

**Feast of the Sacred Heart (Poor Man's Mass)**

A big thank you to all who have responded so generously to last week's appeal for non-perishable foods and toiletries. We will be attending Mass tomorrow at 11:30am to celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart (Poor Man's Mass). We ask that our families join us at mass tomorrow.

*Compassionate God,
draw us to your loving heart;
In Mercy, teach us to forgive as the Father forgives;
In Mercy, challenge us to follow in the footsteps of Jesus;
In Mercy, transform us with your Spirit to welcome those we meet;
and give us strength as we journey in faith;
Amen*



The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is celebrated on the 3rd of June. It is a time for us to reflect on the unconditional, generous and compassionate love Jesus has for everyone, especially the poor and the suffering in our world. Eucharistic celebrations held on this feast day is sometimes referred to as a "Poor Man's Mass". We are appealing for non-perishable foods to support our local St Vincent de Paul Society. Families are asked to make a donation towards this appeal. Collections will take place in each classroom and the gifts will be presented at our Whole School mass **tomorrow**. Check the cupboards out but please make sure food is in date!

Dear Parents,

It has been a week of frosty mornings to welcome in Winter followed by our glorious Central Victorian sunny days. The children have been pleasantly surprised at how the days have warmed up so quickly and have enjoyed their time outside.

First Friday whole school Mass.

Tomorrow (Friday) at 11.30am the whole school will attend Mass in the church. It is always great to see so many parishioners and parents attend these special occasions.

Parents and Friends Committee

The P & F will be meeting on Friday morning at 9.30am in the O'Dee. Please come along and get involved with this energetic group of parents. You do not have to commit to every meeting but all are encouraged to come along and share a few ideas at these meetings.

It's a girl! Congratulations to our Branch Manager Michael Prowse on the birth of his first child.

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Open Day for new enrolments

Mrs Tobin, Miss Mitchell and I are very much looking forward to meeting new children and families at our Open day on **THIS Monday 6th June**. If you know of any family that is intending to come to Holy Rosary in 2017, please remind them of this date. Open Day will be between 8.45am and 10.45am. It will include Learning walk with the Principal, a chance for the new students to mix with this year's Foundation class and a Q and A session for parents with Miss Mitchell and myself.

Recess and Lunchtime Clubs

As part of our Behaviour and Engagement Framework and strategy for Holy Rosary, our staff meet regularly to look at best practice for engaging our students in productive activities. As part of this strategy the staff have this week discussed how our students are engaged during recess and lunchtime.

To provide a greater variety of opportunities for our students we will be commencing Recess and Lunchtime Clubs from Monday next week.

The Clubs will be held in the library and will be:

- Monday- Construction/ Lego
- Tuesday – Drawing/ Reading
- Wednesday – Craft
- Thursday – Board Games
- Friday – Nature Videos

All details of these Clubs will be explained to the students on Friday afternoon this week. I thank our staff for undertaking extra supervision at our school to ensure that the children have a better chance of having a more successful recess and lunchtime.

O'Keefe Marathon School Challenge

On Monday at assembly we were visited by Fazzi the mascot for the Heathcote Community Games. Fazzi came bearing trophies for Holy Rosary as the inaugural winner of the O'Keefe Trail Marathon School Challenge. Congratulations to all of the students, parents and teachers who participated in this event back Sunday May 1st. Lets hope that next year we get even more participants to support such a great event in our community.

Uniforms

It has come to my attention that many students are wearing runners with their full school uniform. Runners may be worn on Sports days only with sports uniform.

If we aim to be our best at all times and show respect for ourselves we must abide by the school rules.

As of Monday, students who are out of uniform will be reminded of what item they are wearing that is not in the school rules. If they continue to wear the wrong gear they may miss part of their playtime. Please attend to this over the weekend, and see myself or Kate Hamilton if this poses a problem for you.

Whole School Expectations.

Each term the staff at Holy Rosary revisit the teaching of our Whole School Expectations. Our students know our expectations very well but every now and again need to rethink how they are living out these in their everyday behaviour at school. Please take some time to discuss what our expectations mean and how they can improve the way we act at school with your child.



***Respect for Self
Respect for Others
Respect for the Environment
Be Safe***



Digital Newsletter for Holy Rosary. 'Read all about it! (online)'

As of Week 1 Term 3 our newsletter will be digital. It will be uploaded to our website, onto the SkoolBag app and will be emailed to families. This change of practice is to bring us up to date with best practice in regards to cost savings, the environment and education around how we should be acting in the 21st Century.

Each family will receive a note early next week that will be requesting an update on medical form information as well as a request for a family email address/s that we can place on our mail out list. More information will be sent out over the next few weeks in regards to our digital newsletter.

Working Bee

Thank you to all who attended the working bee on Saturday at Holy Rosary. Our school is quite a large property and requires a degree of upkeep to keep it safe and respectable. The parents, students and staff who attended were able to tidy up the front of our school, the passive area and give the Cluckingham Palace a new lease of life. Well done and thank you.

