



Vision With family, faith and friendship we are empowered to be architects of our learning.

Mission In the image of Jesus, we commit to excellence in Catholic education with the wisdom to be a merciful and respectful community with the courage to be successful 21st Century Learners.

A Message From The Principal...

Parent Information Night

Next Monday 15th February at 6.00pm in the ILC, Holy Family Catholic Primary School will hold our annual Parent Information Night. This year, we will have a short introduction from leadership before breaking into two groups. The first group (families with students in years T-2) will go through Reading Eggs and how this can support reading at home with your students. The next group (families with students in Years 3-6) will then go through a session on using Mathematics at home to support student learning in this space.

Bill Crews 2021 Reading Program: Everyone Can Read

Welcome to Robyn Luter this year as she joins us to take over Reading Intervention at Holy Family Catholic Primary School. This program is funded by Rev Bill Crews and his organisation and we are so pleased to have them on board! They have been at Holy Spirit for many years now and their results have certainly been extremely positive. Thank you to Robyn and Ann last week and the coming week as they continue the testing of students and set up their program. The program is targeted at students in Years 2-6 who require intervention support to improve their reading. In a year, roughly 20-30 students would rotate through the program. The sessions run for 45 minutes 4 days a week and students are removed from the class for the program. For those students who are identified as requiring this support, more details will be provided.

Maths Groups

Like last year, we will be running additional Mathematics groups this year. Deb Twartz will work across a range of year levels teaching Mathematics in addition to classroom teachers; therefore, your child may have a different teacher for maths. The purpose of the maths groups is for students to be grouped in their year level to complete the Stepping Stones modules and for reduced class sizes allowing greater support for students. If you would like to know or discuss your child/ren's maths, please get in touch with classroom teachers and they can point you in the right direction.

Sticking together

An African Elder is dying, and calls his people to his side. He gives a short, sturdy stick to each of his many offspring and relatives. "Break the stick," he instructs them. With some effort, they all snap their sticks in half. "This is how it is when a soul is alone and without anyone. They can be easily broken." The old man next gives each of his kin another stick, and says, "This is how I would like you to live after I pass. Put your sticks together in bundles of twos and threes. Now, break these bundles in half." No one can break the sticks when there are two or more in a bundle. The old man smiles, "We are strong when we stand with another soul. When we are with others, we cannot be broken."

Loving Creator,
Map your goals for us in our hearts. Make our classrooms oases in the busy world. Make them places of warmth and trust. May our affirmation of our students enable them to know that their opinion counts. Free them to stretch themselves as they seek holistic growth in a safe, nurturing, Christian environment.
Amen

DESE 2021 Student Residential Address and Other Information Collection

Attached to the Newsletter today is a message from the Australian Government in regards to collection of residential addresses and other information. It maps out the purpose for the collection and what you need to do which is update the school so that we can record and maintain accuracy of current student and parent/guardian address information.

Lunches

As many would be aware, the students' lunches are put in crates outside of classrooms in the morning each day and then taken to the cool room until lunch time. This year our cool room is very full with the number of crates. To reduce space, please pack lunches in small plastic containers as there is no need for insulated lunch boxes or ice bricks. Thank you for this.

St Vincent de Paul: Christmas Giving Tree

Yesterday, Carmel Ong from St Vincent de Paul dropped in to thank our community for supporting the Christmas Giving Tree. Below is the letter from her:

St Vincent de Paul Society Holy Family Conference extends a BIG THANK YOU to the Holy Family School Community for your generous donation to our Christmas Giving Tree. We delivered 45 hampers, gift bags and toys to grateful families in our parish. They were very well received and brightened what could be a desperate time for some families. One Companion said, "I am so overwhelmed by such generosity. Thank you."

And another, "Having the hamper made all the difference to me. It helped me stretch out my food longer. I was so happy to receive it because I thought I was going to miss out".

So again, thank you for supporting such a wonderful cause to bring the joy of Christmas to more in our community.

House Colour Captains

Today our House Colour Captains were determined. Year 6 students who ran for Sports Captains presented a speech to their house colour explaining what would make them a good leader and role model. The voting took place and the following Year 6 students are announced as House Colour Captains for 2021. Congratulations!



