



Vision Holy Family Catholic Primary School is a diverse, inclusive, learning community committed to the gospel values of mercy, respect and courage.

Mission At Holy Family Catholic Primary School, we:

- Provide a welcoming environment where partnerships between the school, families, parish and wider community are valued and promoted
- Work collaboratively, using evidence-based practices to deliver quality education that supports the holistic needs of all students
- To live as stewards of God's creation, being the difference we want to see in the world

A Message From The Principal...

Bombing of Darwin

Our student leaders, Lily Hill-Corpus and Riley Clark, attended the service commemorating the 82nd Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin. They represented our school proudly as we paid tribute to all servicemen, servicewomen and civilians who lost their lives, defended our country and helping others.

P&F Welcome Disco

We welcome all families to our disco next Friday 1st March, commencing at 6:00pm. DJ Sonix will be spinning the tunes so that the children can have fun on the dance floor. Please put the date in your calendars. There will be a BBQ before the disco which begins at 5:30pm.

Online Wellbeing & Safety

Online wellbeing and Safety of our children continues to offer us new challenges. The office of eSafety provides important information and a number of useful webinars, to help parents and carers navigate parent controls, online gaming and social media platforms. The eSafety Commissioner is dedicated to keeping all communities safer online, particularly children. Please see the link below with advice you may find useful, available for parents and carers, to help kids stay safe online.

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>

P & F

We are seeking any interested parents or guardians for our committee for 2024. There is no expectation to attend meetings or all events, we are just looking for a list of interested people able to help out at a P&F event this year. Any queries, please email andrew.walter@nt.catholic.edu.au

School Advisory Board

The School Advisory Board lies at the heart of the Catholic school community where all share in rights, dignities and responsibilities. The Advisory Board works towards this vision of community, striving to build a place where all people feel supported and valued.

Our School Advisory Board oversees the governance of the School; our School Leadership Team is responsible for the planning, strategic direction and management of the School; and our Student Leaders take on the responsibility of representing our students at the highest level. Thank you to those who have expressed an interest in being a part of the school board in 2024.

Term 1 School Board Meetings

Week 6 Monday 4th March School Advisory Board Meeting
Week 9 Monday 25th March School Advisory Board AGM

Lent is a time for moving closer to God.
Renew us O Lord...So we live as we believe.



Pick Up and Drop Off Reminders

If parking to drop off or collect your child, please refrain from using the 'kiss and go' option. Please park your car in one of the designated parking bays and then walk into the school. It is very important that we keep traffic moving.

We thank families for moving forward in the 'kiss and go' as this keeps the flow of traffic moving and ensures the safety of our children. We appreciate the families who have encouraged their children to move forward before entering the car, we appreciate your support.

Safety of our students is always our priority and we continue to require all families to use the pedestrian crossing when walking to their cars. Thank you to our families who are using the crossing to get to their parked cars. We appreciate families for the positive response to our staff when a friendly reminder is given.

Lent

We celebrated Shrove Tuesday with delicious pancakes as this day is traditionally a day of celebration and festivity. It is the last day of feasting before fasting during Lent. Ms Catheriona's (our ELC chef) recipe was a hit and I had a great time cooking up the pancakes. I was fortunate to have wonderful helpers and appreciated both the compliments and thanks from the students.

Lent is a time to think of ways we can change and follow Jesus more closely through prayer, fasting and giving to the poor. Purple is the Church's colour for getting ready and preparing.

Buddy Classes

It was exciting meeting and greeting our buddies across the year groups. Having a buddy system with each class reflects our school values and builds a strong sense of connection. A goal is to develop relationships between our younger and older children, enhancing the sense of a supportive school community. The older buddies take great care and pride in being a positive role model.

Sports Vouchers

Please remember that Sports Vouchers are now made available at the following website:

www.sportvoucher.nt.gov.au

Catholic Identity Sacramental Program 2024

Penance (Reconciliation) classes, for students Year 3 and above, who have been baptised into the Catholic Church, have begun. With afternoon classes at Holy Family, each Friday from 3-4pm, and the parish. It is not too late to enrol. You can pick up a form and schedule from the front office. Any queries please contact Mr Walter at andrew.walter@nt.catholic.edu.au or ring the school.

Liturgies and Masses

We are now in the Lenten period. A time for reflection, prayer and fasting as we prepare to mark the final days of Jesus' life and the joy of Easter and the Resurrection.

