A Message from the Principal

Monday Morning Prayer

At Monday’s morning whole school prayer, we reflected on a comment by the Prime Minister of England at the time of the death of the Duke of Wellington, Arthur Wellesley. He stated that Wellington had been outstanding, not because of his talents, as they were fairly ordinary, but, because of the extraordinary use that he made of those ordinary talents. The prayer that followed was taken from www.prayingeachday.org

Lord, as I offer you
All that is ordinary and every day in my life
I ask you
To give the power of your Spirit
That I may do the ordinary things of life
In an extraordinary way.
Amen

We welcome you to join us for our Monday prayer at 8.25am. It is also followed by a song which the students enthusiastically sing. We also draw and present our RAK’ed award to a student who has done the ordinary in an extraordinary way.

Term Dates and Holiday Breaks

Last week, a link was sent where you could comment on the proposed changes (if any) to our term breaks. The link didn’t work. The link below should take you to the survey.
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/schooltermdatesround3consultation
**School Fees**

We have recently added BPay as a payment option for school fees. If you would like to pay via this method, please contact the office for a new statement which will provide you with the biller code and your reference. As we fast approach the end of Term 3, now is the time to ensure that your school fees will be finalised by the end of the year. Payments can be made in person by cash, card or cheque, over the phone by credit card or by EFT into our school bank account. We appreciate your support in this matter. We always encourage families to contribute to the tax deductible voluntary Building Fund. This type of donation goes a long way in supporting infrastructure, such as our new hard court cover.

**Maintenance Plan**

Next week, at our School Board meeting, we will continue to work on our Maintenance Plan. If you intended to offer feedback on this, please do so Friday. We have really appreciated what we have already received and will use it to guide us with the development.

God Bless
Shane Donohue
Principal

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**Diary Dates—Term 3—2015**

**TERM 3—2015**

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**TERM 4—2015**

| Monday 5th October | School Resumes |

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AROUND THE SCHOOL...

Religious Education

Year 2 Religion

Year 2 made a Mezuzah during their religious studies. A mezuzah is affixed to the doorframe in Jewish homes.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Calytrix Road, Karama
Ph: 8927 5454

Mass Times:
Saturday Mass 8.30am
and 6.30pm (Vigil)
Sunday Mass 9.00am, 10.30am and 5.30pm

1st Sunday of the month 10.30am African Mass
2nd Sunday of the month 10.30am Spanish Mass
3rd Sunday of the month 10.30am Portuguese Mass
4th Sunday of the month 10.30am Tetum Mass

SALT MARSH MOSQUITO - URGENT

The Northern Territory Department of Health has issued a media release warning of the predicated surges in salt marsh mosquitoes. High mosquito activity is expected in the following areas: Darwin; Leanyer, Karama, Buffalo Creek, Holmes Jungle, Winnellie/ Sadgroves, Lee Point, Muirhead, Tiwi and Lyons.

There is a high number of mosquitos around Holy Family at the present time so please supply your child with some roll on mosquito repellent containing 20 per cent DEET or Picaridin for students to apply themselves. No Aerosols please.
Student Awards

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

Room 15 Trän – Kruz Hewitt & Chloe Gilbert
Room 14 Yr T/1 – William Rowlings & Adrian Maher
Room 13 Yr 1/2 – Nahla Dale, Lily Nicklin & Lucas Handebo
Room 12 Yr 2/3 – Thais Borges De Carvalho & Ciara Ransome
Room 11 Yr 3/4 - Desmin Yovich, Hannah Freire, Courtney Smoothy-Mathers, Xavier Chandler & Nikolaos Petrakis
Room 9 Yr 3/4 - Joshua McConville, Izack Millard, Kamali Borges De Carvalho
Room 6 Yr 5/6 - Ayla Davies, Elisha Pettit, Georgia Lowe & Chloe Blanch
Room 7 Yr 5/6 - Erryn O’Halloran, Zoe Holloway, Erin Vea, Anisha Damaso, Maya Krugar, Jasmine Gahungu & Mitchell MacDonald
ICT Awards – Zoe Holloway & Corey Blanch

Happy Birthday

This week we wish the following students a Happy Birthday.

Adrian Maher
Teleah Walker
Claudia Bowie
Josh Heath
Faith Ocampo

16th September
17th September
17th September
17th September
20th September

Notes Sent Home

• Year 6 Public Speaking Excursion
Note (return by this Thursday)

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

Vacation Care

Attached to this week’s Newsletter is a copy of the VAC Care program and a booking form for the upcoming school holidays commencing Monday, 28th September. If you are requiring care for your child/children during the holidays, please return the booking form by Thursday, 24th September.
Room 12

Thank you to Mr Luke for sharing his medal wins from athletics on the weekend with room 12.

The Holy Family Community would like to welcome Courtney Smoothy–Mathers, Desmin Yovich and William Rowlings and their families to our school.

Reading Comprehension Project

The students are now into their 9th week of this project. The teachers have been using specific comprehension strategies in their classroom when they are teaching reading. Over the next couple of weeks and into Term 4 this focus will continue and more hints and tips will be included in the forthcoming newsletters. Please use this week’s hints and tips to assist your child/children to further their skills. Happy Reading!

Erica Schultz
Curriculum Co-ordinator

Parent Role:
Encourage your child/ren to read regularly by:

1. Having a routine established allowing for reading to take place. E.g. Before dinner; after dinner; bed time; first thing in the morning etc.