Masen Woodward-Cowley & Sienna Austin



Jansen Lay & Maddison Kennedy



Dusty Cannard & Grace Amidy



Regan Barrett & Izac Labastida

Catholic Identity

As we begin our school year we look forward to a year of growth, formation and mercy.

Project Compassion

The Easter season is almost upon us so we prepare to think about what we can do as Christians to make the world a better place. Mr Donohue will be cooking pancakes with the Year 6 students on Tuesday the 16th, Shrove Tuesday, to help us prepare to give up something for Lent. The Lenten period officially begins next Wednesday 17th February with Ash Wednesday, with our school community coming together at Holy Family Church for mass and receiving ashes. Easter will fall in Weeks 9 (Good Friday) and 10 (Easter Monday) and we look forward to our special liturgical celebrations at that time as part of our Holy Week observations.



Lent

This Lent, Holy Family Catholic Primary School again commits itself to ending poverty and injustice in our world by giving to the neediest. This Lenten period, we hope to Be More by turning Lent into a time of faith, love and generosity. Lets all find the small, simple acts that help us to be more for the world.

"Make a donation to Project Compassion, start a fundraiser with your school, parish or community; give something up for lent... there are many ways to put your compassion into action. Whatever you choose to do, you'll be contributing towards a more just and compassionate world."



Sacramental Program 2021

Holy Family Parish sacramental program begins soon with our Year 3 and older students, who are baptised Catholics, beginning their Reconciliation. Mr Walter will be coming around classes this week to hand out notes to eligible students.

Welcome to our New Staff



Tagan Koschitzki
Leader of Teaching & Learning



Dani Stacey
Transition Rm 15



Lisa Skinner
Year 1 Rm 14



Kate Murray
Year 1/2 Rm 13



Jill Malseed
AIEW



Haydon Kilner
ISA



Kirsten Meaney
ISA



Sophie Fazzolari
ISA



Maria Taktikos
ISA



Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at Assembly last week.

Rm 15—TR	Maili Baksh Jasmin Kilpatrick
Rm 14—1	Avaleyah Tran Angelina Lay Chhetri
Rm 13—1/2	Maddison McDonald Hunter Scott-Symington
Rm 12—2	Kimberley Rowlands Alicia Small Kowen Hodges
Rm 11—3/4	Lacey Measures Leon James Katerina Kalitsis Jiya Saji
Rm 10—3/4	Jisa Saji Aibel Alwin
Rm 9 - 4	Louisa Tomlins Daniel Roddenby
Rm 17—5/6	Kiarnah Tomlins Fynn Johnson
Rm 18 -5/6	Emma Lenaers Ike Peterson
Rm 19—5/6	Grace Amidy Aleah Ransome



Happy Birthday!

This week we wish the following students a Happy Birthday...

Aaron Sunny	2nd February
Rhykia Labastida	4th February
Luis Da Silva Vidigal	12th February
Savvas Ginis	14th February
Brad-Lee King	17th February
Isabelle Mattiazz	18th February
Gregory Yengbie	19th February
Kayla Chudleigh	20th February
Emmanuel Zografakis	20th February
Jaxx Hawks	21st February
Beth McFarlane	21st February

We also wish a happy birthday to the following students who celebrated their birthdays in January.

Maria Tsakrios, Fraser Cruse, Dakota Crowe, Thomas Mellors, Sharlette Roe, Cristiano Beltran, Kiarnah Tomlins, Jenayah Lalara, Paige Taylor, Ben Watkins, Leanne Lu, Lacey Measures, Jonas Senga, Luke Williams, Mayvis Hogan-Tomlins, Alfred Thomas and Joshua Kilpatrick.

Community News...



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- UNDER 8
- UNDER 9
- UNDER 10
- UNDER 11
- UNDER 12
- UNDER 14
- UNDER 16

TRAINING COMMENCES WEEK OF 22ND FEBRUARY

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13th February **20th February**

Limited numbers, book early

Age 6+ \$12.50 per lesson Saturday 2:30 - 4pm
21 Todd Crescent Malak Afternoon tea provided

For more details or to book a lesson
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