



NEWSLETTER

AFTER SCHOOL CARE: 5445 8300 (YMCA)

HOLY ROSARY WEB SITE: www3.hrwhitehills.catholic.edu.au

CALENDAR

AUGUST 2015

Mon 24 – Fri 28	Book Week
Wed 26	P&P Meeting 7.30pm
Wed 26	Gr 5 Leadership Day
Thurs 27	Book Week Parade – “Dress Up Day”
Fri 28	Father’s Day Stall
Fri 28	Swimming
Mon 31	Catholic School Athletics Carnival

SEPTEMBER 2015

Fri 4	Father’s Day Breakfast
Fri 4	Swimming
Fri 4	Meet & Greet - Travis Edwards
Wed 9 & Thur 10	P.S.G meetings
Thurs 10	Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews
Fri 11	Swimming
Fri 11	P.S.G meetings
Tues 15	Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews
Wed 16	Author Visit
Wed 16	P&P Meeting 7.30pm
Wed 16 & Thur 17	P.S.G meetings
Fri 18	Swimming
Fri 18	Last Day Term 3 – 2.15pm finish

OCTOBER 2015

Mon 5	First Day Term 4
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PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Sunday’s Gospel offers an opportunity to explore what being a disciple means. It was very difficult for some of Jesus’ followers to hear the words of today’s gospel. Jesus pointed to himself as the one in whom God chose to reveal himself. But the people could not bring themselves to call Jesus by the titles they reserved for God alone. Jesus knew there would be those who would not believe; those who started to follow him but could not continue. It is clear from this gospel that we can’t fully understand all that Jesus said. It is only through faith that we continue to follow him. When our children overhear our words or see us when we think they are not looking, which people in today’s gospel do they see? Are we the ones who grumble, the ones with shallow faith who half-heartedly follow Jesus? Or, are we like the disciples who recognise Jesus as the one who offers us eternal life? It may be easy to be the latter when we speak directly to our children, or when we know they are watching us. The true test of our faith, however, may be what we do away from our children’s presence.

Another busy week awaits with ‘Book Week’ and our traditional Dress up parade on Thursday central to the excitement. This year the theme for the 70th anniversary of the Children’s Book Council Awards is ‘Books Light Up Our World’. Dressing up and activities during the week are a great part of our celebrations and we look forward to a fantastic week for all.



MASS TIMES

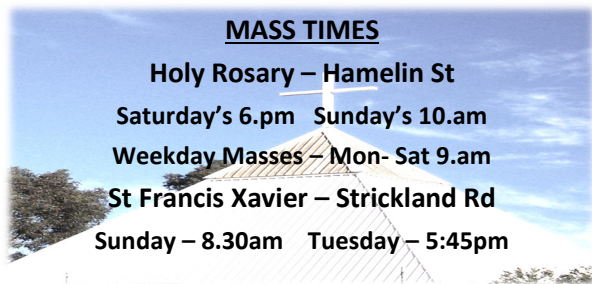
Holy Rosary – Hamelin St

Saturday’s 6pm Sunday’s 10am

Weekday Masses – Mon- Sat 9am

St Francis Xavier – Strickland Rd

Sunday – 8.30am Tuesday – 5:45pm



The response to our focus on improved wearing of uniform has been noticeable, and I would like to thank parents and children for your support in ensuring that we build a culture of pride and team within the school. As I wrote last week we have a great uniform and there are many reasons we wear it. Well done to the children in Gr 6 who represented our school in the Bendigo Basketball tournament proudly wearing our new uniform. Again thanks to the parents for your support and well done to the children who played with great sportsmanship and, despite not winning, had great fun.

Our athletics for both our senior (Tuesday) and our junior (Friday) children were a great success, and despite the hiccups of weather intervention, the children had a fantastic time participating in all events. A special thank you to the parents and family members who came along to support the children, your presence was certainly valued and much appreciated. It was great to see the Gr 6 children helping out as mentors and leaders on Friday, something we pride ourselves on at Holy Rosary. We look forward to the Gr

3-6 Catholic sports where our children will represent our school in the events in which they have achieved success. A final word of thanks to Mr Coates and Mrs Taylor who spent many hours planning and organising the events and to the staff who continue to encourage and support the children to be their best, it was great to be a part of the fun.



