

NEWSLETTER

Wednesday May 5 2021 Term 2 Week 3

8 May Mother's Day Cake Stall

9 May Mother's Day

11-21 May NAPLAN

13 -14 May Science Fair (Bookings required)

21 May Back to HR BBQ

26-28 May Camp Wyuna Year 5/6

2 June PEB Meeting 6:30pm

11 June Winter Sport Gala Day

14 June Queens Birthday Public Holiday

24-25 June Arrabri Lodge camp Year 3/4

25 June Last day Term 2 School finishes 3:20

Dear Parents and Friends of Holy Rosary

When God Created Mothers

Wishing our mothers, grandmothers, aunts, sisters and important women in our lives many blessings this Sunday.

When the Good Lord was creating mothers, He was into His sixth day of "overtime" when the angel appeared and said. "You're doing a lot of fiddling around on this one." And God said, "Have you read the specs on this order?" She has to be completely washable, but not plastic. Have 180 moveable parts...all replaceable. Run on black coffee and leftovers. Have a lap that disappears when she stands up. A kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair. And six pairs of hands." The angel shook her head slowly and said. "Six pairs of hands.... no way." It's not the hands that are causing me problems," God remarked, "it's the three pairs of eyes that mothers have to have."

That's on the standard model?" asked the angel. God nodded.

One pair that sees through closed doors when she asks, 'What are you kids doing in there?' when she already knows. Another here in the back of her head that sees what she shouldn't but what she has to know, and of course the ones here in front that can look at a child when he goofs up and say. 'I understand and I love you' without so much as uttering a word."God," said the angel touching his sleeve gently, "Get some rest tomorrow...."

I can't," said God, "I'm so close to creating something so close to myself. Already I have one who heals herself when she is sick...can feed a family of six on one pound of hamburger...and can get a nine year old to stand under a shower."

The angel circled the model of a mother very slowly. "It's too soft," she sighed. But tough!" said God excitedly. "You can imagine what this mother can do or endure."

Can it think?"

Not only can it think, but it can reason and compromise," said the Creator. Finally, the angel bent over and ran her finger across the cheek. There's a leak," she pronounced. "I told You that You were trying to put too much into this model." It's not a leak," said the Lord, "It's a tear." What's it for?" It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness, and pride." You are a genius, " said the angel. Somberly, God said, "I didn't put it there." — Erma Bombeck, When God Created Mothers

Sacraments 2021 Commitment Masses

Receiving the sacraments is a special time in our faith journey. They are parish events, which remind us of the role of the community in supporting our faith life. We ask then that children who will be celebrating any sacrament this year, attend a presentation and commitment mass on Saturday May 22. Mass times are as below and families may attend either church. We look forward to seeing you there.

May 22 Saturday

5:30pm at Holy Rosary Church with Fr Hien 6:00pm St Brendan's Church Flemington with Fr Peter

May 23 Sunday

9:00am at Holy Rosary Church with Fr Hien 10:30am St Brendan's Church Flemington

Holy Rosary School is committed to the safety, wellbeing and protection of all children in our care.

We successfully applied for a Local Community Grant and finally, with some more relaxed rules around COVID we have started work to extend our sandpit. The idea is to make this a more engaging play space for children, and to ensure the sand remains cleaner and more protected; a retaining wall will help keep the sand in the sandpit and not spilling into the laneway! Work began on Monday and we are all keeping a watchful eye on the changes taking place. We hope the weather will be kind, to allow a quick sandpit transformation and return to this play space.



Cake Stall

Thank you to parents who have taken jars and cake boxes for filling, and to those who have offered their services on Saturday. We are so appreciative of your collective efforts! No doubt, you will love the wide range of delicious treats available to purchase, the wonderful sense of community at the stall and of course, the funds which will be used to purchase resources for our students. Staff have devised a wish list of resources and we invite families to contribute to the list by sending your suggestions to frontoffice@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au. Thanks to Naomi and Jane for their outstanding behind the scenes working in ensuring the success of this event.

We look forward to seeing you all on Saturday. Don't forget to tell your family and friends about the delicious treats they can buy from the HR Cake Stall. We welcome you to share the facebook post or to drop some of our flyers around Kensington and Flemington.

Can parents attend assemblies?

We are often asked when parents can come along to assemblies. The answer is that we don't know. Last week, we received a further COVID update which affirms current practice, and makes no change to school gatherings. As it stands now, we can only have 1 person per 2 sq m. at school or church gatherings when we invite visitors. Without visitors, we are allowed to gather as a student and staff group. As soon as there is a change to these arrangements, you will definitely be the first to know.