Yours sincerely,



Paul Dullard
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2016

JUNE

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| Friday 3 rd | - | 11.30am Whole School Mass |
| Tuesday 7 th | - | A3 School visit (Gr 3-6) |
| Monday 13th | - | Queen's Birthday Holiday |
| Friday 24 th | - | Last Day Term 2 |



JULY

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| Monday 11 th | - | First Day Term 3 |
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Class Masses – Parents Welcome to attend : Masses are in the school chapel

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| Friday 3 rd June | – First Friday Mass – Whole School @ 11.30am in the Church |
| Thursday 9 th June | – Class Mass in Chapel @ 9.00am (Gr 5/6) |
| Thursday 16 th June | – Class Mass in Chapel @ 9.00am (Gr 3/4 B) |
| Thursday 23 rd June | – Class Mass in Chapel @ 9.00am (Gr F/1) |



We place great emphasis on these visits. Worshipping together strengthens and professes our faith, developing an even closer relationship with our local parish community.

Children's Chatter Matters



6. While playing with your child and their toys, have your child describe specific toys by choosing describing words that describe the size, colour, shape and texture of the chosen object e.g. the stuffed bear: Size – small/tiny/big/large. Colour – can be different colours though usually brown. Shape – round head and belly, long arms and legs. Texture – soft, fluffy, furry.

Regional Cross Country Final

On Tuesday 31st of May Grade 6 student, Zavia Roberts, competed in the Regional Cross Country final at St Arnaud. Zavia competed very well and finished 31st in the 12-year-old boys group. We would all like to say a massive congratulation to Zavia for doing so well and representing our school very well. Well done Zavia.

Below is a recount of the day Zavia Roberts (56OG) wrote about the day:

"On Tuesday May 31 I went to the cross country race in St Arnaud. Fiona Bradshaw, Gabe Bradshaw and I went and had a pretty laid back day. We got there at 11:00am. We had a plain day and when it came 1:30pm my race was next. We lined up and I was nervous but got over it when I began running. The kids were a lot faster then last time because they were top 12 runners from different divisions. The track wasn't to different to the race in Bendigo except for the fact that there were a lot more hills. I was very tired throughout the race but didn't stop. The boys in this race had better stamina then me. But in the end I finished and was pretty puffed. All in all a very good experience."



OPEN DAY

MONDAY JUNE 6TH 2016

9.00AM – 10.45AM

An information morning will be held for all parents and children entering Foundation in 2017. Tours of the school will be available and the children will participate in activities in the Foundation classroom.

As of Term 3, Holy Rosary is offering Transition mornings for students moving into Foundation in 2017 to help support their transition process.



Transition Dates for Term 3

Monday July 18	8.45am – 10.45am
Monday Aug 1	8.45am – 10.45am
Monday Aug 15	8.45am – 10.45am
Monday Aug 29	8.45am – 10.45am
Monday Sept 12	8.45am – 10.45am



Holy Rosary School Heathcote

For any further enquiries please contact the school on
(03) 5433 2057 or email: principal@hrheathcote.catholic.edu.au
18 Pohlman Street, Heathcote





Free Dental Screening

'The oral health of your children is important to us'

Bendigo Health is offering free dental screens to students at Holy Rosary Primary School **NEXT WEDNESDAY**.

As part of this assessment a report will be provided to parents/guardians with our findings and recommendations.

Consent forms will be available to have your child seen.

If you have any questions please contact Bendigo Health Dental Service on 5454 7994

the first steps are most important

A child's early years development helps them achieve success in the future

For details please visit: www.lmpa.org.au
or call the office on: 5443 1229

1ST ROUND
KINDERGARTEN
APPLICATIONS
MUST BE IN
BEFORE 15TH
JUNE



Parents and Friends Committee



SCHOOL CANTEEN



Lunch orders to be handed
in by Wednesday,

Volunteers are required for
this program, so if you
have anytime on a Friday
we would appreciate the
help.

P&F MEETING

Next meeting

**9.15AM FRIDAY
3RD JUNE**

New members always
welcome.

NDIS Information Session

If you or a person you care for has a disability then this information session is for you.

The roll out of the NDIS will take place throughout the Loddon area including, Greater Bendigo, Mount Alexander, Shire of Campaspe, Loddon, Central Goldfields from May 2017.

RSVP: by Thursday 23rd June
Phone: 5431 0930
or Email:
coordinator@heathcotecommunityhouse.org

Or call & speak to Megan Haddon or Jess Dawson at your Primary School



Fostering Community Connections

The Heathcote Community House, Heathcote Primary School and Holy Rosary Primary School in partnership with Interchange Loddon Mallee Inc. invite you to an information session about the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)



5 things you need to know and prepare for the NDIS

Speaker: Jackie Dacey NDIS Advocate
(Funded by the Helen Macpherson Smith Trust)

Thursday 30th June 2016
Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Heathcote Community House - 55 Hospital St Heathcote
(The mudbrick building between the skate park & the Health Service)

Places are limited so please book your place. If we are booked out we will take names to run a second session.

A light afternoon tea will be supplied



CANTEEN : Friday, 10th June, 2016

NAME:

CLASSROOM: I wish to orderserve/s

Spaghetti & Meatballs \$3.00

Cup of Soup \$1.00

Hot Chocolate .50c

Money enclosed \$**Please return order & money in an envelope
to your classroom by Wednesday, 8th June****NO LATE ORDERS ACCEPTED****CANTEEN : Friday, 10th June, 2016**

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If you put your child's lunch order in a bag or envelope, please write the classroom on it,
i.e., F1TM - 12KS - 34MH - 34MO - 56OG