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MASS TIMES

Holy Rosary – Hamelin St

Saturday's 6pm Sunday's 10am

Weekday Masses – Tues - Sat 9am

St Francis Xavier – Strickland Rd

Sunday – 8.30am

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2019

Tue 26	2020 Foundation Transition Sessions
Tue 26	School Board Meeting
Wed 27	Bendigo Cinemas Excursion (Gr 2)
Wed 27	First Aid Incursion (F – 6)
Thur 28	Casual Clothes Day
Fri 29	Pupil Free Day – Staff PD

DECEMBER 2019

Mon 2 – Fri 6	Swimming Lessons (F – 2)
Thu 5	P & F AGM
Tue 10	2020 Foundation Orientation Session
Wed 11	2020 Gr 1 – 6 Transition
Thur 12	Gr 6 Graduation Dinner
Mon 16	End of Year Picnic in the Park
Wed 18	Whole School Mass – 9.15am
Wed 18	Last Day Term 4 – 3.15pm dismissal



Check out our school Facebook page to stay up to date with the latest news!

<https://www.facebook.com/holyrosaryprimaryschoolwhitehills/>

2020 TERM DATES

Term 1: Wed 29th January – Fri 27th March
(Foundation: Thur 30th Jan)

Term 2: Tue 14th April – Fri 26th June

Term 3: Mon 13th July – Fri 18th September

Term 4: Mon 5th October – Fri 18th December
(Last Day for students yet to be determined)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

On Friday we said farewell to Mrs Matheson, as she began her Maternity Leave. I'd like to thank Megan for her contribution to our school and wish her and husband Travis all the best for the beginning of the next chapter in their lives with the birth of their first child. We look forward to seeing you back for a visit early next year. Mrs Williams will be teaching the Grade 1's for the rest of the year and is really looking forward to the time in the classroom.

Well after the false start on Thursday, it was with much excitement that our Grade 5 teams headed to Maryborough for our first tilt at the Energy Breakthrough. A huge thank you to Mr Epps, Mrs Gerrish, Mr Zera and Mrs McConnell as well as the huge number of parents who made the trip or helped organise the event. The key message of participation over winning was taken to the track and it was great to see such fantastic engagement and enthusiasm. Well done to one and all, we look forward to next years event!



The first Code Red day in 10 years certainly provided for some challenges to parents, school and the broader community last Thursday. Firstly, thanks to everyone for their support and understanding as we worked our way through all process', understanding that the safety of all children was paramount. With such an early start to the 'fire' season we will continue to work with our agencies and government organisations to continue to provide the best response possible.

It was great to see most of our 2020 Foundation children last week for their first transition visit. This week, visit 2 will occur tomorrow and we will have another information session in the Library.

2020 Preparations are in full swing, thank you to those families who have made some requests around class placement. We are now finalising the lists and appreciate the complexity of the process. Again if you are moving away please let me know, it is important for our planning.

In an exciting initiative that we hope to develop in coming years, all year levels will be participating in some first aid classes on Wednesday. A big thank you to Miss Gillett for organising the timetable.

Finally, a reminder to all families that Friday 26th November is a pupil free day to enable staff to plan for next year. Children are not required at school.



Paul Wilkinson
Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

Catholic Identity

FIRST WEEK
OF ADVENT

HOPE

Light the first candle of hope.



Christ our Hope,
Shine in our lives with hope
and promise. Open our eyes to
see you in others. Help us to
be people of hope.
We await your coming with
gratitude.
Amen



Advent is a special time in
the church year when we
prepare and get ready to
celebrate the birth of Jesus.



Caritas
AUSTRALIA

End poverty
Promote justice
Uphold dignity

ST VINNIES CHRISTMAS HAMPER DRIVE - DONATIONS DUE BY FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER

Christmas can be a very difficult time of year for many and the basic human rights of food and shelter can often be taken for granted. St Vincent De Paul is a charitable organisation that provides support to needy families and senior citizens in many ways. During November we will be collecting non perishable food donations in support of St Vinnies Christmas Appeal. A collection basket has been placed in your child's classroom in support of this worthy cause. Together, we can make a difference.

