A Prayer for Teachers

God of Love,
Thank you for every teacher who notices a child’s special gift.
Thank you for teachers who are listeners and gentle guides.
Thank you for teachers who expect much and love enough to demand more.
Thank you for the special teacher each one of us remembers.
God of Mercy,
Sustain teachers who give everything they have and feel abandoned when society expects too much.
Strengthen teachers who assume the blame for so many problems beyond their control.
Help exhausted teachers rest.
God of Strength,
Encourage teachers to care and inspire them to nourish.
Motivate teachers to keep on learning for the fun of it and to make learning fun for children.
We wonder at teachers who know how to quiet a class of five-year-olds.

Or, help fourth grade girls be empathetic.
We admire teachers who enjoy middle school writers, or teach physics or math or civics.
We cannot even imagine how to help every single student achieve Adequate Yearly Progress. Bless the people who are expected to accomplish these miracles.
And, who know how to comfort children when miracles don’t happen.
God of Justice,
help our nation find a way to steward our vast wealth to support teachers in their special calling, wherever they teach and whatever the race or religion or gender or wealth of the children.
We pray these things in the name of our great teacher, Jesus Christ.
Amen

http://www.ucc.org/justice/public-education/pdfs/Prayer-for-Teachers.pdf

On Friday, Lorraine King, our School Board Chair, will say some words of thanks for all teachers and support workers in our school. We will present them with a gift to thank them for their work in supporting the education of your children. We certainly welcome you to join us for this.
Jan Dalton’s Last Day

A reminder that we will have a farewell prayer liturgy tomorrow morning at 8.30am to thank Jan for all her work over the last 12 to 13 years at Rainbows as she moves into retirement. It will be followed by a short morning tea. We welcome any of you who have had the privilege of Jan educating your children to come along.

Appointment of Buffy Angel

As Jan moves into retirement, we also congratulate Buffy Angel on being appointed as her replacement as Team Leader. Buffy has been with us for nearly two years and has filled in for Jan at different times whilst she has been on leave. We congratulate Buffy and look forward to her working in this capacity at Rainbows.

Tech Expo

Also, our Tech Expo will be this Thursday. This is an opportunity for parents to come in and view the work of your children that has come as a result of our Bring Your Own Designated Device (BYODD) program at Holy Family. There will also be opportunities to try out a range of apps. A sausage sizzle will be provided.

Classes for 2016

Shortly, we hope to organise our class groupings for 2016. To assist with this, we ask that if you will be leaving Holy Family at the end of the year, to please notify us. Appreciate your support with this.

God Bless
Shane Donohue

Principal

Diary Dates—Term 4 —2015

| TEAM 4—2015 | Jan’s Farwell Liturgy, 8.30am and morning tea |
| Thursday 29th October | Tech Expo, 5.00pm—6.30pm |
| Thursday 29th October | Assembly Room 12 |
| Friday 30th October | World Teachers Day |
| Monday 2nd November | Board Meeting, 6.30pm |
| Tuesday 3rd November | Melbourne Cup Hat Parade |
| Wednesday 4th November | Transition Orientation, 8.30am—11.30am |
| Friday 6th November | Assembly Room 13 |
| Wednesday 11th November | Remembrance Day Prayer Service 11.00am |
| Friday 13th November | Assembly Room 6 |
| Friday 13th November | Opening of Basketball court |
| Monday 16th November | Health Harold here until Wednesday 18th |
| Friday 20th November | Assembly |
iPad Parent Sessions – Term 4

Lauren O’Shea will be running weekly iPad sessions for parents covering a range of iPad tips, tricks, settings and instructions on how to use various applications. The sessions are available for all parents and any infants are welcome and can be kept occupied with toys and games. These sessions will go for approximately 20 minutes and will be held after Monday morning assemblies in the After School Care room. If you have your own iPad feel free to bring it along, otherwise you can borrow from the school. The topics below are a guide; ideas and suggestions of what you would like to be covered are encouraged. Hope to see you there!

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Mission Day

On Friday, 23rd of October it was Mission Day. Every year level, including Rainbows organised a stall or activity to raise money. There were all sorts of different stalls such as beauty salons, play dough, thong throwing, water balloons, sumo wrestling, dizzy shots, second hand shop, ice cups and frog in the ponds. We raised around $1300. All money raised will go to Catholic Missions.

