



**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...

### Welcome to Term 2

Welcome back to Term 2. The dry season is slowly creeping in and is making for slightly cooler mornings. Everyone has settled back into the routines of the school term. We have lots of events this term including school camps, our school's 40th birthday, sport gala days just to name a few.

### Semester 2 - New Principal

As you would be aware, I am currently the Acting Principal for Term Two. From Term Three onwards a new Principal will take over and I will return to my role as Deputy Principal. Just today, the announcement was made that Jen Rudyard will be the new Principal. Jen is currently the Principal at St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School in Humpty Doo. More information is in on the circular attached.

### Holy Family 40th Birthday

On Wednesday 3rd May, Holy Family Catholic Primary School is turning 40 years old. On this day we will be holding a brief assembly at 10.15am where we will sing happy birthday and cut a cake. This will be followed by morning tea for parents and staff in the staffroom. Families are invited to attend. On Friday 23rd June, Week 10, we will be having a day of celebration. More info is in the flyer later in the newsletter. For the remainder of the year we will be running a 'Where are they now?' section in our fortnightly newsletters. If you know or can think of anyone you feel we should contact for this please let me know.

### Security Screens

If you visit the office you will see that security screens have been installed on the main admin doors and windows. This was a recommendation in order to make our school safer after recent break ins.

### Deck Area

Our deck area, next to the assembly area, has been quite an eyesore for some time now. Towards the end of Term One the deck was completely ripped up due to the wood rotting and becoming unsafe and unstable. We are currently exploring options for this space to be purposefully reused and looking at utilising the area as a sensory garden. Stephanie Pollock, Inclusion Support Practitioner, has visited other schools and is working on the initial design phases for this space.

### Projector Works - Assembly Postponed

I am very pleased to let everyone know that our projector and sound system is being upgraded after waiting for months for parts to be made and sent to Darwin. Half of the assembly area will be out of bounds whilst the works take place and this will mean pushing Friday's assembly back until Tuesday 2nd May (Monday is a public holiday).

#### ANZAC Prayer

Lord God, help us this day to remember the sacrifice of the first ANZACs, Australian and New Zealander, and the generations of men, women and children who have died in the cause of liberty and peace.

Help us to remember those who still bear the physical and mental scars and disabilities of their service.

Help us to remember all those who waited in vain for the return of a loved one.

Help us to remember the mateship, agony, courage and compassion of war service, but save us from ever glorifying the horror and tragedy of war.

Lord God, help us to remember.

Amen.

## Homework

Our homework policy has been updated and sets out the school's expectations regarding homework for different year levels. If you would like to see a copy of the Homework Policy please ask. We encourage all students at Holy Family Catholic Primary School to:

- Read daily – this can include; reading to a parent/older sibling, being read to by a parent or older sibling and/or reading independently.
- Access the following online platforms, (your child's classroom teacher will provide any relevant logins and passwords for online platforms.)
  - Transition – Reading Eggs
  - Year 1 and 2 – Reading Eggs, Matific
  - Years 3-6 – Mathletics, Kids News
- Complete additional at home tasks based on the activity grid provided by your child's classroom teacher.

## Abstudy

Abstudy aims to support students' transition to high school by assisting families in visiting high schools with their child before enrolling them. Abstudy can help arrange and pay for travel, accommodation and meals when visiting for open days, interviews and orientation activities. For further information on this please visit [servicesaustralia.gov.au/abstudy](http://servicesaustralia.gov.au/abstudy) for more information.

## School Camp Expression of Interest Forms

Our school camps will take place this term. Year 4 will visit the Territory Wildlife Park for a one night camp on Thursday 1st June to Friday 2nd June. The Year 5/6 cohort will have a two night stay at Adventure Bound from Wednesday 14th June to Friday 16th June. Expression of interest forms will be sent to families on Operoo in the coming week.

## P&F money - Junior Hub Play Equipment

The junior hub have used some of our Parents and Friends funds to purchase some more play equipment for the shared space. Learning through play provides opportunities for children to actively and imaginatively engage with people, objects and the environment.



## Monster Truck Visit

Thank you to those parents who nominated Holy Family in the Facebook post to have a Monster Truck come and visit the school. With so many nominations we were one of the luck winners! On Friday 5th May from 1.50pm, the truck will be parked on our soccer oval (behind the basketball courts). Classes/groups will be scheduled a time slot to go and have a look. Parents and families are welcome to come along also. Thanks to Monster Truck Masters for this opportunity.