Here are our liturgies, masses and sacraments for Term 1;

Term 1 Week	Date	Time	Event/location	class and teacher
9 Holy Week	25 March Monday	8:25-9:00am	Palm Sunday Prayer Liturgy at assembly area (Sun 24 March)	Room 5 (T) Miss Chow
9 Holy Week	27 March Wednesday	8:25-9:00am	Holy Thursday (Last Supper) Prayer Liturgy 8:25am Assembly Area	Rm 8 (Yr 1/2) Mrs Brennan/Miss Gail
10 Holy Week	28 March Wednesday	8:25-9:00am	Good Friday (Stations) Prayer Liturgy at Assembly Area (Stations)	Room 6 (T) Miss Lothian
10	2 April Thursday	9:30-10:30am	Easter Mass at HF Church with Fr Gusty	Room 9 (Yr 1/2) Mr M.

Project Compassion

Last Tuesday, at St. Mary's Star of the Sea Cathedral, three of our school leaders, Riley Clark, Lily Hill-Corpus and Jiya Saji represented our school at the launch of Project Compassion 2024. Our school will be fundraising during Project Compassion, 'For All Future Generations', with our Funky Fridays, starting this Friday with funky shorts. Our support will help to create a better world for all future generations. Thanks to our junior hub Transition classes and Miss Chow and Miss Lothian for leading this mercy project.



Holy Family Catholic Primary School Term 1

**EVERY FRIDAY!
GOLD COIN DONATION FOR
PROJECT COMPASSION!**

Week 4: Funky Shorts

Week 5: Funky Shoes

Week 6: Funky Hair

Week 7: Something Green

Week 8: A Touch of Orange

Week 9: Sports Team Colours

Week 10: Cowboys and Cowgirls

FUNKY FRIDAYS



Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at Assembly on 9th February 2024.

Rm 19-5	Che-Karl Hampton Francesca Donnellan
Rm 18-6	Leon James Natayah Hill
Rm 17-6	Olivia Herbert Isaiah Jennings
Rm 12-3/4	Lailani Johnson
Rm 11-3/4	Alexander Sugg
Rm 10- 3/4	Mitchell McGhee Jasmine Kilpatrick
Rm 9 - 2	Nicole Nilco Jrue Adams
Rm 8 - 1	Zarina Bird Max Muller
Rm 7 - 1	Noah Vallejo Bayd Mitchell
Rm 6 -T	Beau Pavy
Rm 5 -T	Maximus McLean-Johnson
Preschool	Bella Constantine Charlie Van Der Velde
PE	Brandan Motlop
Performing Arts	Dayaram Ramanan
Japanese	Natayah Hill
ASC Award	Lillee Cheater
BOBS Award	Lily Hill-Corpus



Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at Assembly on 16th February 2024.

Rm 19-5	Mack Moore Steffi Baksh
Rm 18-6	Ethan Jennings Aria Palu
Rm 17-6	Fikayomi Oni Pantelis Spyropoulos
Rm 12-3/4	Chace Bailey-Peris
Rm 11-3/4	Caleb Ashford
Rm 10-3/4	Anthony Rogers Elijah Whipp
Rm 9 - 2	No awards
Rm 8 - 1	Charlie Norris Nya Hucks
Rm 7 - 1	Dana Wilson Tisharni Duggan
Rm 6 -T	Arden Connell
Rm 5 -T	Kayle Gordon
Preschool	Arabella Soares-Callow Savvina Tsakrios
PE	Avaleyah Tran
Performing Arts	Isabelle Preston
Japanese Award	No award
ASC Award	No award
BOBS Award	Chace Bailey-Peris



Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday to the following students that celebrate their birthday in Week 3 & 4:

*Jevan Jenkinson
Kayla Chudleigh
Beth McFarlane*

*Gregory Yengbie
Jaxx Hawks
Cathy Anstess*

TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL? 4 QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

IS YOUR CHILD RUNNING A FEVER?

If so, he or she should stay home from school. A good rule of thumb is that a child should not return to school until at least the day after his or her temperature is normal without medication.



CAN YOUR CHILD PARTICIPATE IN CLASS?

If your child seems too sluggish and lethargic to pay attention to his or her lessons, he or she should be kept home.

ARE THE SYMPTOMS DISRUPTIVE?

Loud, frequent coughing and frequent bathroom breaks can make it difficult for everyone to concentrate on their lessons. Keep your child home until disruptive symptoms have subsided.



IS YOUR CHILD CONTAGIOUS?

Ask the doctor if your child is sick with an illness that is contagious. The doctor will tell you when your child is not contagious.



Patient First

HOLY FAMILY
CATHOLIC PRIMARY

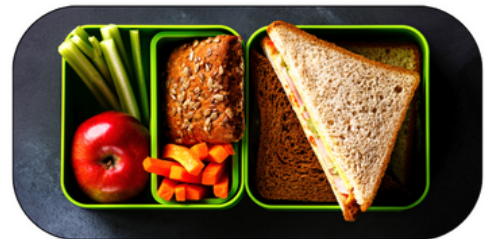


DISCO RESCHEDULE FRIDAY 1ST MARCH

**DUE TO THE PREDICTED WET WEATHER
CONTINUING WE HAVE MADE THE DECISION TO
RESCHEDULE THE DISCO.**

*Please lock in the 1st March in your
calendars. DJ Sonix will have the tunes
pumping so the dance floor will be full.*

Reminder Lunches are stored in the cool room



**Please minimise insulated
lunch bags as they take up
a lot of room.**

Back to School Vouchers

Have you used your child's "Back to school" voucher?

