

- 14 August**
Confirmation
- 15 August**
Science Week begins
- 16 August**
P-2 Responsible Pet
Ownership Incursion
- 18 August**
Science Week
Family Astronomy
Night
- 22 August**
Book Week
- 26 August**
Book Week Dress up
- 26 August**
Nominations for Mercy
Spirit Award close
- 30 August**
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- 4 September**
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- 15 September**
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End of Term 3
- 14 October**
School Closure Day
- 26 October**
6:30 -8pm
Butterfly Foundation
seminar

Dear Parents and Friends of Holy Rosary



Thank you

Our 5/6 children had a sensational experience at Phillip Island thanks to the fine organisation and attendance at the camp by Andrea, Maria S, Jenna, Harry, Liz, Patrick, Maria M and Allison. It's a big commitment attending camp; juggling family and other personal activities. We also acknowledge and thank Andrea for coordinating camp events so proficiently. She had left no stone unturned in ensuring the success of the camp. We know that this experience helped our children to shine.

We Want Your Feedback Year 5/6 Parents

If you'd like to share your feedback on the camp experience please complete this quick [survey](#). Tell us, 'What Went Well' and 'Even Better If.'

We want to hear your thoughts on the processes that worked for your child and the ways you think we could improve.

Confirmation

We wish our Year 6 Confirmation Candidates a blessed day on Sunday. We pray that the Holy Spirit will guide them in their words and actions always.

Child Safe Standards

Revised Child Safe Standards came into effect from 1 July and as part of these revisions the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria has updated their commitment to child safety. You can read the revised statement on our [website](#).

Newsletter

To help us fine tune the newsletter process, we ask that all articles are submitted to newsletter@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au by **9am Monday**. This will allow Chisachi reasonable time to finish the draft and have it proofread before publishing.

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

Year 5/6 Camp

A Special Report from Meredith, Jimmy and Riley

On Wednesday 3rd August, we hopped on the bus and sat down for a few hours waiting for our destination; Phillip Island Adventure Park! At our stop in San Remo, we were greeted by a large pod of hungry pelicans. They feasted on fresh fish while we enjoyed hot potato cakes and chips.

Finally we were at the campsite and we were very excited to have some fun and find our cabins. Large birds called Cape Barren Geese left poop all over the grass but we were careful to watch out.



Next, we got into our activity groups and pushed ourselves mentally and physically. Everyone flew like a kookaburra on the flying fox and swung high on the giant swing. It was great for all of us to be together with all of our friends, or even people you usually don't hang out with.



On the first night we sang Happy Birthday to Arden and Ollie and enjoyed some chocolate mousse with whipped cream topped with chocolate chips 😊. The day ended with Trivia hosted by Patrick and Allison. There were a lot of laughs.



On the last day, we left camp to go to Amaze N Things which was a blast. There were fun activities such as; mini golf, mirror maze, the 3D maze and gravity room. There was a special slide too. Everyone was eager to try it out. Overall, we had a spectacular time at camp and we would like to say thank you to the teachers and staff who helped to make this camp happen.

Meredith, Jimmy and Riley

Canteen

Pot Luck is a very popular Friday activity! Thanks to the parents who have made this weekly canteen treat possible by ordering or serving the children each week. Last week's donuts were a great hit! And thanks again to Matilda's Bakery for their support. If you'd like to help out on a Friday, you will be welcomed with open arms! Send an email to Belinda belinda@bewellbeyou.com.au



Matilda Hot Bread
502 Macaulay Rd, Kensington

School Closure Days

We have two school closure days to add to the calendar.

- Friday 16 September, the last day of Term 3 when staff will gather for a Faith Development Day.
- Friday 14 October when staff will learn more about the writing process.

[TeamKids](#) will be available to offer care on these days.

Planning for 2023

We're in the process of planning for 2023 classes. To assist us we need to know our projected school population at Holy Rosary. If your family is leaving at the end of this school year, please contact frontoffice@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au

We are accepting enrolments in most year levels. Please tell your friends and allow us to take them on a personalised tour so that they can learn about the wonderful learning experiences happening at HR.

Home Reading Resources

Our new Prep - 2 Home Reading texts are now ready for borrowing. Your children will have the opportunity to sample the array of books as of today. We ask that you take care of these with extra tender care. They will not be contacted as we are trying to lessen our impact on the environment. Happy Reading everyone!