Each grade has been assigned a specific category so we can capture a more diverse selection of items:

Foundation: Toiletries - soap, toilet rolls, toothpaste/brush, powder, hand sanitiser

Grade 1: Grains and Pasta - rice, pasta, soups, noodles

Grade 2: Tinned Foods - beetroot, soup, tuna, baked beans, corn, peas, pasta sauces

Grade 3: Holiday Treats - chocolate, lollies, sweet biscuits, Christmas cake

Grade 4: Savoury Items - dry biscuits, shapes, rice cakes, nuts, chips, popcorn

Grade 5: Condiments - jams, sauces, vegemite, peanut butter, maple syrup

Grade 6: Breakfast Cereals - oats, corn flakes, pancake mixes, long-life milk and custard

COMMUNITY HOUSE MASSES

Our final house Mass for 2019 was held for Frayne families on Saturday night. Thank-you to those who attended, particularly the Allen family for actively participating in the offertory procession. Harrison was also very keen to take up the collection, so under the guidance of Parishioner Derek Bonnie he did an amazing job at this too. Well done Harrison.



SIMON EVERYWHERE



Holy Rosary now has access to SIMON Everywhere!

SIMON Everywhere is an app available on android and apple devices that will allow you to access your PAM account when you're on the go. SIMON Everywhere also includes a push notification feature, allowing the school to easily communicate with parents!

We encourage all families to install SIMON Everywhere as we will be using it for notifications home (rather than texts) and expanding our PAM usage to include excursion permissions from 2020 onwards.

Please see the office if you require more information on how to download and use the app.

PE CORRECTION – SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Last week it was listed in the newsletter that the Holy Rosary Swimming Carnival was to be held on Friday the 13th of December. Unfortunately due to unforeseeable circumstances, we are unable to hold the swimming carnival on this date. The date has been moved to early Term 1 2020. More information about this will be announced early next year. We apologise for any disappointment and confusion. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to see me. - *Sophie Taylor (PE Coordinator)*



LIBRARY BOOKS

Please be aware that library borrowing for students will soon wind up as we need to get all books returned and in order, for the end of the school year.

Foundation, Grade 1 & 2 students will have their last borrowing this week (due to the swimming program next week). All other Grades will have final borrowing next week, in week 9.

Please start to have a look around the house, on the book shelf, and under the bed for any library books that may need to be returned! Thank you for your support in ensuring that our library books are safely returned to be enjoyed again by many next year. - *Sue Johns*

DIRECT DEBITS 2020

Due to changes with our administration system we have decided to reduce our direct debit options from 2020 onwards. For 2020 we will be offering two frequency options:

Direct Debit Frequency	Commencement Date
Fortnightly (odd weeks)	Thursday 30 th January 2020
Fortnightly (even weeks)	Thursday 6 th February 2020

Letters were sent home to Direct Debit families on weekly, monthly and term frequency. A return slip was included to indicate your preference for next year. **Please return this slip or contact the office by Friday 29th November.**

If you would like to start a new direct debit for your school fees next year, please drop in to the school office and pick up a Direct Debit Request form.

CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS



Ten activities will be provided each term focusing on key areas of oral language supporting literacy, learning and socialising. Feel free to adjust these activities according to your child's grade level.

If you have any questions you can contact Peta Mazurak, Ed. Speech Pathologist through the School's Learner Diversity Coordinator, Mandy Antoniadis. Good luck and most importantly enjoy this very special time with your child.

8. Communicating to socialise

Focus: Using a variety of language genres

We all use a particular style when we email or use the internet to access social media but are our children explicitly aware of these styles? How can they adjust their language/style to get more out of their interactions with others?

Ask your child to tell you how they might write an email to the following people about a recent holiday to Grandma, their best friend, the school principal, a prep student, the school magazine. What sort of words, phrases do they use for each of these different audience? Why?