By Karl Hochman and Corey Noll
**Student Awards**

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

- **Room 15 Tran** – Isobel Lovegrove & Daniel Liberato
- **Room 14 Yr T/1** – William Rowlings & Sebastian Lai
- **Room 13 Yr 1/2** – Rhys Trembath & Ella Hill
- **Room 12 Yr 2/3** – Thais Borges De Carvalho & Harry Kearns Arthur
- **Room 11 Yr 3/4** – Lili Bernasconi, Charlotte Hambour, Madelyn Betzel & Chloe Jensen
- **Room 9 Yr 3/4** – Tiana Russell & Chelsea Hartono
- **Room 6 Yr 5/6** – No awards given
- **Room 7 Yr 5/6** – Tannwyn Lewis, Erryn O’Halloran & Timothy Morgan
- **ICT Awards** – Alannah Joyce & Victor Kuach

**Notes Sent Home**

- Hockey Gala Day
- Inter-school Swimming Carnival

**Happy Birthday**

This week we wish the following students a Happy Birthday.

- Magliano Simoes 27th October
- Zinzile Hogo 30th October
- Brianna Heath 31st October

**Holy Family School App**

At Holy Family Catholic School we are always looking for the best way to communicate within our school community, and we believe this app will help. Download this app and stay up to date with all the latest news and events from us, and view the latest editions of the school newsletters. We will keep you up to date regarding urgent reminders and notifications about events we are holding within the school. Stay connected to our Holy Family Catholic School community by searching for ‘Holy Family Karama’ in the app store.

**Rainbows Enrolments**

We have a very high number of enrolments for commencement in 2016, particularly in Preschool. Please note that enrolment is not guaranteed without signed paperwork and an interview with Mr Donohue.
Photo Gallery

RAK’ed Award
(Random Acts of Kindness)

Congratulations to Shaira Potter who won our RAK’ed award last week and Harriett Watkins who won the award this week and received a $5.00 Scholastic book voucher.

Interschool Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to the following students who represented Holy Family at the interschool swimming carnival last Thursday evening.

Magliano Simoes
Charlotte Hambour
Anisha Damaso
Tyrell Nona
Amelia Roe

Chloe Ford
Mitchell Peachy
Lilla Murray-Govan
Corey Noll
Jakob DaSantis

All students put in their personal best effort and conducted themselves in a way that reflects our school values, well done!
A big thank you to Lisa & Ian Hambour for offering to help with a smile. Without these wonderful volunteers, the event could not go ahead. On behalf of School Sport and all of us at Holy Family, thank you!

Andréé Totham
Teacher/Sports Coordinator

Student Birthdays

Student Awards

Room 9 Mission Day Liturgy
Mrs Cassandra De Silva has vacancies for this term for piano lessons. For enquiries, contact Cassandra directly on 89450119.

Lessons are held during school hours. Mrs De Silva also has Piano lessons after school hours in Karama at $25 per lesson. As well as weekly lessons, Cassandra is now offering students fortnightly lessons to those who find it too costly, so they can still keep fingers moving and not lose technique and skills.
TECH EXPO

THURSDAY 29TH OCTOBER
DOORS OPEN AT 5.00PM WITH THE OFFICIAL WELCOME AT 5.30PM

COME ALONG & CHECK OUT THE AMAZING WORK STUDENTS HAVE CREATED USING IPADS.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:
FREE ADMISSION & SAUSAGE SIZZLE
STUDENT WORK SAMPLES ON SHOW
PHOTO BOOTH
QR CODE TREASURE HUNT
TRY OUT APPS
PRIZES UP FOR GRABS!
You are Invited
to Celebrate the
Work of
Jan Dalton

Jan was one of our first staff in Rainbows and has been an amazing employee for Holy Family.

We are having a Prayer liturgy at 8.30am on Thursday, 29th October to celebrate Jan’s work at Holy Family. This will be followed by morning tea. For those who have had the privilege of having your child/ren cared for by Jan, we would really appreciate your presence at this event.

Where: Holy Family School Assembly Area

When: Thursday, 29th October at 8.30am

What: Prayer liturgy to celebrate Jan’s work followed by morning tea.

Please let the office know if you will be able to attend.
Transition Orientation Morning

When: Wednesday 4th, November 2015
Time: 8.30am until 11.30am
Where: Room 15

Please provide your child with a packed recess.

Once children are settled, parents will be invited to join an information session in the ILC with our Principal, Mr Shane Donohue.