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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 1

20th February 2020

Issue 2, Week 4

MARCH

Monday 2nd

2.30pm - Whole School
Assembly

Monday 9th

Wanderer's Clinic - Early
Stage 1, Stage 2 &
Stage 3

Friday 20th

Grandparent's Day

The poster is titled 'every learner every day' with a checkmark icon. It features a calendar strip at the top with days MON, TUE, WED, THU, FRI. The main content includes: 'ABSENCES ADD UP!' showing '2 DAYS A MONTH' (February) equals '4 WEEKS A YEAR' (November), which is 'MISSING MORE THAN 1 YEAR OF LEARNING IN 12 YEARS'. 'DID YOU KNOW' states '1 IN 6 PRIMARY STUDENTS ARE NOT ATTENDING SCHOOL REGULARLY!' with an icon of children. 'WHAT PARENTS CAN DO' lists: 'BE PIVOT. Send your child to school every day unless they are sick.', 'Develop good sleep and morning routines', 'Schedule appointments after school', and 'Avoid taking holidays during term time'. 'GOOD HABITS BEGIN EARLY' states 'Good attendance starts in Kindergarten and sets students up for success in their school life' with an icon of children. 'SCHOOLS ARE THERE TO HELP' states 'If you're having attendance issues with your child, speak to your school about ways to address it.' The poster also has a 'EACH DAY MISSED' box listing: 'Puts your child behind and makes it harder for them to catch up', 'Can lead to lower achievement in reading, writing and numeracy', and 'Can lead to gaps in learning and social connections'. At the bottom, it says 'every learner every day' with a checkmark and a small logo.

Australia has one of the very best education systems anywhere in the world. Each day, our young people are provided with opportunities to learn more about the world they live in through their experiences in and out of the classroom. Schools teach children about themselves, their relationships with others and about life beyond school. This includes preparing them for the workforce.

Regular attendance at school is critical to ensuring that every student has the kind of opportunities in life that he or she deserves. When students are not at school, they are missing out on so much. Without the knowledge, the skills or the support that schools are so good at providing, young people can get left behind and find themselves underprepared for a fast-paced and often very challenging world.

Again this year we will be lending our support to a campaign called 'Every Learner, Every Day', an initiative designed to remind all students and parents why regular school attendance is so important. As part of this campaign, a range of resources and strategies will be made available to help parents, if help is needed. The information above explains simply the benefits of being at school regularly. I encourage you to think about the ideas suggested on the poster and to speak to your child about these messages.

I appreciate that this is not a matter that may impact on a large number of our families; however, if the 'Every Learner, Every Day' campaign can assist even just a few students to be at school more regularly, with all the benefits that come with that, it is a terrific outcome.

Grandparent's Day - Save the Date

Grandparent's Day will be on Friday, 20th March. This is a day that all in the community look forward to and the teachers and students have already begun preparing for this day with great enthusiasm and energy.



At Holy Family we are:

- Safe
- Respectful
- Responsible
- Learners

Mr Anthony McElhone
Principal

Condolences

Our condolences to the Baric-Eade family (Marlia & Zarli) on the passing of their grandfather recently. Our prayers and thoughts are with their family.

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.

And let perpetual light shine upon him.

May he rest in peace. Amen.



Student Leadership

Last week we welcomed our new Kindergarten students and inducted our student leaders at our Opening School Mass. Following are our 2020 Student Leadership groups.

Student Leaders	PBS4L Leaders	Servant Leaders	Media Team	Environment Team
Alexandria Tiahna Skye Bruno Harry Jacob D	Adison (Boronia) Nakita (Waratah) Ben L (Acacia) Tyler (Jacaranda)	Taylah Hayden K Alicia Shiloh Jack Hayden G Oscar	Jackson Elise Matthew Josh	Ciara Charlene Dom F Lucas Elias Jacob F Jacob H Amelia

2020 School Calendar

The key date of events and celebrations for 2020 can be viewed in our online school calendar. The calendar can be viewed on our school website <http://www.hfluddenham.catholic.edu.au/en/Our-Community/Events>



Seesaw

Seesaw is up and running! It is important that you check this regularly as it is our main channel of information. If you are having trouble with the app, please email Mrs Edwards on medwards3@parra.catholic.edu.au.

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2021

Application forms are available for collection from the school office from 2nd March. When the application form has been fully completed it should be returned to the office with the required documentation by **the end of Term 1**.



