



NEWSLETTER

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MASS TIMES

Holy Rosary – Hamelin St
 Saturday's 6pm Sunday's 10am
 Weekday Masses – Tues - Sat 9.15am

St Francis Xavier – Strickland Rd
 Sunday – 8.30am

CALENDAR

JUNE 2023

Friday 2 nd	PSG Meetings
Wed 7 th	PSG Meetings
Wed 7 th	Soccer Carnival (Gr 5/6)
Fri 9 th	PSG Meetings
Fri 9 th	Ananse Stories Music Incursion (F – 2)
Fri 9 th	FIRE Carrier Commissioning – 2.45pm
Mon 12th	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Wed 14 th	PSG Meetings
Thur 15 th	CMC Production Excursion (Gr 5 & 6)
Fri 16 th	PSG Meetings
Fri 16th	Pizza Day
Wed 21 st	PSG Meetings
Fri 23 rd	PSG Meetings
Fri 23rd	Last Day Term 2 – 2.15pm dismissal

JULY 2023

Mon 10th	First Day Term 3
Mon 17 th	Learning Conversations
Tue 18 th	Terry Jarvis Art Incursion (Gr 5 & 6)
Tue 18 th	Learning Conversations
Wed 19 th	Netball Carnival (Gr 6)
Tue 25 th	Girls Football Carnival (Gr 5/6)
Wed 26 th	Boys Football Carnival (Gr 5/6)
Fri 28 th	Holy Rosary Athletics Carnival



Check out our school Facebook page to stay up to date with the latest news!
<https://www.facebook.com/holyrosaryprimaryschoolwhitehills/>

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It was a wonderful celebration of Confirmation and Eucharist on Saturday night. Having Bishop Shane with us to celebrate the occasion was special for all involved and the children were a credit to their families and the school. The celebration itself was both reflective and meaningful to the Parish, school and families of the children who were anointed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and welcomed at the Table of the Lord for the first time. Celebrating sacraments are very important milestones for our children as they develop a deeper understanding of the importance of Jesus Christ in their lives.

Attending this celebration on Saturday night reminded me of my First Communion and the significance it has had on my life. We continue to pray that our Grade 3 students will always remember receiving the Eucharist for the first time and that they too, will continue to receive the Eucharist to develop a closer relationship with God and understand the importance God plays in their lives. A big thanks to the staff in attendance, our Grade 3 teachers and Jo Thurley for her guidance and organisation, it was certainly a successful and meaningful evening.

On Saturday we began National Reconciliation Week which marks a significant moment in Australia's ongoing journey towards healing and understanding. This annual observance, held from May 27th to June 3rd, provides an opportunity to reflect on the country's shared history, honor the resilience of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, and foster meaningful conversations for reconciliation. With a theme of "Be a Voice for Generations" the week encourages individuals and communities to actively engage in dialogue, promote respect, and take concrete steps towards addressing systemic inequalities. National Reconciliation Week 2023 serves as a powerful reminder of the importance of unity, respect, and truth-telling in building a just and inclusive society for all Australians.



After a long but successful process I am happy to announce that Myf Truscott will take on the role of social worker at our school. Myf comes with a wealth of experience and knowledge having worked in a number of settings, most recently Marist College. She will begin work, 3 days per week (Monday – Wednesday), beginning on June 13th. I am sure you will join with me in welcoming Myf to Holy Rosary and look forward to working with her.

I will be taking some time away for the remainder of the term, as I am heading to Chicago Theological College completing some additional studies. In my absence Mrs Thurley will be the acting principal and I trust she will fulfil the role confidently with your ongoing support. I look forward to returning for term 3.

Congratulations to Mr Geary and his wife Trish on the safe arrival of their daughter 'Penelope Geary'. Mr Geary will be on leave for the next three weeks and is being replaced in the classroom by Mr Scott. I wish Ollie and his family every blessing with the addition of Penelope to their family, we look forward to meeting her in the future and feel sure she will bring them much joy.



Paul Wilkinson (Principal)

SCHOOL NEWS

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

CLASS PARISH MASS

This week our Grade 3 classes will be attending and actively participating in the Parish Mass on Friday morning at 9.15am.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Congratulations to the 18 students who participated in the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation on Saturday night. It was wonderful to see so many members of our school community coming together to support the candidates as they took the next step in their faith journey. A special thank you to the students of the School Choir who volunteered their time to ensure the singing was memorable too. Thank you to all the staff who also supported and helped make the evening a successful one, it was a very joyous occasion for all.



2023 F.I.R.E CARRIERS COMMISSIONING CEREMONY

On Friday 9th June, during assembly, Holy Rosary will be commissioning our new group of students and staff into the F.I.R.E Carrier Program. After reading and reviewing many excellent applications, Mrs Thurley and Mr Van Der Staay had the great pleasure of selecting five Grade 5 students to join our current F.I.R.E Carriers. We welcome and encourage families, members of the parish and local community members to attend and celebrate the achievement of these students.

Congratulations to Delilah Boland, Liam Gladman, Thomas Barlow, Hannah Torney, and Summer Whyte.

We will have the great opportunity for Mr Troy Firebrace to attend and facilitate the ceremony for us, welcoming the staff and students into a lifelong community.

About the F.I.R.E Carrier Program

The aim of the FIRE (Friends Igniting Reconciliation through Education) Carrier Project is to promote respect, fairness and inclusion for Aboriginal peoples. The FIRE Carrier Project promotes enculturation and reconciliation in Sandhurst schools.

Students within this program at Holy Rosary will be given the opportunity to engage in First Nations culture and lead others in making positive changes towards reconciliation and new learning opportunities within our school and community. - *Conor Van Der Staay (Indigenous Education Coordinator)*

UNIFORMS

A reminder to families that **sporting team uniforms (e.g. netball hoodies, football beanies) are not part of the school uniform.** We ask that they are worn on weekends or when the children are representing the school at a sporting events only. We have jackets and warm windcheaters that form part of the uniform.

All students are also now expected to be wearing their **winter uniform.** If your child is not able to wear their winter uniform for any reason, please make sure to contact your child's classroom teacher.



LEARNER DIVERSITY: PROGRAM SUPPORT GROUP "PSG" MEETINGS

REMINDER: The Program Support Group (PSG) Meetings have been scheduled and will begin on Friday. Please check your PAM account for your allocated appointment and note it in your diary/calendar. **PSG meetings will take place each Wednesday and Friday during Term 2; beginning in week 6 (Friday 2nd June) through to Week 9 (Friday 23rd June).** Meetings will run for **35 minutes** to allow parents, teachers and the Learner Diversity Leader to discuss the student's personalised learning plan (PLP) with an emphasis on the students goals that have been put in place to support the learning for your child.

All meetings have been scheduled as 'virtual meetings'. If you would like your meeting to take place onsite please forward this preference to Mandy via email. If you can not view your time please feel free to contact the office and they will be able to assist you, alternatively you can email Mandy mantoniadis@hrwhitehills.catholic.edu.au.

The scheduled meetings provide collaborative discussions between school, home and external therapeutic support for students with additional needs within our school. These conversations support the set goals and adjustments that are developed to guide and reinforce the learning that takes place within the school setting.

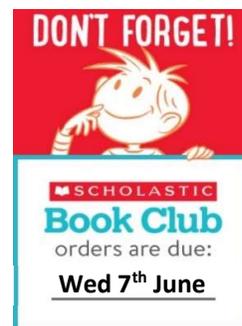
SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB – ORDERS DUE WEDNESDAY 7TH JUNE

The Issue 4 Book Club catalogue was sent home last week. Ordering books through Book Club is an easy way to offer students the best in children's books for the home and to encourage independent reading for fun.

Plus, every order you place earns the school FREE books and learning resources.

Need more information about Book Club? To view the Parent's Guide to Book Club visit https://issuu.com/scholastic_australia/docs/scholastic_book_club_parent_guide?fr=sODVIMDMONDUSMDI

Please note: Book Club orders must be placed online via LOOP. No cash orders will be accepted at the school office.



SCHOOL SPORT – WHAT'S HAPPENING?!

Troy Coates (PE Coordinator)



GYMNASTICS PROGRAM: FOUNDATION – GRADE 2

Last week our Foundation to Grade 2 students were able to attend a four session program at Palmer's Gym. The students had lots of fun and were able to use a range of equipment including fully sprung floor, ropes, rings, bars, balance beams, trampolines, foam pit, loads of gymnastic shapes. The program aims to provide a quality gymnastics experience to all participants, extending them through the use of various gymnastics apparatus. This program for the students aims to develop skills such as swinging, bouncing, jumping, landing, cartwheels, handstands and rolling.



