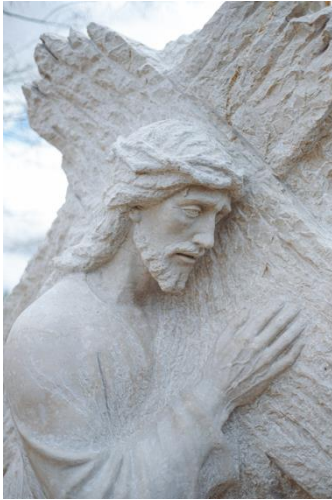


Dear Parents and Friends of Holy Rosary



'So in the end Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified. They then took charge of Jesus, and carrying his own cross he went out of the city to the place of the skull, or, as it was called in Hebrew, Golgotha, where they crucified him with two others, one on either side with Jesus in the middle. Pilate wrote out a notice and had it fixed to the cross; it ran: 'Jesus the Nazarene, King of the Jews.'

Dear God,

We give thanks to you for Jesus' great love and his willingness to give up his life, so that we may be saved. Help us to never forget Jesus' sacrifice for us and to live our lives in a way that honours his love and teachings.

Amen.

Thank you to families for the many ways you have contributed to our school this term. As always, we talk about how busy school life is and we often forget to stop and smell the roses. We hope you have the opportunity to relax and enjoy some downtime over the Easter break.

As we celebrate Easter, we rejoice in the promise of renewal and hope. May the spirit of this holy season fill your hearts with joy, peace and abundant blessings. Wishing you all a joyous and meaningful Easter as you celebrate the beauty of new beginnings together. May you have moments of love, laughter and cherished moments with your children.

We will celebrate the joy of Easter with a prayer service on Monday 22 April. Please join us!

Term 1 finishes on Thursday at 1:00pm and Term 2 commences on Monday 15 April at 8:50am.

Parent Teacher Conversations

Please refer to the letter sent to you to book your interview. For your convenience a copy of the letter can be found below. Bookings are open now.

Next Newsletter

The next newsletter will be on Monday 15 April at 7am. In this newsletter you will find our prayer and a calendar of events for Term 2. The regular newsletter will resume on Monday 22 April.

Fortnight at a glance	
Monday 25 March	Visit from Simonds College and Adacemy of Mary Immaculate
Tuesday 26 March 1 pm	First Reconciliation at Holy Rosary Church
Wednesday 27 March	Athletics Day Aberfeldie Park
Thursday 28 March 1 pm	Term 1 finishes (Casual clothes)

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

2024	
Monday 15 April 8:50 am	Term 2 begins
Wednesday 17 April	School photos
Thursday 18 April 1 pm-7:30 pm	Parent Teacher Conversation
Thursday 25 April	ANZAC Day
Friday 26 April	Student Free Day
Tuesday 7 May	Mother's Day Gift Stall - S&F G event
Thursday 9 May 7:30 am	Mother's Day Celebration
Saturday 11 May	Mother's Day Cake Stall - S&F G event
Friday 17 May 3:15 – 5:30 pm	Holy Rosary Science Fair
Sunday 19 May	Muscular Dystrophy Run for Strength 2024
Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 June	3/4 Camp
Saturday 15 June 5:30 pm	First Eucharist at Holy Rosary Church
Friday 21 June	Trivia - S&F G event
Friday 28 June 1 pm	Term 2 finishes (Casual clothes)
Monday 15 July 8:50 am	Term 3 begins
Wednesday 7 August	5/6 Camp
Sunday 11 August 2pm	Confirmation at Holy Rosary Church
Friday 23 August	Book Week Parade
Friday 20 September 1 pm	Term 3 finishes (Casual clothes)
Monday 7 October 8:50 am	Term 4 begins
Monday 4 November	Student Free Day
Tuesday 5 November	Melbourne Cup Day
Tuesday 17 December 1 pm	Term 4 finishes (Casual clothes)

* Student Free Days for curriculum 1 per term TBA
S&F G event = Social and Fundrasion Group event

