

# NEWSLETTER

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## 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

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We have had a great return to school for Term 2. It was also fantastic to see such a great attendance at Learning Conversations, particularly the opportunity to be either onsite or online. Our conversations are indeed a significant part of the assessment and reporting process and the opportunity to celebrate achievements and set future goals leads toward future success.

Enrolment for 2024 has officially opened and we ask that families spread the word. We look forward to welcoming our next group of Foundation students and their families. Our Grade 6 leaders look forward to providing tours and highlighting the things that make them proud to be a part of the Holy Rosary community. Next week Wednesday 10th May at 7pm will be our information evening to be held in the Rosarium, we encourage prospective parents to attend.

Sunday's Gospel was the Feast of the Good Shepherd. Using the image of shepherd and sheep, Jesus made an analogy for us to listen to the voice of God. Sometimes we are distracted by other voices that Jesus called "thieves." These thieves rob us of our desire to follow Jesus. True sheep however, know the voice of the shepherd. The shepherd provides safety and life for the sheep. Jesus promises us when we follow his voice that we will indeed be safe and secure. The things that separate us from our children are not necessarily people. Sometimes we allow thieves of busyness, work priorities or even social engagements to steal control of our lives. This Gospel reminds us it is better to listen to the trusted voice of the Good Shepherd.



Paul Wilkinson (Principal)

## CALENDAR

### MAY 2023

Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> – Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	Catholic Education Week
Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Explore Marist Evening – 4.00pm - 6.00pm
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Division Cross Country
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sacrament Program Meeting
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	AFL Clinic Incursions (Gr 3-6)
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>	Frayne House Community Mass – 6pm
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Foundation 2024 Open Week
Tue 9 <sup>th</sup>	Advisory Council Meeting
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	Foundation 2024 Information Evening – 7pm
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	Marist Transition Day
Thu 11 <sup>th</sup>	Mother's Day Stall
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Muffins For Mum – 8am
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	Mother's Day
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	Goldmines Excursion (Gr 2)
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Sovereign Hill Excursion (Gr 3)
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Official Opening of Admin Building & COLA
Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>	Gymnastics Program (F – 2)
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>	Foundation 2024 Enrolments Close
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup>	Sacramental Mass – 6pm
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup>	McAuley House Community Mass – 6pm



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

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

# SCHOOL NEWS

## CATHOLIC IDENTITY

### CLASS PARISH MASS

This week our Grade 5 classes will be attending and actively participating in the Parish Mass on Friday morning at 9.15am.

### CARITAS - PROJECT COMPASSION FUNDS

It would be greatly appreciated if all families could return your Caritas donation boxes by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May.

### ALTAR SERVER – TRAINING 2023



Any Catholic baptised students, in Gr 3-6 who wish to become altar servers for Holy Rosary School, are asked to complete the online google form below by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Training sessions will be conducted on Monday afternoons beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

Altar servers will have the opportunity to serve at weekly Wednesday class masses, whole school masses and our Sacramental Mass on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May. Becoming an altar server not only enriches your child's Catholic identity, it also supports their social skills and sense of community. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Jo Thurley.



### ALTAR SERVER GOOGLE FORM

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM MEETING

Grade 3 students participating in the sacrament of Eucharist/Confirmation have their third Parent and candidate information session on this Wednesday at 5.45pm in the Rosarium.

### FRAYNE SCHOOL HOUSE MASS: SATURDAY 6TH MAY AT 6PM

Our next house mass, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May, is dedicated to all our Frayne families and staff members. This weekend will also see the completion of a series of commitment masses assigned for our sacramental children.

### SACRAMENTAL COMMITMENT MASSES: SATURDAY 6TH MAY AT 6PM OR SUNDAY 7TH MAY AT 10AM.

A reminder to our Sacramental candidates that our final commitment mass is on this weekend. Candidates must attend on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm **OR** Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 10am.

### WINTER UNIFORM

A reminder that we now expect students to be in their full winter uniform. If this proves difficult please send a note to your child's teacher or the principal. We are very proud of the uniform and appreciate the children wearing it. The uniform shop is available to fill orders each Friday morning and we do have some second-hand stock if required.

