



# NEWSLETTER

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## MASS TIMES

Holy Rosary – Hamelin St  
Saturday's 6pm – Fr Rob Galea  
Numbers Limited

St Francis Xavier – Strickland Rd  
On hold until Further Notice

<https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au>

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



This time of year is always an exciting and sometimes anxious time, as we finish off the year and begin to look forward to the next. We look forward to welcoming our Foundation children for 2021 on Tuesday for their Orientation Day, albeit a little different to years gone by. Unfortunately our Grade 6 children will not all be visiting their secondary school, due to restrictions and the ability of secondary schools to cater for such big numbers of children.

The appointment process for a Deputy Principal needs to be ratified by the Canonical Administrator (Parish Priest) and Bishop and as of next year the Director of Catholic Education Sandhurst. After consultation with both parties, I am pleased to be able to formally announce that Mrs Jo Thurley will fill the position for 2021 in an interim role. I would like to thank Jo for taking on the position and all it entails and I am sure we will support her throughout the role and the year ahead.

As we head into the 'last quarter', we have also begun preparations for the end of year graduation dinner and other exciting activities. Thank you to those families who have written with specific requests regarding class placement. We put a lot of time and effort into supporting all children in new classes and whilst we cannot guarantee all requests, we appreciate the sharing of information. All other classes will spend time with their 2021 classroom teacher on Wednesday 9th at 9.30-10.30am.

## STAFFING 2021

Next year in 2021 our staffing will be as such:

**Deputy Principal & Curriculum/Religious Education Leader:** Jo Thurley

**Learner Diversity:** Mandy Antoniadis

**Junior Unit Leader:** TBC

**Senior Unit Leader:** Shelley DeAraugo

**Foundation:** Kerry Baber & Carolyn Goodbody

**Foundation:** Nicole Johnston

**Grade 1:** Damian Cairns

## CALENDAR

### DECEMBER

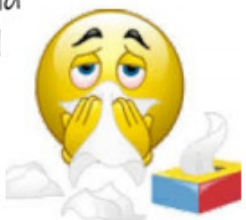
Tue 8 <sup>th</sup>	Foundation 2021 Transition
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	Orientation Day F-5
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 6 Pool Party
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day Term 4 – 3.15pm Finish

**Due to the current circumstances the dates shown in the calendar for this term are subject to change.**



Hey Kids!  
**DON'T FORGET**  
to bring your  
**DRINK BOTTLE**  
to school

Please DO NOT send your child to school if they are unwell in any way.  
Thank you.



**Grade 1:** Melissa Caine  
**Grade 2:** Luke Crameri  
**Grade 2:** Donna Papworth  
**Grade 3:** Shelley DeAraugo & Jo Zimmer  
**Grade 3:** Catherine Walsh  
**Grade 4:** Amy Gillett  
**Grade 4:** Brendan Scott  
**Grade 5:** Jasmin O'Sullivan  
**Grade 5:** Jarrod Epps  
**Grade 6:** Troy Coates  
**Grade 6:** Megan Gerrish  
**Leadership Release Grade 3:** Bethany Kerlin  
**LLI (Literacy Intervention support):** Mandy Antoniadis, Jo Thurley, Liz Williams, Megan Matheson, Elizabeth Teed  
**Visual Arts:** Eva Rosaia  
**Performing Arts:** Elizabeth Teed  
**LOTE/Digital Tech:** Angela Holdaway

We will also farewell Mr Sampson (St Kilian's), Mrs Watson (12 month secondment to St Joseph's) and Mrs Carter (St Mary's Inglewood). We thank them all for their contribution to our school and wish them the very best as they move ahead in their respective careers. In addition, Mr Nolan Grade 6ST has returned to Melbourne and the class will be taught in the final two weeks by Mrs Matheson and Mrs Antoniadis. I would like to thank them for taking on the role at such short notice.