Family Disco

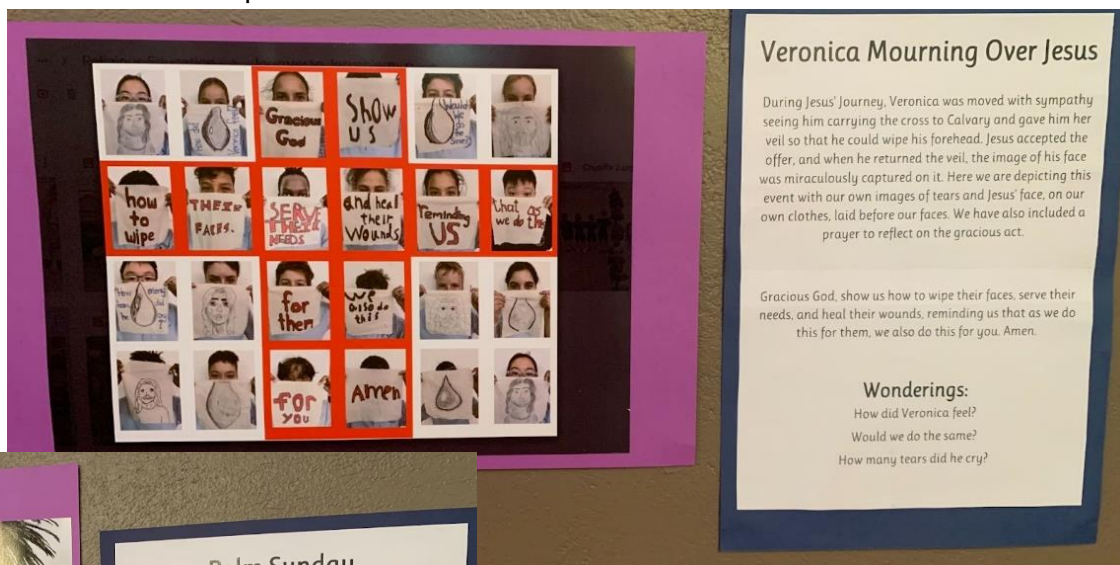
What sensational weather we enjoyed last Friday evening for our annual family disco. It was a resounding success thanks to all those who organised the event and to those who attended. Seeing the children's joy, energy and enthusiasm was contagious and families also enjoyed the opportunity to catch up with one another in an informal manner. Thanks in particular to Susan and her team; Rachel, Elsa, Virginia, Erin, Patricia, Teresa and Thomas for their tireless efforts. Their exceptional efforts certainly provided for a fabulous evening. We also thank Allison who happily took on the role of MC and thoroughly enjoyed her time dancing the night away! We're grateful for everyone's presence and look forward to our next gathering at the Athletics Carnival on Wednesday.



Journey to Jerusalem Artscape

Tomorrow the church will be open before and after school to allow visitors to drop in to see the photographs each class has taken following their exploration of the events in Jesus' life leading to his death. The Church will be open **Tuesday 26th March - 8.30 - 9am and 3.15 - 3.45**. You can also view the photos before or after Mass.

Here are some photos from our Artscape -



Project Compassion

Our students have worked hard to create fundraising activities for Project Compassion throughout this term. Through their commitment and your support, we have raised a whopping \$1167.50! Thank you and well done to all. That's Love in Action!



We're thrilled to extend our congratulations to our resilient Year 3 and 5 children for their incredible achievement in completing the NAPLAN tests over the past 10 days. Their perseverance, diligence, and stamina throughout this period has truly been commendable. We are grateful to our dedicated staff who were committed to preparing our children for these assessments and for facilitating a smooth testing process. Their hard work and support has undoubtedly played a significant role in our children's success. A special acknowledgment also goes out to those teachers who, while not supervising the tests, provided support to our Year 4 and 6 children, ensuring their learning was seamless.

The results of these tests are sent to the school usually in Term 3. Once they have been received, we will pass them on to parents.

School Athletics this Wednesday 27 March



ATHLETICS

One of the highlights of the school year is our Athletics Day. It's a brilliant day where children shine, showing off their physical skills through a myriad of track and field events at [Aberfeldie Athletics track](#). The children have worked hard to prepare for the events and a substantial amount of planning has gone into this day by Andrea so with that in mind, in the spirit of good sportsmanship and for the safety of all, we remind parents of the following:

- All parent helpers will be given a high-vis vest which needs to be worn for the duration of the event. Only these parents will be allowed in the marshalling areas. All other parents should remain behind the barriers, off the track.
- Parents should take photos of their children only. Parents are not permitted to take group photos or videos of the events. This is a Child Safe Standard requirement, set out by MACS. Staff have been instructed to enforce this throughout the day. We will take photos during the day and will share these on social media and our newsletter.
- All children will leave school and travel by bus to Aberfeldie as close to 9am as time permits. We ask that children arrive at school by 8:40am. Children from Years Prep - 2 will leave Aberfeldie Park at 12:00 to return to school until dismissal at 3:15pm.
- The Social and Fundraising Group will set up their annual BBQ Fundraiser. Prep to Year 2 children and their families can visit the BBQ as soon as goodies are ready and 3-6 kids will purchase goods at designated times which will be announced on the day.
- Only children who place first, second or third will receive ribbons. Lost ribbons cannot be replaced.
- The toilets near the carpark entrance should be used by parents. The toilet block at the back of the park is for children's use only. This is a Child Safe requirement.
- The final results will be announced back at school.
- Children need to remain with their house group and staff leader.
- If parents wish to take children home they must sign them out with their child's class teacher.
- Parents are asked to become familiar and follow the requirements outlined in [the Parent Code of Conduct](#).



School Photos 2024 – Holy Rosary School

Annual school photos including sibling photos will be taken by Arthur Reed Photos on Wednesday 17th April 2024. Some families expressed disappointment with the attention to detail of the photographers last year. I have spoken to the company to share our feedback and we have been assured that we will see a marked improvement this year. We look forward to seeing some fabulous shots!

There is no need to return any forms or money to school.

Unique image codes will be issued to all students on/after photo day so families can register online to view images when they become available in the webshop.

Registration is simple, just follow the 3 simple steps on your child's personalised flyer once you receive it and remember to add the codes for all your children attending this school. Even if you registered last year, it's important that you do it again this year using your child's 2024 image code to link their images for the current year with your contact details. When images are ready to view and in the webshop, all parents who have registered will be notified by SMS and email. Once registered, please wait for notification that 2024 images are online to view before making your purchase.

Thanks Woolworths (Flemington) and Nelson Alexander (Flemington)

As the saying goes, when it rains, it pours! We wish to acknowledge the generosity of two local businesses who have donated so bountifully to us this week! Our staff feel overwhelmed by the deliveries we received over the past few days. Our bellies and our hearts are full!

Thanks [Woolies](#) and [Nelson Alexander](#) for recognising the hard work and dedication our staff provide in the community.



Parish Pastoral Council Update

I attend the Parish Pastoral Council to represent our school at the meeting of representatives of the partnered parishes of Holy Rosary and St Brendan's. These meetings occur about 8 times a year. Last week our discussions focused on the Holy Week and Easter celebrations in the parish. For your convenience I have included these times below.

HOLY THURSDAY 28th March
7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
(St Brendan's)

GOOD FRIDAY 29th March
11:00 pm Stations of the Cross
(St Brendan's)

3:00pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
(St Brendan's)

EASTER VIGIL SATURDAY 30th March
7:30 pm Vigil
(Holy Rosary)

EASTER SUNDAY 31st March 2024
9:00 am Mass Holy Rosary
10:30 am Mass St Brendan's

Community Support Required

We have become aware of a family who needs the support of our community. They require a bassinet, cot and pram. If you are able to donate any of these items please let the office know.

Parent/Teacher Conversations Semester 1 2024

Dear Parents,

You're invited to participate in Parent-Teacher Conversations for your children scheduled for Thursday 18 April. These conversations will commence at 1 pm and conclude at 7:30 pm. Our Specialist teachers will be available until 5 pm for any discussions you may wish to have with them. Please note that on 18 April, the school day will conclude at **12 pm**.

For families in need of childcare arrangements, TeamKids services are available, and bookings can be made through their website.

During these conversations, we aim to achieve the following objectives:

- Celebrate your child's successes and achievements so far.
- Provide updates on how your child has settled into class routines.
- Address any concerns related to learning progress and skill acquisition.
- Offer you the opportunity to express concerns regarding your child's personal and social development.
- Share samples of your child's work to illustrate their academic level.

Looking forward to our conversations and collaboration.

Warm Regards
Holy Rosary Staff

Parents are able to secure an appointment through School Interviews by using the following link and following the 1, 2, 3 prompts:

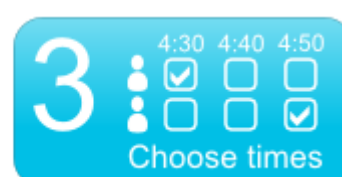
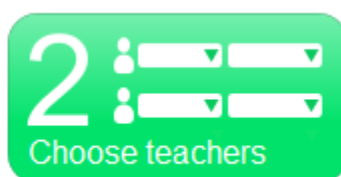
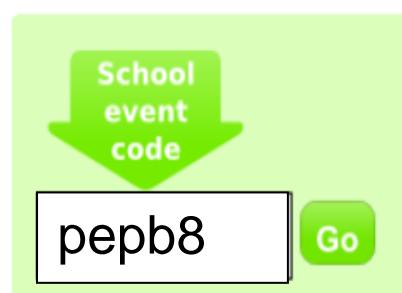
Bookings are now open.