It is worth \$200 and can be used against the Book and Service Levy within the fees or uniforms. Vouchers are available at the Front Office valid until the end of Term 1, 5th of April, 2024.

Spotlight On Staff



Position
Classroom Teacher / Digital Technology Teacher

How long they have been at Holy Family?

16 years

What is something people may not know about you?

I became an Australian citizen in 2008.

Gail McKillop



Position
Finance Officer

How long they have been at Holy Family?

12 years

What is something people may not know about you?

In my free time I like to walk my dog on the beach and watch the sunset or sunrise whichever the case may be.

Janet Kirby

Spotlight On Learning



Transition

In Transition we have been learning about letters and sounds through the Little Learners Love Literacy program. Little Learners Love Literacy is an explicit and sequential literacy approach for teaching children to read, write and spell with confidence. It is a systematic and engaging program with focused explicit lessons, games, crafts, music, puppets, drawing and much more. We have been focusing on learning the letters M and S and the sounds they make. Every day we read about Milo the Monkey and Sally the Snake and look for other pictures on the page to match the beginning sound. Additionally, students have loved the mystery sound box and being able to take items out of the box that are associated with the beginning sound for the week. This is helping the students to make connections with the sound to everyday items.

Along with learning the sounds of letters, a vital part of the program is the correct writing formation. Initially, the students trace and copy the letter of the week and have a go at writing on the mini whiteboards. Practicing daily, we aim to have the students writing letters confidently and independently. Here are some photos of students icing and decorating biscuits to create Milo the Monkey. The students had a lot of fun!

Term One Calendar – 2024

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Assembly
WEEK 4 FEB 19TH	19	20	21	22	23 Assembly 8:25am	ROOM 10 – 3/4
WEEK 5 FEB 26TH	26	27	28	29	1 Assembly 8:25am Netball Gala Day P&F Welcome Disco	PRESCHOOL
WEEK 6 MARCH 4TH	4 School Board Meeting 6pm	5	6	7	8 Assembly 8:25am	ROOM 12– YEAR 4
WEEK 7 MARCH 11TH	11	12	13	14	15 Assembly 8:25am	ROOM 9– YEAR 1/2
WEEK 8 MARCH 18TH	18	19	20	21	22 Assembly 8:25am	ROOM 6 – TR
WEEK 9 MARCH 25TH	25	26	27	28 Assembly 8:25am P&F Easter Raffle draw -2:30pm assembly area	29 Good Friday	ROOM 11- YEAR 4
WEEK 10 APRIL 1ST	1 Easter Monday	2 Easter Mass 9:30am Church	3	4	5 Assembly 8:25am	ROOM 5 - TR

Shrove Tuesday



Ash Wednesday



FREE ALL GIRLS COME & TRY



CASUARINA F.C.
EST 1977
DIGNITY IN SPORT

SAT 17TH FEB
10AM - 11:30AM

PORTUGUESE / TIMORESE CLUB
END OF BATTEN RD, MARRARA

REGISTER YOUR INTERSET
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Like us on Facebook for any updates
f Casuarina Football Club

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WEDNESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY
5:30PM - 7PM

TRACY VILLAGE SOCIAL & SPORTS CLUB
28 TAMBLING TERRACE, LYONS

WILLEMING ATHLETIC CLUB
1958

SIGN-ON DAY

FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS

New and past players, coaches & anyone wanting to give soccer a go!

- Bring boots/closed shoes and water bottle
- Soccer training & games
- Fun activities for the kids
- Sausage sizzle

SPORT VOUCHER

LIVE WELL FEB FIT LIVE LONGER

Contact the club directly for more information on our [f](#) [@](#)

Mini Roos FOOTBALL AUSTRALIA

MiniTillies, let's play!

Football NT
23 Abala Road
Marrara

5:00PM - 6:00PM

MONDAY
19th FEB - 25th MAR

\$100.00 - includes participant pack

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REGISTER NOW
minirooms.com.au/minitillies

DIVERSITY is our game Northern Territory Government



Become a Rowdie in 2024

SIGN ON DAY
SAT 17 FEB 2024
11.30AM - 2PM

PORTUGUESE / TIMORESE SOCIAL CLUB
END OF BATTEN RD, MARRARA

NEW & RETURNING PLAYERS WELCOME

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