Finally a big congratulations to the Grade 2 children who received the sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday. Thanks again to their teachers and parents who prepared so thoroughly and to the priests who made the day happen. It certainly has been a long wait but the children were fantastic and so very respectful and reverent.



Paul Wilkinson  
Principal

## STUDENT NEWS

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY



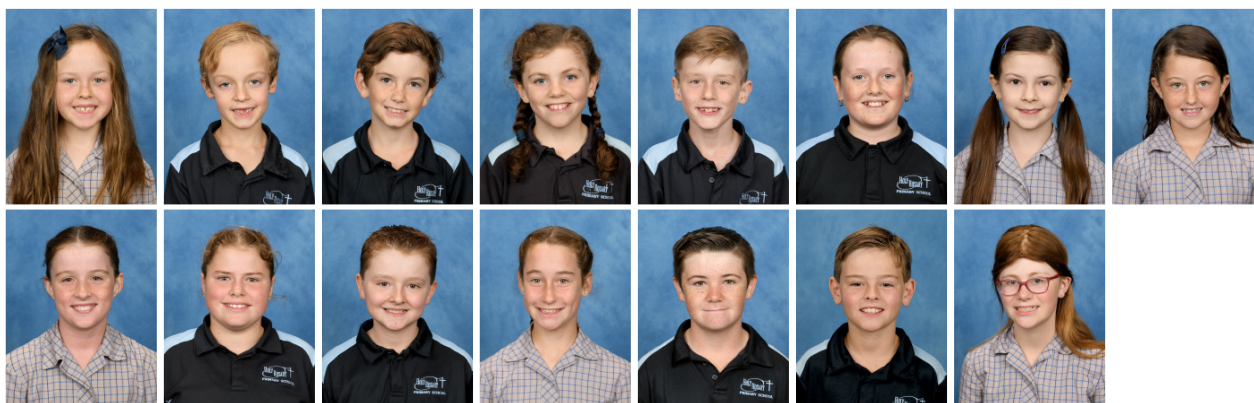
Students who are celebrating their birthdays this week: Ruby Bice, Nate Fitzpatrick, Cameron Smits, Sophie Healy, Angus Johnstone, Angus Paterson, Ewan Paterson, Summer Whyte, Erin McCarroll, Jasper Sait, Annabelle Reeves, William Reeves, Emmanuel White. Happy Birthday to you and we hope you have a wonderful day.

### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Students of the Week	
FBG	Patrick White, Isabella Holmes
FJO	Jacob Hoffrichter, Lilliana Loftus
1BW	Sibylla Caine, Fraser Wild
1DC	Flynn O'Connell, Maddison Holmes
2MC	Angus Davies, Sophie McCarroll
2LC	Thomas Barlow
3JT	Jack Yates
3ZD	Maisie Illott
4AG	Christopher Mason, Milly Kelleher, Ava Crow
4BS	Maddison Fawcett
5JE	Zarah Reynolds, Heidi Bazeley
5MG	Jasper Sait
6ST	Georgia Moulday, Tynan Caine
6TC	Henry Moorhead, Cayley Cope





### FREE TO GOOD HOME

We currently have some old classroom tables that are available to school families for free. If you would like some tables please call the office to arrange a time for collection.

### FARM FUNDRAISER

Farm Fundraiser: We (Jack Newton, Bradie Sheldon and Charlie Dickens) from Grade 4 have decided to have a fundraiser to support our farmers. The fundraiser's aim is to raise money to be donated to the farmers around Victoria during this time of drought. Farmers only get \$16 per hour for their hard work, even on sunny days! That is not enough to pay all their bills (feed their cows for example). Farmers also only get 10c per litre for their cow's milk.



We have placed donation tins in the Office, Staffrooms and the Grade 4 classroom. Please donate! We will update everyone with how much we raise before the end of term.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### CATHOLIC IDENTITY

#### ST VINNIES CHRISTMAS HAMPER DRIVE – DONATIONS DUE BY FRIDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

Thank-you to those families that have already donated generously to our St Vinnies Christmas appeal. We still have one more week to bring in items for this worthy cause.

