasonable excuses for being absent?

- illness or accident
- Attending or observing religious event
- Bereavement

With such significant change we have been busily recruiting new staff and are working through allocations of classrooms for next year. As soon as this is completed, I will be able to share the new structure with our community.

We will welcome Miss Bridget Hurley (St Patricks Tongala), Miss Megan McKenzie (St Joseph the Worker in Reservoir), Miss Samantha Doyle (St Patricks Pyramid Hill), Miss Lauren Spence (St Mary's Cohuna), Mr Ollie Geary (Holy Rosary Heathcote) and Miss Gabby Smith (Graduate). All new staff members will be with us for Orientation day on December 7th.

Term 4 is indeed a busy one and we are in the process of developing class lists for 2022 which is a huge job. Parents who may have requests are asked to put these in writing by the end of next week. A request does not guarantee placement; however, we endeavour to do our best, with many variables to consider. I will provide the written requests to classroom teachers who complete the process.

We also have our Learning Conversations next week. These will be both in person in your child's classroom, or alternatively online. Parents attending in person will need to QR Code check in AT THE CLASSROOM, and be double vaccinated. The learning conversations are an important part of our assessment and reporting process and in light of the extraordinary year we have all experienced, it's a great opportunity to review and reflect on your child's learning. I encourage families to take the time to book an appointment and share a positive end to 2021. Please note that parents who will be participating in a PSG, do not need to book a learning conversation.

In today's newsletter we are able to advise the 2022 school fees. These fees are set in conjunction with advice from the Catholic Education Office. We are conscious of the challenges that COVID 19 has placed on families again this year, keeping this in mind we have kept our fee increase minimal whilst still allowing us to provide our excellent standard of education.



Paul Wilkinson
Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

ST VINNIES CHRISTMAS HAMPER DRIVE - DONATIONS DUE BY FRIDAY 10TH DECEMBER

Christmas can be a very difficult time of year for many and the basic human rights of food and shelter can often be taken for granted. St. Vincent De Paul is a charitable organisation that provides support to needy families and senior citizens in many ways. During November we will be collecting non-perishable food donations in support of St. Vinnies Christmas Appeal. A collection basket has been placed in your child's classroom in support of this worthy cause. Together, we can make a difference.

Each grade has been assigned a specific category so we can capture a more diverse selection of items:

Foundation: Toiletries - soap, toilet rolls, toothpaste/brush, powder, hand sanitiser

Grade 1: Grains and Pasta - rice, pasta, soups, noodles

Grade 2: Tinned Foods - beetroot, soup, tuna, baked beans, corn, peas, pasta sauces

Grade 3: Holiday Treats - chocolate, lollies, sweet biscuits, Christmas cake

Grade 4: Savoury Items - dry biscuits, shapes, rice cakes, nuts, chips, popcorn

Grade 5: Condiments - jams, sauces, vegemite, peanut butter, maple syrup

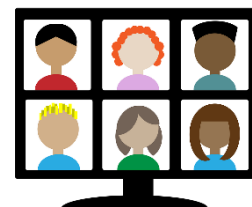
Grade 6: Breakfast Cereals - oats, corn flakes, long-life milk & custard, pancake mixes

TERM 4 PROGRAM SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS (PSG'S)

Term 4 PSG bookings have been allocated and are now accessible via your PAM account. Parents/Carers are now able to make arrangements to attend the upcoming PSG meeting. This meeting will take place online with your child's classroom teacher and Learner Diversity Leader.

The PSG meeting is an integral part of your child's learning. The structure of this meeting allows us to review, discuss and collaborate the goals your child's teacher has put in place for this term. All families involved in PSG's will have received a letter on Friday 5th November, with their allocated date and time slot. **The meetings will take place in week 8 and 9 of this term beginning Monday November**

22nd through to Thursday 2nd December. PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT BOOK A LEARNING CONVERSATION AS YOUR PSG WILL CATER FOR THIS. - Mandy Antoniadis (Learner Diversity 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



SCHOOL SPORT – WHAT'S HAPPENING?!

Troy Coates (PE Coordinator)



SWIMMING PROGRAM - FOUNDATION – GR 2

As part of our Health & Physical Education curriculum all students in Grades F-2 will be participating in swimming lessons at the Gurri Wanyarra Wellbeing Centre in Kangaroo Flat during Term 4. Students will participate in five swimming lessons over five days which focus on stroke development, water safety and personal development. Each lesson goes for 45 minutes and is facilitated by qualified swimming teachers. The cost of these lessons is included in school fees and supplemented by external grants. Students will be placed in groups appropriate to their swimming level. **The link for the levels was sent as part of the PAM note. Could you please make sure this is filled out ASAP** for your child to be put in the correct swimming level.