New Purchases

We've just purchased some new iPads! There's an iPad for each classroom, the music room and the science/art room. The purpose of these iPads is for students and staff to take photos of good learning, and for the recording of class dojos. These class dojos support our work in Positive Behaviour for Learning, allowing us to acknowledge students who follow our school expectations; Safety is our Right, Learning is our Responsibility and Respect is our Way.



Keeping Your Children Safe Online

The Australian Government provides an excellent eSafety [website](#) that provides information for parents and children about online safety.

On occasion, we become aware of children who are using social media including Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and other apps. If this occurs using a school email or device, the child's account is automatically shut down until a conversation has taken place with the child. We explain the dangers of accessing mature content with the intention of making the situation a learning experience for them.

As always, we encourage parents to ensure devices are used in a shared space such as the lounge room or kitchen rather than a bedroom and that the device's history is checked regularly. The eSafety [website](#) offers resources, including webinars to keep you informed of the latest online trends and dangers, and to ensure your child's safety is maintained while online.

Date Claimer- Hot Off the Press



Are you looking for some practical advice on how to support your child's body confidence?

It can be hard to know how to respond when a child says they're fat or ugly particularly when so many adults struggle with their own body image.

Join the experts from the Butterfly Foundation for a free, relaxed and informative 1.5hr seminar for parents/carers on practical strategies for supporting positive body image in children and teens. Topics include: the power of positive role modelling; reducing appearance talk, healthy behaviours in relation to eating and exercise, early intervention and referral advice.

Wednesday 26 October 6:30-8:00pm
Booking details in next week's newsletter.

Fees

A gentle reminder to families that fees are due. There are several ways that fees can be paid. This can be via direct deposit on a regular schedule, up front or in three instalments. We respectfully request that fees are not left until the conclusion of the school year before being paid. School fees are a significant part of our income and, as a not for profit organisation, we need fees to cover our costs including educational supplies and resources, utilities, maintenance and furniture. Obviously these costs have increased significantly over the past months. Additionally, we are working to save some money to support us in capital work projects.

We understand that these are challenging times for families and we urge you to make an appointment for a confidential conversation if you need to make an alternate payment plan to suit your family commitments.

Masses

Before Covid our classes each took a turn to attend Friday's parish Mass. Now that we can more safely visit the church we have reintroduced our weekly Masses. The purpose of Mass attendance is for the children to become more familiar with the church, the Mass and Father Thang. Family members are most welcome to attend Mass each Friday at 9:15am.

Date	Class
19 August	Year 3/4N
26 August	Book Week Celebration No Mass
2 Sept	Year 2N and 2S
9 Sept	Year 5/6S
16 Sept	Year 5/6W

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

In our recent staff meetings teachers have identified the areas of focus for our upcoming lessons. Over the next weeks our focus is on the various areas of our playground. We begin with playing safely on the bottom yard.

Holy Rosary School Positive Behaviour for Learning

Every child has the right to learn and every teacher has the right to teach.

Lesson Plan: Playing on the bottom yard (Adventure)	
Step 1: List Learning Intentions and Success Criteria	
LI: We are learning to play safely on the bottom yard (adventure playground) SC: I can follow the rules on the bottom yard to play safely.	
Step 2: List a rationale for teaching the behaviour Why is it important?	
<p>Holy Rosary School Values: Relationships, Respect, Resilience, Integrity, Kindness (highlight relevant values)</p> <p>Holy Rosary School Expectations: Safety is our right. Learning is our responsibility. Respect is our way. (highlight)</p> <p>It is important to follow some simple rules when playing down at the bottom yard (adventure), because I have the right to feel safe when playing and I have the responsibility to play safely around others.</p>	
Step 3: Identify examples and non-examples of the desired behaviour What would the behaviour look/sound like?	
Examples	What would the behaviour not look/sound like?
Examples	Non-examples
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waiting for the yard duty teacher, at the top of the ramp, before going down to play • Walking down the ramp to the adventure playground • Walking on the play equipment and running on the turf around the playground • Eating my food under the library before I go down to the bottom yard • Taking turns with the play equipment and sandpit • Playing around the garden and the plants respectfully, so they can grow • Walking back up the ramp, as soon as the bell goes at the end of playtime 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picking flowers, leaves, lemons and other items from trees • Running on the play equipment • Sitting on the running track • Hiding in the garden and going in the out of bounds area (chicken coop/compost area) • Staying on the yard after the bell has gone • Eating food on the bottom yard • Taking sports equipment to play with on the bottom yard • Taking paper and pencils down to the bottom yard and not packing up when done • Wrestling on the turf

Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge



Congratulations to 16 students for completing the challenge so far. Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge ends on 2 September. 23 days to go!