Go to:

www.schoolinterviews.com.au.

Enter the school event code.

Then follow the three steps.



Links

School Website

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

School Facebook

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

Parish News

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

Mass and Assembly Schedule

Assembly: Mondays <i>Assembly begins at 2:35 in the Hall. Bags packed and left in classrooms</i>		Mass: Fridays <i>Mass begins at 9:15am. Classes should be seated by 9:10am</i>	
Term 1 Assembly and Mass Schedule			
Date	Class	Date	Class
Week 8 / 18th March	5/6 White	Week 8 / 22nd March	Prep Sky
Week 9 / 25th March	3/4 Navy	Week 9 / 29th March	N/A
Term 2 Assembly and Mass Schedule			
Week 1 / 15 Apr	N/A	Week 1 / 19 April	N/A
Week 2 / 22 Apr	Christine: children only	Week 2 / 26 April	1/2Sky
Week 3 / 29 Apr	3/4Sky	Week 3 / 3 May	3/4G
Week 4 / 6 May	5/6Navy	Week 4 / THURSDAY 9 May	Whole School Mother's Day Liturgy in the Church
Week 5 / 13 May	3/4Gold	Week 5 / 17 May	3/4Navy
Week 6 / 20 May	1/2Navy	Week 6 / 24 May	3/4White
Week 7 / 27 May	3/4White	Week 7 / 31 May	3/4Sky
Week 8 / 3 June	1/2Navy	Week 8 / 7 June	5/6White
Week 9 / 10 June	King's Birthday	Week 9 / 14 June	Prep Navy and Prep Sky
Week 10 / 17 June	1/2Sky	Week 10 / 21 June	1/2White
Week 11 / 24 June	Prep Navy	Week 11 / 28 June	5/6Sky

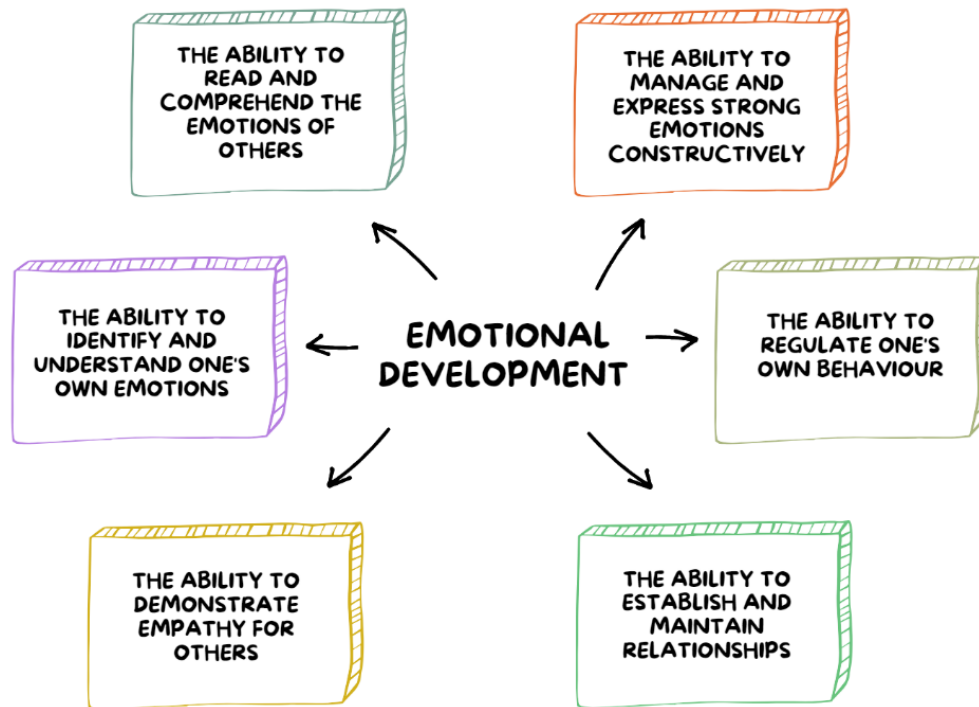
Wellbeing

At Holy Rosary School all children and families are expected to be Wellbeing Warriors who look after the safety and wellbeing of themselves and others

Child Development: Emotional Development

Emotional development is one important developmental process required for good mental health and wellbeing later in life. We start to develop this process from a young age and it can develop at different rates from person to person.

