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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 3

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Friday 24th July

Scarf & Beanie Day

School Disco

Tuesday 28 July

6pm - Reading Parent

Information Evening

Friday 31st July

2.20pm - Whole

School Assembly

Sacramental Preparation

Day

Tuesday 4th August

Special Food Day

Wednesday 5th August

2.20pm - PRG Meeting

Friday 7th August

Zone Athletics

Last week's Gospel told the story of the events leading up to the feeding of the Five Thousand. Jesus and his disciples had decided to take some time for themselves, to rest from the demands of their mission. However, when they arrived at their destination, a large crowd met Jesus and his disciples. The crowd is described in Mark's Gospel as being 'like sheep without a shepherd'. So what was the response of Jesus and the disciples to this crowd? As we recall Jesus and the disciples didn't get their little vacation. Instead of taking their leave and heading for some time by themselves, Jesus and the disciples showed compassion and stayed with the crowd and tended to their needs. Jesus taught them and then, as the Gospel continues, he fed them with the loaves and fishes.

Social Justice work is an important and strong foundational mission of our Church and is expressed in a number of different ways. The social mission of the Church is found in Catholic Social Teaching principles. These principles provide a framework for viewing society, which ensures that the good of the individual and the common good of humanity are in harmony. Catholic Social Teaching covers all spheres of life – the economic, political, personal and spiritual, with a clear focus on human dignity at its core.

Tomorrow will be our annual Winter fundraiser. Every child is encouraged to wear mufti and include with it a scarf and or a beanie. Supporting this event is part of the range of events that we run to support Social Justice initiatives in the school, to foster that sense of looking out for others and assisting in small ways, when and wherever possible.

The cost for mufti is a gold coin donation that will go directly to our local St. Vincent de Paul Society, to support local families this Winter. The work of St Vincent de Paul Society in supporting the most needy and vulnerable is well known. Your support of this worthy organisation is very much appreciated. The gold coin donation should be brought to school tomorrow and will be collected in class.

Lord Jesus, you who loved the poor, give us eyes and a heart directed toward the poor; help us recognise you in them, in their thirst, their hunger, their loneliness and their struggle.

Enkindle within us courage, unity, simplicity, humility, grace and the fire of love that burned in St Vincent de Paul.

Amen.

At Holy Family

I Respect Myself

In partnership let us continue to work to develop in the children strong minds and gentle hearts.

I Respect Others

I Respect the
Environment

Peace and Best Wishes for a wonderful fortnight ahead.

Tim Vane-Tempest
Principal

Term Overviews

Coming home today are the Term outlines for each stage. The outlines provide you with a guide to the units of work and content that the children will be learning this term. If you have any questions about the information in these overviews please contact the stage teachers to discuss.

Date Claimer - Tuesday 28th July.

A parent education session is offered to assist parents in supporting their child/ren's reading development. This is a chance for parents to gain more understanding of the strategies and activities that you can use at home. The session will begin at 6pm in the school Library.

Sacramental Preparation Day for First Communion

During August and early September a number of children will be making their First Communion. Each year the school supports the Parish Sacramental program by hosting a preparation day for each of the candidates. There has been a need to alter the date for this day which will now be Friday 31st July. During this day the First Communion candidates will work with school and parish staff to reinforce the work of the Sacramental groups in preparation for receiving the sacrament during August and September. **Any children who have been chosen to receive awards at the School Assembly on this day will be presented with their awards at the Monday morning assembly on 3rd August.**

PRG Meeting

The next PRG meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th August at 2:20pm in the Staffroom, all parents are warmly invited to join this meeting. At this meeting our Father's Day celebrations will be discussed as well as the Miracles Do Happen fundraiser being held in September. All parents are warmly welcome.

Sports News

Zone Athletics

On Friday 7th August our Zone Athletics team will compete at the Zone Athletics carnival at Blacktown Olympic Park. The team is:

Braden Ford, Marco Kurtovic, Austen Pantazacos, Ryan Wilson, Dominic Bruni, Marcus Bruni, Nicholas Vella, Daniel Powderly, Patrick Vial, Tommy Mandarano, Jordan Ford, Noah Cutajar, Jake Matheson, Saide Massih, Matilda Vella, Talyse Pantazacos, Alicia Mizzi, Chloe Gill, Anique Pantazacos, Suzie Mammone, Ashleigh Gill, Haylee Vella, Caterina Furfaro, Samantha Elliott, Emily Fagan, Daisy-Mae Lewis and Jesse Penza.

To all interested competitors please note the following change to the High Jump events. HIGH JUMP will NOT be held at zone carnivals. It will be held at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival on Friday 21st August at Blacktown International Sports Park, Athletics Track, Rooty Hill. Those children wishing to participate at this event will need to see Mrs Bray in regards to qualifying heights and a permission note.

We wish the team every success on the day and know that they will represent themselves, their families and Holy Family School in the best possible way. Mrs Bray, Mr Bullock and Mrs Tillman will be accompanying the team on the day.

Reading Information Evening - How Children Learn to Read and How to Help your Child at Home

Repeat from 2014

Next Tuesday 28th July at 6pm Holy Family will be re-running the parent information session on How Children Learn to Read and Ways you can Help your Child to Read.

All are invited to this session, however the focus this time will be aimed mainly at helping students in K-2.

We will hold the information session in Stage 3.