Have a wonderful week!
 Christine, Maria, Antoinette and Sarah

ROCK BAND AUDITIONS COMING UP! (YEAR 3-6)

Students can sign up for auditions by contacting Zoe via email ztsai@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au, or they can talk to her when they see her around school :)

GET READY FOR...

ROCK BAND AUDITIONS!

LOOKING FOR YEAR 3-6
STUDENTS!

INFORMATION:

AUDITION TIME: 18th August Thursday
First Lunch @ Music room

WHAT TO PREPARE: Prepare one song
to play on your chosen instrument at
the audition

SIGN UP: Email Zoe or talk to her when
you see her around school

****SIGN UP BEFORE 16TH OF AUGUST**

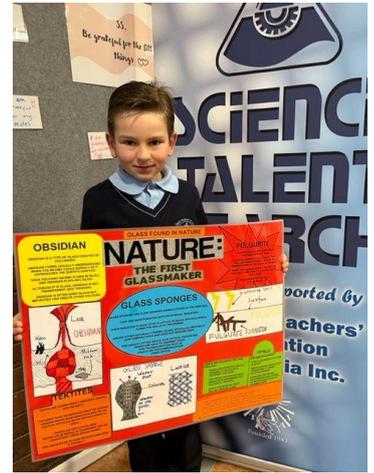


Zoe, Music teacher

Science Talent Search Judging Day

Last Saturday morning around 70 Holy Rosary students attended the Science Talent Search Judging Day Parade College and Methodist Ladies College to present either their individual or big group class science projects. It was so exciting to be back to face to face judging after two years of online judging. Thank you to parents for helping to prepare your children, and arranging transport to the venues.

Although some students were nervous beforehand, students have said what a great experience it was, and how very proud they are of their achievements. This is a great learning opportunity for many of our students who pushed themselves out of their comfort zone. We are so proud of their efforts and will wait patiently with them for their results at the start of next term. A huge thank you to Maria M and Pippa for volunteering as our other judge representatives this year so that our students were eligible to enter the competition.



Family Astronomy Night

Thank you to everyone who expressed an interest in the Family Astronomy Night next Thursday night. All families who applied for tickets have been notified. We look forward to seeing all of our successful families rugged up and ready for some star and planet gazing next week!



Jodie, Science teacher

District Athletics

Congratulations to the 52 participants who represented Holy Rosary at District Athletics on Thursday 28th July. They displayed great sportsmanship towards their opponents and cheered for their team mates. Every student tried their hardest and we are so proud of their efforts!

Congratulations to Franky, Sophia, Grace, Hlina, Riley, Billy, Arden, Vy, Charuop, Achol, Grace, April and Matilda, who made it through to Division. We wish them every success on September 6th.



Andrea, Physical Education teacher

School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting Update

The SAC met on 20 July 2022 for their first meeting of Term 3.

The SAC is currently progressing on the new communication platform. The company has been chosen for the new build which has now commenced. The new platform will be available in stages from Term 4 for the new website, and the introduction of the parent portal in early 2023.

There is still a large amount of sickness around the community and the greatest priority of the school at the moment is to ensure continued quality learning and teaching.

Now that parents have volunteered as Class Hosts, there may be upcoming events that require parent help, so class hosts may be reaching out to the wider community for assistance. This has already started to happen with families providing lunches for a school family who needed a helping hand, and a group of parents helping to label the new home reading texts that have been purchased via the Social and Fundraising Team. The staff are most grateful for this assistance.

The SAC are keen to hold a Spring Working Bee and last Friday they started looking around the school with Christine to prioritise jobs that can be done by families.

Mental Health funding for the school was discussed and it was noted that the criteria has not yet been handed out by the government. The SAC will be keeping watch on this space to see what resources may be able to be acquired for the school.

The SAC has been investigating body positive seminar to be run outside of school hours for parents that may be interested. This will be held on Wednesday 26 October at 6:30pm. More details to come.



Leona Jackson SAC Secretary

Holy Rosary Social and Fundraising Group

We need you - are you keen to help?

Can you spare an hour? A few? A day or two? For our events to run, we need parent helpers. We are in need of volunteers to lead and/or help for our Term 3 & 4 projects. Most urgently, we need teams of volunteers to organise:

- Hot Dog Day - next month!
- SCHOOL DISCO for Term 4

Many hands make light work. Please email Erin Church at holyrosaryfundraising@gmail.com if you are keen to get involved for a great cause, and meet other Holy Rosary families!