#### 1ST RITE OF RECONCILIATION STUDENTS

On Thursday 3rd December, 27 candidates received their 1st Rite of Reconciliation in the Rosarium. We were very fortunate to have 4 priests attend our celebration and thank Fr Junray, Fr Stephen, Fr Ginjo and Fr Rob for all their support and encouragement on the day. The children were well prepared and very proudly elbow-bumped Mr Wilkinson as they collected their certificates. We wish them all the best as they journey towards the sacrament of the Eucharist in 2021.

#### NEW STUDENTS TO HOLY ROSARY, ROSARY BEADS

On Saturday evening Fr Rob Galea, blessed 52 sets of Rosary beads for our Foundation and new students to the school this year. The parish parishioners were overjoyed with the opportunity to be part of this special blessing. The Rosary beads will be presented to the students during assembly this Friday.

SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT **PEACE**  
Light the second candle of peace.

  
Christ our Peace,  
Glow brightly in each moment.  
We ask your forgiveness for  
the times we have not been  
peaceful people. Guide us in  
the way of your peace.  
We await your coming with  
serenity.  
Amen

     
Advent has a focus on light,  
not darkness. Christ will  
come again as the light of  
the world.

 Caritas  
AUSTRALIA  
Your partner in  
humanitarian  
aid and relief



## HOLY ROSARY SPORT

### SWIMMING IN 2021

The Year 3-6 children will have their swimming lessons early in Term 1, from Tuesday 2nd - Friday 5th of March (4 days). This will be at Gurri Wanyarra in Kangaroo Flat. Permission forms released first week of Term 1, via PAM.

### YEAR 3-6 SWIMMING LESSON DATES:

Tuesday March 2

Wednesday March 3

Thursday March 4

Friday March 5

**\*\*Prep - Grade 2 swimming lessons will be in Term 4 (Start of December).\*\***

### YEAR 3-6 SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS: MONDAY 8/2/21

The day begins at 9.30am and will conclude at approximately 1.30pm. This will take place at Bendigo East Pool. Depending on COVID-19 regulations we would love as many people there as possible to cheer our children on. Permission forms released first week of Term 1, via PAM.

### SOME OTHER IMPORTANT DATES TO BE MINDFUL OF IN 2021:

Catholic Swimming Sports: Tuesday 16/2/21

\*Please note, Grade 3's are ONLY eligible for 3 individual events - 50m freestyle, breaststroke & backstroke.

Divisional Swimming Championships: Friday 5/3

Regional Swimming Championships (Swan Hill): Thursday 18/3

State Swimming Championships (Melbourne): Thursday 22/4

School Cross Country: Friday 30/4

Division Cross Country: Wednesday 5/5 TBC

Regional Cross Country (St Arnaud): Tuesday 1/6

State Cross Country (Melbourne): Thursday 15/7

School Athletics Sports (3-6's): Friday 6/8

Catholic Athletics Championships (3-6's): Thursday 19/8

\*Please note, Grade 3's are ONLY eligible for 4 events - Shot Put, Long Jump, 100m & Hurdles.

Divisional Athletics Championships: Monday 13/9

State Athletics Championships: Thursday 11/11

Thank you for your support,  
Mr Coates

### CANTEEN

**Christmas special** - Gingerbread cookie will be replacing chocolate chip cookies for the last week of canteen (Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Dec). Please ensure all orders are placed on Flexischools before **9am Thursday**. If you ever want to order ahead, please swipe left over the current order date to bring up the next available Canteen day.

Thank You.

### BOOK CLUB

Thank you to everyone who has purchased a book through the Scholastic Book Club this year. Not only did your purchase give your child a wonderful book, it also awards the school with reward points.