## P&F Easter Raffle

Congratulations to all the children and families who took a prize home in our Parents and Friends Easter Raffle. Thanks for all the donations and generosity.



# Catholic Identity Sacramental Program

The sacrament of First Holy Communion, for baptised Catholics in Year 4 and above, will commence on Sunday, 30th of April, with a mass and enrolment, commencing at 5:30pm. Classes will begin on May 5th and First Holy Communion Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, 18th of June at 9am in Holy Family Parish Church. A school class will run from 3-4pm in Room 19 if we have sufficient numbers. There will be a Friday and Sunday class at the parish from 4-5pm also. Please contact Mr Walter via Dojo or [andrew.walter@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:andrew.walter@nt.catholic.edu.au) for any queries. Please keep all our candidates in your thoughts and prayers as they prepare to receive the body of Christ for the first time.

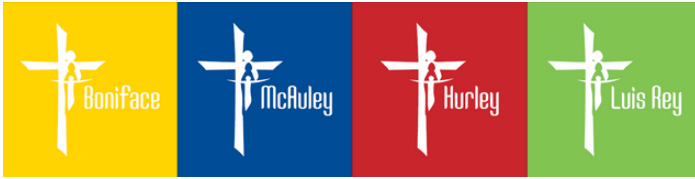
## Liturgies & Masses

We have a busy term ahead regarding sacraments and liturgical celebrations and we wish all our classes well as they prepare to celebrate our various events with prayerful and joyful observances. We look forward to Mother's Day special liturgy in Week 4 and hope to see many families come along. Thanks to Room 12 for helping us to commemorate our Anzac Liturgy on Monday morning. Here are some further details for our upcoming Liturgies & Masses;



Term 2 Week	Date	Time	Event/Location	Class and Teacher
4	12 <sup>th</sup> May Friday	7:30-8:00am	Mother's Day Prayer Liturgy @ Assembly Area (Sun 14th May) *no assembly*	Room 5 (T) Miss Chow
5	18th May Thursday	8:25-9:00am	Ascension of Jesus Prayer Liturgy @ assembly area	HIVE 19 Miss Emma/Mrs Twartz
6	26th May Friday	8:25-9:00am	Pentecost Liturgy (Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> May) @ assembly area	Mrs Schultz Room 10
8	5th June Monday	6.40pm	Sacrament - Reconciliation before 1st Holy Communion @ HF Church	Parish/APRE
8	18th June Sunday	9.00 am	Sacrament - First Holy Communion @ HF Church	Parish
10	23 <sup>rd</sup> June Friday	9:30-10:30am	Holy Family Mass (Bishop Charles) @ HF Church	HIVE 18 Mr Atkinson

# Be Our Best Selves - BOBS



The Year 3/4 classes have been unpacking our BOBS behaviours and noting down examples of what Mercy, Respect and Courage looks like, sounds like and feels like across various areas of the school.

## AIEW Highlights

Congratulations to one of our parents, Allira Braun, who completed the Boston Marathon last week. For those who don't know, a marathon is 42.2 kilometres!

Allira is a Kungarakan and Gurindji woman from Darwin. Her son Lucian is a Year 6 student at Holy Family.

Allira became the first Indigenous women to complete all six world marathons after first running in the New York City Marathon in 2014, following her selection as part of the Indigenous Marathon Project team. She then went on to complete marathons in Berlin, Chicago, London and Tokyo. Finishing all six of the world's major marathons is a feat completed by only 278 Australians.

Congratulations Allira, you are an inspiration to so many.



## School Photographs

Our School Photo day is on Wednesday, 10 May 2023 and catch up day Thursday, 11 May 2023.

Individual envelopes have been sent home with students.

Sibling envelopes can be collected from the front office.

Payment online directly to The School Photographer is preferred as the school DOES NOT receipt monies.

Any questions please call our front office on 8927 6188.



## Happy Birthday!

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

**Asher Middleton**

**Kevin Mukendi**

**Khyden Rioli**

**JB Cannard**

**Jasmine Kilpatrick**

**Zoe Jennings**

**Amalia Muhandiram**

**Max Muller**

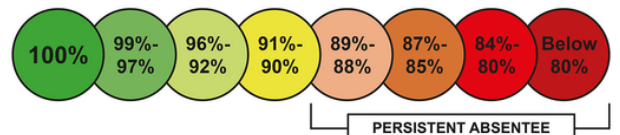
**Anthony Rogers**

**Leanne Tomlins**

**Lennox Motlop**

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



## Which CIRCLE are you in?



IDEAS IN NUTRITION

### Vegetables are Very Good

Accredited Practising Dietitians recommend sending vegetables to school every day. Vegetables are packed full of vitamins, minerals and fibre. You could try...

