Pope Francis has declared that the next liturgical year will be the Holy Year of Mercy. A Holy Year is also often known as a Jubilee year. At assembly on Monday, we spoke to the students about what this might mean for us in 2016. We can demonstrate Mercy through such things as forgiveness, raising money for the poor or being more active by engaging with the less fortunate in our community. The liturgical year begins with Advent which is surprisingly not far away. Let’s hope we can find ways to bring the Year of Mercy into our school community in the next year.

Tech Expo

The Tech Expo was an amazing success and we really appreciated the parent support on the evening. Well done to Lauren O’Shea on organising the event and the teachers who attended the stations on the evening. Our Tech Minions were also a fantastic with their efforts and technological know how.
Transition Orientation

At Holy Family today we welcomed our 2016 Transition students for their Orientation Day. They had a wonderful day and enjoyed themselves immensely. I was also fortunate enough to spend time with their parents to speak about Holy Family Catholic Primary School. This is a real privilege for me and one I enjoy as we begin a journey with new families in our school and perhaps add another chapter to some families with children already in the school.

Our current Transitions had a wonderful morning back at Rainbows and enjoyed being a “kid” again.

God Bless
Shane Donohue

Shane Donohue
Principal

Diary Dates—Term 4—2015

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Friday 6th November: Assembly Room 13
Wednesday 11th November: Remembrance Day Prayer Service 11.00am
Friday 13th November: Assembly Room 6
Friday 13th November: Official Opening of Basketball court
Monday 16th November: Healthy Harold here until Wednesday 18th
Assembly
Friday 20th November: Board Meeting dinner—to be confirmed
Monday 23rd November: Assembly: Room 7
Friday 27th November: Christmas Concert—O’Loughlin College gym
Tuesday 1st December: Assembly: Room 15
Friday 4th December: Year 6 Graduation Mass and Dinner 5.30pm
Monday 7th December: Last Day of School
Thursday 10th December
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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Tech Expo

What an amazing turn out we had at last week’s Tech Expo! It was a fantastic and fun evening where students showed their parents their iPad work and taught their families about some of the apps we have been using throughout the year including Lego Movie Maker, Chatterkid and Green Screen. A big thank you goes to all those who attended, the teachers who helped out and Mr Todd for cooking the barbeque.

Competition Winners:
House Points competition winner:
Lucy Weatherald

Holy Family App photo competition winner:
Kamali Borges De Carvalho

Maths Competition

Maths competition certificates were handed out at last Friday’s assembly. Congratulations to everyone who participated, especially Elisha Pettit who achieved the highest result for our school and has been invited to the university to receive her certificate.

Christmas Raffle

Have you seen the fantastic Christmas Hamper on display in the front office that the P&F have put together? Raffle tickets will be sent home shortly.
**Student Awards**

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

**Room 15 Tran** – Izac Labastida & Ava Hildred

**Room 14 Yr T/1** – Alexinah Bourbaris, Irene Abanes & Adrian Maher

**Room 13 Yr 1/2** – Guen Umblas & Ava Abela

**Room 12 Yr 2/3** – Alexinah Bourbaris, Irene Abanes & Adrian Maher

**Room 11 Yr 3/4** – Guen Umblas & Ava Abela

**Room 10 Yr 3/4** – Tiffany Lay & Eli Millard

**Room 9 Yr 3/4** – Lilyrose Sherwell & Aaron Rooney

**Room 6 Yr 5/6** – Tyrell Nona, Xavier Parmenter & Alysha Lay

**Room 7 Yr 5/6** – No awards this week

**ICT Awards** – Alannah Joyce, Shaira Potter, Olivia Picone Auld, Oliver Sherwell, Xavier Chandler & Zac Pigot Lawrie

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**Notes Sent Home**

- P&F bag fundraiser

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**Happy Birthday**

This week we wish the following students a Happy Birthday.

- **Ava Hildred** 5th November
- **Ethan Lay** 7th November
- **Karl Hochman** 7th November
- **Zac Pigot Lawrie** 8th November

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**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.

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**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 Bowen Smith who won our RAK’ed award this week and received a $5.00 Scholastic book voucher.

Room 12 Assembly

Year 2, Room 12 introduced the school to Mindful Meditation. We explored our internal weather through a Free App called Smiling Mind. Next Friday, we will be holding a whole school Mindful Meditation as part of our KidsMatter Diversity Day, which celebrates the diversity of our school community.

Student Birthdays

Student Awards

Room 13 Melbourne Cup Hats

Year 1/2 decorated hats for Melbourne Cup Day. We had fun having a hat parade in our classroom.
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.