Evacuation

In the coming weeks we will be preparing students and staff for a practise emergency evacuation. Students will be advised that this is a practise, in the unlikely event that we have a fire at school. When we evacuate the building we our first evacuation point is in the regular assembly area and our secondary point is in Holy Rosary Church. It would be worthwhile to reiterate with your children that these drills, are common place and to emphasise that all schools and other large buildings have regular drills.

If you are onsite at the time of an evacuation, you must evacuate with staff and students and report to the assembly area until the all clear is given by the chief warden. These events highlight the importance of all visitors reporting their presence to the front office.

Prep students 2022

Current families should have submitted enrolments for Prep 2022 and the required documentation. Thank you to families who have promoted Holy Rosary in the community. Word of mouth is the most positive advertising of all. If you know families who are looking for Prep enrolments in 2022 please tell them to call the office for a tour.

Service Victoria

Chisachi has organised the Service Victoria QR code for Holy Rosary School so that you can now register via the QR code when checking into HR. This QR code allows a great record in the case of an outbreak here at school. Please be reminded that it does not replace the sign in/out process via the iPad in the office. This process allows us to know who is in the building at any time and who has collected students.

Happy Mother's Day

Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers, grandmothers and mother figures. We wish you a day filled with love, peace and joy. We recognise and pray for those who remember with love, mothers who can't be with them this Sunday and those who long to be mothers. Our hearts are with you.

Newsletter

If you'd like to add any items to the newsletter, please ensure that the copy has arrived to <u>newsletter@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au</u> by Tuesday 9:00am to allow sufficient time for proofreading and publishing.

Best wishes for a happy week ahead,

Maria, Ant, Chris, Sonya



Science news



Science Fair 2021 13th-14th May

We are very pleased to announce that this year our Science Fair will once again be open to parents! It is looking like it will be another fabulous Science Fair display this year with lots of entries from every year level across the school. Our talented students are currently sharing their projects with their class before the whole school display next week. All projects will be on display in the Hall for our Science Fair on Thursday 13 and Friday 14 of May. Every student will be given the opportunity to attend the Science Fair with their class then families will be welcome to view the fair after school on Thursday or before school on Friday.

We are very thankful that current restrictions allow us to invite parents this year and look forward to seeing you all there. If you would like to come along to view all of the fabulous projects from our talented students please book in a 30 minute time slot using the following link. To ensure we comply with the current capacity limits please book for everyone attending, including all children. We will also ask you to please use the QR code on the door to check in when you arrive. We thank you in advance for your understanding. To keep everyone safe we ask if you are unwell and have a fever, chills or sweats, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath or respiratory illness, runny nose and loss or change in sense of smell or taste to please avoid coming into the school.



This week's question from our Science leaders

True or false: Ther helmint worms can bee seen with the naked eye.

Please write your name, class and answer on a piece of paper. The box for the answer is in the office.

Last week's answer was 1.3 million.

NAPLAN 2021



The NAPLAN testing window for 2021 is open from Tuesday 11 May - Friday 21 May. Our timetable for our students sitting the Naplan tests is as follows:

Tuesday 11 May: Writing Wednesday 12 May: Reading Thursday 13 May: Language Conventions Friday 14 May: Numeracy

All tests in each of the subject areas, for both Year 3 and Year 5 students, will begin at 9:30am.

We have set aside Monday 17 May and Tuesday 18 May as our 'catch-up' days with tests also beginning at 9:30am. These catch-up sessions are for students who were absent due to illness during the scheduled timetable.

All children **must** have headphones. Due to hygiene issues, children must not share headphones. We have some leftover at school from remote learning last year but not enough for everyone. It would be preferable for your children to use their own headphones, however, if this is an issue, advise your child's teacher immediately.

Headphones serve two vital purposes:

- 1. To block out the ambient noise during the test
- 2. Some of the items on the tests have audio accompanying the questions and students need to listen for the prompts



Helpful Hints for Parents and children during NAPLAN week

1. Encourage confidence- your child will do well when they feel that 'giving the tests their best shot' is all that you expect.

 Discuss feelings and concerns: Feeling a little anxious is normal, show empathy and listen to fears. Perhaps share times when you have felt this way before tests when you went to school.
 Maintain a positive attitude: Continue to be approachable

and encourage interest in their usual after school activities. This allows children to feel safe and secure.

