

NEWSLETTER

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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

MARCH 2022

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| Tue 1 st | Shrove Tuesday |
| Tue 1 st – Fri 4 th | Gr 3 – 6 Swimming Lessons |
| Wed 2 nd | Ash Wednesday |
| Wed 2 nd | Foundation Rest Day |
| Mon 7 th | Divisional Swimming Carnival |
| Wed 9 th | Foundation First Wednesday |
| Thur 10 th | Sacrament Meeting #1 (Gr 3) |
| Mon 14 th | Labour Day Public Holiday |
| Fri 18 th | Canteen Pizza Day |
| Sat 19 th | McCarthy House Community Mass – 6pm |
| Mon 21 st - Thu 31 st | PSG Meetings |
| Mon 28 th | Confirmation Meeting #1 (Gr 6) |

APRIL 2022

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| Sat 2 nd | Harte House Community Mass – 6pm |
| Tue 5 th | Billy Tea Bush Dance Incursion |
| Thur 7 th | Holy Rosary Cross Country – TBC |
| Fri 8 th | Last Day Term 1 – 2.15pm dismissal |
| Fri 15 th | Good Friday |
| Sun 17 th | Easter Sunday |
| Mon 18 th | Easter Monday |
| Mon 25 th | ANZAC Day Public Holiday |
| Tues 26 th | First Day Term 2 |

MAY 2022

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| Mon 2 nd | Sacrament Meeting #2 (Gr 3) |
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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This Wednesday 2nd March is Ash Wednesday, the first day of the Christian season of Lent. The marking of the Ashes on Ash Wednesday is an expression of our faith and a sign that we are asking God for forgiveness. It is a time of prayer, fasting and giving to others. Through prayer we come closer to God so that we are better able to realise our baptismal promise to live justly as Jesus teaches us. Fasting joins us in solidarity with the poor who often have no choice but to go without basic needs such as food, water and shelter. Giving to the poor or 'almsgiving' is a sign of our commitment to justice and our thanks for all that God has given us.

Lent prepares us for the season of Easter, the most important time in the Church's calendar. By praying, fasting and giving alms, we are reminded of Jesus' death and Resurrection. Jesus brought the promise of hope to all people so that we may "Have life and have it to the full." (John 10:10), so that with our neighbours, we can go further, together.

Shrove Tuesday will precede the day, with children enjoying pancakes as we traditionally prepare for the Lenten season. On Wednesday, look forward to sharing a liturgy with the children to celebrate the day on the grass area.

PRAYER FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

*God our Father,
as we begin this holy season of Lent,
help us to see that your merciful love is with us always,
even when we wander far from you.
With the help of your grace,
may our prayers and sacrifices over the next forty days lead us
closer to you and to each other,
the poor, the sick and the lonely so that together,
we can fulfil your promises for all who live in your love.
Amen.*



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

Congratulations and thanks to the children and staff involved in the successful Catholic Swimming Sports today. It was great to hear that we had some early success and were representing the school so well. We will have more information next week regarding our results.



As the restrictions continue to be wound back in our community we are reminded that masks are mandated for all staff and for children in Grade 3-6. In addition, Rapid Antigen testing (RAT's) will remain in place for the remainder of the term and kits will be distributed as we receive them. Children who have tested positive for COVID-19, have completed their 7-day isolation period and are subsequently asymptomatic do not need to undertake surveillance testing for 30 days.

I urge families to be vigilant and children who are symptomatic should remain at home. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call or email me for clarification.

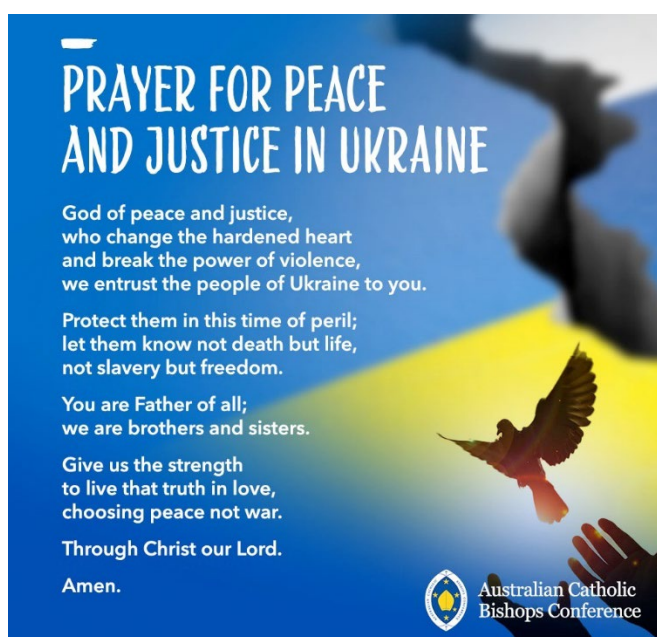
Finally, congratulations to Mrs Matheson, and her family on the addition of Louie Matheson, born on 23rd February. We look forward to meeting the new addition in the not too distant future.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Wilkinson".