#### Girls: Winter Uniform

Navy Slacks or Navy Skirt/Skort with Tights  
School Polo Shirt  
School Rugby Jumper, Polar Fleece or Jacket  
Navy Socks/Tights  
Black School Shoes

**Note:** A long sleeve navy top may be worn under the school polo in cool weather

#### Boys: Winter Uniform

Grey Trousers  
School Polo Shirt  
School Rugby Jumper, Polar Fleece or Jacket  
Grey Socks  
Black School Shoes/Boots



### MOTHER'S DAY 2023

Mother's Day is only a few weeks away!

Our team in the office has organised our **Mother's Day stall** to run again this year. On **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May**, all students will have the opportunity to select a present from our stall for a special person in their lives. Forms for the stall were sent home last Wednesday or can be found at the bottom of this newsletter. Families are asked to send in **\$5 per child for a gift**.

On **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May** we will be hosting a Mother's Day '**Muffins For Mum**' morning. We invite all our Mother's or special persons to come along from 8.00am for a hot drink and a muffin. There will be no cost to families for our Muffins for Mum morning, thanks to our fantastic school social committee. If you are able to come along, please complete a short RSVP by visiting <https://forms.gle/vRJ5R4T2SCnmSYj36>



## SCHOOL SPORT

### – WHAT'S HAPPENING?!

*Troy Coates (PE Coordinator)*



#### DIVISION CROSS COUNTRY (GRADES 3 - 6) – WEDNESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY

The Division Cross Country will be held at the Bendigo Racecourse on Wednesday the 3rd of May 2023. All students will be invited and encouraged to attend, but it is not compulsory. All students that attend will be placed in the Blue, Red or Green races as per the Division Cross Country guidelines. Students who do not wish to go to the Division Cross Country will remain at school for normal classes.

A PAM note has been sent out to all Grades 3-6 parents. Please discuss with your child how they enjoyed the Holy Rosary Cross Country and if they would like to attend the Division Cross Country. **Only give permission on PAM if your child would like to go (if your child does not want to attend, please select 'NO' under the consent section on the PAM activity).**

*\*Please note that the only times we have been given are the following, you will need to estimate your child's race time.*

##### MORNING BLOCK: 10am - 12pm

Race 1 - 10yr boys  
Race 2 - 10yr girls  
Race 3 - 9yr boys  
Race 4 - 9yr girls

##### AFTERNOON BLOCK: 1pm - 2:30pm

Race 1 - 11yr boys  
Race 2 - 11yr girls  
Race 3 - 12/13yr boys  
Race 4 - 12/13yr girls

If your child finishes in the top 12 in the blue group in the **10 year, 11 year or 12/13 year old** age groups in Sandhurst Division, they will move onto the next level - The Regional Cross Country, which will be held at St Arnaud on June 6<sup>th</sup>. From the Regional event, 10 children will go on to the State Championships in Bundoora on July 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### PASTORAL CARE

Welcome back to week 2. What a fantastic term we have planned for all our students this term. There will be great opportunities for all our students to work together and develop social skills and team work skills. We are looking forward to being able to celebrate all mothers near and far at our Mother's Day event and activities in the classroom. We do understand this can be a difficult time for some children and families, if this is the case for your family please speak directly with your classroom teacher and a plan of support can be put in place.

Our food share pantry is full and there are many items in the pantry which you can use as a staples for many many meals. Please see the photos included in the newsletter to see what we have. You are more than welcome to come and take items from the pantry. There are some coles shopping bags you can use to pack the goods to take them home. - *Megan Gerrish (Pastoral Care, Wellbeing and Compliance Leader)*



#### ATTENDANCE

Attendance at school is essential for all students. We understand there are times where you are unable to book appointments outside school hours, however we encourage you to try to make appointments for your children outside school hours to encourage them to be at school at every opportunity. This assists with their learning and social development with peers. If your child is unwell please keep them home until they no longer have symptoms and are feeling better. - *Megan Gerrish (Pastoral Care, Wellbeing and Compliance Leader)*



**Prioritise Learning Time -  
Appointments are not  
an excuse**

- non-urgent appointments made before/after school or during holidays
- disrupted learning time disrupts learning



Term 2, 2023

## Free eSafety parent and carer webinars

Join eSafety's expert education team for a free live webinar designed for parents and carers.