Teacher Professional Learning

At Holy Family the staff has an ongoing commitment to professional learning. The staff benefits from attending inservices, in curriculum areas, that assist them in providing quality learning opportunities for the students in their class. The following

Date	Staff Members	Professional Learning
17 & 25 February	Mr McCauley	Reading Recovery Training
19 February	Mr McElhone	Developing Wellbeing
28 February	Mr McCauley, Mr McElhone, Mrs Steele	Draft Religious Education Curriculum Ignite Day

School Fees

School Fees will be posted from Head Office in Parramatta on 20th February and are due on 18th March. If you have not received your school fees by the end of this week please contact the school office.

Thank you

School F E E S



Pancake Day

We will be having a pancake morning on Tuesday 25th for recess to raise funds for the Bushfire Appeal through St. Vincent de Paul, to support victims of the bushfires.

Students will be able to enjoy a pancake while helping out a great cause.

The cost is \$2.

A note was posted on Seesaw on Tuesday with details.

Sport & Attendance

For Stage 3 students who attend Sport Trials

Full day trials eg. Rugby League, will be marked as 'School Business'. However, if the trial is a half day trial eg. Netball, students are expected to attend school for the other half of the day.

If a student attends school then attends a trial, they will be marked 'Present' then 'School Business'. If a student does not attend school then goes to a trial, they will be marked 'Absent' then 'School Business'.

For trials in the afternoon eg. Touch Football at 4pm, students are expected to attend school.

The times will be recorded in line with trial times.

Thank you



Academic Achievement Awards

Congratulations Academic Achievement Awards Recipients

Luca Libro

Nicholas Sparagis

Sophie Rowley

Amelia Guedes

Tyler Martin

Hayley Vella

Anthony Finianos

Zara Isaia

Baylen Wandless

Sofia Cross

Hunter Moore

Ashlee Jones

Zac Rossetto

Lacey Andrews

Sarah Powderly

Lavinia Gullo

Max Azzopardi

Oscar Zamprogno

Talia Evans

Tyler Orphin

Skye Bruni

Lucas Andrews

One Heart One Mind Awards

Congratulations One Heart One Mind Awards Recipients

Julianna Gauci

Dean Vella

Matilda Stewart

Ruben Inzitari

Brianna Hosking

Jackson Wright

Baxter Ristau

Courtney Norrie

Liam Urschel

Marlia Baric-Eade

Leon Liu

Connor O'Mahony

Xavier Eades

Isaac Hall

Peter Medwin

Marcus Zamprogno

Hayden Gill

Liam Stalling

Isabella McGarry

Taylah Hosking

Veronica Tadros

Amelia Pelle

Sports News

Nepean Zone Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to the students that represented Holy Family at the Nepean Zone Swimming Carnival on Tuesday. Despite the heat, it was a great day and once again our students were a credit to our school demonstrating outstanding sportsmanship and respectful behaviour throughout the entirety of the day. Many of our students finished the day achieving personal bests in the events in which they competed in.

Well Done to the following students who placed in the top 4 of their events and will be competing at the Diocesan Swimming Carnival this today:

Hayden Gunther	Talia Evans
Oscar Zamprogno	Sharlay Pantazakos
Ella Gunther	Max Azzopardi
Sarah Powderly	Gideon Moore



Representative Sport

Representative sport at Holy Family is an important extra-curricular activity. Engagement in these events are designed to build school spirit and pride, acknowledge skills of children in these areas and to enhance the sense of 'community' in the school.

Children in Years 3-6 will have the opportunity to participate in a range of team sports throughout the year that are organised and run by Catholic Education - Diocese of Parramatta and other sporting organisations. The sports may include:

- Soccer
- Rugby League
- Netball
- Touch Football
- Oztag
- Basketball
- Cricket



When selecting teams to represent Holy Family, all of the following is considered equally:

- Skills and abilities in the selected sport
- Experience in the selected sport (i.e. participates in a team outside of school)
- Number of sports the student has represented the school in the current year
- Suitability to represent the school in a safe, respectful and responsible manner
- Parental support

Let's Celebrate Success

The students of Holy Family are continually achieving success in the sporting arena not only at school but outside of school. If your child has any sporting success outside of the school (e.g. representative teams, represented at state or national levels etc) throughout the year, please feel free to let us know via email luddenham@parra.catholic.edu.au so we can acknowledge these achievements.