Pot Luck Friday

Pot Luck Friday is a hit this term! Belinda has been working with the Sustainability Group to offer some more environmentally friendly options while remaining COVID safe. We are excited to be providing students with treats from our local businesses! Please remember to send change (up to \$4) with your child if they would like to be involved. Students are able to purchase 1 x food item and/or 1 x drink item.

When: Fridays (second lunch)

Cost: \$2 per item

If you have any questions or are keen to help during Term 3, please email Belinda Furse - belinda@bewellbeyou.com.au

Hot Dog Day (Footy Colours Day)

The much loved Holy Rosary Hot Dog Day (Footy Colours Day) returns this year! Students can wear their footy colours and purchase a hot dog lunch. Further details to follow - but mark the date in your diaries now - Thursday 15 September.

We need a lead and a team of volunteers for this day - please email the Social and Fundraising Group holyrosaryfundraising@gmail.com.

Did you know?

You can help raise funds for Holy Rosary while enjoying the benefits of amazing discounts all over Melbourne? Grab your Entertainment Book subscription today and enjoy the savings! Get yours this week!

<https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/1892v19>



Catholic Schools Child Safe Schools

CECV Statement of Commitment to Child Safety

A safe, nurturing and empowering culture for all children and young people in Catholic schools.

This statement has been updated in light of the revised Child Safe Standards coming into effect from 1 July 2022 and the supporting Ministerial Order No. 1359.

Every person, created in the image and likeness of God, is unique and has an intrinsic and inalienable dignity (Pontifical Council for Promoting New Evangelization 2020, n. 379).

The Catholic Education Commission of Victoria Ltd (CECV) holds the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of Catholic education. This commitment is drawn from and inherent to the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and the sanctity of each human person at the heart of the gospel.

This statement is intended to reaffirm the central focus on child safety across Catholic education in Victoria, built around a unified understanding of the moral imperative and overarching commitments that underpin our drive for continual improvement, and embedding a culture of 'no tolerance' for child abuse in our schools and organisations.

The characteristic element of the Catholic school, in addition to pursuing 'cultural goals and the human formation of youth', consists in creating 'for the school community a special atmosphere animated by the Gospel spirit of freedom and charity'. To this end, the Catholic school aims ... 'to order the whole of human culture to the news of salvation so that the knowledge the students gradually acquire of the world, life and [humanity] is illumined by faith'. In this way, the Catholic school prepares pupils to exercise their freedom responsibly, forming an attitude of openness and solidarity (Congregation for Catholic Education 2022, n. 16).

The CECV has a universal expectation for the protection of children. It is resolutely committed to ensuring that all those engaged in Catholic education in Victoria promote the inherent dignity of children and young people, and their fundamental right to be respected and nurtured in a safe school environment.

Catholic schools have a moral, legal and mission-driven responsibility to create nurturing school environments, where all children and young people are respected and have agency, their voices are heard, and they are safe and feel safe. The CECV recognises that some children and young people are more vulnerable than others, and commits to providing the care and services required to support them and their families, and to ensure their safety within all Catholic schools.

Catholic schools will take prompt action to have any allegations of abuse concerning children and young people appropriately referred and investigated when raised. While the context and reality at each Catholic school will differ, the fundamental issues of understanding effective practices in child safety, and identifying and responding to child harm remain the same. All schools must strive for continual improvement that is responsive to emerging thinking, evidence and practice, so as to eliminate the potential for abuse to occur.

Creating child-safe school environments is a dynamic process that involves active participation and responsibility by school governing authorities, schools, families and their communities. It is marked by collaboration, vigilance and proactive approaches across policies, procedures, curriculum and practices.

Every person involved in Catholic education has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role they play individually and collectively to ensure that the safety and wellbeing of children and young people is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.



Catholic Schools Child Safe Schools

The CECV commits to providing a safe, nurturing and empowering culture for all children and young people in Victorian Catholic schools through:

Upholding the primacy of the safety and wellbeing of children and young people

At all times, the ongoing safety and wellbeing of children and young people will be the primary focus of care and decision-making. In addition to the universal focus on safety and wellbeing, schools need to pay attention and attend to the needs of their students who are most vulnerable.

To create and maintain a safe and nurturing culture, schools will actively and continually develop and review all policies, processes and practices, informed by their governing authority, emerging thinking and evidence.

Empowering families, children, young people and staff to have a voice and raise concerns

Schools, in partnership with families, will ensure children and young people are informed of their rights, and are engaged and active participants in decision-making processes, particularly those that have an impact on their safety.