The dates for the swimming program are:

Monday the 29th of November, Tuesday the 30th of November, Wednesday the 1st of December, Thursday the 2nd of December & Friday the 3rd of December.

Swimming Times for each group are:

***These are different to bus times/PAM note for these.*

Grade 2 - 9.30am

Foundation - 10.15am

Grade 1 - 11.00am

All this information and further details are on the PAM note. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's classroom teacher.

VISUAL ARTS

Last week was an exciting time in Art as the students from Grades 3 to 6 had workshops with visiting artists. Grade 5 and 6 worked with local artist, Terry Jarvis, on an Australian landscape scene and explored watercolour painting. Grade 4 students had 2 sessions around the Indigenous Creation story and completed a mixed media art work. Grade 3 students learnt about some of the Aboriginal signs and symbols and used these to tell a story in an artwork with a scratch art technique. All the sessions were very informative and a lot of fun.




I was very proud of the students that had artworks displayed at the MacKillop Exhibition. For the Spiritual Art Award, it was Ella Tresize, Kate Papworth, Jazmin Marshall, Bronte Ellerton and Rachel Thompson. For the General Art Award, it was Isobel Crennan, Rex Bell, Olivia Douglas, Harley Tuohey and Zoe Reynolds. Some exciting news is that Zoe's artwork, "I dream a dream" has been nominated as a finalist in the People's Choice Award. You can view the exhibition on line from Monday 15th November and vote for this award until Sunday 28th November on the website (<https://www.ceosand.catholic.edu.au/mae/>). Parents and families that may wish to view the MacKillop Exhibition at the Bendigo Cathedral can do so from Wednesday to Saturday from 10am to 4 pm until Sunday 28th November.

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Guest



Kids and Worry

During this workshop we will explore the reasons why children worry, and ways parents can support them. It will include ideas as well as practical tools to assist children to manage their worries.

✓Support

✓ Connect

✓Practical Solutions

Workshop date & location:

Location: Zoom

Dates: Monday 6th December 2021

Workshop: 7pm-8.30pm (please join at 6.45pm)

Please note this is a single session workshop only.


There is no cost for this workshop.

Groups are subject to maximum and minimum numbers determined seven working days prior to the commencement date. Early registration is encouraged.

RSVP:

St Kilian's General Office |

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VICTORIA

Kid's and Worry
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It has been great to see students in all year levels returning and settling back into the routine of school. The transition back to classroom learning has been mostly positive and the students have shown great resilience. We are halfway through the last term and in the coming weeks it is important that parents/carers and school staff keep supporting students to manage their feelings about the end of year and the continued situation regarding COVID-19. Here are some ways to support your child:

Check in on Feelings: When children (and adults) tune in to their emotions, they tap into information that assists them with decision-making, learning and their wellbeing. It's relatively easy to tune into behaviour and our thoughts, but much harder to detect our emotions. The skill of emotionally checking in helps children to identify how they are feeling at any given time. One way to do this is for kids to stand or sit still, close their eyes, take some deep breaths, and identify and give a name to their feeling. This habit of checking, once practised and learned, is a wonderful life skill to acquire and develops their social/emotional capabilities. More information on tuning into our own, or our kids' emotions can be found at www.gottman.com (Emotion Coaching).

Practise Deep Breathing: Research shows that deep breathing instantly engages our capacity to relax and stay calm. When a child becomes anxious or fearful their breathing becomes shallow. Taking deep, slow breaths when they become overwhelmed by any big emotion is the quickest way to return to a state of calm. An easy breathing exercise to practise with your child is the 4-4 method: count to four on the in-breath, and 4 on the out-breath. Other breathing exercises can be blowing bubbles slowly, blowing up a balloon, or using an app like Smiling Mind or Calm.

Keep Routine: Routine behaviours such as waking at the same time, having breakfast and getting dressed, get us ready for the day ahead. They underpin productivity, learning and wellbeing. Remove or drastically change these routines and many children (and adults) struggle, particularly those who are prone to anxiety and depression. While it has been difficult at times to maintain our "normal" routine, it is important to establish some sort of routine that works for your child and family at the moment. Routines can be adapted, and this also helps children build resilience (their ability to cope with change). One of the most important routines is our sleep routine. The benefits of good sleep routines are enormous and impact children's learning, memory and emotional stability. Sleep restores the brain to optimum condition and rejuvenates the body, allowing hormone levels to stabilise. Sleep-deprived children experience greater anxiety doing routine tasks and have a propensity for pessimistic thinking, which is associated with anxiety and depression. It is not just how long we sleep for, but the quality of our sleep that determines if we are functioning well.