Paul Wilkinson (Principal)

SCHOOL NEWS

CATHOLIC IDENTITY



CARITAS PROJECT COMPASSION

Sandhurst schools have a long and proud tradition of supporting Caritas' Project Compassion. The theme for PC22 is "For All Future Generations" (Gen 9:12). PC22 will be launched on Shrove Tuesday March 1. We encourage all families to make a commitment to supporting this worthy cause during the Lenten season which begins on Wednesday 2nd March.



HOT CROSS BUNS: PROJECT COMPASSION 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 today. Please return your order and money to the office by Monday 28th March. Please note, orders are cash only. Hot Cross Buns will be sent home with children on Wednesday 6th April. If you do not want your order sent home with your child, please contact the office to make alternate arrangements.

GRADE 6 LEADERSHIP DAY

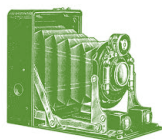
Grade 6 students participated in a Catholic Identity leadership incursion today. This gathering offers a wonderful opportunity for our students, as Leaders for Tomorrow, to embrace how they see themselves in our world now and the differences they can make in the future.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES

Parent attendance in meetings as per the Grade 3 and 6 allocation is compulsory for your child to be eligible for participation.

| Date | Grade 3 | Grade 6 |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Thursday 10th March | Sacramental Preparation Meeting | |
| Monday 28th March | | Confirmation Preparation Evening |
| Monday 2nd May | Sacramental Preparation Meeting | |
| Tuesday 17th May | | Confirmation Preparation Evening |
| Wednesday 18th May | Sacramental Preparation Meeting | |
| Saturday 4th June | Sacrament of Eucharist/Confirmation | |
| Sunday 5th June | | Sacrament of Confirmation |

SCHOOL PHOTOS: REMINDER



Student photos can be ordered online using the below access code until **9am on the 3rd March 2022**.

Any students who have not placed an order by this date, will need to wait for their individual access code to arrive before they can place an order. Individual codes will be delivered to the school along with any orders placed before Wednesday.

Access Key

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SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB – ORDERS DUE 16TH MARCH

The Issue 2 Book Club catalogue was sent home today. 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.

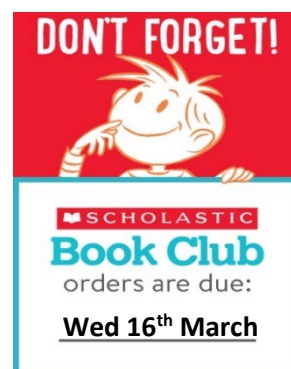
Book Club offers students a wide range of titles in each issue, from popular and award-winning fiction series and charming new picture books, to fascinating nonfiction titles and hands-on activities that stimulate creativity and encourage problem-solving.

Plus, every order you place earns the school FREE books and learning resources.

Need more information about Book Club? To view the Parent's Guide to Book Club visit

https://issuu.com/scholastic_australia/docs/scholastic_book_club_parent_guide?fr=sODVIMDM0NDU5MDI

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



TERM 1: PROGRAM SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS (PSG'S)

The Program Support Group Meetings are scheduled meetings to take place toward the end of each term. These meetings provide collaborative discussions between school, home and external therapeutic support for students with additional needs within our school. These conversations support the set goals and adjustments that are developed to guide and reinforce the learning taking place within the school setting.

The PSG meetings are scheduled to take place in Week 9. Beginning Monday 21st March through to Week 10, ending on Thursday, 31st March. Parents involved in PSG meetings will be notified by the Learner Diversity Leader regarding their upcoming scheduled appointment. In addition, a notification will be sent home closer to the date. - Mandy Antoniadis (Learner Diversity Leader)



SCHOOL SPORT

– WHAT'S HAPPENING?!

Troy Coates & Sophie Taylor (PE Coordinators)



SWIMMING LESSONS

The Grade 3 - 6 children will have their swimming lessons in Term 1, from Tuesday 1st - Friday 4th of March (4 days). This will be at Gurri Wanyarra in Kangaroo Flat. Foundation - Grade 2 swimming lessons will be in Term 4.

GRADE 3 - 6 SWIMMING LESSON DATES:

Tuesday March 1

Wednesday March 2

Thursday March 3

Friday March 4

***Please see PAM note for your child's specific swim time.

NORTH MELBOURNE WEBEX VISIT

This year, the AFL again held a Virtual Community Camp to allow AFL players to connect with local communities to promote the game in a COVID safe environment.