This means that the views of children, young people and families are taken seriously, and their concerns are addressed in a just and timely manner. Children and young people are also taught to raise concerns, gaining the necessary skills and knowledge to understand and maintain their personal safety and wellbeing, and the safety and wellbeing of their peers, through educational approaches and programs.

Implementing rigorous risk management and employment practices

Schools will systematically and continually identify and assess risks to child safety, and will eliminate (where possible) or reduce all potential sources of harm in both physical and online environments. Effective risk management is embedded in school life through effective, transparent and well-understood policies, procedures and practices.

Schools will employ highly competent and professional staff who are formed and challenged to maintain the safety of all students. The high quality of staff appointments will be upheld through rigorous employment and review processes and practices, which include a demonstrated knowledge of child safety.

Catholic education will stay abreast of legislation, and will meet the legislative duties to protect the safety and wellbeing of children and young people in its care, including meeting the minimum requirements for compliance with the Child Safe Standards for schools and school boarding premises as set out in Ministerial Order No. 1359. This is in addition to ongoing work to support child safety, including mandatory reporting, reportable conduct, information sharing and complaints management.

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MERCY SPIRIT AWARD NOMINATION 2022

We are calling for staff and students to nominate Holy Rosary students who shine with Mercy Spirit. Each staff member and student may nominate **one** student, other than themselves, from any year level.

Nominations close on Friday 26 August at 3:30pm. Please email your nomination to frontoffice@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au or return this form to the box in the office.

A staff team will read and discuss the nominations with other relevant staff. The Leadership Team will make the final decision. The presentation of the Mercy Spirit Award will be made at our Holy Rosary Day Mass in October.

MERCY SPIRIT AWARD NOMINATION FORM - 2022

Your Name: _____

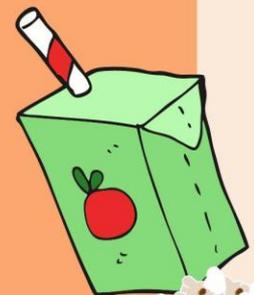
Name of the student you think shines with Mercy Spirit: _____

Please explain why you are nominating this student to receive the Mercy Spirit Award. Write about the ways they live our values of relationships, respect, kindness, integrity and resilience.

Holy Rosary Fundraising Group
Activity, in partnership with SRC and
the Special Events Group



Pot Luck Fridays \$2 per item



What could it be
today?



CALLING LITTLE
BROTHERS AND SISTERS,
PARENTS AND CARERS!

TUESDAYS
9-11AM

SIBLINGS PLAYGROUP

ALL HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL*
FAMILIES WELCOME

FREE!
BYO CUPPA
AND SNACKS

KENSINGTON CHILD AND
MATERNAL HEALTH CENTRE
81A Altona St, Kensington

*This is not a group run by the school. It is a social group and operates under City of Melbourne. We are lucky to have been allocated the space for any HR siblings to connect and play, from babies through to pre-school. Drop in and meet some other families!



HOLY ROSARY TEAMKIDS NEWSLETTER



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Last week at TeamKids was so much fun, with so much spontaneous Innovation! A lovely parent dropped us in some lemons so the children came up with the idea of having a lemonade stand during After School Care, with a line almost out the door. Check out the photo below to see the stand and all of the crafty signage made by the children.

During Cooking Club last week we made the most delicious apple pie, all from scratch! What a success it was. Coding Club saw us making 'Robotic Friends' and we had children teach others how to play Pass the Cup in Epic Games Club. What a week!

We're working on our Winter Wonderland Challenge next week and we need your help to create a zone in our TeamKids room! If you have any empty cereal boxes or any other sorts of crafty materials from home please drop them in



IMPORTANT DATES



📅 Fri 19th August

World Humanitarian Day

📅 Sat 20th to Fri 26th August

National Book Week

📅 Fri 26th August

National Dog Day – Bring a picture of your dog or pet to TK for our pet wall!

TEAMKIDS CLUBS

ASC WEEK: 6

MONDAY

Cooking Club



TUESDAY

S.T.E.M. Club



WEDNESDAY

Coding Club



THURSDAY

Epic Games Club



FRIDAY

Culture Club



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JOIN THE Running for Premature Babies KID'S FUN RUN.

To help raise funds for
life-saving equipment to
give premature babies a
better chance of survival.



Sunday 21st August 2022 11am
Fawkner Park, South Yarra



Open to children 2-12 years old
Learn more & register:
[runningforprematurebabies.com/funrun](https://www.runningforprematurebabies.com/funrun)



<https://www.runningforprematurebabies.com/event/view/kids-fun-run>