Enjoy Play and Time Outdoors: Play is absolutely critical to our happiness and wellbeing. Play helps kids manage emotions such as worries and sadness as it lifts their mood and is therapeutic by nature. Play can be any activity that children find fun and don't want to stop. Drawing, Lego, craft, jumping on the trampoline, dolls, sport – the list is endless. If some play time can be spent outdoors then our happiness and sense of wellbeing is greatly impacted. Spending time outdoors reduces stress and tension.

- Chantel White (Student Wellbeing)

STUDENT NEWS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are; Emily Dillon, Patrick O'Connell, Lilah Caine, Sibylla Caine, Jobe Coleman, Charlie Dickins, Evie Cooper, Logan Brown & Thomas Marchment. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



| | Students of the Week |
|------|---------------------------------|
| FBG | Edison Prange |
| FNJ | Eden Jones |
| 1DC | Luciana Turner-Eylander |
| 1ML | Azlyn Bell |
| 2DP | Sam Kerville |
| 2LC | Miley Ellerton |
| 3CW | Anikah Cini |
| 3ZD | Sienna Hayes |
| Gr 4 | Lily Gaskin & Paige Kristiansen |
| 5JE | Mason McNamara |
| 5JO | Aleisha Macumber |
| 6MG | Zoe Reynolds |
| 6TC | Tayla Holm |

BIRD BOX BUILDING

A couple of weeks ago Grade 5 undertook a Bird Box Project. They all demonstrated persistence, resilience and attention to detail. The kids all had a great time and they are very proud of their efforts.

"Building bird boxes was really fun as we got to spend time with our friends and make a bird box! The first step was to measure and plan what our bird box was going to look like. We then got the hammers and we got a little piece of wood to make a 3-letter word with string and nails to put on our bird box. The next day we started the building process and it was pretty fun! We were given a few days to complete our building before starting to paint. The first day of painting we covered the whole birdhouse in a coat of white before the next day, where we actually painted the whole thing with colour! We had a wide variety of paint that we could use and we got to work! The next day we attached the 3-letter name and got our photos! That is how the Grade 5's made their bird boxes." - Jack Newton (5JE)



P&F NEWS

CANTEEN

A reminder that no cash orders will be accepted – all orders must be placed via Flexischools - with the cut off for orders being 9am Thursday. NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

All items sold over the counter are cash only, cannot be pre-ordered and have a limited supply.

NO CANTEEN FRIDAY 26TH NOVEMBER: Please note that there will be no canteen in Week 8, due to a pupil free day on Friday the 26th November.

VOLUNTEERS: Canteen is now back in full swing and we are in need of some extra hands in our Canteen. If you can help this Term, please contact Lindy Vance on 0409 067 404.

Please note that all volunteers must check in via QR code, report directly to the school office to sign in and must be able to provide proof of vaccination against COVID-19 or appropriate exemption if requested.

Note: Vaccination requirements are in line with Victorian government direction for schools – First dose required by 18th October 2021 and 2nd dose by 29th November 2021)

HOLY ROSARY PIE DRIVE

After the success of previous years, we are again running an Elmore Bakery Pie Drive to raise money for Holy Rosary Primary School. Order forms were sent home with students last week.

It would be great if you could ask family and friends to order as well.

The Elmore Bakery is offering their full range of pies in both family and standard size. Dessert pies are also on offer (the lemon tart is delicious!)

Order forms and payment are due by Tuesday 16th November. All your delicious pies and pastries will be at school ready for collection on Friday 26th November between 3.00 – 4.00pm.

All pies are baked fresh for our pie drive, which means you can pop them in the oven to enjoy now, or in the freezer for a quick easy meal in the future!



*The Elmore
Bakery*

COMMUNITY NEWS

Reach out for Ryan

MOVIE FUNDRAISER

BENDIGO CINEMAS
WEDNESDAY 24 NOVEMBER 6.00PM

\$20 PER TICKET
\$30 FOR TICKET PLUS SMALL DRINK AND POPCORN

RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN ON THE NIGHT WITH SOME GREAT CHRISTMAS PRIZES

TO PURCHASE CONTACT CHARLOTTE ON REACHOUTFORRYAN@GMAIL.COM OR 0401 373 121

Hi Team Ryan,

Please join us for a night at the movies to help raise awareness for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy and also to raise funds for Ryan's increasing needs due to his condition.

We are excited to be able to have some great raffle prizes with the draw happening on the night. We are selling raffle tickets prior to the night if you are unable to come or would like to get some in advance you can purchase from us! Just message us and we can arrange that for you.

First Prize - a wonderful Christmas Hamper including, homemade Christmas baked goods, wine, a Silk day spa voucher worth \$55 and lots of other goodies in there just in time for Christmas!

Second Prize - A SILK day spa voucher valued at \$55.