Our Gr 5 children spent 3 days at the Billabong Ranch school camp participating in bush craft, horse riding and many other great outdoor education activities. Again thanks to all the staff who attended and ensured that the children had a great time learning and working together. It is great to hear reports that ALL children were great representatives of the school and we look forward to their stories and return to school. Gr 5 children fresh from the school camp will attend our annual Catholic Schools Leaders day on Wednesday 26th August. This year, the children will be part of a program run by the Victorian Olympic committee with many former and existing Olympians running workshops as well as participating in initiative games and discussions. The day is a great addition to our existing school leadership program.

On Friday we welcomed Mr Travis Edwards to our school in the role of Pastoral Care and Wellbeing support. We will be organising a morning tea, get to know you morning on Friday 4th September at 9.00-10.00am All families are welcome please keep an eye on the newsletter for more details.

Paul Wilkinson
Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

DON'T BE THE ONLY ONE WHO DOESN'T HAVE THEIR SAY - SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT SURVEY

Thanks so much to everyone who has completed our short School Improvement survey. At Holy Rosary we value the contributions and feedback from the entire school community. It's not too late to have your say. Head to the link below:

Look at the next 3 year strategic plan we have developed, and help identify the strengths and challenges we have as a school.

Collation of the data will be read in detail and after which we can develop a clearer picture for the future direction of the school. We look forward to your input as we embark on an exciting chapter in the school's history. Please visit the link to complete the survey which will take 5-10 minutes (<http://goo.gl/forms/CGOUkTYniZ>).



SWIMMING



This term we have the YMCA swimming program on the last 4 Friday's. **These begin THIS Friday, the 28th August.**

The swimming times will be as follows:

9:30 - 10.10am - 5/6TC and Prep BZ

11:30 - 12:10pm - 3/4BS and 1CG

10:10 - 10:50am - 5/6LC and Prep MD

12:10 - 12:50pm - 3/4KC and 3/4JW

10:50 - 11:30am - 5/6BK and 1SH

12:50 - 1:30pm - 2DC and 2HS

Students will leave Holy Rosary approximately 30 minutes before their lesson, so children with a 9.30 lesson time must be at school prior to 9.00am, and return 30 minutes after their lesson finishes.

Students are to either wear their bathers under their school uniform or change in the school toilets before departure. They will change back into their school uniform prior to leaving the YMCA.

Students must bring bathers, towel and drink bottle. It is also recommended they bring goggles, thongs and a swimming cap (if they wear one). All items should be clearly named.

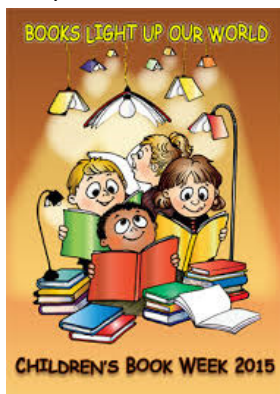
2015/2016 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM - RITE OF RECONCILIATION



In Term 4 students will begin their Sacramental Program with the Rite of Reconciliation being celebrated. This is open to Baptised students who are in Grade 2 or any other students (Grade 3 and above) who have not completed this program and wish to do so. If you are interested in your child participating in the 2015/2016 Sacramental Program, please fill in the form located in the office. Thanks, Mrs Carter

BOOKWEEK AT HOLY ROSARY

This year's Book Week will run from **Monday 24th to Friday 28th August**, with the theme being "Books Light Up Your World".



