

NEWSLETTER

Thursday April 1 2021 Term 1 Week 10

1 April Last day Term 1. Casual Clothes Day School finishes 3:20pm

19 April Term 2 commences. Classrooms open 8.30am

3 May Science Fair projects due

11-21 May NAPLAN

13 May Science Fair

26-28 May Camp Wyuna Year 5/6

24-25 June Arrabri Lodge camp Year 3/4

1 November School closure day

2 November Melbourne Cup Public Holiday





Journey to Jerusalem

We warmly invite our families to Holy Rosary Church to experience Journey to Jerusalem. We are proud to share the artscapes that classes have created to recall the events of Holy Week. We look forward to seeing you there.





3/4W Holy Week Prayer

Loving God,

You lead us in your ways.

May we follow in your courage and grow in strength and love. May we act fairly to treat others with respect and kindness.

Help me to let go of the old and embrace the new life that comes from you.

We make this prayer in Jesus' name. Amen





Here are more opportunities to view Journey to Jerusalem at Holy Rosary.

HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES

HOLY THURSDAY 1ST APRIL 2021

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (Holy Rosary & St. Brendan's)

EASTER VIGIL SATURDAY 3rd APRIL 2021 7:00PM Vigil Mass (Holy Rosary & St. Brendan's)



GOOD FRIDAY 2nd APRIL 2021

3:00pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion (Holy Rosary & St. Brendan's)

EASTER VIGIL SUNDAY 4th APRIL 2021 9:00am Mass Holy Rosary 10:30am Mass St. Brendan's

> RECONCILIATION After 9:15am Mass Tuesday & Thursday - St. Brendan's Wednesday - Holy Rosary

PO Box 1192 (37 Gower St) Kensington VIC 3031 Phone: 9376 9455 Fax: 9376 5797 Email: frontoffice@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au Website: www.hrkensington.catholic.edu.au Last Friday afternoon, there was an extraordinary crowd in the yard. This was because of the Sustainability Action Group's bake stall. An exceptional number of cakes were available to sell, and we thank parents who assisted their children with the baking. Thank you so much to the families who supported our SAG students by stopping to enjoy a chat and a cupcake or two. The students were overwhelmed by the success of the stall and there was a definite sense of pride and joy at the huge number of customers. The SAG was well supported by Jodie and the team of parent helpers. We thank everyone who contributed to the success of the afternoon.



Photographs

Yesterday we had our school photos. We thank you for taking the time to ensure your children were dressed appropriately and groomed beautifully. The photographers commented on the excellent manner of our students and they appreciated the way they listened and followed instructions.

Parish Education Board

Last week we held our AGM for the Parish Education Board which was chaired by Damien Murray. There were 12 parents who joined us for this meeting. We congratulate Laura Cochrane and Leona Jackson on their election to the Parish Education Board. We also thank Pilar Abou Haila and Jen Reynolds who nominated for the PEB. We sincerely thank Amanda Muscat and Laura Carra who now step down from the PEB. Their dedication, commitment, perspective and hard work has been greatly appreciated.

MACS (Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools) has organised a zoom meeting for principals and parish priests for early in the new term to discuss the new School Advisory Council which will replace the PEB. We will keep you posted on the outcome of this meeting.

Teacher Shortage

In recent weeks the media has reported a teacher shortage across the state. As part of these reports, it was identified that the recent employment of tutors in schools has provided jobs for many who would usually be doing casual relief teaching. At HR we budget to ensure casual relief staff cover teachers and learning support officers when they are away sick. Already this year we have had one occasion where the agency was unable to provide sufficient teachers for us. Fortunately, we were able to cover this position internally at this time, however, the reality is that as winter approaches and illness hits a peak this may be more problematic. We share this information with you so that you can best prepare your children, and explain that on some occasions they may have to be split up into small groups to work in another classroom should teachers not be available.