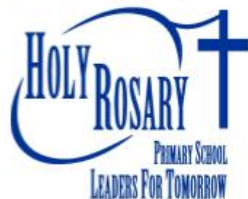
Third Prize - 2 bottles of Wine

Tickets are \$2 each or \$5 for 3

Please contact Charlotte on 0401373121 or reachoutforryan@gmail.com to book tickets and or raffle tickets.

Thanks for your ongoing support in helping Ryan reach his full potential.

- Ryan and Team



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 - Grade 2

Toiletry Items
Grains & Pasta
Tinned Foods

Grade 3 - Grade 6

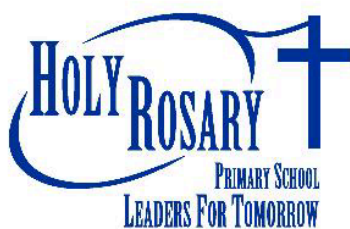
Holiday Treats
Savoury Items
Condiments
Breakfast Cereals

Please donate items into Classroom or Office hamper baskets
by Friday 10th December.

HOLY ROSARY CANTEEN

VOLUNTEER ROSTER - TERM 4 2021

| DATE | TIME | VOLUNTEERS |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| OCTOBER 2021 | | |
| NOVEMBER 2021 | | |
| Thur 18 th November | 9.00am – 11.00am | Charlotte Healy |
| Fri 19 th November | 9.00am – 12.00pm | Susie Young & Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 19 th November | 11.00am – 12.00pm | Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 19 th November | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Gabe T.E. & Jess Brown |
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| DECEMBER 2021 | | |
| Thur 2 nd December | 9.00am – 11.00am | Tamara McIntosh |
| Fri 3 rd December | 9.00am – 12.00pm | Susie Young & Jess Brown |
| Fri 3 rd December | 11.00am – 12.00pm | Laura Prange |
| Fri 3 rd December | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Jen Ball & Volunteer Needed |
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| Thur 9 th December | 9.00am – 11.00am | Tamara McIntosh |
| Fri 10 th December (PIZZA DAY) | 10.00am – 12.00pm | Manda Crust & Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 10 th December (PIZZA DAY) | 10.50am – 12.00pm | Volunteer Needed & Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 10 th December | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Volunteer Needed & Volunteer Needed |



Holy Rosary Primary School White Hills

Schedule of Fees and Charges

2022 School Fee Structure

The School Fee Structure has been set for the 2022 school year. The Fees and Levies have been determined by the Principal and verified by the School Advisory Board, paying particular attention to the needs and circumstances of the community, along with the ongoing and long-term strategic plan of the school.

2022 School Fees:

| | Family Fee |
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| 1 Child | \$1,169.00 |
| 2 Children | \$1,753.00 |
| 3 Children + | \$2,045.00 |

| | Capital & Maintenance Fee |
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| Family | \$450.00 |

Further Costs for each Grade Level

| | Curriculum & ICT Levy |
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| Foundation | \$270.00 |
| Grade 1 | \$270.00 |
| Grade 2 | \$280.00 |
| Grade 3 | \$310.00 |
| Grade 4 | \$285.00 |
| Grade 5 | \$285.00 |
| Grade 6 | \$295.00 |

| | Camps, Sports & Excursion (CSE) Levy |
|------------|--------------------------------------|
| Foundation | \$140.00 |
| Grade 1 | \$140.00 |
| Grade 2 | \$160.00 |
| Grade 3 | \$170.00 |
| Grade 4 | \$230.00 |
| Grade 5 | \$390.00 |
| Grade 6 | \$490.00 |

Curriculum & ICT Levy

This levy covers part of the cost of supplies and resources for classrooms and specialist classes, eg. Art, Music and Drama, Library and Languages. It also assists the school to provide computers and iPads for use across the school.

Camps, Sports & Excursion (CSE) Levy

This levy covers part of the costs associated with the provision of Camps, Excursions, Incursions and Physical Education Programs

Payment of School Fees & Levies

The range of educational opportunities and experiences has been offered within the context of our budget. It will therefore be important that payment of fees and levies are honoured. We are very aware of the rising costs for families and this is given careful consideration in the process of setting school fees and levies. However due to Government school funding agreements, there is an expectation that Catholic school communities contribute to the cost of education. In order to assist families we encourage payment via direct debit. This allows for regular payments to be made equally over the year. Please note: If your current payment arrangement is direct debit, you will receive a letter shortly with your revised payment amount for the 2022 school year.

Payment Options for School Fees & Levies

All fees and levies for the year will be billed at the start of the school year. Families will receive a school fee statement in early February 2022. The school provides a number of payment options for payment of school fees and levies.

- Cash or cheque (accepted via the office)
- Direct Debit (fortnightly)
- Direct payment into school bank account
- Centrepay (Centrelink payments)
- Individual instalments to suit particular needs of families