### Getting started with social media: TikTok, YouTube, Instagram

This 30-minute webinar is designed for parents and carers of young people in primary and secondary school. It includes practical tech tips, conversation starters and digital parenting advice.

It will cover:

- creating a positive digital identity
- privacy and sharing online
- managing what you see online
- good practices in group chats
- help-seeking.

#### Term 2 dates:

3 May 7:30 pm to 8:00 pm

22 May 12:30 pm to 1:00 pm

8 June 12:30 pm to 1:00 pm

For more information visit: <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars>



eSafetyCommissioner

[esafety.gov.au](https://www.esafety.gov.au)

## STUDENT NEWS



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are; Ruby Robertson, Zaydah McKenzie, Anikah Cini, Millie Walsh and Hudson McKenna. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Students of the Week	
FJM	Hunter
FMM	Isla
1CV	Sophie
1GS	Bea
2JH	Aylah
2SD	Millison
3CW	Cody
3OG	Charlotte
4BD	Charlotte
4LS	Shay
5DL	Angus
5JO	Riley
6DW	Caleb
6MG	Mitch

# P&F NEWS

## CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

*Have you been thinking about volunteering in our school Canteen but not sure that you have what it takes? Good news! You don't need any special culinary skills; just a friendly can-do attitude and a Working with Children Check!*

As we head into Term 2, we have a roster with many empty spots to fill. If you, or anyone in your extended family is keen to help out, please get in touch. We love seeing our community get involved, whether it be parents, grandparents, or even older brothers and sisters!

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

Should we not have enough volunteers for the coming week by Thursday morning, we will be unable to offer our regular canteen. If you are able to volunteer in our Canteen, please contact the school office or Lindy Vance on 0409 067 404.

## SPORTS & COMMUNITY NEWS

Shine Bright EYM

**KINDERGARTEN  
OPEN DAY**

Tuesday 16 May 2023  
9:00 am to 11:30 am



This is a great opportunity to make an informed decision about your child's 2024 3YO/4YO kindergarten enrolment.

Further information and a full list of participating Shine Bright kindergartens can be found on the Shine Bright website [www.shinebright.org.au](http://www.shinebright.org.au)

**Marist College  
Bendigo**



**Explore Marist Evening**  
College open night - Tuesday 2 May

**Enrolments Open**  
Wednesday 26 April

**Enrolments Close**  
Friday 26 May

**Principal Learning Walks**  
Bookings essential [www.marist.vic.edu.au](http://www.marist.vic.edu.au)

**Year 7 Transition Day**  
Bookings essential - Wednesday 10 May

For any Year 7 enrolment enquiries please email [enrol@marist.vic.edu.au](mailto:enrol@marist.vic.edu.au)

4:00pm  
to  
6:00pm

9:00am

3:00pm

9:15am

9:30am  
to  
2:30pm



# AWESOME AUTUMN SPORTS!

LEARN NEW SPORTS SKILL IN TERM 2






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## 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:**

- ✓ Soccer
- ✓ AFL
- ✓ Basketball
- ✓ Golf
- ✓ Rugby
- ✓ Tennis
- ✓ Netball
- ✓ 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 6 students.**

**\$128 FOR 8 WEEKS!**

Sign up anytime, and only pay for the weeks remaining in the term

**School: Holy Rosary Primary School**

**Day: Tuesday's**

**Start Date: 2nd May**

**End Date: 20th June**

**Time: 3:30pm - 4:30pm**

### BOOK EARLY & SAVE

Sign up online before April 7th to receive a 10% discount

**Website:** [kellysports.com.au](http://kellysports.com.au)

**Contact:** Beau Cross

**Email:** [beau@kellysports.com.au](mailto:beau@kellysports.com.au)

**Phone:** 0428 326 924

**Facebook:** Kelly Sports Bendigo



# WOMEN OF NOTE

Bendigo



## Come to the Music 2023

Women of Note present their second choral spectacular. Bendigo choirs will perform alongside metropolitan and regional Victorian choirs in a day of concerts culminating in an evening Gala Concert with visiting choirs and massed choir.