Fundraising Team

Last week Christine met with our two co-chairs of our Fundraising Group; Clare Mitchell and Naomi Smith to discuss opportunities for fundraising and socialising in 2021. Clare and Naomi are well supported by Jess Murray (Secretary) and Jane Merrington (Treasurer), and a wonderful support tribe. We encourage all families to get involved in the team's activities as a way of supporting our school while making fabulous friendships. Keep your eye on the newsletter for news of upcoming events. We also thank and acknowledge Lucy Hegan, our 2019 outgoing chair, who worked hard to ensure a year full of fun activities for all in our community and much financial success.

We are looking for parent representatives for each class from Prep-Year 2. Your role is to initiate year level activities and to assist the Fundraising Team to get the word out amongst parents about official school events.

Uniforms

For some time we have entertained the idea of moving our uniforms offsite. The feedback was that parents enjoyed the convenience of uniforms being onsite. Although, we would like to continue to provide this service for our families, we have had to make the difficult decision to move the uniforms offsite. This will commence in Term 2 as we now have limited stock.

This decision was made after consulting with the school accountant. We hold about \$50000-\$60000 worth of stock and the office staff are responsible for the ordering, stocktake and the sale of uniforms. Providing this service is time consuming, particularly as the office staff must move back and forth from the uniform shop, as required. The accountant estimates that providing the uniforms onsite costs the school in the vicinity of \$48000 which of course is money we could spend on learning and teaching.

In addition, the uniform shop is a space that we will use for alternate activities. Currently, we do not have enough quiet and confidential spaces for visiting specialists such as speech pathologists and psychologists, and we must use offices of leadership team members. This can work reasonably well but again it can be challenging when staff, parents or students need a space to discuss an issue or to debrief. Instrumental music is held in the staffroom and the uniform shop could provide a space for this, enabling staff to eat and chat in the staffroom if they are scheduled for lunch during class time.

We have opted to move our uniform sales to Noone. They offer a one stop shop for all items except shoes and they are price comparable. They are located in Niddrie and uniform shopping can be done onsite or online. Items can be delivered to school for free or to home for a delivery fee. We are in the process of organising this changeover and will advise you of the contact details in Term 2.

And, finally....

We send our warm wishes to you all for a happy and holy Easter and a safe, relaxing and rejuvenating break. We look forward to seeing you all back at school on Monday 19 April.

Sonya, Ant, Maria and Chris



This Lent, our students showed how they can '*be more*' by donating money to Project Compassion to assist people struggling to overcome poverty and injustice. Instead of spending the money on things they would like to have for themselves, our children showed generosity and consideration for others less fortunate by adding their coins to the class collection. We also recognise the Lentastic Squad, who volunteered their time to meet and identify ways to raise awareness of these issues and plan actions for the school to take. This year we raised an amazing total of \$609.4. Our leading classes were Year 1N with \$79.30, Year 5/6W with \$107.65 and Year 1S with \$133.05.

The money donated may purchase a waterpoint in a community in Tanzania or much needed beds in refugee camps in Bangladesh. We congratulate everyone in our school for their efforts and we are very proud of the way our children have put their compassion into action.



Art Competition

In my Year 3- 6 art classes, I have been talking about an exhibition at the National Gallery in Canberra -Botticelli to Van Gough - and a competition that is running along side this. Below is the link for the competition. It is for those students who are interested and it closes on Monday April 12th at 5 pm. <u>https://nationalgalleryofaustralia.snapforms.com.au/form/kids-x-van-gogh</u>

Regional Swimming

Congratulations to Hamish, in Year 4, who finished first in his heat of butterfly and 8th overall. Well done on such an amazing achievement!

Andrea, Art and Physical Education

Science Fair news

Only a little over four weeks to go until our Science Fair projects are due in! The projects are due to class teachers on Monday 3rd May. There is much excitement over the last couple of weeks as students have been sharing their plans for their projects. The holidays are a great time to research and work on science fair projects before the busy term starts again. If you find some inspiration over the holidays entry forms can still be submitted next term. I look forward to seeing all of the fabulous projects next term!

