

Dear Parents and Friends of Holy Rosary



Pope Francis initiated World Day of the Poor in 2017 to put a spotlight on the plight of those in poverty around the world. This year's message is "Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor" (Tob 4:7). Pope Francis says that a "great river of poverty is traversing our cities and swelling to the point of overflowing", and that every Christian is called to become "personally involved" in the struggle against it. The parable of the Good Samaritan continues to challenge us all every day.

Share joy this Christmas

If you're looking for a gift that can change a life, you might like to purchase a Global Gift from Caritas. These gifts will help the world's most vulnerable in their fight against poverty. More details here: <https://www.caritas.org.au/global-gifts/>

Family Fun Day

We thank all those in our community who supported our Family Fun Day. So much work has been put in to provide the very best celebration. We'll provide an official update next week after the celebration.

Our Amazing Learning Support Officers

Congratulations to our amazing LSOs. Seven of them have completed their Cert IV qualifications throughout this year. Their study has provided them with professional learning over six days with additional assignments, assessments and readings in between. We acknowledge their dedication and commitment in enhancing their professional knowledge and skills. Holy Rosary is definitely blessed to have an outstanding group of people who care and work diligently with a genuine commitment to our children.

We are proud of all that you do at Holy Rosary! Well done!



Fortnight at a glance

Wednesday 22 November	Year 2 Outdoor Education Program
Friday 1 December	Year 6 Big Day Out

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

Important Dates	
Thursday 7 December 2 - 4pm	Carols
Monday 11 December 9am	Parents Coffee Catch Up
Thursday 14 December 7pm	Year 6 Graduation Dinner
Friday 15 December	Last Day for Students, ends at 1 pm

For Your 2024 Calendar...

2024	
Monday 29 January	Staff return. Office opens
Tuesday 30 January 8:45 -12:00	Preps start Tuesday
Tuesday 30 January 9:00 – 11:00	Come and Meet My Teacher Session
Wednesday 31 January	P – 6 students attend
Wednesday 7 February	Prep RDO 1
Wednesday 14 February	Prep RDO 2
Wednesday 21 February	Prep RDO 3
Wednesday 28 February	Prep RDO 4
Wednesday 6 March	Prep RDO 5
Monday 11 March	Labour Day
Thursday 28 March 1 pm	Term 1 finishes
Monday 15 April	Term 2 begins
Thursday 25 April	ANZAC Day
Friday 26 April	Student Free Day
Friday 28 June 1 pm	Term 2 finishes
Monday 15 July	Term 3 begins
Sunday 11 August 2pm	Confirmation at Holy Rosary Church
Friday 20 September 1 pm	Term 3 finishes
Monday 7 October	Term 4 begins
Monday 4 November	Student Free Day
Tuesday 5 November	Melbourne Cup Day
Tuesday 17 December 1 pm	Term 4 finishes

* Student Free Days for curriculum 1 per term TBA

* Eucharist and Reconciliation TBA

Production recording

DVD/Blurays Copies are available for families who wish to purchase them. The cost is \$27.50 including postage and handling.

To order a DVD or Blu-Ray copy please click on the link below.

www.modevideo.com.au/product-page/holy-rosary-2023

If you have any queries please contact Nick at Mode Video Production on the number below.

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Enrolments

We have vacancies across all year levels in our school. We ask you to help us spread the news to families in Kensington as there are still some families who have not decided on a school for 2024. Did you know that we offer a discounted fee structure for those families who have a Health Care Card? This enables families to educate their children at Holy Rosary for a most affordable family fee. Prospective families are welcome to join us for a tour to see our classes in action.

<https://www.hrkensington.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-information/160-2/>

Leaving HR at the end of 2023?

Please let the office know if your child is leaving HR at the end of the year. This information significantly impacts our staffing and class configurations in 2024.

Email: frontoffice@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au

Phone: 03 93769455

Links

School Website

<https://www.hrkensington.catholic.edu.au/>

School Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100046520094177>

Parish News

Mass times and Christmas Mass

Good news! Christmas Eve Mass will be held at both Holy Rosary and St Brendan's. Mass starts at 5:30 with carols and then Mass at 6:00pm. On Christmas morning Mass will be at 9:00am at Holy Rosary and 10:30am at St Brendan's.

You can access our Parish newsletter [here](#).

