



NEWSLETTER No . 9 : 14th April, 2016

This Week's Sunday Reading

John 10:27-30 My sheep hear my voice. I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given to me is greater than all else and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one. The Word of the Lord.

The image of God as a shepherd was a powerful one for the Jewish people. The shepherd in Jesus' time knew each sheep and when the sheep needed to be moved, he would lead them from in front and they would follow. The shepherd would even sleep with them to protect them during the night.

Let us pray-

Christ has shown himself among us.

God has made a dwelling place in our midst.

The voice of peace has spoken...and love has reached every part. May the joy and blessing and hope of Easter flourish in our lives. Alleluia! Amen

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for Term 2. I trust you had a fantastic break with your family and friends and were able to get out and enjoy the beautiful Autumn weather. Term 2 will be eleven weeks and a time where classes will really push the learning and teaching. Each class will continue to work on the behaviour and engagement strategies and framework while our emphasis will be on deep learning in each grade.

A huge Holy Rosary welcome to:

Kate Hamilton - Administration Officer. Kate is a qualified Accountant with a passion for education. Her children came to Holy Rosary a few years ago and Kate lives in Axedale. Kate will be working two days per week for the next seven weeks in a transition role with Mrs Short and will be four days per week from Monday, May 30th. Liarna Bradley will continue to work in Admin on a Wednesday for the remainder of the year.

Kyrewyn O'Kane - Classroom teacher 3/4. Kyrewyn is an experienced teacher who has been doing support work here at Holy Rosary this year. She resides in Strathfieldsaye and will work with Miss Mitchell in their class. Kyrewyn has a passion for the arts and will bring these skills to our school this year

Bonnie Pridham - Teaching Assistant. Bonnie joins us as one of our energetic and skilled young teaching assistants this year. She joins David, Eamon, Sophie and Ariana, and also Genene. Each day there will be two assistants in the school and each will work in different classes. Such support for our teachers is invaluable and allows them to create better learning opportunities for our students.

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Cross Country training has begun at Holy Rosary. On Tuesday the 5/6 students marked out a 500 metre track around the school. The whole school will be using this track to improve their fitness over the next few weeks and to place them in a much better position to participate at their best in our school cross country later in the term. (Date to be announced next week).



The training the children will undertake over the next few weeks will also prepare them for the Heathcote Marathon day where they have the opportunity to represent Holy Rosary in the Rail Trail Mile school challenge. We are hoping as many of our students as possible can participate in this fabulous event. Please see the flyer attached.

Uniform and hats:

It is great to see so many students in full Winter school uniform already. As school photos are on Friday 22nd, we will make that date when we must all be in correct Winter uniform. In regards to hats, I encourage children to continue to wear their hats if it is warm and sunny, however, hats are not compulsory in Terms 2 and 3.

Parent Reading Survey.

As you will all be aware, reading is a major ongoing focus for Holy Rosary and will continue to be so in the future. As part of this focus, we are aiming to gain a clearer understanding of the student's reading habits especially at home.

On Monday 18th April we will be sending home a Parent Reading Survey for parents to complete for each child in the school. If you have two children, you will need to complete two surveys. It would be a great help and benefit to our staff if you could fill in the survey and return to school by Wednesday, 20th April. With 100 students in our school, we are hoping to get 100% of the surveys returned to the school.

This data will assist us to develop better programs for our students that will allow us to focus on areas of need and create successful initiatives for the children. The identity of your child is not on the survey which we hope will encourage you to be honest and forthcoming with accurate information that reflects the actual situation with each of your children. The survey will come home with each child in an envelope on Monday and will take you approximately 10 minutes to complete it with your child. We thank you in anticipation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Dullard'.

Paul Dullard
Principal

CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

Children's Chatter Matters!

Language Learning activities to have a go at home.

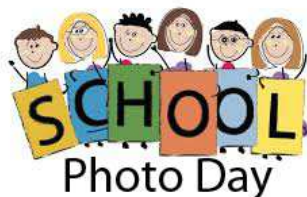
When learning to read and spell words, children also need to be able to segment, or break words into sounds. *For example, the word 'sack' can be split into s – a – ck. It has 3 sounds.* Help your child to 'find' sounds and 'break up' a word into sounds through practice, using words from their book/around the room. Start with simple words, with two or three sounds. Your child might need to use fingers/blocks to support.

For students in Grade 2+, who are capable of breaking simple words into sounds, practice with words that have consonant blends at the start. Consonant blends are two or three speech sounds together that are not vowels, for example: sm, sn, tr, bl, cr, gl...



SCHOOL PHOTOS

Order forms have been sent home for our school photos on **Friday, 22nd April**.