4. Prepare your child: Have them go to bed early, have breakfast, have a bottle of water and a **nutritious** lunch/ snacks prepared.

- 5. Arrive at school on time.
- 6. Keep Perspective: This is just a series of tests in time; just one form of assessment: success is not determined by these tests.

Naplan News For all Parents and students:

To give our Year 3 and 5 students every opportunity for success we have decided to administer the NAPLAN tests in the morning blocks. To this end, we have scheduled some changes to the regular timetable. Some PE lessons have changed. Other classes have not been affected.

Changes to the Specialist Timetable for the week beginning 10 May ONLY

Wednesday	Thursday
Sport Uniform to be worn by: Prep S and N 5/6W	Sport Uniform to be worn by: 3/4N, 3/4W, 3/4S
No changes for Year 1/2 or Year 5/6S and 5/6N classes: These students wear Sport uniform as usual.	

Teacher introduction

Hi, my name is Rachel and I am part of the 5/6 Team this year. This is my second year at Holy Rosary Primary School. I have spent a lot of my time before this, travelling Europe and teaching overseas in the UK. I have many hobbies- I love to keep myself busy with doing any form of exercise especially going to the gym, camping, hanging out with friends and family as well as cooking. I'm looking forward to meeting you all at some stage this year.

I'm Simon, and this is my 6th year at Holy Rosary. My favourite thing about working at HR is the school community and the staff I work with. Outside of school, I love spending time with my friends and family, hanging out with my dog Moe, running and relaxing. I'm excited for another great year at HR and all the events coming up.

Hi, I'm Evan. This is my 6th year working at Holy Rosary and I'm really excited to be a part of the 5/6 team in 2021. I really enjoy listening to music, playing guitar and reading. Life has become a little busier with the arrival of our daughter, Charlie, during lockdown last year. She amazes me everyday and we look forward to celebrating her first birthday next week. Holy Rosary is a wonderful school to teach at and I look forward to what this year brings.



Rachel, Simon and Evan

Hi, I'm Liz and I work on Thursday and Friday as the 5/6W teacher. I love working at Holy Rosary and have been here since 2012! In the time I have worked here I have met so many wonderful people, students, staff, parents and Kensington locals that I keep coming back each year. I have two children, Jack who is nearly 3 and Ellie who is 16 months, my husband is Tom and we love to spend time all together as well as with our family and friends. In my spare time I love to read, do classes at the gym and try new restaurants.

Gardening Club

Each Wednesday, Michalea and Sarah will be running a gardening club during lunchtime, working closely with the Sustainability Group. We are hoping to re-invigorate the existing garden beds as well as plant vegetable and edible plants in our raised gardens. We would love any donations of soil, cuttings and seeds that you have lying around at home, along with gardening gloves, trowels and watering cans and pots that you no longer need. Hopefully we can have a beautiful and plentiful garden up and running and ready to share with our school community soon.

Thanks, Michaela and Sarah.



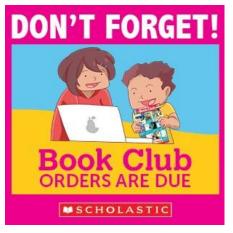
Back to Holy Rosary BBQ Parent Helpers Needed

Looking for a couple of parents to cook sausages at our "Back to Holy Rosary Barbeque" on Friday afternoon 21 May from 3 pm to 4 pm.

If you are able to assist, please email Ruth at <u>rkeily@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au</u> Many Thanks!



Scholastic Book Club



Book Club orders are due back by: Sunday 9 May 2021 You can place your child's order online at <u>scholastic.com.au/LOOP</u> or use the **LOOP** app.



Fundrasing Group

TERM 2 FRIDAY FUNDRAISER - POT LUCK FRIDAYS!

This term, the SRC and Special Events Group representatives will be supporting the Fundraising Group by running **Pot Luck Fridays**! If your child would like to be involved, please send them to school with a few <u>\$2 coins</u> to be able to by the treat or the day. This will be sold at second lunch.

Each Friday, there will be a drink option, and a treat food item - \$2 per item. As it is 'pot luck', students will not know what the items are until the day. The food item will change each week, and drink options will remain the same. We are unable to cater to all allergies, so we ask that your child takes responsibility for this if they are purchasing items. We will endeavour to have gluten free and dairy free items available. We are limiting items per student to one food item and one drink item to ensure all have a chance to purchase something. Please ensure your child brings Australian currency - we unfortunately had some disappointed students when they tried to pay with toy money, or foreign currency.

