

# BRANCHES

**Holy Family Primary School, Luddenham**

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 2

27th May 2021

Issue 8, Week 6

**JUNE**

**Friday 4th**

Athletics Carnival

**Monday 14th**

2:20pm

Whole School Assembly

**Friday 18th**

Half Yearly Reports Sent Home

Stage 3 Excursion - Art Gallery

**Monday 21st - Friday 25th**

Parent/Teacher Interviews

**Wednesday 23rd**

Stage 3 Boys Soccer Gala Day

**JULY**

**Friday 25th**

Last Day of Term 2

**Monday 12th**

First Day of Term 3

**Friday 30th July**

Grandparents Day

In coming weeks a number of young people from our school and the Parish will be initiated into the Church in the Sacrament of Confirmation. The gift of the Spirit is called down on each of them to enable them to live lives in personal witness to Christ. You may wonder what that means? Essentially through their Baptism they were born into a Christian way of living. They have been instructed and supported in the development of their Catholic faith by their parents, grandparents, teachers and their Parish clergy.

In Confirmation the young people make a conscious decision to choose to live out what they have been taught through the Gospels. The very way they respond to and treat those who are most marginalised and rejected by others in society is a true indicator of their commitment and witness to Christ.

In the knowledge world, where we are all simply a click away from connecting to each other and have at our fingertips the answer or opinion to every question and thought we can pose, it is very easy to distance ourselves from what it means to be human.

My prayer for our students and those in the Parish who will be confirmed, is that they become a voice for the weak, the poor, the rejected and that they will use their energy, knowledge and abundant skills to make the world a more positive and hope-filled place. As 10 or 11 year olds, it might be a little ambitious to think that they might have a hand in changing the world, but let's not forget, 'from little things big things grow'.

Mr Anthony McElhone  
Principal



At Holy Family we are:

- Safe
- Respectful
- Responsible
- Learners

## Tell Them from Me

From Monday 31 May to Friday 25 June we will be inviting students, teachers and parents to provide feedback on their experience of our school using an online survey. The surveys are an important part of our whole school evaluation and planning process.



## Tell Them From Me

We would like to invite parents/carers to complete the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning survey. As we value the role of parents and carers within our school community we would greatly appreciate your feedback. The information you provide will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership to further improve student learning and wellbeing at Holy Family.

The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. You are able to access the parent survey on your computer or mobile device by using the URL below:

<https://www.tellthemfromme.com/13420>

Your feedback is very much valued and assists the school in our work with your children, to identify our strengths and also areas in which we can focus our efforts for further improvement.

## Staff Development Days

Following are the dates for the remaining staff development days this year. A reminder that children do not attend school on these days.

- Monday, 13 December
- Tuesday, 14 December
- Wednesday, 15 December

Please note that the student's final day will be Friday, 10 December.



## 2021 School Calendar



The key date of events and celebrations for 2021 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 our main channel of information. If you are having trouble with the app, please email Mrs Edwards on [medwards3@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:medwards3@parra.catholic.edu.au).



## Enrolments for Kindergarten 2022

Application forms are available for collection from the school office. When the application form has been fully completed it should be returned to the office with the required documentation by **ASAP**.



## School Attendance

Every Learner, Every Day is a campaign designed to raise awareness about the importance of attendance for every student, on every school day and to promote a healthy attendance culture. As part of this initiative members of our Attendance Team, Mrs Marie Edwards, Mr Anthony McElhone and Sr Brenda Kennedy, will be regularly following up students with attendance levels that are concerning. In addition we will be promoting positive attendance patterns by acknowledging classes and individuals with excellent attendance.

Our current attendance level is 80%. Our goal is 90% so the following tips will assist us in reaching our goal.

1. Send your child to school every day unless they are sick.
2. Develop good sleep and morning routines.
3. Schedule appointments outside of school hours.
4. Avoid taking holidays during the school term.



## 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 staff have or will attend professional learning:



Date	Staff Members	Professional Learning
1 June	Mr McElhone, Mr McCauley	Priests, Principal & REC's Forum



### Academic Achievement Awards Congratulations Academic Achievement Awards Recipients

Callum Albee Archie Ciocca Leo Falzon Sofia Mammone Amelia Albee Sophie Grousse Leo Lapa Potter Wanthawong	Elise Massih Xavier Zammit Aaliyah Guedes Adriana Isaia Brianna Hosking Zara Isaia Leon Liu Daniela Finianos	Luke Rossetto Satyana Guedes Kiarna Kong Georgia Railton
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### One Heart One Mind Awards Congratulations One Heart One Mind Awards Recipients

Pipa Hooton Amelia Vella Zarli Baric-Eade Mareena Sciberras Isla Agius Edith Cocks Sienna Wright Rebecca Debono	Rylee Abric Nash Lewtschenko Anthony Finianos Monica Messina Michael Mammone Olivia Tyrrell Emilia Maycock Liliana Vella	Jacob Davies Ella Gunther Mikayla Camilleri Georgia Tyrrell
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**PRG Agenda**  
**Term 2 Week 5 2021**