**Daytime Concert Series**

- 11-12noon Women of Note
- Castlemaine Singers
- 12.30-1.30 Bendigo Youth Choir
- Young Voices of Melbourne
- 2.00-3.00 Gorgeous Voices
- TAKT
- 3.30-4.30 Bendigo Chamber Choir
- Grace Note Singers

**6.00-7.30pm**  
**Evening Showcase Concert**

**Saturday, 20 May 2023**  
St Paul's Cathedral  
Myers St, Bendigo



\$25 All Four Daytime Concerts  
\$10 Single Daytime Concert  
\$20 Evening Concert  
Under 13 Free

Tickets: [www.trybooking.com/CHILN](http://www.trybooking.com/CHILN)  
Limited tickets available at the door (cash only)  
Visit [www.wonbendigo.org](http://www.wonbendigo.org) for more details.

## BENDIGO VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION



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# VOLLEYBALL

**PRIMARY SCHOOL AGES**

**ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME**  
**4:30 - 6:00 PM**  
**RED ENERGY ARENA, COURTS 4, 4A AND 5**

**2023 DATES**

- SUNDAY MAY 21ST - COME AND TRY
- SUNDAY MAY 28TH - WEEK 1
- SUNDAY JUNE 4TH - WEEK 2
- SUNDAY JUNE 18TH - WEEK 3
- SUNDAY JULY 16TH - WEEK 4
- SUNDAY JULY 23RD - WEEK 5
- SUNDAY JULY 30TH - WEEK 6
- SUNDAY AUGUST 6TH - WEEK 7
- SUNDAY AUGUST 13TH - WEEK 8
- SUNDAY AUGUST 20TH - WEEK 9
- SUNDAY AUGUST 27TH - FINALS AND PRESENTATIONS

 BENDIGO VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION  [VOLLEYBALL@BENDIGOSTADIUM.COM.AU](mailto:VOLLEYBALL@BENDIGOSTADIUM.COM.AU)

# HOLY ROSARY CANTEEN

## VOLUNTEER ROSTER - TERM 2 2023

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEERS
MAY 2023		
Thur 4 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am – 11.00am	Ash M
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am – 12.00pm	Lesley L & Volunteer Needed
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30am – 11:45am	Volunteer Needed
Thur 11 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am – 11.00am	Volunteer Needed
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am – 12.00pm	Karly M & Volunteer Needed
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30am – 11:45am	Volunteer Needed
Thur 18 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am – 11.00am	Volunteer Needed
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am – 12.00pm	Volunteer Needed & Volunteer Needed
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30am – 11:45am	Volunteer Needed
Thur 25 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am – 11.00am	Volunteer Needed
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am – 12.00pm	Susie Y & Volunteer Needed
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30am – 11:45am	Volunteer Needed
JUNE 2023		
Thur 1 <sup>st</sup> June	9.00am – 11.00am	Volunteer Needed
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	9.00am – 12.00pm	Volunteer Needed & Volunteer Needed
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	10.30am – 11:45am	Volunteer Needed
Thur 8 <sup>th</sup> June	9.00am – 11.00am	Volunteer Needed
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> June	9.00am – 12.00pm	Volunteer Needed & Volunteer Needed
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> June	10.30am – 11:45am	Volunteer Needed
Thur 15 <sup>th</sup> June	9.00am – 11.00am	Volunteer Needed
PIZZA DAY Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> June	10.00am – 12.00pm	Volunteer Needed & Volunteer Needed
PIZZA DAY Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> June	10.40am – 11:45am	Volunteer Needed & Volunteer Needed
Thur 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	9.00am – 11.00am	Volunteer Needed
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	9.00am – 12.00pm	Susie Y & Volunteer Needed
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	10.30am – 11:45am	Volunteer Needed

## Mother's Day Stall



Our Mother's Day Stall will be back again this year on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May. Children will be able to choose that perfect gift for Mum from a selection of items!

The cost of this gift will be **\$5.00 per child – cash only.**

Please note due to limited supply, we can only offer one gift per child.

Please complete and return this form with payment **no later than Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Make it a happy day for your Mum and  
make it a day to remember for a long time.

Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_