AFL Central Vic are lucky to have North Melbourne FC connect with our region. North Melbourne had players call into the classroom (via Webex), allowing students to interact with the players.



GETTING TO KNOW OUR STAFF



Over the next few weeks, our Grade 6 Community Engagement Team will be interviewing the new additions to our staff so that we can get to know them a bit better.

There was a mix up with our names and answers last week, so this week, we are **ACTUALLY** getting to know **Miss Meg McKenzie**.

- *What class do you teach?* Foundation
- *What made you want to be a teacher?* I like working with kids.
- *What is your favourite food?* Pizza
- *What is your favourite subject to teach?* Literacy
- *What is your favourite AFL team?* North Melbourne
- *What made you want to come to Holy Rosary?* I like the opportunities here and I like Auslan.
- *Your favourite holiday destination is?* To the Snow
- *What is your favourite movie?* Shrek
- *What is your favourite thing to do in your spare time?* Gardening
- *What is your favourite sport?* Netball
- *What is your most embarrassing moment?* I once threw up in front of the school at assembly!

PASTORAL CARE

We have been utilising our school FoodShare Pantry for community breakfast this term. Every Thursday students are able to come to the canteen and have a piece of toast and a Milo. It has been wonderful to see happy and very smiley children as they line up for their morning breakfast. I would also like to say thank you to the HR Services Grade 6 Leadership group for their wonderful help serving the breakfast and doing the dishes.

This week in our Food Share Pantry we have heaps of food you may like for your family or families you know who may be in need. we have small frozen meals, fish fingers, vegetables, Weetbix, cornflakes, tinned tomatoes, yogurt, and much much more. Please contact Megan Gerrish if you would like some assistance to access the Food Share Pantry or range of food sent home with your child.

Our pastoral care and wellbeing team is also in a position to send home a wholesome meal to families who may need them. Families may need a meal for many different reasons, please contact your child's classroom teacher or Megan Gerrish if you would like a meal sent home or if you are aware of a family who would benefit from a pastoral care meal.

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

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 is available on the [Beginning of Year google site](#).

If you did not receive a CSEF payment in 2021, 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.

CYBER SAFETY: PARENTAL CONTROLS

As a parent, you'll likely want to allow your children to use technology for communications, learning and more. You're also going to want to be sure that your children use the internet safely and securely. Parental controls are a great way to be proactive about your child's online safety and activities.

OnGuardOnline.gov gives a breakdown of different types of parental controls:

Filtering and blocking limits access to specific websites, words or images.

Blocking outgoing content prevents your children from sharing personal information online and via email.

Limiting time allows parents to set time limits for how long their children are online and the time of day they can access the internet.

Monitoring tools alert parents to their children's online activity without blocking access and can be used with or without the child's knowledge. Some software can record which websites a child has visited. Other programs display warning messages when children visit certain websites.

STUDENT NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are; Makenzie Giri, Isabel Kent, Riley Stevens, Chelsey Combe, Sophie Gray, Ethan Crust & Fiona O'Connell. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



| Students of the Week | |
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| FMM | Hunter Bogumil |
| FNJ | Daniel Sargeant |
| 1GS | Carter Patterson |
| 1ML | Edison Prange |
| 2JH | Tayah Damiani |
| 2SD | Cody Pearce |
| 3CW | Gus Johnstone |
| 3OG | Harrison Allen |
| 4DC | Madeline Gibbons |
| 4LS | Jack Carter |
| 5JE | Grace Wild |
| 5JO | Kayla Bell |
| 6MG | Ella Tresize |
| 6TC | Vincent Geary |

P&F NEWS

CANTEEN 2022

Canteen is back up and running! A reminder that we no longer accept cash orders for canteen. Orders must be placed online via Flexischools. Counter sales are cash only and are limited supply each week.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are now able to have parent volunteers in our canteen.

This year we will be looking for volunteers for the following times:

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| Thursdays | 9:00am - 11:00am (1 volunteer) – Younger children welcome |
| Fridays | 9:00am – 12:00pm (2 volunteers) |
| | 11:00am – 12:00pm (1 volunteer) |
| | 1:30pm – 2:30pm (2 volunteers) |

Please note, all volunteers must check in via QR code, report directly to the school office to sign in and must provide proof of vaccination against COVID-19 or appropriate exemption if requested, along with a copy of the WCC or VIT card and other necessary volunteer paperwork. **Volunteers DO NOT need to hold a Food Handling Certificate.**

If you are able to volunteer in our Canteen this term, please contact Lindy Vance on 0409 067 404.