Mass and Assembly Schedule

Assembly: Mondays <i>Assembly begins at 2:50 in the Hall. Bags packed and lined up in class lines area. Parents are most welcome to join us.</i>				Mass: Fridays <i>Mass begins at 9:15am. Classes should be seated by 9:10am. Parents are most welcome to join us.</i>	
Term 4 Assembly and Mass Schedule					
Date	Class		Date	Class	
20 November	3/4		24 November	3/4N	
27 November	5/6		1 December	3/4W	
4 December	Prep		8 December	3/4S	
11 December	N/A				

Congratulations Year 7 St Aloysius Students

We offer our congratulations to some of our former HR students on receiving awards. It brings a smile to our faces to hear your achievements in high school.

- * Ella Kennedy - Outstanding academic achievement Year 7 Art
- * Poppy Daly - Outstanding academic achievement Year 7 Music
- * Luka White - Outstanding academic achievement Year 7 Science
- * Gregory Jenkins - Outstanding academic achievement Year 7 STEM
- * Josh McGloin- MVP hockey and tennis
- * Vy Thyer- MVP table tennis
- * Gregory Jenkins- MVP table tennis and badminton
- * Tom Tatts- Year 7 house captain for the winning sports house



Science News

Prep

The Preps have been exploring different materials, their properties and their purposes. They have used their knowledge of materials to create party hats using a variety of materials. For the remainder of the term, they will be exploring how things move.



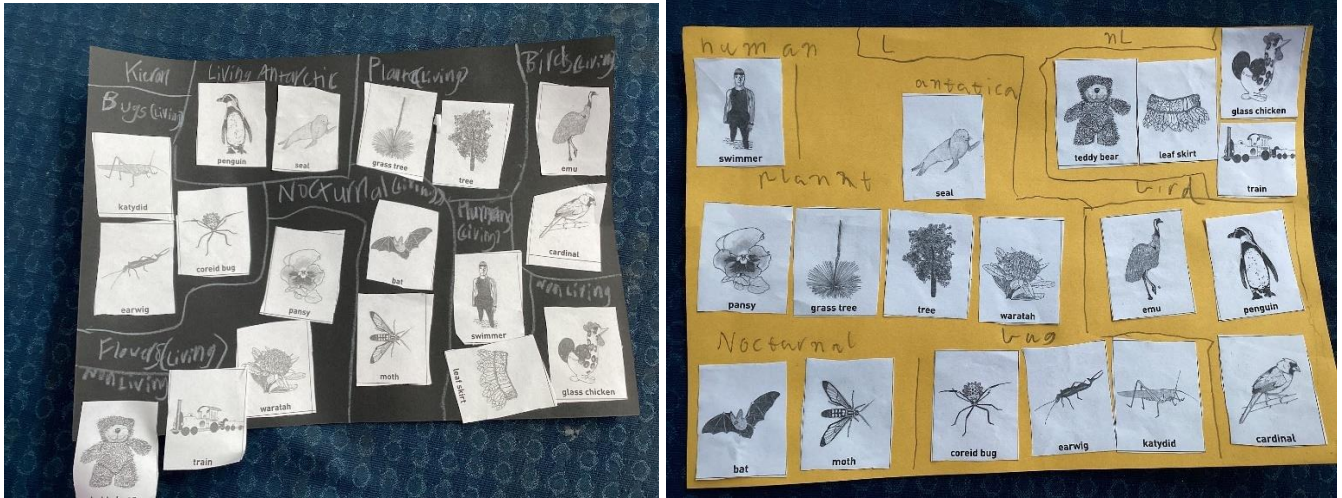
Year 1 and 2

The Year 1 and 2s have been learning about light, where it comes from, and how it travels through different materials. They have conducted experiments testing if materials are opaque, translucent or transparent. They have explored the parts of the eye, such as the lens and pupil through experiments. For the remainder of the term, they will be conducting experiments to test devices used to improve eyesight, why we have two eyes, and ways our eyes trick us.



Year 3/4

The Year 3/4s have been learning about living and nonliving things. They started the term creating a criteria to check if something is living or nonliving. The students then applied this knowledge and their prior knowledge to sort living and nonliving things. They observed the life cycle of a strawberry, growing from a seed to producing juicy fruit. Did you know that fruit comes from the flowers of a plant? The Year 3/4s then applied this knowledge to other plant life cycles, such as tomatoes. They have begun researching an animal life cycle of their choice with a partner. They will record their findings on a poster and teach others about their animal's life cycle.