Jodie, Sustainability Action Group and Science

Sustainability Action Group update

Last week the Sustainability Action Group ran a very successful cake stall and hair tie stall to raise money to buy new recycling and compost bins to make our school more sustainable. We were hoping to raise \$1000 for the new bins. We raised \$1320.25!

A big thank you to everybody in the Sustainability Group for baking the delicious goods and for everyone who purchased from our stall. Also a big thank you to everyone who gave up their time after school to sell the yummy food especially the parents and teachers who helped us and packed up at the end. A massive thanks to Jodie who could make this all possible and for setting up the bake stall and and running the brilliant sustainability group.

Our next project is to fix up the compost area. If there are any parents who would be able to help us with our compost project we would really love your help. If you are able to help can you please let Jodie know.



Lachlan and Danny Sustainability Action Group

Year 3/4 teachers introductions

My name is JohnPaul (JP) Conway. I have been at Holy Rosary for the last 5 years. Previously I taught in Moonee Ponds. I came to Australia 13 years ago from Northern Ireland. I now consider Australia to be home and love living here.

I look forward to a fantastic year working with your children. Best wishes for 2021, JP.

Hi, my name is Monica and I am teaching 3/4 Navy this year. I really enjoy playing volleyball and doing arts and crafts in my spare time. If I could live anywhere in the world it would be near a beautiful beach so I could go swimming every day.

Hi my name is Allison Azzopardi and I'm really enjoying teaching grade 3/4 so far this year. I like to exercise, shop, eat delicious food at restaurants, travel and watch North Melbourne play football. You'll often see me sipping on a latte in one of Kensington's super cafes!

My name is Clare Hudson and I am teaching in 3/4S with Allison Azzopardi. It has been wonderful getting to know everyone and I am really looking forward to a fantastic year. I enjoy reading, bike riding, going to the beach and spending time with my family. My goal for the year is to stand up on a surfboard and ride a wave all the way to shore!!

Regional Swimming Carnival result

On Tuesday 30th March, Hamish represented Holy Rosary at the Regional Swimming carnival in Geelong.

What a mighty effort to come first in the 50 m butterfly heat and 8th overall. We are so proud of you Hamish!

Thank you for your dedication and hard work and doing your very best.

Clare and Allison, 3/4 Sky teachers

Congratulations

Congratulations to the Luebke Family on their precious little bundle of joy Capri Clementine. We wish all the family much love and happiness on the arrival of their gorgeous little daughter and sister.







School Photos information for parents -AFTER Photo day

Annual school photos have been taken by Arthur Reed Photos.

To view the images of your child and order photos, you will need to first register online.

- 1. Go to <u>https://order.arphotos.com.au</u> and enter the 2021 image code for your child (from their personalized flyer)
- 2. Tap on 'Add another child' to enter the image codes of any siblings

3. Fill in your email and mobile details and then review all details before confirming your registration That's it! When 2021 photos are ready, you will be notified by email and SMS.

Even if you registered last year, it's important that you do it again each year using your child's new image code to link their photos for the current year with your contact details.

To ensure you are ordering school photos for the current year, please wait for notifications that 2021 images are online before placing orders.

In the webshop you can view photos and customize your photo package; Choose ANY layout, ANY image and purchase multiple digital image downloads.

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Speech & Drama lessons 2021

Term 2

Students who would like to commence Speech & Drama Lessons in 2021 please follow the trybooking link to enrol in this program.

Speech & Drama lessons are a fun and dynamic way of building students confidence in public speaking, communication and performance skills. Speech & Drama lessons aim to improve diction, improve voice projection and develop natural expression of the spoken word.

The course will include skills such as vocal exercises, storytelling, improvisation, presentation skills and drama. Fun relaxed examinations will be undertaken as part of this program in November of each year. The extra cost of this examination will be \$30-50 depending on your child's level and by enrolling in this program you agree for your child to take part in an examination.

