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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**

#### **NOVEMBER 2022**

Mon 21st – Tue 29th PSG Meetings

Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> 2023 Foundation Transition Sessions

Tue  $29^{th}$  – Fri  $2^{nd}$  Swimming Program (F – 2)

#### **DECEMBER 2022**

Tue  $29^{th}$  – Fri  $2^{nd}$  Swimming Program (F – 2) Thur  $1^{st}$  Cricket Competition (Gr 6)

Tue 6<sup>th</sup> 2023 Foundation Orientation Session

Tue 6<sup>th</sup> 2022-2023 Orientation Session

Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Gr 6 Graduation Mass

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Whole School Mass – 9.15am

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Last Day Term 4 (Students) – 3.15pm finish

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Last Day Term 4 (Staff)

#### **JANUARY 2023**

Fri 27<sup>th</sup> First Day Term 1 (Staff)
Mon 30<sup>th</sup> First Day Term 1 (Students)



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

https://www.facebook.com/holyrosaryprimary

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# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Sunday's Gospel had the clear message, 'to trust that God wants us to have everlasting life with him'. Instead of being afraid, we are called to find strength and courage in God's love and persevere in our faith. The Gospel makes it clear that we should persevere in our faith and be faithful disciples. We are most responsible for evangelising our own children. There is an expression, "Faith is caught, not taught." How do our children see us live out our faith? How do we witness the greatness of God's love and our personal response to that love? Share with your child(ren) what it means for you to walk with Jesus. As we approach the Advent and Christmas season, and the busyness of the year becomes more apparent, we are called to model our faith in everything we say and do.

In addition, as we come toward the end of the year, the 'Vinnies' Christmas appeal becomes our focus for social justice and our Catholic Identity leadership team. All classes have a basket for donations as we look to support those in the community who may need our care and support. The children at all levels are incredibly proud of the way we contribute to this appeal and look forward to continuing our wonderful commitment to this work.

We will have our next transition visit for next year's Prep group and look forward to building on last week's visit. It was great to see the children settle in well and have a lot of fun as they begin the journey in primary school. All children will have an opportunity to spend some time with their new teachers on our Orientation day 6th December.

School supervision begins at 8.30am. A reminder that children should not be waiting on the tennis courts prior to school, it is a drive through and as such has associated risk when children are waiting unsupervised. The playground and front gates are far safer options.

A reminder that school fee accounts were also sent out recently, should families have difficulties or challenges associated with fees please contact me to discuss options.



## **SCHOOL NEWS**



#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Sheree & James Neumann on the safe arrival of Branch Neumann born on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November. Brother to Dakota (5JE), Willow (3CW), Oliver and Otto.

### **CATHOLIC IDENTITY**

#### **ADVENT**

The first week of Advent begins on Sunday 28th November. Advent is also the beginning of a new liturgical year in the church calendar. The church has three liturgical cycles: A, B and C. This year we will be return to Year A, which focuses on the Gospel of Matthew

The word 'Advent' means 'coming'. When we light the candles on the wreath, it symbolises the coming of light (Jesus) into the world.

Candle 1 (violet): represents hope Candle 2 (violet): represents peace Candle 3 (rose): represents joy Candle 4 (violet): represents love

The central white candle is lit on Christmas Day and represents Christ.

This Advent we will learn, act and pray for a more just and fair world – a world full of hope, peace, joy, and love.





Light the first candle of hope.





Caritas End poverty Promote justice



#### **PASTORAL WELLBEING**

The weather is certainly not indicating we are about to move into summer. As a school, we are about to start to share in the joy of Advent and the season of Christmas. A time of sharing and giving a little more love and kindness. A time when our school collects to share in the giving of the Vinnies Appeal. Our FoodShare Pantry continues to support many families in our school and the wider community. Again dry, fresh and frozen goods are available, please speak to your child's classroom teacher or myself if you would like items sent home. - *Megan Gerrish (Pastoral Care, Wellbeing and Compliance Leader)* 



# SCHOOL SPORT - WHAT'S HAPPENING?!

Troy Coates & Sophie Taylor (PE Coordinators)



#### F-2 SWIMMING LESSONS

Next week, our F-2 students will be participating in swimming lessons at the Gurri Wanyarra Leisure Centre. An email has been circulated to parents of students in years F-2 with further information. If you have any questions or concerns about this, please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's classroom teacher or the PE Coordinators. Many Thanks, Sophie Taylor & Troy Coates

#### **LIBRARY NEWS**



As we quickly approach the end of the school year, this week (week 8) will be the last week for student borrowing of library books.

All library books will need to be returned during week 9. Thank you for your assistance with this matter. — Fiona Teasdale (Librarian)

#### **TERM 4 PROGRAM SUPPORT MEETING (PSG'S)**

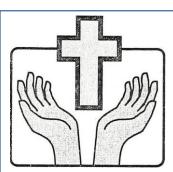
Term 4 PSG meetings begin today and will run this week through to Tuesday 29th November. You can view your allocated time via PAM. A link to access the online meeting will become visible on your PAM account on the day of your appointment.