STUDENT NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week are; Jasper Crennan, Lucy Patching, Jackson Hayes, Ivy Sargeant, Fraser Wild, Mason McNamara & Deng Monygon. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Students of the Week	
FBG	Ruby Rowles & Ethan Kerville
FJO	Stella Fitzpatrick & Maitilda Kearns
FTT	Logan Brown & Owen Bell
2LC	Hudson Kearns
2MC	Dakota Keeble & Jack Leech
3AG	Ella Tresize
3BS	Vincent Geary, Erin Hoare & Ava Crow
4DC	Isobel Crennan
4JT	Zarah Reynolds
6ST	Farran Geary
6TC	Tristan McFarlane

CATHERINE MCAULEY AWARD

Congratulations to Ronan Willman (6TC) on winning this week's Catherine McAuley Award. Congratulations also to the other people who had their names put in the box this week.



P&F NEWS



CANTEEN ON THURSDAY THIS WEEK

Just a reminder to all families that Canteen will be held on Thursday this week due to the pupil free day on Friday.

Please make sure paper orders are handed into the office by Tuesday. Online orders will close at 9am on Wednesday.

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers needed for THIS THURSDAY from 9am-12pm & 1.30 – 2.30pm

If you are available, even for part of this shift, please contact the school office or Lindy Vance.

If we are unable to find volunteers, Canteen will not be able to open.

UNIFORM SHOP – CLOSED 29TH NOVEMBER

Due to the pupil free day, our Uniform Shop will be closed this Friday 29th November.

COLOUR EXPLOSION

Thank you to all families who have returned their Colour Explosion Sponsorship money and forms. It was a fantastic fundraiser for the school and excellent to see all our children getting involved. Prize orders will be going in today. Please note, that we are no longer able to accept any late sponsorship money.

P & F AGM

Our P&F Annual General Meeting is coming up on the 5th December. The P&F are on the look out for some new members for 2020! If you are interested in joining or have any questions, please see David Cini. Nomination forms are included in today's newsletter. Full role descriptions are available at the office.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE & CASUAL DAY

This Thursday 28th November we will have a casual clothes day! Can everyone please bring a gold coin donation or an item for a Christmas hamper. Donations will go towards our End of Year Christmas Raffle.

Raffle tickets will be sent home today Monday 25th November. Tickets will be \$1 each and each ticket book will contain 20 tickets (please use both sides). Ticket books and money are due back by Wednesday 11th December. The Raffle will be drawn at the End of Year Celebrations on Monday 16th December. Thank you for your ongoing support! - *P&F Raffle's Committee*



Canteen volunteers...

It's time for our Christmas Party!

Whether you've worked one shift or many, please join us for dinner at:

The Bridge Hotel
Wednesday 4th December 2019 from 7:30pm

Please bring a **Kris Kringle** gift value up to \$5.

RSVP to Lindy by 2/12/19.

Please note this is not a fundraiser. Normal menu & bar prices apply.

Hope to see you there!



MARONG CUP

The 2020 Marong Cup is coming up on Saturday 15th February. As always we are seeking volunteers to help out on the Friday & Saturday. A basic outline of volunteer duties is included below. If you are unable to help for the entire allocated time, you are most welcome to come for as long as you can. Volunteer forms are available from the office and will be included in upcoming newsletter's.

Friday 14th February - 11:00am until 2:00pm: Food Prep at Ted's Shed (Holy Rosary Parish Centre).

Saturday 15th February - 8:00am until 11:30am: Prepare and make salad rolls and sandwiches at Ted's Shed (Holy Rosary Parish Centre)

Saturday 15th February – 12:00pm – 2:00pm: Plate up sandwiches and prepare afternoon tea at the Bendigo Racecourse in the Sailors' Guide Room under the public grandstand



SPORTS NEWS

HOLY ROSARY NETBALL CLUB - CHRISTMAS PUDDING FUNDRAISER

The Holy Rosary Netball Club will be fundraising this term selling Christmas Puddings! All profit from Puddings sold will go to supporting our Netball Club into the future.

Order forms are available from the school office.

Completed forms and all cash must be returned to the School Office by Wednesday 4th December.


Puddings will be available for collection from School Office from Monday 16th December.