The following activities have been planned:

Monday 24th August: Grade 2DC and both Gr 1 classes will visit the Bendigo Library for Book Theatre from 2pm. The session will be based on the Book Week books

Monday 24th – Friday 28th August: Classes will have 'Special Guest' Readers in their class this week. Non-teaching staff will take some time out from their busy schedules to read to the students

Wednesday 26th August: Whole school rotation of art activities based on shortlist of Book Week books. From 11 30 am

Thursday 27th August: Whole school Book Week dress up parade at Ted's Shed from 9 am. Students to come to school dressed as their favourite book character

Wednesday 16th September: Trace Balla (writer & illustrator of Rivertime, 2015 Shortlisted Picture Book) will be visiting Holy Rosary to spend some time with our Gr 2 – 6 students.



*BOOK WEEK PARADE - Thursday 27th August
in Ted's Shed from 9.00am
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favourite book character*



DONATIONS: GR 3/4 ICU SUPPLIES



Over the next several weeks the Grade 3/4 students will be building models of their own environmentally friendly, energy efficient home as part of our Term 3 ICU project. If you have any scrap materials such as icy pole sticks, old shoeboxes, milk cartons, etc. that you would be happy to donate to our project please send them along with your child to give to Miss Watson. Thank you - Miss Watson, Mrs Carter & Mr Scott

TODDLERS IN THE GARDEN

For our next session, Friday 4th September, the activity is 'Gumboot/Shoe Planter', so please bring along 2 old kids shoes/gumboots. If you require any more information please see Eva Rosaia or ask at the Office.



COMMUNITY CARE



We ask families with their eldest child in Grade **5/6LC** to please donate a meal for the month of **August**. Please bring it into the office or directly into the freezer which is now located in the Gr 3/4 area. Thank you for your support. - Community Care Coordinators

CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS



We encourage you to set some time aside so that you can get the most out of your interactions with your child.

7. Play an adjective (describing word) game after reading. After reading have your child pick an object from one of the pages of their reader. An adjective to describe that object is named e.g. 'big'. All players then take turns to name something that this word describes (no repeats). E.g. *big* – elephant, mountain, aeroplane, giraffe etc.

STUDENT NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



This week we have just one student celebrating their birthday; Harley Taylor. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



	Name
PBZ	Nate Fitzpatrick & Grace Dobie
PMD	Rani Sheldon & Miller Connors
1CG	Carol Hanna, Ari Morrissey & Keely Berryman
1ST	Georgia Moulday & Brogan Smith
2HS & 2DC	Ella Cawley
3/4BS	Emarnee Davies, Audrey Gargiulo, Emily Fleming, Kyan Lobb & Zakai Morrissey
3/4JW	Lilli Sheahan & Connor Aisbett
3/4KC	Kelsey Jensen & Jamie Sutcliffe-Bullen
Gr 5/6	Tahlia Aisbett-Wright

LAST WEEK: Due to a busy week and a pupil free day last week, our students of the week were not featured in the newsletter. Last week the following students received student of the week awards; Isobel Crennan, Joel Foster, Zoe Reynolds, Zarah Reynolds, Emmerson Stroud, Charlie Mortimer, Matilda Meersbergen, Ayrton Filippi & Luca-Lee Purdon.

P&P NEWS

P&P MEETING: For your calendar, the next P&P meeting will be **this Wednesday 26th August** at 7.30pm.

FATHER'S DAY STALL



The P&P Committee will be holding their annual Father's Day stall **THIS Friday 28th August**. We have a great selection of gifts for students to choose from. Gifts are \$5.00 each including a card.

Due to the rapid growth of our school, it has been decided that a limit will be placed on the amount of gifts children can buy.

Thank you to the families that have returned their form and payment. If you are running late, we will continue to accept last minute payments until 9am Wednesday Morning.