MENU UPDATES:

- Due to supply shortages, all flavoured milks are currently FULL CREAM
- The price of juices has increased to \$1.90
- The price of all wraps has increased to \$4.00

COMMUNITY NEWS



Mark & Jo Billings Family Fundraiser

GOLF DAY

Sunday April 24
ANZAC DAY LONG WEEKEND

HOLE SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE @ \$100 PER HOLE

TEAMS OF 4 @ \$50 per person \$200 per team
4BBB AMBROSE 18 HOLES
Book Early!
Limited to 36 Teams.

10.00-10.30am REGISTRATION
10.30-11.00am SAUSAGE SIZZLE BREAKFAST PROVIDED
11.00am TEE-OFF

Beer, water and soft drinks will be available for purchase on the course throughout your round.

From 3.00pm **IN THE CLUBHOUSE**
Afternoon tea provided; raffles; spinning wheel and announcement of winners for the day.

HOW TO BOOK YOUR SPOT
Enter your team or individual entry by using direct deposit to:
BSB 633 000 A/C 189978943
Reference:
Your name (e.g. Bill Smith or Bill Smith's Team)

For further information contact Allen Dillon on 0419 429 674 or email: treasurerhuntlyfnc@gmail.com

This golf day is a fundraising event to provide financial support for Mark, Jo and the boys as they come to terms with Jo's battle with cancer.

Mark will need to cease work soon, to provide care for Jo and the boys and to support Jo as she undergoes chemotherapy and stem cell treatment throughout 2022.

This event will be followed by another major fundraising event in coming months.

SPORTS NEWS

**WANT TO MAKE FRIENDS
WHILE PLAYING AN
AWESOME SPORT?**

Woolworths NetSetGO
registrations are
open now!

REGISTER NOW

Registrations
are open
now!



The Holy Rosary Netball Club will be running NetSetGO in 2022 - commencing 25th April. The program will run for 10 sessions across term 2, on Mondays at 3.30pm. Held at the Holy Rosary Primary School Netball Courts.

NetSetGO is for Girls and Boys in Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 to start learning how to play Netball - with fun games and basic drills!

Email holyrosarynetball@gmail.com for all the information and to register now!

**BUILDING KIDS CONFIDENCE
THROUGH NETBALL...**



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PASSION FOR
THE GAME!**

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CREATING STARS OF THE FUTURE

**play on
2022**
CENTRAL VICTORIA

our club. our community

**Huntly Junior
Football Club**

Venue(s): Strauch Reserve,
Huntly

*Age Groups:
U9-10 Mixed,
U12-U16 Boys
& U14 Girls

*These are a guide and are based off the clubs previous year, they may change depending on interest within the club.

**White Hills Junior
Football Club**

Venue(s): Scott Street,
White Hills

*Age Groups:
U9-10 Mixed,
U12-U16
& U12-U18 Girls

*These are a guide and are based off the clubs previous year, they may change depending on interest within the club.

Scan Me



Scan to find club
contacts or visit
www.bjfl.com.au

HOLY ROSARY CANTEEN

VOLUNTEER ROSTER - TERM 1 2022

| DATE | TIME | VOLUNTEERS |
|---|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| MARCH 2022 | | |
| Thur 3 rd March | 9.00am – 11.00am | Hayley Smits & Andrea Patterson |
| Fri 4 th March | 9.00am – 12.00pm | Susie Young & Chloe Doherty |
| Fri 4 th March | 11.00am – 12.00pm | Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 4 th March | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Aaron Smits & Volunteer Needed |
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| Thur 10 th March | 9.00am – 11.00am | Nicole Barlow |
| Fri 11 th March | 9.00am – 12.00pm | Jess Brown & Manda Crust |
| Fri 11 th March | 11.00am – 12.00pm | Julie Allen |
| Fri 11 th March | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Mardi Holland & Christine Maher |
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| Thur 17 th March | 9.00am – 11.00am | Tamara McIntosh |
| PIZZA DAY – Fri 18 th March | 10.00am – 12.00pm | Michelle Mortimer & Manda Crust |
| Fri 18 th March | 10.45am – 12.00pm | Laura Prange & Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 18 th March | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Charlotte Healy & Jen Ball |
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| Thur 24 th March | 9.00am – 11.00am | Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 25 th March | 9.00am – 12.00pm | Jess Brown & Laura Prange |
| Fri 25 th March | 11.00am – 12.00pm | Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 25 th March | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Chloe Doherty & Georgia McKee |
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| APRIL 2022 | | |
| Thur 31 st March | 9.00am – 11.00am | Andrea Patterson |
| Fri 1 st April | 9.00am – 12.00pm | Jen Tee & Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 1 st April | 11.00am – 12.00pm | Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 1 st April | 1.30pm – 2.30pm | Volunteer Needed & Volunteer Needed |
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| Thur 7 th April | 9.00am – 11.00am | Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 8 th April | 9.00am – 12.00pm | Susie Young & Volunteer Needed |
| Fri 8 th April | 11.00am – 12.00pm | Volunteer Needed |