Thank you

Miss Sibbald

RMS Meeting

Public Meetings for Northern Rd Upgrade/ Community information sessions

The following information has been taken from the Roads and Maritime Services Website regarding the upgrading of Northern Rd and the M12 Motorway. *The Northern Road Stages 3 and 4, The Northern Road and Bringelly Road Interchange and the M12 Motorway have reached important milestones in their development. Your comments will be considered and used to guide future decision making. We invite your comments by **Friday 14 August 2015**. Holy Family School will be the site for **two community information sessions** about The Northern Road Upgrade and other infrastructure projects happening in the local area. The meetings will be held on **Wednesday 29 July, 3pm – 7pm & Saturday 8 August, 12pm – 3pm**. Roads & Maritime Services staff will be available at these meetings to discuss matters related to this work.*

Please be aware that as the meeting next week begins at 3pm and it is expected that there will be a high level of interest in this meeting, there will be additional demand for parking spots in the car park on this day.

Knitting Stall

There will be a stall hosted by our lovely knitting ladies this Saturday 25th July from 5.15pm and after Mass. There will be a variety of items available such as baby blankets, baby clothes, scarves, beanies and all the things that keep you warm. All these have been hand-knitted and crocheted with love and care.

Please bring change on the night to help the stall run smooth.

Thank you

Miracles do Happen - Fundraiser

The night is set for Saturday, September 12, 2015 at Penrith Rugby Leagues Club, in 'The Chairman's Lounge', Pepper Stadium. For this night to be a success we are asking for your support. If you can help in the form of sponsorship, donations or entertainment of any kind we would love to hear from you.

Any company or persons who contributes to this evening will be recognised and promoted throughout the night.

Kind regards,

Lisa Blackhurst, Monica Macri and Melinda Mandarano.

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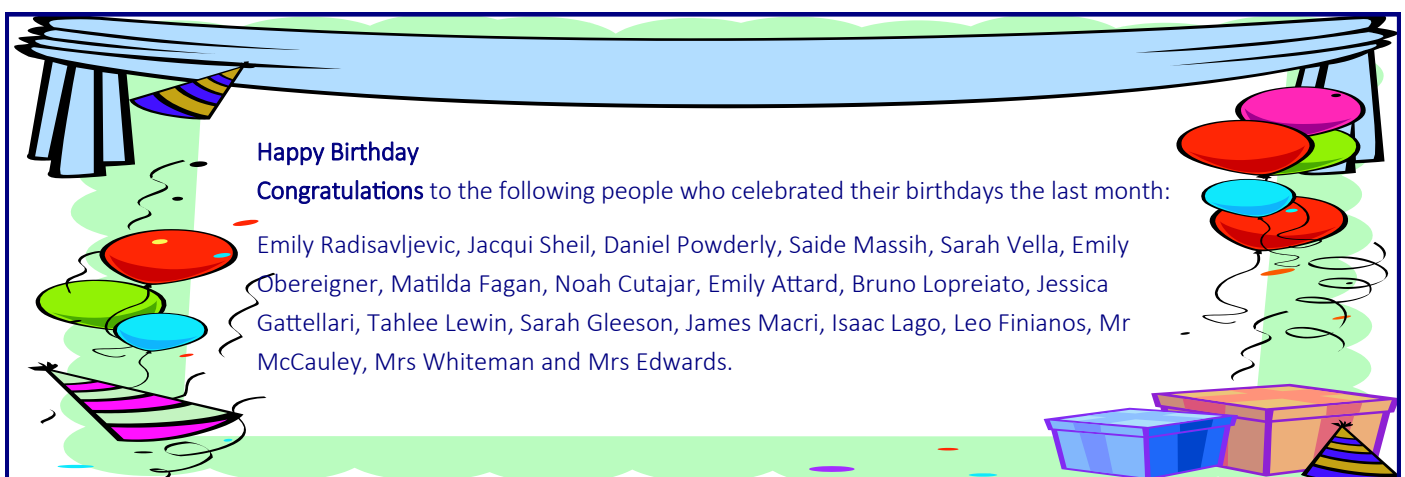
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Ways a Parent Can Help with **MATH**

1

Look for shapes and patterns in real life

2

Have your child measure ingredients for a recipe you are making

3

Ask your child to explain the math skills he or she is working on in school

4

When helping your child with homework or school assignments, ask him or her to explain how he or she got an answer

5

Help your child find some appropriate number and problem-solving games to play online

6

Play card or board games that involve counting or patterns

7

Ask your child to count change at the grocery store, or to estimate the total cost while you are shopping

8

Compare:

Which is the tallest?
...the heaviest?
...the longest?
...the smallest?
...the fastest?
...the hottest?
...the most expensive?

9

Have tools such as a ruler, a scale, a calculator, and a measuring tape available to use in your house

10

Encourage your child to track or graph scores or stats for a favorite sports team

11

Use dice or playing cards to make a game out of practicing math facts



**Point out ways math is part of “real” life: money, computers, music, art, construction, cooking...
All around us, every day.**

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Rewarding regular savers with amazing prizes.



We're bringing the exciting news that an intergalactic Prize Portal has appeared on Planet Savings, giving students who demonstrate good savings behaviour the chance to win amazing prizes.

- 75 x iPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB
- 125 x Beats by Dr. Dre Solo²™ Headphones
- 200 x \$30 Booktopia Gift Certificates

Help the Dollarmites activate the Prize Portal for a chance to win

To activate the Prize Portal, students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3 and they will automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes. Students can also complete a Money Mission at commbank.com.au/prizeportal to double their chance of winning a prize. (Please note, students can start the Money Mission at any time, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning).

Win books for your school library

We're also giving schools participating in the School Banking program a chance to win one of 75 sets of children's books for their school library, valued at \$200.

For more information, visit commbank.com.au/prizeportal



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