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

The Father's day breakfast will be held on **Friday 4th September from 7.30 to 8.45 am** at Ted's shed. It's a great morning for families to spend together and have a wonderful breakfast. It's a chance to spoil the Dad's, Pa's and Grandpa's. Cost is \$10 per family (Max 2 adults, 4 children). **Please return the below form and payment by Monday 31st August.**

PARISH NEWS

ALTAR SERVER ROSTER

Saturday 29 August - Eli Flood & Chris Browne
Sunday 30 August - Will McGoldrick & Eli Pearce

Saturday 5 September – Dan Byrne
Sunday 6 September – Xavier Morrissey, Greta & Estella Murphy

NEW CHURCH FOYER

Holy Rosary Parish Council has decided to apply for a planning permit for the new church foyer. Earlier in the year the original plans were displayed and as a result of parishioners feedback the plans were amended. The new plans, which will be lodged with Bendigo City Council are on display at the Hamelin St entrance of the church.

COMMUNITY NEWS

ALZHEIMER'S AUSTRALIA MEMORY WALK & JOG

This year, Alzheimer's Australia Vic is bringing the Memory Walk & Jog to Bendigo's Strathdale Park, on Sunday 11th October. The Memory Walk & Jog is all about coming together with your friends and family and raising vital funds to support people impacted by dementia. Join the race against dementia by registering at memorywalk.com.au today!

GOLDEN SQUARE KINDERGARTEN - 50 YEAR CELEBRATION

This year marks 50 years since Golden Square Kindergarten opened its doors at 45 Panton Street. To celebrate this momentous occasion, a day honouring the kindergarten's contribution to education in Bendigo will be held for past and present students, families and educators on September 13th at 11am-3pm.

The Golden Square Kindergarten Committee are seeking contributions of photographs, memorabilia and memorable moments linked to the kindergarten with the vision being to display some of the kindergarten's heritage at the 50 year celebration. "Further input is being sought for another feature, the "where are they now" display, showing current photographs and captions of what previous students are now doing. Contributions can be posted to Golden Square Kindergarten PO Box 157 Golden Square, Vic 3555 or emailed to golden.square.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au

For more information phone on (03) 5443 7668

Event Details:

- 11am-3pm, 13th September, 2015
- Meet past and present students and educators
- Opening of Indigenous Garden & Flag raising ceremony at 11am
- Sausage sizzle, raffle, photo gallery and much more
- Birthday cake at 12 noon

BOOTS FOR ALL

Did you know that there are thousands of young Australians who are unable to participate in team sports because they do not have access to the correct equipment?

Boots for all is a not-for-profit organisation that break down barriers to sport participation and strengthens communities by collecting and distributing quality, new and used sporting equipment to vulnerable Australians.

SEDA will be collecting quality, lightly used sports gear and sports clothing (jumpers, t-shirts, shorts, tracksuits) throughout August and September, so if you have any spare football/soccer boots, sporting equipment or clothing, the donations would be greatly appreciated!

Please drop off all donations to Tom Flood Sports Centre between 9am and 3pm Tuesdays, Thursday and Fridays before 20th September.

For any queries or concerns please call Ailish on 0401 226 800 or email SEDA_bootsforall@hotmail.com

WHIPSTICK WARD MEETINGS

Ward Councillors – Mayor Peter Cox, Lisa Ruffell and James Williams

City of Greater Bendigo Whipstick Ward Meetings will be held from 7pm – 8.30pm on the following dates:

Sebastian	Monday August 31 st	Sebastian Hall - Sebastian Rd, Sebastian
Long Gully	Monday September 14 th	Long Gully Pavilion – Cunneen Street, Long Gully

Meeting times and dates are subject to change, to confirm, please visit www.bendigo.vic.gov.au

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Family Name: _____ No. Adults _____ No. Kids _____

Note: Maximum number per family will be 2 adults and 4 children. Contact the school office if you have any concerns.

To help co-ordinate this fantastic morning, we are asking for any volunteers who are able to assist. If you are able to help, please circle the most suitable timeslot below.

6.30 – 7.30 cooking breakfast

7.30 – 8.30 serving breakfast

8.30 – 9.30 cleaning up

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If you would like your child to purchase a gift (maximum 2 per child), **please return the below form and payment by 9am on Wednesday 26th August.**

Student Name: _____ Class: _____ Amount: _____

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