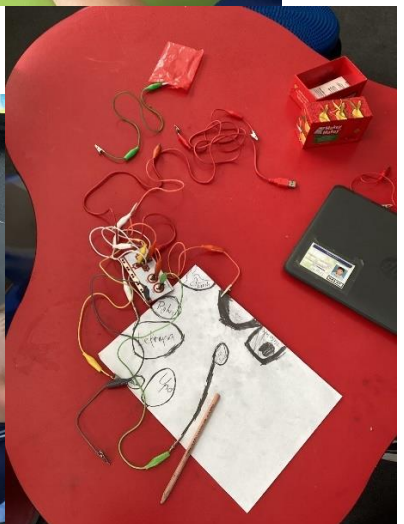


Year 5/6

The Year 5/6s have been creating simple electrical circuits with copper wire, alligator clips, batteries, lightbulbs, buzzers and switches. They then applied their knowledge of electrical circuits to test if materials are conductors or insulators, using the [Makey Makey](#) kit. They are now applying their knowledge of electrical circuits, conductors and insulators to design a Makey Makey invention. They will design, create, test and improve their Makey Makey inventions.



Daajna, Science teacher



Music - Well done everyone for a successful class concert

I am blown away every time by the outstanding musical talents of our students at Holy Rosary. We had a variety of engaging performances - singing, dancing, guitar, drums, keyboard...the list goes on! I can see an overall improvement in confidence each time we host class concerts, and this is what I love about giving our students an opportunity to perform! They are learning what it means to enjoy performing, to overcome stage fright, and even learning how to make mistakes in front of others!

I am also so proud of the way students conducted themselves at the concerts - they managed their buzzing excitement and energy so well, and made sure they were respectful audiences.

Finally, thank you to all parents who came to the concerts and supported their child's performances. They couldn't have done it without your support and encouragement.

Sincerely,



Zoe, Music teacher

Holy Rosary Positive Behaviour for Learning

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

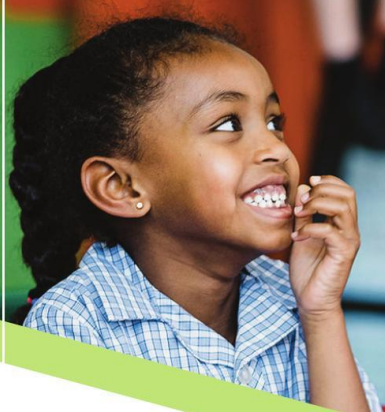
Congratulations to the PBL winners from last week: Kieran (Prep), Ferdi (Yr 1), Bridie (Yr 4), Zachary (Yr 4), April (Yr 6) and Pascal (Yr 6).

This weeks PBL lesson is on positive Skills for Learning

Holy Rosary Positive Behaviour for Learning	
Lesson Plan for Positive Skills for Learning	
Step 1: List Learning Intentions and Success Criteria	
<p>We are learning to: use skills that will help us to be independent learners who can work collaboratively, organise themselves and reflect on their learning.</p> <p>What it looks like: It will look like students working together as a team to complete a task, getting their belongings and equipment organised and reflecting on their thinking.</p>	
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>There will always be challenges in life that we have to deal with. Being able to solve problems on our own helps to build resilience and our ability to bounce back. This is the same for school and with our learning. Sometimes we need to think creatively to solve a problem and try some alternatives before asking for help. If I do end up needing to ask for help, I need to know where to go to or who to speak to. This helps us to be independent and show integrity as learners.</p>	
Step 3: Identify examples and non-examples of the desired behaviour	
What would the behaviour look/sound like?	What would the behaviour not look/sound like?
Examples	Non-examples
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working with others Co-operating Taking on different roles within a group Sharing ideas Listening to others Taking turns Using Talk Moves Completing tasks within a certain time frame Getting my equipment (books, pencils etc) quickly and getting started with my work Keeping my tub/bag box neat and tidy Reflecting on what I have learnt Thinking about how I solved problems Setting goals Getting feedback and acting on it 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letting my group members do all of the work Not listening to group members ideas Disagreeing in a disrespectful way Not getting work finished on time Having a messy tub and bag box Shoving books into your tub resulting in them ripping and breaking Taking too long to get your books/pencils to get started on work Not listening to feedback from others Saying 'I don't know' when asked about how you solved a problem



Michaela, Student Wellbeing Leader/Antoinette, Learning Diversity Leader



ENROLMENT 2024

Holy Rosary School
Phone 9376 9455
To book a Tour

GIVE YOUR CHILD THE BEST START

We are an inclusive Catholic school where students are celebrated for the gifts they bring, and their strengths are applauded. Holy Rosary students are warm, friendly and welcoming. They make the most of learning opportunities and demonstrate an ever increasing range of interests and passions.