This year, we were able to purchase \$1200 worth of books with those reward points - THANK YOU.

A very special thanks must go to the parent volunteers that help with Book Club, Carine Comer and Jess Langeder. Your efforts are so very much appreciated. Thanks also to the office staff that have also helped a lot this year due to the crazy nature of COVID and restrictions. Continue to enjoy reading and thank you again.

Sue Johns  
Library.





## LIBRARY

There are still many students with books to be returned. Please continue to have a good look everywhere for these books as they all need to be returned to our library. Thank You

Sue Johns



## HEALTH AND PE WEEK

This week (week 10) is our Health and PE Week. We encourage students to wear their PE uniform each day. There will be a focus to increase our physical activity and health awareness. Grade 6 students will be offering to run a sports lesson to all classes. There will be additional teachers on the yard at recess and lunch, inviting students to play a range of sports including tennis, hockey, cricket, football, and basketball. Finally the Grade 6's will verse the teachers on Friday in hockey at 2nd play. It's an exciting week ahead.

Mr Coates

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM SUMMER 2021

### WEEK 1 4 - 8 JAN

#### TIE DYING WORKSHOP Mon 4 Jan



Let's get tie dying and create colourful items to take home. What can we make with cool colours and our imagination?

#### A DAY AT THE RACES Tue 5 Jan



Join us for a full day of racing challenges including egg and spoon, 3 legged and sack races, plus design the ultimate paper plane for our flying competition and heaps more!

#### ART AND CRAFT SPECTACULAR Wed 6 Jan



Are you ready to get creative? We have a day full of arty, crafty fun to help you create your own masterpieces! Have a go at new art ideas and crazy art activities!

#### READY, STEADY, COOK!\* Thu 7 Jan



Today the food journey is in your hands. You get to make a variety of delicious foods to enjoy throughout the day. Yummy!

#### Y CINEMAS\* Fri 8 Jan



Today we welcome you into our very own gold class cinema! Select your session time and movie, then be welcomed into the movie with your gold ticket. Yes, of course there will be popcorn!

### WEEK 2 11 - 15 JAN

#### ONE DAY CRICKET Mon 11 Jan



Howzat! Cheer on your team mates as we bowl, bat and catch in our very own One Day Cricket spectacular. Learn and practice your batting and bowling skills.

#### INVENTIONS AND CREATIONS Tue 12 Jan



Create your own invention from recycled materials and showcase it to your friends. We will have heaps of other creative activities on hand too.

#### YOGA AND MINDFULNESS Wed 13 Jan



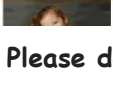
Explore yoga and movement through our yoga classes and get in touch with your inner self through mindfulness.

#### DIORAMA CREATIONS Thu 14 Jan



Let your imagination run wild and create a mini world in a box using all sorts of miniature materials.

#### LET'S DANCE Fri 15 Jan



Get your dance shoes on.

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM SUMMER 2021

### WEEK 3 18 - 22 JAN

#### BACKWARDS DAY Mon 18 Jan



It's a day of everything backwards! Let's have fun by wearing all our clothes backwards - shirt and socks inside out... Say 'hello' for 'good-bye' and 'goodbye' for 'hello'. Write and say your name backwards and plenty of games.

#### Y PHOTOGRAPHERS Tue 19 Jan



Today we see the world through your eyes! You could decorate your own photo frame to put a printed photo inside or create props for the photo booth and have fun making poses to photograph!

#### BACK TO NATURE Wed 20 Jan



Calling all budding green thumbs! Today we get our hands dirty as we decorate our very own pots and plant them out. You can then take your plant home to look after and watch it grow.

#### CRAZY HAIR DAY Thu 21 Jan



There's no better way to have some fun, than having crazy hair - the coolest colours, to the wildest hairstyles, there's hours of fun to be had. Plus face painting!