- 1** Get your kids involved  
Could they help you shop for, put away, chop or taste the vegetables?
- 2** Chose a vegetable they like  
You could ask, "What vegetable would you like in your lunch box? What shape would you like your vegetable to be cut?"  
Make it easy
- 3** Vegetables can be a bit harder to chew. If you think they are finding it tricky you could try cutting it into smaller pieces or mixing it into a wet dish.
- 4** Pick the right time  
After school and just before dinner are often hungry times for kids. This can be a good time to offer vegetables.





# Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at Assembly on 6th April 2023.

<b>Rm 19-5</b>	Preston May Kate Ocampo
<b>Rm 18-6</b>	Leila Racines Frederick Gomez
<b>Rm 17-6</b>	Zara Peachey Aibel Alwin
<b>Rm 12-3/4</b>	Charlie Selby Jacob James
<b>Rm 11-3/4</b>	Alex Sugg Eugene Johny
<b>Rm 10 - 3/4</b>	Kylah Constantine Alannah Campion
<b>Rm 9 - 2</b>	Eli Whipp Anna Russell
<b>Rm 8 - 1</b>	Georgia Macpherson JB Cannard
<b>Rm 7 - 1</b>	Darcie Hodges Willow Minns
<b>Rm 6 - T</b>	Zoe Richters Amelie Trenfield
<b>Rm 5 - T</b>	Jerome Cubillo Abigail Macul
<b>Preschool</b>	Maddison Scriven Finn Baksh
<b>Performing Arts</b>	Maria Tsakrios
<b>AIEW</b>	Louisa Tomlins
<b>Japanese</b>	Emily Chudleigh
<b>PE</b>	Mitchell McGhee
<b>Courage Award</b>	Jack Anstess



# Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at Assembly on 21st April 2023.

<b>Rm 19-5</b>	Riley Clark Lily Hill-Corpus
<b>Rm 18-6</b>	Zoe King Kainoa Dixon
<b>Rm 17-6</b>	Louisa Tomlins Kayla-Rose Lay
<b>Rm 12-3/4</b>	Nikolaos Anyfantakis Emily Jones
<b>Rm 11-3/4</b>	Che-Karl Hampton Evadene Nheu
<b>Rm 10 - 3/4</b>	Rose Butsamalee Jasmine King
<b>Rm 9 - 2</b>	Tyra Walsh Jayce Riley
<b>Rm 8 - 1</b>	Tisharni Duggan Ruby Jorgensen
<b>Rm 7 - 1</b>	Callan Scott Franceine Wilde-Perala
<b>Rm 6 - T</b>	Elijah Arthur Amara Culas
<b>Rm 5 - T</b>	Joshua Heath Aiden Mansell
<b>Performing Arts</b>	Riley Clark
<b>AIEW</b>	Grace Hill
<b>Japanese</b>	Indiana McKeon
<b>Mercy Award</b>	Cloe Jones

# Spotlight On Staff



**Position**  
Classroom Teacher Year 1

**How long they have been at Holy Family?**

2 years.

**What is something people may not know about you?**

I can quote most of the movie, "The Princess Bride."

**Lisa Skinner**



**Position**  
Team Leader at ELC

**How long they have been at Holy Family?**

This is my 3rd year.

**What is something people may not know about you?**

I recently got married and my new surname translates to rose.

**Olga Triantafillos**

# Spotlight On Learning



**Room 10**

Students have been learning about warning signs for keeping kids safe. Students thought of examples that they consider unsafe and have made posters about what to do if they experience warning signs or feel unsafe.

"We made posters our topic was camping, and it is the middle of the night. We also wrote about body messages and how to deal with the situation. We wrote about warning signs such as shivering, butterflies in the tummy, feeling sick and a thumping heart. We also, wrote about how we would feel in the situation like scared, unsafe and worried." Alannah and Jamila.

"If your outside at night and you're scared take breaths." Pantelis and Hunter.

"We have learnt about fire drills. Our favourite part was making our posters. We learnt fire drills are important." Jasmine, Natayah and Madison.

"Sometimes it can not be safe to ride your bike without a helmet." Ava.

"Me and my partner made a poster about getting sunburnt at the beach. It was fun to make it with him and we made so much stuff. Rohi made a book and I did the writing." Noah and Rohi.