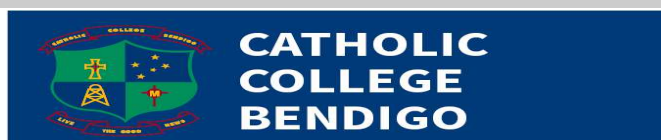


Students are to wear full winter uniform for the photos.

When an order has been placed online there is no need to return the order form to the school.

If paying by cash, please return your order form to the school on photo day. **Please attach the correct amount of cash in an envelope as change cannot be given on the day.** Some envelopes are available at the office.

Sibling portrait forms are available at the office.



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ENROLMENT FOR YEAR 7, 2017

The enrolment process for Year 7, 2017 commences in Term 2. Families are warmly invited to visit our College.

OPEN EVENING*

at La Valla, McIvor Hwy, Junortoun

Wednesday 27 April from 4.00-7.00pm

TRANSITION DAY: Wednesday 18 May

PRINCIPAL'S TOURS at La Valla

Thursdays 5 May & 2 June, 9.00am

*The Open Day previously advertised for Sunday 1 May has been cancelled.

Parents of students in Grade 6 please note:

- Transition information has been distributed to families. Please call Mrs Martin with any queries.
- Enrolment packs will be sent in the week beginning 26 April.

Tour Bookings & Enrolment Enquiries:

Mrs Trish Martin,
College Registrar
(03) 5449 3466
tmartin@ccb.vic.edu.au

www.ccb.vic.edu.au



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Class Masses - Parents welcome to attend

Once again over the course of the year, each class will join St Mary's Parish community for a morning mass in our School chapel. We welcome all parents to attend with their son or daughter on their scheduled date. Below is a list of Classes attending Mass this term.

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| Thursday, 14th April | - Class Mass in Chapel @ 9:00am (F/1) |
| Thursday, 21st April | - Class Mass in Chapel @ 9:00am (1/2) |
| Thursday, 28th April | - Class Mass in Chapel @ 9:00am (3/4A) |
| Thursday, 5th May | - Class Mass in Chapel @ 9:00am (3/4B) |
| Friday, 6th May | - First Friday Mass - Whole School @11:30am in the Church |
| Thursday, 12th May | - Class Mass in Chapel @ 9:00am (5/6) |
| Thursday, 19th May | - Class Mass in Chapel @ 9:00am (F/1) |
| Thursday, 26th May | - Class Mass in Chapel @ 9:00am (1/2) |
| Thursday, 2nd June | - Class Mass in Chapel @ 9:00am (3/4A) |
| Friday, 3rd June | - First Friday Mass - Whole School @11:30am in the Church |
| Thursday, 9th June | - Class Mass in Chapel @ 9:00am (5/6) |
| Thursday, 16th June | - Class Mass in Chapel @ 9:00am (3/4B) |
| Thursday, 23rd June | - Class Mass in Chapel @ 9:00am (F/1) |

Chaplain/Pastoral Care

Thank you to the parents and carers who have handed in the permission form to provide Chaplain/Pastoral Care to you're their child. So that I can provide the most appropriate support, I will need to collect information from you regarding your concerns. When you feel my service is needed, please contact me via email, phone or in person at school on Thursdays or Fridays. Alternatively, you can leave a note for me at the office.

Kind regards,

School Chaplain

Work Days: Thursday and Friday : 9.30am - 3.00pm

jdawson@hrheathcote.catholic.edu.au





The O'Keefe RAIL TRAIL MILE

INTERSCHOOL CHALLENGE



Win the teams event for your school!

Date: Sunday May 1st, 2016

Time: 9.55am

Where: O'Keefe Trail, off Herriot St, Heathcote

Enter: www.theokeefe.com.au.

Please ensure you enter your school name when prompted.
Enter by 25th April for "Early Bird" entry rates.

Enquiries: to gm.athsbendigo@gmail.com

Conditions: Race conditions are included on the entry form.

The winning school will be decided by points scored by the first three finishers, both male and female for both grades 3/4 or below and grade 5/6 from the school. Bonus points for the school with the most entries. The winning school will receive an individual trophy, and be named on the perpetual trophy. The distance is a mile - 1609 metres.

Athletics
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MANDALAY RESOURCES

The O'Keefe RAIL TRAIL MARATHON

Sunday
1st May



DATE
CONTACT
WEBSITE

Sunday 1st May
Sandra Slatter, Event Director 0417 350 911
Craig Green, Race Director 0437 250 056
www.theokeefe.com.au

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Holy Rosary Mother's Day Luncheon

1st prize: Coffee Machine & Hamper
Kindly donated by Heathcote Mitre 10 & Liz Allen Value \$300

2nd prize: Tea Set & Hamper
Kindly donated by Cook's Gallery Bendigo
& Liz Allen Value \$175

3rd prize: Lady's Leather Handbag
Kindly donated by Sally Pitt Value \$70

Tickets \$2 each. Drawn Friday May 6th 2016 at the event.



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