#### SPLASHTASTIC Fri 22 Jan



What better way to spend

### WEEK 4 25 - 27 JAN

#### LEGO MASTERS Mon 25 Jan



You've seen the show, now test yourself in our Lego Masters day. Use your skills in our solo and team Lego Challenges. Lots of brick building fun!

#### CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAY Tue 26 Jan

#### HAWAIIAN LUAU\* Wed 27 Jan



Aloha! We're getting tropical and preparing for a Hawaiian Luau. Come dressed up for the beach as we discover art, costumes and food from this beautiful island.

### Give your child an opportunity to grow and learn through new experiences.

If your child is aged between 5 - 12 years old and enrolled in primary school, they will love our school holiday program! Our School Holiday Programs are created with the right mixture of fun, adventure, creativity and discovery; helping kids become more confident and independent. In addition to the advertised program each day we have a diverse range of indoor and outdoor activities planned to cater for each child's interests and abilities.

**What to bring**  
• Lunch and snack (Nutritious & NUT FREE)  
• Water bottle, broad brim hat and sunscreen

**Additional needs**  
Children with additional needs are welcome to attend our program. Families must contact the OSAC Coordinator at least four weeks prior to the holiday program to discuss the individual needs of your child so that we ensure we have everything in place to support your child to participate in the program.

**Bookings and Fees**  
• All bookings are subject to availability.  
• Bookings are made via the casual booking calendar.  
• Bookings will not be accepted on the day unless places, and resources are available.  
• Sessions are required for excursions, as they are received in writing seven (7) days prior to school term.  
• 15 minute applies when a child is picked up late.  
• Service about any dietary requirements

Please donate items into Classroom or Office hamper baskets by Friday 6th December.

\$84 per day - bookings can be made through your My Family Lounge account  
What to bring: Don't forget your broad brimmed, bucket or legionaries hat, sunscreen, snacks, lunch and drink bottle.

### BENDIGO SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Lightning Reef Primary School | 74 Holmes Rd, North Bendigo VIC 3552  
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**KELLY SPORTS** Summer  
**HOLIDAY PROGRAMME**  
 Mon 11th to Thurs 21st Jan 2021

Join us for a fun-filled School Holiday Programme including A Year of World Cups, Lots of Sports, Awesome Games & **MUCH MORE!**

Some activities may need to be swapped for other exciting ones!  
 Go online to check out a full, up-to-date timetable for your school.

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### Free & Unlimited Access to the Online Show is Now Available from Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020

COVID has changed everything for all of us, and we hope you are all doing well.  
 We are unable to do live events, but as the old saying goes, "the show must go on"...

*Circus Quirkus* is an eclectic & entertaining mix of circus acts brought to you from all over the world, with internationally renowned clowns, jugglers, acrobats & more, delivering hilarious, hugely engaging & sometimes death-defying acts of unbelievable skill. It is suitable for all ages.

We hope this event provides children of all abilities and backgrounds with an opportunity to experience world-class entertainment in an inclusive, accessible & safe environment where they feel free to be themselves without restriction or judgement.

This year you can watch *Circus Quirkus* from your own COVID-safe bubble at home, in-school as a class, or gather with friends to watch it as a group.

The show can be watched at any time during the three-day period, and unlimited access means you can also watch it as many times as you like during that time. Or just play your favourite bits over and over again.

All that is needed to enjoy our show this year is an internet connection and a device with a screen such as a PC, laptop, tablet or even a smartphone. The web address and a password for the show are below...

### 2020 CIRCUS QUIRKUS

Please click on the URL below and type in the password for access to the video:

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/rotary-club-preston-circus2020>

**Password: CIRCUS2020**

Watch with unlimited access any time during the following three-day period:

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December (midday) - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December (midnight)**

\*Video/Show duration – 60 minutes

\*\*Please email your sponsors to say a big THANK YOU for making our show possible: [thankyou@iepty.com](mailto:thankyou@iepty.com)