Timetabling and lesson times

Year 1 to 6 classes are 30minutes in duration and are conducted during school hours on Fridays. To avoid missing the same class, lesson times will vary from week to week rotating on Fridays. Each student is required to bring a plastic display folder to every lesson.

Fees for 9 Lessons per Term 2 :

Group of four or more \$206.00

Make up lessons

It is the responsibility of the student to attend lessons, however if a student is unable to attend a timetabled lesson, a make- up lesson will be arranged where possible subject to the teacher being notified in advance. (One week's notice is required. Absences without notice will not be made up which is in line with current industrial law whereby the teacher is entitled to a full days' salary once he/she is contracted to teach.) One school terms written notice is required if enrolment is to be cancelled, or a fee equivalent to 50% of the series charge will be made, unless the withdrawal is on the recommendation of the teacher.

Speech & Drama Lessons 2021- Term 2 Holy Rosary PS

To enrol in the Speech & Drama program please follow the link below to ensure a place for Term 2



Holy Rosary Speech & Drama Lesson Term 2 2021

If this link doesn't work, please use the address: https://www.trybooking.com/BMSKM



Term 2 chess commences 29th April with the final session held on 17th June.

In order to establish the round robin tournament students must be registered no later than Friday 30th April.

BOOK ONLINE @

www.chessforschools.com.au

Phil 0421 901 530 admin@chessforschools.com.au



TERM1 WRAPUP

HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL

Just like that Term 1 is nearly over! We've had so much fun with you so far this year. We kicked things off with our Teddy Bear Picnic and just had our BIGGEST BIRTHDAY PARTY! We've also loved sharing the TeamKids difference with new families and schools. Autumn School Holidays are just around the corner, see you there!

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MOBILE 0428 411 008

HOLY ROSARY TEAMKIDS

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Last week we had a blast, beginning to wrap up our Term 1 clubs. We had so much fun making craft roll owls in Art Attack Club and honey joys in Cooking Club! We also took a stroll around the school and chose some flowers to press, to make personalised cards for our families and friends.

We're really looking forward to our Masterchef Challenge in Cooking Club this week, where the children will be presented with a variety of ingredients and will have the opportunity to harness their creativity skills and make up their own recipes! We will also be making clay portraits of each other in Art Attack Club, learning how to build shelters in Adventure Club, and getting into the Easter spirit with an Easter egg hunt and hot cross buns for breakfast!

We're super pumped for Vacation Care starting next Tuesday. Bookings are open now, jump onto our website and secure your place now! We can't wait to see you all for an epic Autumn holidays full of amazing experiences, such as awesome themed days and excursions to the movies and Werribee zoo! To find out in more detail what we'll be getting up to these holidays, check out Holy Rosary's tab on the TeamKids website ©

IMPORTANT DATES



Last day of Term 1!

Thursday 8th April VAC Excursion to the Movies!

Thursday 8th April

VAC Excursion to the Werribee Zoo!





BOOKINGS OPEN NOW! >>





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HOLY ROSARY CHURCH EASTER MASS TIMES

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday 27th March – 5:30pm VIGIL MASS Sunday 28th March – 9:00am MASS

HOLY THURSDAY

Thursday 1st April – 7:00pm MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday 2nd April – 3:00pm COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

EASTER Saturday 3rd April – 7:00pm EASTER VIGIL Sunday 4th April – 9:00am MASS

RECONCILIATION: After 9:15am Mass Wednesday 31st March

EASTER!

GIRLS & BOYS SOCCEER Community Based Club – All Welcome!

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Community Based Club – All Welcome! Girls 5 to under 16 & Boys 5 to under 15

The Club runs the highly successful soccer Miniroos program with our coaching partner **Kano football,** teaching games skills for the long term enjoyment of soccer.

Boys U7 - U12 games played on Saturdays, Boys U13 & above on Sundays and Girls games on Sundays. **Training at Holland Park, Kensington.** Training information to be updated early 2021.

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