As the name suggests, emotional development is all about children learning about their emotions, others emotions, how to manage their emotions and more. The diagram below shows the core features of emotional development;

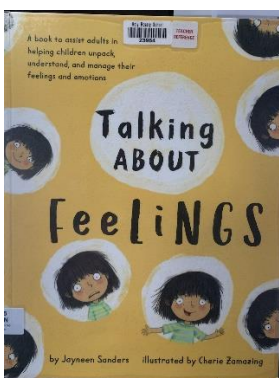


You can support your child's emotional development with these strategies;

- Being aware of your child's emotions, especially at lower intensity
- Helping your child to recognise and name their emotions
- Accepting, validating and empathising with their emotional experiences
- Helping your child to build their emotional vocabulary
- Providing effective strategies to help them manage their emotions and solve problems
- Setting limits on unsafe or inappropriate behaviours.

At Holy Rosary, we refer to the Zones of Regulation to help students identify their emotions and then use strategies that they can use to get themselves back into the 'Green Zone'. The strategies might be as simple as walking away from a situation, Five Finger breathing or asking a teacher for help. Strategies work differently for everyone and we encourage students to use strategies that work for them. Here is the link to the Zones of Regulation Poster with assisting emotion cards - [Zones of Regulation](#)

Book of the Week



Talking About Feelings

[Talking About Feelings](#) by [Jayneen Sanders](#) and [Cherie Zamazing](#), is a book for adults to help their children to identify, manage and understand their emotions. It's a great picture book with additional questions and talking points to guide adults. We have a copy of this book in the office, if you would like to borrow it please see Michaela.

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: Easton (Yr 2) Sachi (Yr 3) and Joe (Yr 5)

As this week we have our Whole School Athletics Day, we will be revisiting the lesson on being a safe and respectful competitor and spectator.

Lesson Plan: Being a safe and respectful competitor and spectator	
Step 1: List Learning Intentions and Success Criteria	
<p>We are learning to: be safe and respectful competitors and spectators</p> <p>It will look like: Students and parents watching events from a safe distance following the teachers instructions to make sure I am safe respectfully cheering for and supporting my teammates showing others that I can be humble in defeat</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) Holy Rosary School Expectations: Safety is our right. Learning is our responsibility. Respect is our way. (highlight)</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
<p>Sitting with your house team unless you are about to take part in an event Staying off and away from the running track while the races are on, to ensure the safety of people running Telling a teacher when you need to go to the toilet and taking someone with you Looking for teachers and helpers wearing hi-vis vests when you need assistance Being attentive when completing the field events with your group and group leader Staying away from the long jump and triple jump sand pits to ensure the safety of you and others competing Keeping your house area clean Keeping your belongings in your bag with the zip done up Wearing your hat and sunscreen at all times to ensure you don't get burnt Cheering for your team mates Supporting friends even if they're not in your house team Trying my best in all the events I am in Cheering and supporting teammates</p>	<p>Walking across the running track for any other reason than getting to an event Moving about on the grassy area away from your house team and the teachers Playing in the long jump sandpits Playing in an area that is not being supervised by a teacher Leaving your group when completing the field events Making fun of others if they don't win a race of you beat them Boing other teams and team members Going to the toilet without letting a teacher know Moving sports equipment without being asked by a teacher Yelling too loudly when cheering and supporting my teammates</p>



Michaela, Student Wellbeing Leader

Term One Japanese

This term we hit the ground running in Japanese. The Foundation students began their journey studying Nihongo (Japanese) by learning some of the essential vocabulary items such as the names of their body parts, the numbers from 1 to 10, a variety of colours and also how to use common day-to-day expressions such as 'kon'nichiwa', 'sayounara', 'arigatou', and 'Sensei' etc.

Meanwhile, the Year One and Two students dived a little more deeply into written and spoken Japanese, with a focus on learning essential Kanji characters such as the numbers from 1 to 10, and the various pictographic elements that represent the days of the week.



We also celebrated the traditional festivals of 'Setsubun' and 'Hina Matsuri' (Girl's Day), as well as the commencement of the Year of the Dragon (Tatsu Doshi).

In Years Three to Six the focus this term was around self-introductions and describing our families and interests. This work looks forward to potential pen pal relationships with schools in Melbourne and Japan later this year.