- Founded by the Mercy Sisters
- Specialist classes in Science, Music, Japanese, Art and Physical Education
- Student Leadership
- Instrumental Tuition
- Camps Yr 3 -6

- Speech, Drama and Chess Tuition
- Science Fair - Awarded Peter Craig Science Award (2019, 2020)
- Musical Production
- Positive Behaviour for Learning
- Prep Induction Program
- Sacramental Preparation

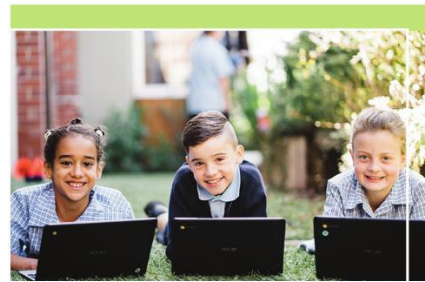
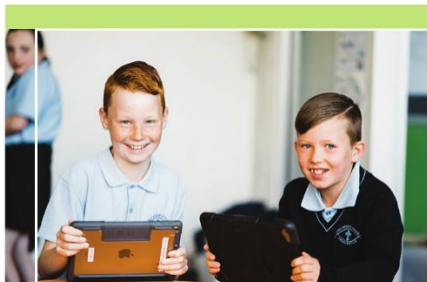
- Art Show
- Library
- Outside School Hours Program
- Excursions and Incursions
- Reduced Fees for Health Care Card Holders
- One to one Laptops Yr 3-6

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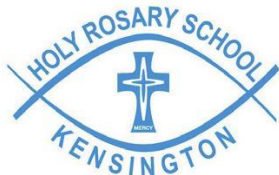
Our School Vision

We are a dynamic and inclusive Catholic learning community called to service through our Mercy tradition. We nurture students to be engaged, passionate and successful learners who grow and feel connected in a contemporary world.

Our School Values

Living Our Values The Holy Rosary Way
Inspired by Jesus...

- We foster quality *Relationships*
- We are people of *Integrity*
- We show *Resilience* in times of adversity
- We *Respect* ourselves, others and our environment
- We respond with *Kindness* through our words and actions.



Shining with Mercy Spirit

For more information please visit our website:

www.hrkensington.catholic.edu.au

Connect with us via



Many hands make light work!



HOLY ROSARY SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING GROUP

RUN BY PARENT AND CARER VOLUNTEERS

Without new volunteers each year, the Holy Rosary Social & Fundraising Group would not be able to continue to create opportunities for engagement within our school community.



EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Whether you're a seasoned committee member, or have never organised an event in your life, you can bring new skills and ideas to the group. We meet formally once per term.

WE ORGANISE AND RUN A WIDE RANGE OF EVENTS

An annual Mother's Day Stall and Disco, a biennial Family Fun Day and Trivia Night, plus BBQs, raffles, social events and more!



OPPORTUNITIES FOR DIFFERENT ROLES

Don't want to lead a project? No problem! Be a part of the project subcommittee, use your networking skills, design marketing material, or volunteer some time at the event.

NOMINATED POSITIONS

The Holy Rosary Social & Fundraising Group has a Chair +/- Co-Chair, and Secretary, plus general members. Treasurer duties are undertaken by the school's Bursar.



SUPPORTED & INTEGRATED

The Holy Rosary Social & Fundraising Group is supported by the School Advisory Council (SAC). The Chair of the group also sits on the SAC.

**IF YOU'D LIKE TO GET INVOLVED,
OR TO FIND OUT MORE,
PLEASE EMAIL:**

holyrosaryfundraising@gmail.com

HOLY ROSARY TEAMKIDS NEWSLETTER



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Hello to the lovely Holy Rosary School community!

It's already halfway through November!
We will be focusing on Art Attack club next week!
We have been incorporating cooking club suggestions into our program that the children have suggested: pizza, pasta, muffins and cookies!
We made chocolate coconut balls this week and the children have enjoyed making recipes that they can bring in their lunchbox to school after discovering what goes into them!

Check out to the right → what's happening next week at After School Care! We have painting murals planned for World Children's Day to celebrate the children at our service! Book online or call our customer service team on 1300 035 000.

Let's have a fun filled week!

IMPORTANT DATES



Monday 20th of November

Universal Children's Day!

Friday 24th of November

Fairy Bread Day!



TEAMKIDS CLUBS ASC WEEK:



MONDAY

World Children's Day

TUESDAY

Epic Games Club

WEDNESDAY

Art Attack Club

THURSDAY

Mindfulness club

FRIDAY

Fairy Bread Day and Cooking Club: Banana bread!



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