2. Finding a suitable place for reading. E.g. In own bed; a comfortable chair; on a couch etc.

3. Being positively involved with child’s reading. E.g. Ask questions; make it fun; encouragement; praise; recognition of awards (display on fridge; bedroom wall; have a special treat when an award is achieved; celebrate all achievements etc.)
**Swimming Program**

Our swimming program will continue next week and our Swimming Carnival will take place on Friday, 25th September. **Students will need to bring sunscreen, bathers/swimming clothes, a towel and a plastic bag to put their bathers into at the end of the lesson.** Please ensure all items are named.
Photo Gallery

RAK’ed Award
(Random Acts of Kindness)

Congratulations to Nykeise DeSatge who won our RAK’ed award for this week and received a $5.00 Scholastic book voucher.

Parent Contact Details

Have you recently changed your place of residence or changed your contact details? If so, please notify the front office of these changes.

Earn and Learn Program Ending

As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program has now finished for this year, so a big thanks to everyone who supported Holy Family School.

Student Birthdays

Student Awards
Community Noticeboard

Piano Lessons

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.

Relay For Life—Ebony Bayliss

My name is Ebony Bayliss and I am in Year 5 at Holy Family Catholic School. I am going to participate in this year’s “Relay for Life”, on Friday, 18th September, an overnight event that raises money to help people and families who maybe suffering from cancer. I recently lost someone very close to me from cancer. I want to make a difference for other people and pray that we can find a cure for this disease. If you are able to support me in trying to make a difference, please donate via my participant page on the Relay for Life website or via the following link: http://fundraising.cancer.org.au/site/TR/RelayforLife/CCNT?px=1312306&pg=personal&fr_id=1881

Thank you,
Ebony Bayliss
Grand Sports Day

Thursday 24th September

Come dressed in your favourite sport’s team colours

Gold coin donation will go to caritas
Swimming Program
Holy Family Catholic School 2015

Monday-Thursday  Week 9 and Week 10

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SWIMMING -Weeks 9 and 10

A reminder that the school swimming program begins Monday, 14th September. Swimming lessons will be held Mondays-Thursdays. There will be no swimming lessons on Friday, 18th September. Friday, 25th September, is the Swimming Carnival.

The swimming program is a compulsory component of Holy Family school’s Health and Physical Education program. ALL students are expected to participate unless they are injured or sick and in these cases, parents are asked to notify their child’s teacher in writing. We believe that it is important that all students, particularly those students living in the Northern Territory, are taught basic swimming skills, water safety and survival techniques. This will ensure that they will know what to do when they are around water. These lessons could save your child’s life or the life of another.

If you are able to assist at the Swimming Carnival on Friday 25th September 9.00am—1.00pm
It would be appreciated if you would kindly fill out the tear off slip.

I _____________________________ would be able to assist at the Holy Family School Swimming Carnival on Friday 25th September at Casuarina Swimming Pool.

Child/Children name: ____________________________ Room no: __________

Signed ____________________________

Family, Faith, Friendship
### Holy Family Vacation Care Program

**Week Commencing 28/9/15**

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<td>A trivia competition will start our week off with questions all about each other and prizes for the winning team. Take part in a variety of art and craft activities and sort out your acts for our Holy Family Idol talent quest. In the afternoon we participate in gardening, wood work and water play.</td>
<td>Participate in craft activities and get your acts together for our Holy Family Idol talent quest. In the afternoon we participate in gardening, wood work and water play.</td>
<td>Bike and wheels day along with cooking activities and to KJ’s entertainment. Use those motors skills, participate in some laser tag and take part in some tumbling and climbing activities.</td>
<td>The younger children will take part in a Teddy Bears Picnic with games and activities. The older children will venture over to O’Loughlin for a basketball challenge and after lunch we will organise to get Café Jazz happening, order off the menu and then dance at the restaurant.</td>
<td>Today we head to the city for lunch in the park. Prior to a relaxing afternoon at the cinema watching a new release movie.</td>
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In addition to the activities that are detailed on the program, the children will take part in a range of cooking experiences, art and craft, outdoor games, indoor games, utilize all of the resources in the ASC room and also use the undercover basketball court at O’Loughlin Catholic College. Additionally, spontaneous ideas that are suggested by the children within the week will be considered.

Vacation care cost $55.00 per day for booked days.
A casual rate of $65.00 per day will be charged for days not booked prior to close of business Thursday 24th September. **Casual bookings are subject to availability.**

**Booked days will be charged (fees include cost of outings, morning and afternoon tea).**

Vacation care operates from 7.30am-5.30pm daily.

**Late pick up fees of $5.00 per minute apply**

For confirmation of your booking, please return attached booking/agreement signed and booking will be considered confirmed.
**Booking for Vacation care**

**Week commencing 28th September 2015**

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Please tick which days you require.

**Conditions of Booked Care**

Your booking is confirmed once this form is received by Administration. Any alterations or cancellations to your booking must be in writing. **No verbal changes will be accepted** (eg by phone). A minimum of one week’s notice is required or charges will apply as per your booking.

Regards,

Michelle Shaw  
Director ELC/OSHC

Shane Donohue  
Principal

I have read and understand the above conditions of booked care.

Signed (parent/guardian) ..................................................date ...............  

..........................................................................................(Print Name)

I agree to undertake this commitment to pay my Fee Account as per my booking above unless I have made a cancellation in writing.

Signed (parent/guardian) ..................................................date ...............  

..........................................................................................(Print Name)