# Term Two Calendar – 2023

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Assembly
WEEK 2 APRIL 24TH	24	25 <i>Public Holiday Anzac Day</i>	26	27	28 Year 5/6 Hockey Gala Day	
WEEK 3 JUNE 1ST	1 <i>Public Holiday May Day</i>	2 Assembly 8:25am (postponed from Fri 28th April)	3 Holy Family 40th Birthday	4	5 Assembly 8:25am	ROOM 11 – 3/4
WEEK 4 MAY 8TH	8	9 O'Loughlin Open Day Year 6	10 School Photo Day 1	11 School Photo Day 2	12 Mother's Day Breakfast and Prayer Liturgy	
<i>Mother's Day Stall</i>						
WEEK 5 MAY 15TH	15 Week 4 Assembly  School Board Meeting	16	17	18 Ascension of Jesus Liturgy at 8:25sm	19 Year 5/6 AFL Gala Day	ROOM 8 – 1 COLOUR FUN RUN LAUNCH
WEEK 6 MAY 22ND	22	23	24	25	26 National Sorry Day Pentecost Liturgy at 8:25sm	ROOM 10 – 3/4
WEEK 7 MAY 29TH	29	30	31	1	2 Assembly 8:25	ROOM 17 – 6
<i>Year 4 School Camp</i>						
WEEK 8 JUNE 5TH	5	6 Athletics Carnival	7	8	9 Assembly 8:25	ROOM 12 – 3/4
WEEK 9 JUNE 12TH	12 <i>Public Holiday King's Birthday</i>	13	14	15	16 Assembly 8:25	PRESCHOOL
<i>Year 5/6 School Camp</i>						
WEEK 10 JUNE 19TH	19 School Board Meeting	20	21 School Reports emailed	22	23 Holy Family 40th Birthday Celebrations Last Day of Term 2	ROOM 19 – 5

# Term Three Calendar – 2023

WEEK 1 JULY 17TH	17 Pupil Free Day	18 Students Return	19	20 Assembly 8:25	21 <i>Public Holiday Darwin Show Day</i>	
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# CELEBRATING 40 YEARS



## 3rd May 2023

**COME AND JOIN US  
ON THE 3RD MAY AT  
10.15AM TO SING  
'HAPPY BIRTHDAY'  
AND STAY FOR  
MORNING TEA**



**OUR WHOLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY IS  
INVITED TO A DAY OF CELEBRATION  
ON THE LAST DAY OF TERM.**