COMMUNITY NEWS

ACF BENDIGO AND BENDIGO YOUTH SUSTAINABILITY GROUP
PRESENT THE

PLANET MINDERS PICNIC 2019



FACE
PAINTING

MUSIC

BALLOON
MODELLING

AUTOMATA
ARCADE

PUPPETS

& OTHER
ACTIVITIES FOR
THE CHILDREN

CROOK ST. PARK, STRATHDALE.
SUNDAY DEC. 1ST, 12.00-2.00PM.

BRING SOME LUNCH.

SHARE WITH FELLOW PLANET MINDERS
AS WE WORK TOGETHER TO CARE
FOR THE EARTH.

EMAIL: BENDIGODISTRICTACF@GMAIL.COM

Community Christmas Festival



Free Community Event
BYO Picnic Rugs & Chairs
Kids activities & performances

Food available for purchase

Free Zooper Doopers
Great live music
Mrs Claus

SATURDAY DECEMBER 7
5PM - 8PM

BENDIGO GARDEN OF THE FUTURE

Ray of Hope Christmas Carols



Join us at St Kilian's Hall
Sunday December 1st from 6pm

Community singing and individual performances of Christmas music including our Parish schools' choirs, talent from St Kilian's musical groups, and our own Fr Junray and Fr Rob Galea.

Proceeds to St Kilian's Conference of
St Vincent de Paul.

Carols Program - \$2 donation
BBQ - \$2.50
Soft-drinks - \$1.50
Cool Water - free

Our gratitude to our sponsors listed in the program



CANTEEN ROSTER

Term 4, 2019



DATE	TIME	VOLUNTEERS	
NOVEMBER			
WED 27th	9am -11am	Briony Johnson	Alex Ingram
THUR 28th	9am-12noon	Janet Hodnett	Volunteer Needed
THUR 28th	1:30pm-2:30pm	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
DECEMBER			
THUR 5th	9am-11am	Nicole Barlow	Volunteer Needed
FRI 6th	9am-12noon	Susie Young	Volunteer Needed
FRI 6th	1:30pm-2:30pm	Mardi Holland	Christine Mather
THUR 12th	9am-11am	Tamara McIntosh	Volunteer Needed
FRI 13th	9am-12noon	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
FRI 13th	1:30-2:30pm	Yvette Sait	Alex Ingram



ENERGY BREAKTHROUGH TEAM 2019

THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS
SPONSORS.....

GOLD SPONSOR



SILVER SPONSORS



GO THE ROCKETS

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sheltonfencing1@bigpond.com



BENDIGO STORAGE



CYCLESCAPE

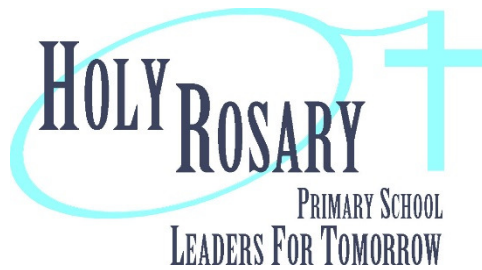


PEDDERS

SUSPENSION & BRAKES

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PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 5th DECEMBER AT 7.30PM IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

All executive and sub-committee positions declared vacant.

The P&F committee members raise funds to assist in keeping down the school fees and to try and do something beneficial for the school at least once a year. We have assisted in funds for resources, books, sporting goods etc.

We organise community events, to try and allow members of our school community to get to know each other and the children involved at school.

At our AGM, all positions are declared vacant and we look for new people. According to the constitution any office bearing role can only be held for 3 consecutive years.

Please come to the AGM and find out more of what we do. It is very social, rewarding and fulfilling, knowing that we are playing a huge part in our children's education.

If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else for an executive position or one of the sub-committees of the P&F Association, please fill in the below form and either hand it in to the school office or bring it to the meeting.

For more information on available positions, please see the school office.

Dave Cini
P&F President

NOMINATION FORM

Holy Rosary Primary School Parents & Friends Association

I wish to nominate for the position of

Signed (Nominator):

Date:

Signed (Nominee):

Date: