



NEWSLETTER

IMPORTANT DATES

MAY

Fri 12	Mother's Day Luncheon
Fri 19	School Photos – Winter Uniform
Tues 23	School Education Board meeting 5.30pm
Wed 24	Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians Mass – 9.30am Special Person's Day. Morning Tea
Fri 26	OPEN DAY. 9.00 – 10.45

JUNE

Thurs 1	Class Mass (Gr 5/6 & F/1) – 9.00am
Fri 2	Pupil Free Day – Staff PD
Thurs 8	Class Mass (Gr 3/4s) – 9.00am
Fri 9	Flying Start Transition program 8.45- 10.45
Mon 12	Public Holiday – Queen's Birthday
Fri 9	Flying Start Transition program 8.45- 10.45
Fri 30	Last Day Term 2

MOTHER'S DAY

Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers, grandmothers, aunts and all those who nurture our students.

The Special Angel

The child asked God, "They tell me you are sending me to earth tomorrow, but how am I going to live there being so small and helpless?" God replied, "Your angel will be waiting for you and will take care of you." The child further inquired, "But tell me, here in heaven I don't have to do anything but sing and smile to be happy." God said, "Your angel will sing for you and will also smile for you and you will feel your angel's love and be very happy." Again the child asked, "And how am I going to be able to understand when people talk to me if I don't know the language?" God said, "Your angel will tell you the most beautiful and sweet words you will ever hear, and with much patience and care, your angel will teach you how to speak." "And what am I going to do

when I want to talk with You?" God responded, "Your angel will place your hands together and will teach you how to pray." "Who will protect me?" God said, "Your angel will defend you even if it means risking their life." "But I will always be sad because I will not see You anymore." God instructed, "Your angel will always talk to you about Me and will teach you the way to come back to Me, even though I will always be next to you." At that moment, there was much peace in heaven, but voices from Earth could be heard, and the child hurriedly asked, "God, if I am to leave You now, please tell me my angel's name." "You will simply call her MUM."

May we treat our mums like angels this Sunday and show our gratitude for all they have done for us.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week has been a very busy one at Holy Rosary where everyone has worked side by side, shoulder to shoulder to organise, deliver and produce great things.

Our staff have all been busy for the past weeks preparing for our **Learning Conversations**. This has involved looking at Literacy Data for each child and mapping that on a data wall, setting goals and collaborating with each other around success criteria for each child. This process takes a lot of each teacher's time outside school hours as they ensure that the Learning Conversations are beneficial to all parties and enhance student learning outcomes. I thank the teachers for their commitment to this process.

In the coming weeks, a small survey will be sent home asking families to give us feedback on the Learning Conversations so that we can continue to work towards the best communication around your children that we can provide.

Out of School Care has been quite a hot topic around Heathcote for many years and recently Holy Rosary Board has committed to investigating how this can be incorporated into our school programs. This week you would have received a survey that will hopefully identify Heathcote Childcare Options and the need for such a service. The survey is sent from Bendigo Community Children's Services Incorporated which is a not for profit organisation. Mandalay Resources has engaged a project manager to ensure this process is thorough and informative.

Please take the time to complete the survey and return it to our office. Even if you are not needing such a service right now, you may need it in the future.

There has been great excitement around the school this week as everyone played their role in ensuring that the **Mother's Day Luncheon** was a great success. This event is in its 52nd year and every one of those years it has been organised by volunteers from our school and parish and is now well and truly a must attend event. This year the team of parents from Holy Rosary has been active again in ensuring the event creates a great community event while also raising funds for our school resources. Thank you to everyone who has played their part and especially to those who have been the leaders of the subcommittee.

Happy Mother's Day to all in our mums, grandmothers and great grandmother for Sunday. The day will be celebrated in so many different ways within our community with some spending the day with mum, while others might visit briefly. Others will say a quiet prayer or few words. All in all, it is a day where we stop and give thanks for those that love us unconditionally, provide warmth and security in our life, encourage us to be our best and pick us up when we are down. Very often this is mum and in many cases it can be others that play such a role.

Never truer than here in our Holy Rosary family that it takes a village to raise a child.

Happy Mother's day.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Dullard', written in a cursive style.

Paul Dullard - Principal

F/1 MT Assembly Presentation

In F/1 over the past week, we have been busy talking and sharing about our Mum's and Grandma's. We identified four things that we loved about our Mums, and wrote and drew about these. We used the most common answers and put them to a song, by the tune of 'Here we go round the mulberry bush'.

Mum Looks After Me,

By F/1 MT

*This is the way Mum combs my hair,
Combs my hair, combs my hair,
This is the way Mum combs my hair,
Mum looks after me.*