**FRIDAY 23RD JUNE**

**8.25AM – ASSEMBLY**

**9.30AM – MASS AT HOLY FAMILY  
CHURCH OFFICIATED BY BISHOP CHARLES**

**11.00AM – BIRTHDAY COLOUR FUN RUN**

**1.00PM – LUNCH – EVERYONE WELCOME**

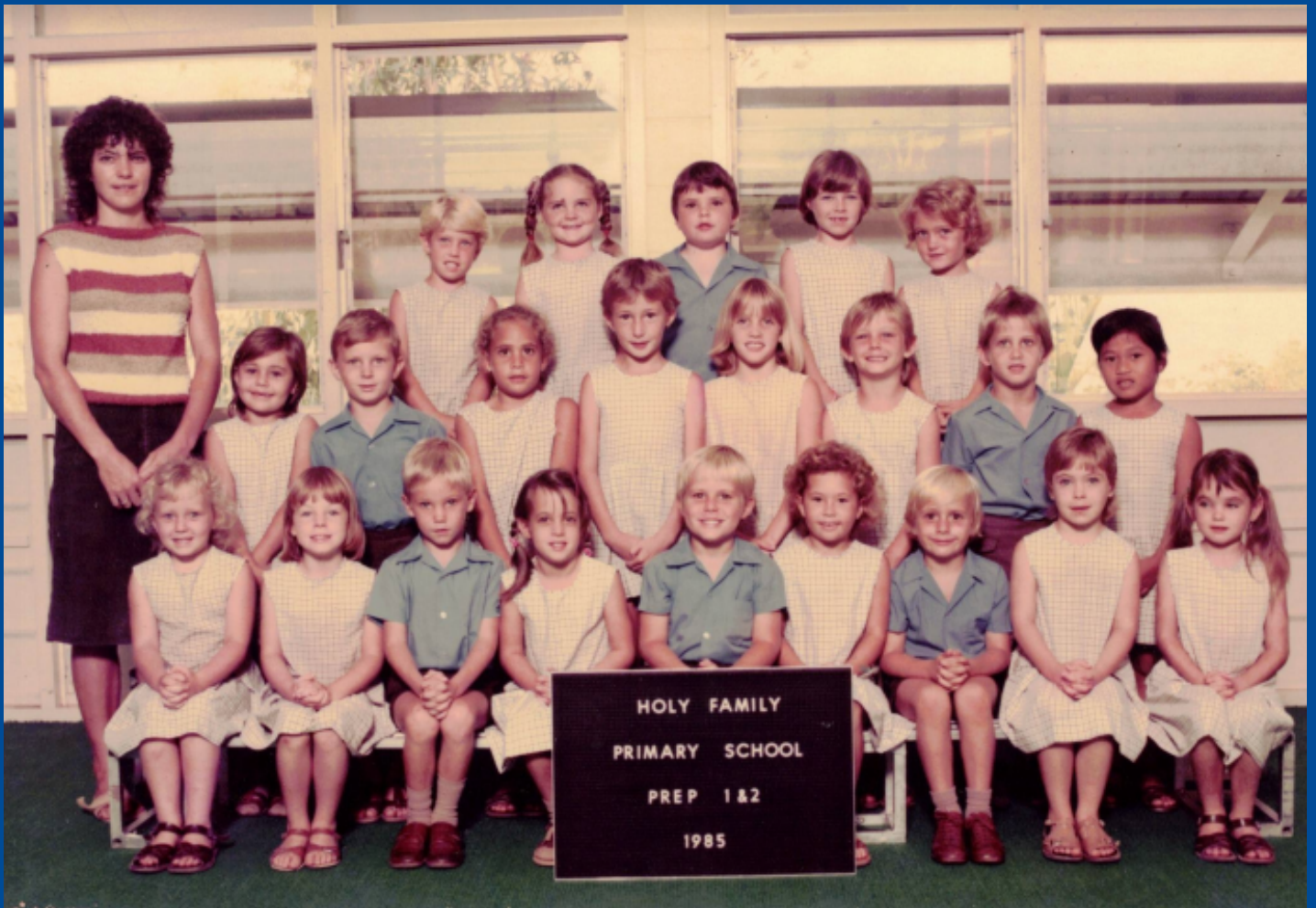
**PAST  
STUDENTS,  
STAFF &  
FAMILIES**

We would love for you to attend the celebrations, however, we understand if you can't make it. If you would like to share any of your fond memories of the school and staff please send a video or email to [lauren.oshea@nt.catholic.edu.au](mailto:lauren.oshea@nt.catholic.edu.au) and we will share with the school community.

# CELEBRATING 40 YEARS

## Where Are They Now?

Jenny Cuhl



This class photo is from 1985. Can you recognise anyone? What a blast from the past!!!

Jenny started on the very first day Holy Family opened their doors to students, in 1983. She was a Teacher's Assistant. Jenny stopped working in 1986, as she was pregnant with her son Liam. She also had another son, Jordan, before returning to Holy Family in 1993. Both her boys attended Holy Family as well. Jenny finished working at Holy Family in 2011 as an ISA, I had also worked at the Homework Centre during my time at Holy Family. Now I am enjoying my retirement, playing the Ukulele and spending time with my 8 grandchildren.

One of Jenny's greatest memories at Holy Family was the annual Early Childhood Breakfast.

Transition, Year 1 and Year 2 students arrived at school earlier than usual, dressed in their PJs, with their teddies and their supply of eating utensils. The undercover area was set up with long tables covered in decorated newsprint, done by students in the lead up to the event.

The breakfast choices included two to three cereals, toast, two to three different spreads, juice and milk. These supplies were placed in the middle of the tables for kids to serve themselves.

On completion of the breakfast, the kids cleaned their utensils in wash buckets then dried them. Next it was time to change into school clothes before starting their day in the classroom.

Teachers dressed aptly, some in dressing gowns, slippers and their hair in rollers.

This event required lots of parental support so these parents got to experience the excitement of the kids and the wonderful time enjoyed by all.

This event was part of the School's Camp programme in the 1990s. In those days Year 6-7 went on camp (Year 7 was part of Holy Family then), Year 4-5 went to Bachelor Camp, Year 3 had sleepover at school and then Year T-2 Breakfast.



Jenny Cuhl





# O'LOUGHLIN CATHOLIC COLLEGE

# Year 6 Open Day



**9th May**  
**2023**

**8.30<sub>am</sub> - 2.00<sub>pm</sub>**

**'Make us One in  
Christ'**

**Experience a day in the life of  
a year 7 student at  
O'Loughlin Catholic College.**

**BOOK NOW!**

<https://forms.gle/ToDeRHaxF8jG3AqbA>

**Ph: 8945 1277**