- Mandy Antoniadis (Learner Diversity Leader)

#### **CYBER SAFETY**

Many of us are finding we are being sent links, receiving phone calls and having many strangers ask us for details over the phone or online. Please be aware this is the time of year our children can also find themselves being asked to click on links or websites that they may think are safe, but behind the colour and sound are people who are wanting to take advantage of both children and adults. There are many resources online to help be informed and stay safe online. This week I am sharing a link to the eSafety Website which provides information on how to secure your device and be on the lookout for emails, websites or links that may pose a risk to online safety - <a href="https://www.esafety.gov.au/kids/i-want-help-with/security-and-privacy-for-my-device">https://www.esafety.gov.au/kids/i-want-help-with/security-and-privacy-for-my-device</a>

- 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)



# **Explaining Absences**

Report your child's absence before school commences

Provide a reason for your child's absence

Notify the school of any upcoming absence

# STUDENT NEWS



#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are; Thomas Marchment, Jayda Damiani, Zane Cini, Senna Comer, Jasper Crennan, Joshua Mason & Lucy Patching. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

#### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



	Students of the Week		
FMM	Mikayla		
FNJ	Autumn		
1GS	Charli		
1ML	Ngaire		
2JH	Levi		
2SD	Isaac		
3CW	Kaia		
30G	Remmi		
4DC	Lola		
4LS	Sienna		
5JE	Owen		
5JO	Fiona		
6MG	lvy		
6TC	Eleanor		

#### **COLOUR RUN**

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November, the whole school participated in the Colour Fun Run fundraiser for our COLA. In total, the school raised just over \$10,000, what an awesome effort! Students were encouraged to run through obstacles laid out around the school whilst the Grade 6 students sprayed them with non-toxic colourful powder. It was heaps of fun and great to see parents gathered around the school supporting their children. Thank you to Mr Coates and Mrs Taylor for organising this event making the day enjoyable for everyone. - *Grade 6 Community Engagement Team* 

# **P&F NEWS**

#### **CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Our Canteen Volunteer roster still has many spots to fill for Term 4! If you or anyone in your extended family is keen to help out during the remainder of the year, please get in touch with Lindy Vance on 0409 067 404.

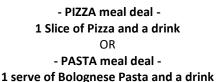
Please note, all volunteers must report to the school office to sign in and must provide a copy of the WCC or VIT card and other necessary volunteer paperwork. Volunteers **DO NOT need to hold a Food Handling Certificate**.



# PIZZA & PASTA DAY

THIS Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November

Please order via Flexischools by Thursday 24th June @ 9am.



Extra Pizza slices available
Add a Homemade Cookie (Chocolate Chip) or Donkey Drop (Rum Ball)

Pizza – Hawaiian, BBQ Meat Lovers, Cheese Lovers, Ham & Cheese Drink – Chocolate Milk, Strawberry Milk, Apple Juice, Orange Juice, Apple & Blackcurrant Juice

Please Note: Ordering is available via Flexischools only. No late orders or cash/paper bag orders will be accepted.





Everybody loves freshly baked cookies! And Billy G's Gourmet Cookie Dough's absolutely dough-licious cookie dough tubs are exclusive to Australian Fundraising!

Jump online and order a tub (or 10) and not only will you be able to enjoy some of these fantastic treats but you'll also be helping our school and earning yourself some amazing prizes! Ordering closes at 8pm this Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

How do we create a Fundraising Page? Creating a fundraising page is easy!

- 1. Visit <a href="www.australianfundraising.com.au">www.australianfundraising.com.au</a> and click the "Cookie Dough Login" button on the home page.
  - Then click the register button to fundraise on the cybersafe, Billy G's Cookie Dough platform.
- 2. Choose your goals and create a unique avatar!
- 3. Place your order using the "Order Now" button and share your fundraising page with your family and friends via the "Share" section so they can start buying some yummy cookie dough. Easy!

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**









# **HOLY ROSARY CANTEEN**

#### **VOLUNTEER ROSTER - TERM 4 2022**

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEERS			
NOVEMBER 2022					
THUR 24th	9.00am - 11.00am	Carine Comer	-		
PIZZA DAY FRI 25th	10.00am - 12.00pm	Laura Prange	Emma Gibbons		
PIZZA DAY FRI 25th	11.00am – 12.00pm	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed		
FRI 25th	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Josie Postlethwaite	Volunteer Needed		
DECEMBER 2022					
THUR 1st	9.00am - 11.00am	Rachael Sutton	-		
FRI 2nd	9.00am - 12.00pm	Suzie Young	Dea Robertson		
FRI 2nd	11.00am – 12.00pm	Laura Prange	-		
FRI 2nd	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Jen Ball	Tamara McIntosh		
THUR 8th	9.00am - 11.00am	Carine Comer	-		
FRI 9th	9.00am - 12.00pm	Laura Prange	Rachael Sutton		
FRI 9th	11.00am – 12.00pm	Volunteer Needed	-		
FRI 9th	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Lesley Lloyd	Volunteer Needed		