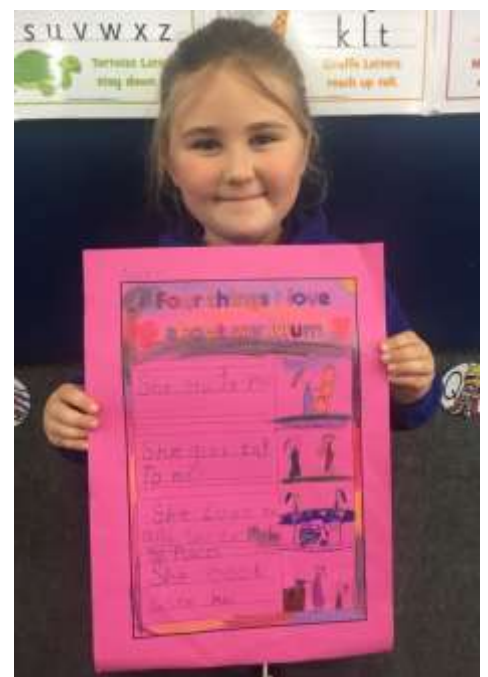
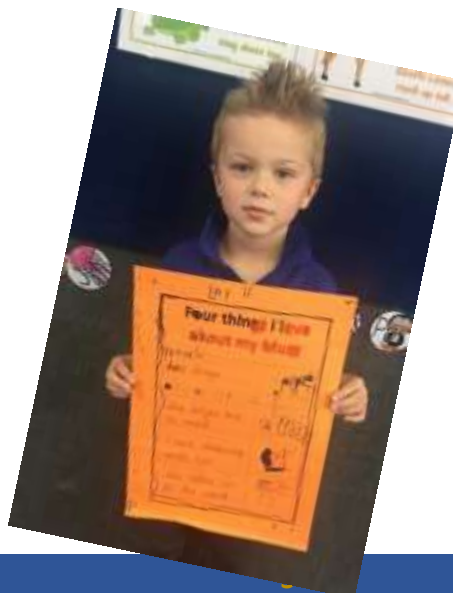


*This is the way Mum makes my food,
Makes my food, makes my food,
This is the way Mum makes my food,
Mum looks after me.*



*This is the way Mum gives good hugs,
Gives good hugs, gives good hugs,
This is the way Mum gives good hugs,
Mum looks after me.*

*This is the way Mum reads to me,
Reads to me, reads to me,
This is the way Mum reads to me,
Mum looks after me.*



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ASSEMBLY PRESENTATIONS & NEWSLETTER INSERTS – TERM 2

Each week, one of our classes will be “presenting” at our Monday Assembly. In the following newsletter (Thursday), the class will include a one page insert. Parents are encouraged to attend assemblies, especially on the week their child’s class is presenting.

Week	Assembly Date	Class
3	1 st May	1/2 BS
4	8 th May	F/1 MT
5	15 th May	4/5 MO
6	22 nd May	5/6 OG
7	29 th May	3/4 KS
8	5 th June	3/4 MH
9	12 th June	NO ASSEMBLY – Public Holiday
10	19 th June	TBA
11	26 th June	TBA

AWARDS MONDAY 15TH MAY 2.30PM

F/1 TM	Levi Harrison	Respect for Self
	Alannah Henessey	Respect for Self
1/2 S	Riley Cassidy	Respect for Self
	Allie Robinson	Respect for Self
3/4 H	Jack Conway	Respect for Self
	Ellet-May Featonby	Respect for Self
3/4 S	Aleksia Virgona	Respect for Self
	Norah Pitt	Respect for Self
4/5 ON	Layla Jennings	Respect for Self
	Brock Cassidy	Respect for Self
5/6 G	Monique Scoble	Respect for Self
	Dan Koopmans	Respect for Self





HEAD LICE



We have reports of Head Lice in some classrooms. Many head lice do not cause an itch, so you have to look carefully to find them. We ask all parents to please check their children’s hair regularly, especially at change of seasons, and treat if necessary. Once hair has been treated, children can be returned to school. Anyone can get head lice and given the chance head lice move from head to head without discrimination (washed or unwashed hair, it does not matter). Children get head lice from direct hair to hair contact with another person who has head lice. This can happen when children play, cuddle or are working close together. They do not have wings or jumping legs so they cannot fly or jump from head to head. They can only crawl

LUNCHTIME CLUBS

Lunchtime “Clubs” will continue to run this term. Clubs are held in the second half of lunchtime and are open to any students who would like to come off the yard.

	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Activity	 Craft/Drawing	 Lego	 Move & Groove	 Nature Videos	 Deconstruction
Supervising Teacher	Miss Hogan	Mrs Scott	Miss Mitchell & Mr Dullard / Mandy Sgarioto	Mrs Tobin	Mr Dullard

CHILDREN’S CHATTER MATTERS

Ten activities will be provided each term focusing on key areas of oral language supporting literacy. Feel free to adjust these activities according to your child’s grade level. If you have any questions you can contact Sheryn Long, Ed. Speech Pathologist through the School’s Special Education Coordinator, Liz Tobin. Good luck and most importantly enjoy this very special time with your child.



Term 2: Vocabulary activities

4. Encourage children to imagine they are holding a caterpillar and describe how it feels. Create lists of adjectives to describe things, for example; caterpillar – wiggly, squashy, ticklish, furry
Describe how it might feel to:
 - Pat an elephant
 - Rub a camel
 - Walk on wet concrete
 - Hug a cactus
 - Touch an echidna
 - Put your hands in a bowl of jelly
 - Lie on a cloud
 - Use a scourer instead of a facewasher

Tip: As well as using single adjectives, prompt for longer descriptions by providing a descriptive starter such as “It would feel like...” or “It might feel as though I had...”

P&F NOTICES

BREAKFAST CLUB & LUNCH ORDERS: Breakfast Club and Lunch orders will resume on Friday 19th May.

URGENT VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

We are also looking for helpers for Breakfast Club and Free Lunch Days that are held on Fridays.

Please contact Heidi Conway on 0406 406 953 for more information or fill out and return the volunteer form that was sent home with children on Wednesday.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

DELAYED: NET SET GO – HEATHCOTE JUNIOR FNC

Unfortunately, due to upgrade works currently being carried out at the stadium, NetSetGo will be delayed until July. More information will be supplied when available.

MOTHERS DAY LUNCHEON - PREVIEW