Each week, students who line up respectfully, and show great manners and kindness, will **have the chance to be chosen for a free item the following week**!

Thank you to the SRC and Special Events Group for jumping in and helping us run our Pot Luck Fridays this term. As always, thank you to our Holy Rosary families who continue to support fundraising activities for our school community.

Our first week was a great success. There was a lot of excitement, and all students listened wonderfully and used amazing manners.

See you on Friday at second lunch!

Mother's Day Cake Stall

The Holy Rosary Mother's Day cake stall is only 1 week away!

This annual event will look a little different in 2021 and the fundraising team are working through the logistics.

We are asking the school community to lend their culinary talents to once again deliver a stylish,

contemporary stall selling an exquisite range of homemade goodies to the Kensington community. In past years we have raised an amazing \$5000 which was used to purchase supplies to enrich our school programs.

Apart from cakes, slices, biscuits and other sweet treats, our stall also sells preserves such as jams, curds, sauces, relishes, pickles, tomato passata and pesto. If you can help cook up any of these best sellers over the next couple of weeks it would be greatly appreciated.

We are also calling for volunteers in the lead up and on the day. **VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED** - Sign up link below

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0845adaf2aa7ff2-mothers

Stay tuned for more information and happy baking.



Book School Interviews Online



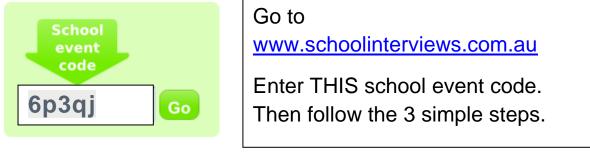
Dear Parents

The Science Fair will be held on Thursday 13 May from 3.30pm to 6pm and Friday 14 May from 8.00am to 8.30am in the Mercy Hall.

You can now book appointments at times that suit YOUR FAMILY BEST.

Go to <u>www.schoolinterviews.com.au</u> and follow these simple instructions.

BOOKINGS OPEN Wednesday 5 May 2021 at 4.00pm











When you click *finish*, your appointment time will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to <u>www.schoolinterviews.com.au</u> at any time, and change your appointment - until bookings close.

BOOKINGS OPEN WEDNESDAY 5 May AT 4.00PM SO THAT ALL FAMILIES MAY BOOK AT THE SAME TIME

You can visit the Science Fair for 30 minutes. The hall has the capacity of 115 people per session, there should be enough room for all families to attend.



We're Super Excited to See You!

BACK TO HOLY Rosary Barby 2021

All ex students from Holy Rosary welcome!

FRIDAY 21ST MAY 4 - 5PM

RSVP: frontoffice@hrkensington.catholic.edu. for attendance and any dietary requirements.







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Mother's Day CAKE STALL

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The Holy Rosary Mother's Day Cake Stall is only 3 weeks away!

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Stay tuned for more information and happy baking!

Saturday 8th May

Location White Rabbit Record Bar 176 Bellair St

9.00am til Midday

Delicious Homemade Treats

MOTHER'S DAY CAKE STALL INFORMATION SHEET

Saturday 8th May – 9am til Midday

WE'RE LOOKING FOR HELP FROM ALL THE BAKERS AND ASPIRING CHEFS AMONG YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES TO PRODUCE DELICIOUS HOMEMADE ITEMS FOR HOLY ROSARY'S MOTHER'S DAY CAKE STALL.

FOR THE BAKERS

Any delicious cakes, slices, and biscuits are required.

Traditional stall favourites include yo yos, slices (caramel, hedgehog, lemon, rocky road), biscuits, syrup cakes, chocolate balls, brownies and unfilled sponge cakes.

Large cakes are especially popular as well as Gluten free items.

FOR THE PRESERVERS

Jams, curds, sweet & savoury sauces, tomato passata, relishes, pickles, pesto, etc are all brilliant sellers.

FOR THE NON BAKERS

Non bakers are invited to show your support by:

Volunteer to help with PRE-EVENT JOBS, SET UP (7am - 9am), SALES (9am - 12pm) or PACK UP (12pm - 1pm). Dads welcome too for transporting & heavy lifting!

Please sign up to volunteer via our online roster at **WEBLINK HERE** ALL WELCOME !