**Present :** Anthony McElhone Ray McCauley Jodie Van As Marie Edwards Maria Mammone,  
Diana Cross Renata Bilotta Kelly Muscat

Principal's Agenda

<p>1. New boys shirts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Boys summer shirt - \$34.95 (currently \$29.95)</li> <li>● Boys winter Shirt - \$44.95 (currently \$39.95)</li> <li>● Lowes cannot supply patches with the logos for shirts.</li> <li>● Change the fabric of the sports polo to cotton back mesh, which is cotton on the inside and polyester on the outside. The cost of the polo will range between \$39.95 and \$44.95 for sizes 4 to 16. Please note the price may vary depending on the style of the polo.</li> </ul> <p>Everyone present preferred the blue logo over the red logo.          Shirt will be phased in over a two year period.  <b>Mrs Azar to let Lowes know to go ahead with emblem on shirts with the summer shirt ready for Term 4.</b></p> <p>Sport Shirt          Can we get samples of polyester sport shirt to look at?  <b>Mrs Azar to ask Lowes to get samples and ask why there are two layers - cotton on the inside and polyester on the outside.</b></p> <p>Enquiries about girls wearing pants in winter and girls winter shirts to have logo on them (for those wearing pants) and not to be tucked in.  <b>Mrs Azar to ask Lowes to get samples on navy pants for girls and to ask about getting logos on white winter shirts for girls.</b></p>
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Community Events/Fundraisers

<p>1. Mother's Day - Feedback</p>	<p>1. Everyone was happy with the hand-made Mother's Day gifts this year. They would prefer to have hand-made rather than bought presents. I mentioned that at the last meeting it was talked about having hand-made/bought presents on</p>
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<p>2. Grandparents Day</p>	<p>alternate years. Will discuss this early next year.</p> <p>2. Mrs Edwards will be meeting with Mrs Finianos after the PRG to discuss Grandparents Day.</p>
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Parents Agenda

<p>1. Change of day for school events</p> <p>2. Chess Club</p> <p>3. Write 4 Fun concerns</p> <p>4. Has there been any update from Council re potential development near our school</p> <p>5. Update on how the new canteen provider is going</p>	<p>1. Monday seems to be a harder day for parents to attend Assemblies. Mr McElhone has said that due to Professional Learning with the Executive Team, it was necessary for all of them to attend the Professional Learning. Assemblies will return to Friday's later in Term 3.</p> <p>The Easter Hat Parade is held on a Monday as the New Life Liturgy is always held after Easter.  <b>Easter Hat Parade is held after Easter as it is liturgically appropriate. It should not occur before Good Friday.</b></p> <p>2. Are we able to have a chess competition here at lunch times?  <b>The PBS4L team will discuss the introduction of 'clubs' at break times.</b></p> <p>3. It was brought up that most students have received a Congratulations Certificate telling them they have progressed to the next level. They are also advised that the cost to publish their book is \$70 plus postage, with an additional \$27 for a photo in the book.  <b>Mrs Ryan to let parents know of this related cost if we go ahead with it next year.</b></p> <p>4. Status of application is <i>Not Determined</i>.</p> <p>5. We have had a couple of students not happy with their lunches. We took photos and sent them to My School Lunch Box. They are situated in the Mountains so even though they are correctly insulated there is the possibility that they can move around in the box.  Mrs Edwards has asked Luddenham Village Cafe from our local community if they can prepare a menu to suit our students. They are currently looking into this.  <b>Mrs Edwards to ask if they can do online ordering with the option of kids sizes and ensure prices are reasonable.</b></p>
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## Term 2, Week 6 2021

**Safe - Respectful - Responsible - Learners**

**Term 2 Week 5 & 6 PBS4L FOCUS**

**BEING RESPECTFUL**

At Holy Family, we have four expectations - **SAFE**, **RESPECTFUL**, **RESPONSIBLE** & **LEARNER**.

**During Week 5 & 6 at Holy Family, we are focusing on being RESPECTFUL.**

- Listen to and Follow instructions from **ALL** Staff

At Holy Family when we are respectful we listen to and follow instructions from **ALL** staff.

All staff refers to all adults at Holy Family - Leadership Team, Teachers, Teacher's Aides, Office Staff, Parish Members, Parent Helpers.

When we listen and follow instructions we show respect for ourselves and others.

Why is it important to listen to and follow instructions?

How are you respectful at home?

How do you listen to and follow instructions from all the adults that you spend time with?

### Token Tally Update

We will update the Token Tally and the Whole School Total in Term 2 Week 3 at Assembly.