PASTORAL CARE

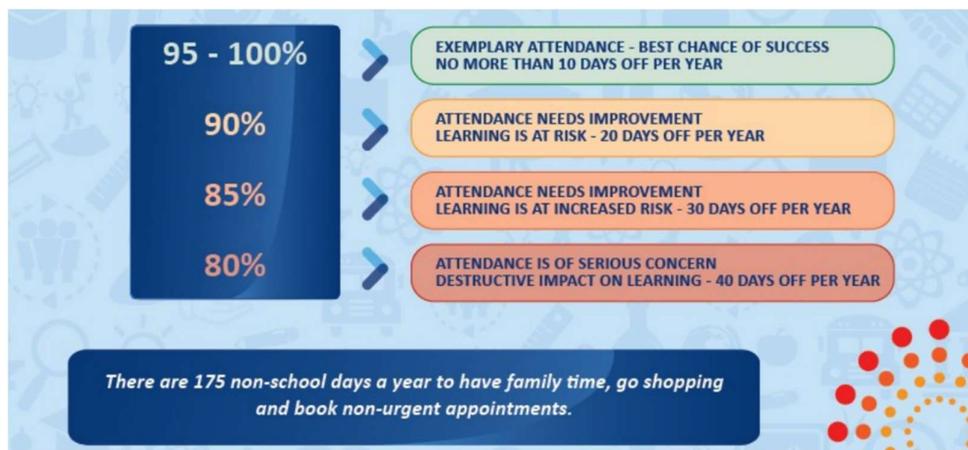
As the weather becomes colder and students are starting to wear school jumpers to school, please remember if your child misplaced their jumper to please check lost property. It is important to also make sure your child's jumper is LABELLED with their name. If the jumper is labelled we can return the item straight back to the classroom to the student. If you have any old uniforms you would like to donate to second hand uniform shop, we would be grateful for any donations. Second hand uniforms also assist us to replace wet or damp clothing for students if they fall into puddles or get a little muddy.

Food share has many items to share with families in our community. Please come and pack a bag for yourself or others you may know who may need assistance. - Megan Gerrish (Pastoral Care, Wellbeing and Compliance Leader)

ATTENDANCE

As the winter bugs start to impact our health and wellbeing we ask if your child is unwell to please stay home.

However it is important to note how important it is for your child to be at school when they are well. We as a broad school community aim for students to be at school 95% of the time. If your child has an attendance rate of 95% at the end of the term this would equate to them having 1 week away from the classroom. Over the whole year if your child has an attendance rate of 95% it means they have missed 4 weeks of learning in the classroom. If you are concerned about your child's attendance please speak to your child's teacher. Attendance rates can be discussed at any time, especially during learning conversations at the start of each term. - Megan Gerrish (Pastoral Care, Wellbeing and Compliance Leader)



CYBER SAFETY

As a parent it is our responsibility to support, monitor and teach our children how to be safe online. There are many services available to assist you to learn how to support your children online and to ensure you have the knowledge of where to get support if something does go wrong. There are many people who try to manipulate our children when they are online. Without it being your child's fault they may be in contact with people who are unknown to them and willing to exploit their limited knowledge of staying safe online. Please be vigilant and monitor your child while online, have regular conversations about being safe online and if you need further support or resources contact the esafety commissioner website <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>

- Megan Gerrish (Pastoral Care, Wellbeing and Compliance Leader)

STUDENT NEWS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are; Sienna Gladstone, Thomas Barlow, Olivia Percival, Jack Yates, Hamish Scullie, Hannah Torney, Luciana Turner-Eylander & Chelsea Wings. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



	Students of the Week
FJM	Carter
FMM	Hannah
1CV	Patrick
1GS	Hunter
2JH	Flynn
2SD	Lauren
3CW	Josh
3OG	Zane
4BD	Tazmin
4LS	Maitilda
5DL	Bella
5JO	Henry
6DW	Lily
6MG	Dakota

AROUND THE SCHOOL: SYDNEY DANCE COMPANY

On Wednesday, May 24th, Brad and Bridget came down from the Sydney Dance Company to show the Grade 5's and 6's some dance moves.