Importance of meeting deadlines

This year there will be many sporting opportunities for the students of Holy Family Primary School. Due to the popularity of many of the gala days, we end up with a reserve list of students for many of the sports. It is this reason that it is imperative for the organisation of these events that both your child's permission note and payment is returned by the due date stated on the note. Unfortunately, if your child's permission note and payment is not returned by the due date, your child's position in that team will be automatically offered to another student. We appreciate your support with this matter.

Upcoming Sporting Events

- *Monday 9th March 2020- Wanderers Soccer Clinic- ES1, S2, S3 (S1 in Term 2)*
- *Thursday 26th March 2020- 7-a side Rugby League at Camden*
- *Friday 27th March 2020- School Cross Country at Sales Park, Luddenham*

Christine Hall
Head of Sport



Term 1, Week 4

Safe - Respectful - Responsible - Learners

In Weeks 1-4, Holy Family have focused on the four school expectations of **Safe - Respectful - Responsible - Learners**. The students are completing all the lessons so we all understand each expectation. The teachers have given out many Bundeluk tokens to students for being:

- **Safe:** right place, right time, hands and feet to self.
- **Respectful:** listening to and following directions of staff, being polite.
- **Responsible:** looking after belongings, maintaining a clean environment.
- **Learner:** be an active participant, reflect and respond to feedback.

The house that is currently in the lead is BORONIA. An update of Bundeluk totals will be shared at Assembly. The weekly Token Draw will continue to be drawn after lunch every Friday. The first draw winners for 2020 are:



Book Fair is coming to Holy Family



Friday, 20 March, 2020



In week 8 of this term, we will be holding an event that has been long anticipated by the children of Holy Family... A Scholastic Book Fair. As you know, at Holy Family we are committed to providing our children with quality books and fostering a love of reading. The Book Fair gives us a chance to do this on two levels.

Firstly, by giving you an opportunity to purchase quality books for your child/ren at reasonable prices.

Secondly, we are able to purchase new books for our library collection with the commission we receive from your purchases.

Shortly, students will receive a brochure showing some examples of books that will be available. They will also have a chance to visit the Book Fair to peruse the books before the Book Fair.

If you are unable to attend the Book Fair and would like your child to buy a book, simply send some money in an envelope marked 'Book Fair' and one of our dedicated volunteers will help your child to select a book.

I thank you in advance for your support in such a fun and exciting day!

Happy Reading!
Mrs Liepa

Library News

We at Holy Family are very proud of our library, which is well stocked with a wonderful selection of books for our readers. All students have the opportunity to borrow a number of books from the library each week. Students have the opportunity to borrow at lunch times each Thursday and Friday. Students visit the library weekly with their class teacher on the following days:

ES1 - Thursday

Stage 3 - Thursday

Stage 1 - Friday

Stage 2 - Friday

Library borrowing is an important part of the school week, this time allows students to engage with a diverse range of books to extend their imagination and develop a lifelong love of reading.

All children are encouraged to borrow books to read both at school and at home. The children, with the help of parents, need to remember to bring along their library bag so they can borrow books for the week.

With the encouragement of parents and teachers, children have the best chance to foster a love of literature and reading.

Happy Reading!

Mrs Liepa

Library Fun Snaps



We were feeling the love on Valentine's Day!



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14 February 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

RE: SACRAMENTAL PROCESS – CONFIRMATION

An information session for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be held at **Holy Family Church** on:

**Wednesday 4 March at 9.30am or 7.00pm at
Holy Family Church, Luddenham**

You only need to attend one session

Dates for the remainder of the process and all relevant information will be given to you at the Information Session.

Please note that this meeting is for parents only.

If you are not able to attend this session, please contact Carmel at the parish office. Please note that it will not be possible to collect an enrolment form prior to the meeting.

To be eligible your child should be in Year 5 and have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Penance (Reconciliation) and First Holy Communion.

Sincerely,

Fr Giovanni Presiga
Parish Priest

Mix personal training

Are you wanting to challenge yourself and meet new people in a friendly environment?

Come and join my **Mix Personal Training** class on a Tuesday night at 6:30pm at the Holy Family School Hall.

The classes are designed for everyone whether you are just starting out or a bit more advanced in the fitness area.

I cater for people with injury and other illnesses.

The classes are moderate intensity however you can make it more intense as I run cardio boxing and weight training.

Ladies and gentlemen come and join the fun class on a Tuesday night.

All are welcome over the age of 18.

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