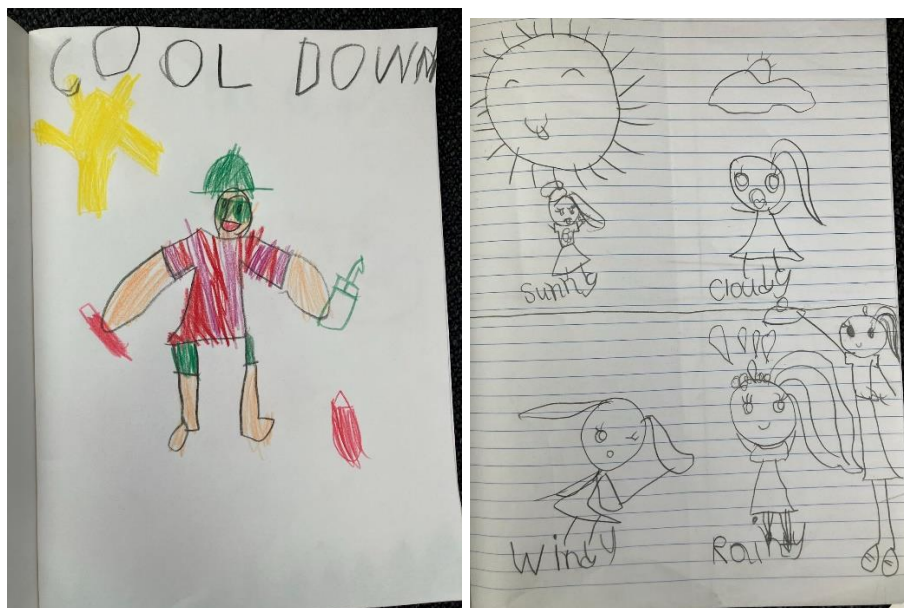
The Middle and Upper school children also explored some more complicated written Japanese in the form of Kanji and Hiragana, with us starting to make progress with the 100 most common pictographic characters.



Trist, Japanese teacher

Term One STEM

This term in STEM, our Foundation students focused on weather science. We explored how weather changes from day to day and learnt how to read a weather forecast. Foundation students demonstrated how to cool down in hot weather and how to keep warm in cool weather.



Meanwhile, the Years One and Two students learnt to describe different weather conditions and how weather can be represented in symbols. Students enjoyed an outdoor STEM lesson where we explored the weather and cloud cover on a partly cloudy, warm Autumn day.

In Years Three to Six, we explored package design this term. We explored different materials such as paper, plastic, metal, glass and fabric and students learnt to describe the properties of these materials. In our final lesson for the term, students designed and created their own packages to protect an origami crane.



Alina, STEM teacher

SCHOOL PHOTOS 2024 - Important Registration Information

School Photographs will be taken at

Holy Rosary School

Wednesday 17th April 2024

There is no need to return any forms or payment to school before photo day

Flyers with Unique Image Codes will be issued to all students on or after photo day

When you receive your child's 2024 image code

Follow these 3 simple steps -

1 Go to order.arphotos.com.au and enter your child's **2024 image code**



2 Tap on 'Add another child' to enter the image codes of any siblings



3 Fill in your contact details & review before confirming your registration*



*This information will only be used for distribution of personal image codes and ordering details.

That's it!

**It's important to register each year to link your child's NEW images to your contact details
When 2024 images are ready to view in our secure webshop you'll be notified by email and SMS**

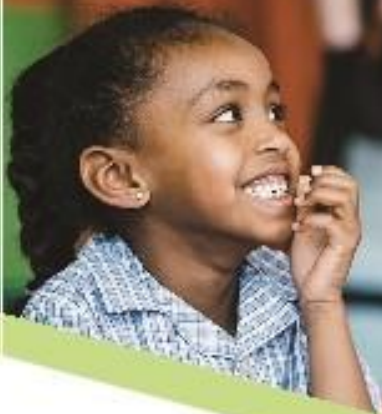
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Our School Vision

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Our School Values

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CLASS DETAILS - HOLY ROSARY PRIMARY SCHOOL

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	DATES	COST
Tuesdays	11.00 - 11.50am	Hall	23 Apr to 18 Jun	\$138 per child/per term

"Alex loves chess club and gets very upset if he misses a session. His chess has definitely improved and his teacher, Anita feels that it helps with his math in class in terms of concepts and thinking. Keep up the great work!" **Katrina Lambert: Hampton Primary School**



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