- A donation of ingredients such as lemons, berries, almond meal, flour, cocoa, chocolate, etc.(Leave at school office)
- Come along on the day and show your support by purchasing some yummy treats.

FOOD SAFETY REGULATIONS

1. LABELLING

Completion of an ingredient tag is required for each item you produce. Tags will be available after school from Monday 26th April to Wednesday 5th May, along with a 'how to' instruction guide.

2. INGREDIENTS

Cakes can include cooked eggs and dairy products but must not contain any raw eggs or dairy products including cream, cream cheese or yoghurt in fillings, icing or toppings. Unfortunately we do not have refrigeration to store and sell these types of cakes.

3. FOOD SAFETY TIPS: Always wash your hands before cooking

(children in particular!).

Ensure food is sealed prior to transporting from home to school (either in cellophane or in a sealed container) to prevent contamination.

4. PACKAGING/PRESENTATION

Experience has shown that items sell faster if they are well packaged and presented. To enhance the presentation of your delicious food, a pink and white colour scheme is used for labelling and wrapping. All packaging is supplied by the school and available after school from Mon 26th April to Wed 5th May. If you can't collect the packaging, items can be wrapped by the volunteers at time of delivery.

CAKES

Please place cakes on white china, white melamine or silver cake board and wrap using clear cellophane and pink ribbon. Cake boards and wrapping will be available from Monday 26th April. If you have any good condition pretty vintage plates (no chips or cracks) and pink ribbon we would welcome you wrapping with these, or donating them for use by others. Perhaps you still have your plate from last year. We would welcome the opportunity to recycle it for you. Purchasers will be able to keep their plates as well as food on them.

SLICES

If slices are your speciality, slice boxes and doylies will be available for use. Place the slice in the box and into one of the suitably sized cello bags provided. Tie with ribbon and attach an ingredient label.

BISCUITS & SMALL TREATS

Assorted cellophane bags for packaging smaller items such as biscuits, chocolate balls etc. will be available for your convenience.

JAM, RELISH & OTHER PRESERVES

For the jam and relish cooks we have jars and lids available for collection from the school office. We ask you to indicate what you plan to make upon collection of the jars so that specially designed holy rosary jam/relish labels can be printed and adhered to your jars.

DELIVERY

Please deliver items on *Friday 7th May* to the Mercy Hall *between 2:00pm and 4:30pm*.

All donations will be gratefully accepted. If you are unable to wrap but would like to contribute, we're happy to wrap for you.

If you're unable to deliver to school on Friday afternoon, you are welcome to deliver to the cake stall on Saturday morning **(before 10am)** or contact Jane or Naomi to make other arrangements. We are however encouraging earlier bakers to bring their items the day before to ensure everything is labelled correctly and priced prior to sale. This can be time consuming for those manning the stall on the day and your assistance in this regard would be greatly appreciated.

Our mother's day cake stall is a popular annual local event with many people eagerly anticipating the delicious food that will be on offer. Come along and take home a special treat to spoil mum and support Holy Rosary.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any queries.

HAPPY BAKING!

JANE EDWARDS - MOB. 0423 049 877 NAOMI SMITH - MOB. 0402 132 423

Please sign up to volunteer via our online roster here. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0845adaf2aa7ff2-mothers



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



HOLY ROSARY TEAMKIDS

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

What a great week that was!

On Monday we had our cooking club where we made flatbread, the children loved making it and said it tasted delicious!

In Dance club we played a game called toy dance, where the children became their favourite toys and the educator had to guess what toy they were.

On Thursday we had our mindfulness club where the children went outside and did a nature scavenger hunt. They had to find things like a leaf, a hole, something yellow and a shiny rock. They absolutely loved this activity, they even asked if we had more scavenger hunts for them to do!!

On Friday we had our art attack club where the children built and painted their own dinosaurs, they had so much fun with this activity!

We had the best week and can't wait for next week!

IMPORTANT DATES



Friday 7th May

Space Day

Bunday 9th May

Mother's Day

 Service Mobile:
 0428 411 008

 Office Phone:
 1300 035 000







Service Email: holyrosaryschool@teamkids.com.au Office Email: info@teamkids.com.au

https://teamkids.com.au/

CONTACT THE REGISTRAR ON 9321 9207 OR INFO@SCCMELB.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU TO BEGIN THE ENROLMENT PROCESS. LIMITED PLACES FOR ENTRY IN 2021 ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE AT ALL YEAR LEVELS