	Acacia	Boronia	Jacaranda	Waratah
Points	543	519	514	564

### Leading House Color

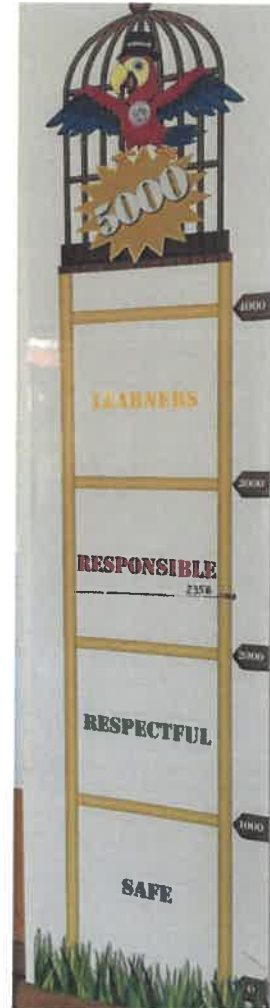
Congratulations to  
**WARATAH**



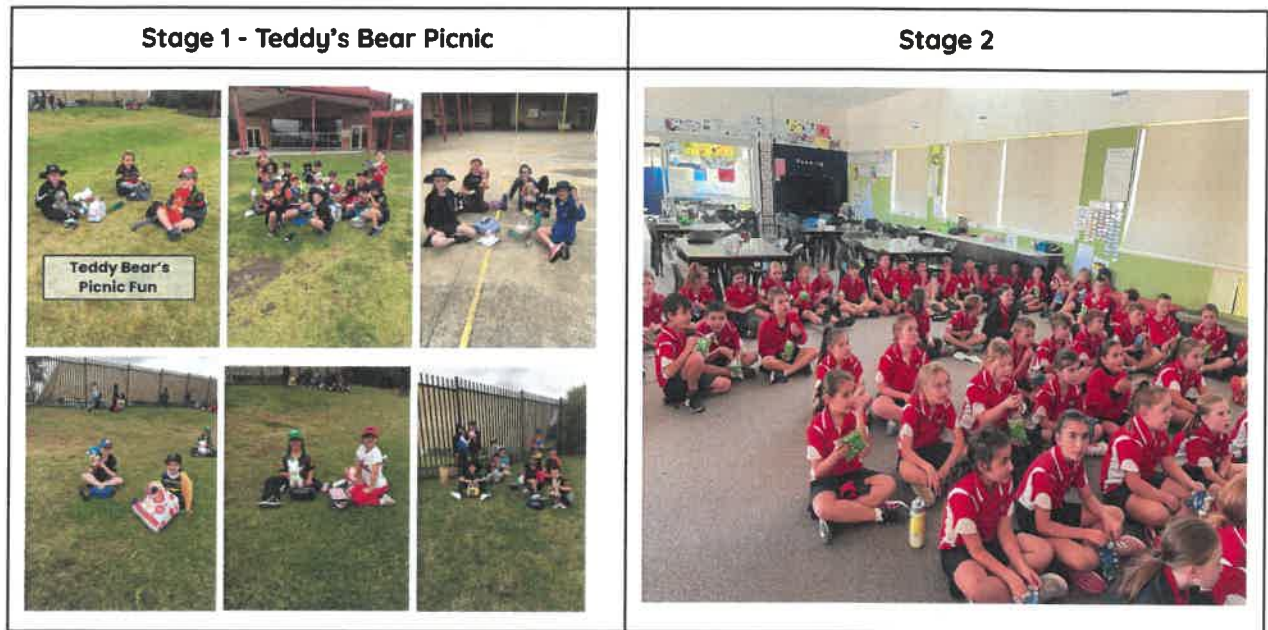
### Whole School Total

2358

Includes 100 Bonus Points  
For students praying  
reverently.



## Stage Rewards



The PBS4L draw winners for Term 2 Week 4 and Term 2 Week 5 are:



Term 2 Week 4



Term 2 Week 5







**Happy Birthday**

**Congratulations** to the following people who celebrated their birthdays in the month of May:

Christian Lapa, Austin Harvey, Leona Bilotta, Heidi Lewtschenko, Talia Evans, Mareena Sciberras, Lucas Camilleri, Sabina Sant, Gerome Avati, Aduang Athum, Orlando Lepre, Cody Beirne, Kaitlin Azzopardi, Lavinia Gullo, Lucas Ojeda, Xavier Eades, Marlie McCullan, Helena Grima, Catia Camilleri, Gideon Moore, Zac Rossetto, Tahlia Vella, Miss Archer, Mr Platt, Mrs Brennan, Mrs Azar and Ms Docanto.



***Connections Counselling***

***Building Bridges***

***Colleen Nicholas, Dip. Couns. MACA***

**Individual, Couple & Family Therapist**

***Counselling For:***

- \*Personal Issues***      ***\*Grief & Loss***
- \*Relationship Problems***      ***\*Anxiety***
- \*Family & Parenting***      ***\*Depression***
- \*Transitional Life Changes***
- \*Stress Management***

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