We had lots of fun learning stuff that they do in the dance company. Brad and Bridget told us about different dance styles. Everyone joined in and had a bit of a joke because no-one was that good at dance so it was really funny!

Brad and Bridget were really nice and showed us the moves really slowly so we could understand what to do. Once we learned a section they helped us do it with the music. – *Grace (6DW)*

With Brad and Bridget from the Sydney Dance Company, we learned lots of dance moves and had lots of fun. They do tours all around Australia. There was lots of stretching and loud music. Everybody had lots of fun and learned lots from Brad and Bridget. They really challenged us. They brought so much fun to the school and we did lots of dance and movement games and activities. It was so much fun for all the grade 5's and 6's. – *Alex (6DW)*



TEAM VIC TRIALS

Last Monday 22nd May, Tom (6MG) participated in the Victorian Team AFL Trials. He did so well that he once again made it into the next round of trials. 70 boys were at the trials, with only 30 continuing on to the next round of trials held in Melbourne.

Unfortunately, Tom did not make it through the Melbourne round held on Sunday, but he has done a fantastic job representing Holy Rosary. Trials started with 700 boys, just 3 weeks ago, with Tom making it into the top 150. Tom had a great time and made lots of new friends from all over Victoria.

P&F NEWS

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Have you been thinking about volunteering in our school Canteen but not sure that you have what it takes? Good news! You don't need any special culinary skills; just a friendly can-do attitude and a Working with Children Check!

We are well into Term 2 and still have a few more spots to fill in our roster. If you, or anyone in your extended family is keen to help out, please get in touch. We love seeing our community get involved, whether it be parents, grandparents, or even older brothers and sisters!

Please note, volunteers must report directly to the school office to sign in and must provide a copy of their WCC or VIT card and other necessary volunteer paperwork. Volunteers DO NOT need to hold a Food Handling Certificate.

Should we not have enough volunteers for the coming week by Thursday morning, we will be unable to offer our regular canteen. If you are able to volunteer in our Canteen, please contact the school office or Lindy Vance on 0409 067 404.

SPORTS & COMMUNITY NEWS

JUNIOR GIRLS FOOTY 4 FUN WITH AFLW STARS



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Want to experience football with AFLW Players Kerryn Peterson & Kodi Jacques? This is your opportunity!

Footy 4 Fun includes football activities, photo and autograph opportunities, giveaways and a BBQ for all participants. This FREE event is open to all girls aged 5 - 12 years old.

WHERE:
GOLDEN SQUARE FOOTBALL CLUB
WADE STREET, GOLDEN SQUARE

WHEN:
WEDNESDAY 21ST JUNE
4:30PM - 6:00PM



REGISTER HERE!

A Guide to Navigating Puberty: Parents & Caregivers

Bendigo Community Health Services invite you to our Puberty Education Evening for parents and caregivers.

When: 6.30pm, Wednesday 21st June
Refreshments available from 6pm

Where: Curri Wanyarra Wellbeing Centre
Multi-Purpose room

Registrations: Scan the QR code below:



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HOLY ROSARY CANTEEN

VOLUNTEER ROSTER - TERM 2 2023

DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEERS
JUNE 2023		
Fri 2 nd June	9.00am – 12.00pm	Dea Robertson & Susie Young
Fri 2 nd June	10.30am – 11:45am	Chelsea Kennedy
Fri 2 nd June	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Josie Postlethwaite
Thur 8 th June	9.00am – 11.00am	Rachael Sutton, Gabbie Irwin & Lauren Rogers
Fri 9 th June	9.00am – 12.00pm	Rebecca Skipper & Karly McConville
Fri 9 th June	10.30am – 11:45am	Volunteer Needed
Fri 9 th June	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Jen Ball
Thur 15 th June	9.00am – 11.00am	Carine Comer
PIZZA DAY Fri 16th June	10.00am – 12.00pm	Volunteer Needed & Volunteer Needed
PIZZA DAY Fri 16th June	10.40am – 11:45am	Tamara Ferguson & Jess Reeves
Fri 16 th June	1.30pm – 2.30pm	Jessica Bragg
Fri 23 rd June	9.00am – 12.00pm	Susie Young & Rachael Sutton
Fri 23 rd June	10.30am – 11:45am	Volunteer Needed