



# NEWSLETTER

## IMPORTANT DATES

| <b>MAY</b>    |   |
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| <b>Fri 19</b> | <b>School Photos – Winter Uniform</b>   |
| Tues 23       | School Education Board meeting 5.30pm   |
| Wed 24        | Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians Mass – 9.30am<br>Special Person’s Day. Morning Tea |
| <b>Fri 26</b> | <b>OPEN DAY. 9.00 – 10.45</b>   |
| <b>JUNE</b>   |   |
| Thurs 1       | Class Mass (Gr 5/6 & F/1) – 9.00am  |
| <b>Fri 2</b>  | <b>Pupil Free Day – Staff PD</b>  |
| Thurs 8       | Class Mass (Gr 3/4s) – 9.00am   |
| <b>Fri 9</b>  | Flying Start Transition program 8.45- 10.45   |
| <b>Mon 12</b> | <b>Public Holiday – Queen’s Birthday</b>  |
| <b>Fri 9</b>  | Flying Start Transition program 8.45- 10.45   |
| <b>Fri 30</b> | <b>Last Day Term 2</b>  |

Almighty Father,  
 You sent forth your Son as a beacon of hope for all people.  
 As Teacher, he has given us the prime example of the importance of education.  
 As disciples, we look to him for inspiration and strength.  
 Thank you for the many sisters, brothers, priests, and laypeople who have dedicated their lives in service to our Catholic schools.  
 Thank you for the teachers and administrators who sustain our schools today.  
 Thank you for the parents who have given support and witness to the importance of Catholic education in their daily lives.  
 Thank you for the students who work hard to further their education.  
 Bless Holy Rosary and the many people who advance our mission.

May our building be a home for those who seek to grow in faith, knowledge, and service of others.  
 May our community always support one another and exhibit hospitality to newcomers.  
 Fill our minds with knowledge and wisdom.  
 May our understanding of the world help us to grow in appreciation for it.  
 Fill our hearts with gladness.  
 May we always turn to you in times of need.  
 Fill our hands with the tools we need to serve others.  
 May we show them your unceasing love through our actions.  
 Amen



### MAKING JESUS REAL

The teachers have been talking to the children about where they have seen the 'Spirit of Jesus'. We are encouraging the students to notice the acts of kindness that are happening around them each and every day, both at home and school.

"I saw the spirit of Jesus when I arrived at school this morning and said hello to Mr Dullard. He had a big smile on his face" (Roxanne Jorgensen Neave).

"I saw the spirit of Jesus when my Nan got me up and made me breakfast" (Jamie-Leigh Hearne).

The teachers have also been talking to the children about G.T.S- how they greet, treat and speak to others. The challenge has been set to say good morning each morning, using the person's name and making eye contact.

## CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

Every year all Catholic schools, primary and secondary in the Sandhurst Diocese celebrate the wonderful work we do in our respective communities in a designated week called "Catholic Education Week."

Catholic Schools Week is about strengthening relationships between all those who have a stake in our schools – students, staff, families, priests, parishioners, and members of the wider community – by showcasing what happens in our classrooms every day.

Our school has a supportive community of teachers, parents, carers, P&F, clergy, parishioners and support staff who work together to focus on giving students the best education possible, encouraging success, promoting discipline, supporting creativity and instilling compassion.

### ***The Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians***

Next week is our Parish Feast Day 'Our Lady Help of Christians' who is also Patroness of Australia. The Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians is celebrated on 24th May. This year our school will be celebrating it along with Special Person's Day on Wednesday at 9:30 in the church with Eucharist followed by morning tea and activities. During our mass, Mylee Ayres and Lexy Jorgensen-Neave will be baptised

This feast day has been celebrated in Australia since 1844. The infant church in Australia had a special reason for turning to Mary. No priests were sent to the colony in its early days and Mass was not allowed except for one brief year until 1820. It was largely the Rosary in those early days that kept the faith alive.

The Australian Catholic community remained faithful to Mary and Australia was the first nation to choose her under the title, 'Mary Help of Christians' as principle Patroness.

The Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians is an opportunity for Australians to thank God for His blessings that we enjoy. The feast is also a prophetic call to all Australians to work against social trends that marginalise sections of our community.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Last Friday was a very successful day for Holy Rosary. Our **Mother's Day Luncheon** is in it's 52<sup>nd</sup> year and is a tradition in Heathcote. This year's event was such a celebration of community spirit. The O'Dee was decorated beautifully around the theme of Once Upon an Apron. The organising committee had great attention to detail around this. The day itself was very well supported by the community with all tickets purchased by present parents and parents from the past.

It was a joy to see how the students from our school and the wider community worked so well together to perform and to assist with a successful day.

A special thank you to all involved especially the organising committee. It is an absolute credit to you to run such a wonderful event while at the same time generating funds for special resources for our school. Well done

**Head lice** seem to be appearing in several classes. On Wednesday we sent home information about how to identify and treat infestations. I encourage all families to check their child's hair this week as we wish to reduce the chances of reinfestation in our school. I appreciate your support on this matter

**Sign In** Any parents who comes to our school during the day MUST sign in at the front desk.

As of this week all children who are late or are leaving early must be signed in using the ipad on the front desk. Admin staff can assist with this.

**SPECIAL PERSONS DAY** is Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May. This will begin with our whole school Mass to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians at 9.30am. All welcome.

Following Mass there will be a morning tea in the O'Dee for all of our Special guests. The students will be able to enjoy pancakes cooked by the staff at our school.

After recess the students will be involved in activities in their classroom where Special guests can become involved.

**SCHOOL BOARD** is Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5.30pm. If you have any correspondence for the Board, please send it to the office in writing before Tuesday.

**OPEN DAY** is Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May. Please pass on the attached flyer to any families who have a child looking to attend Foundation in 2018.

Yours sincerely



Paul Dullard – Principal

## Special People Deserve A Special Day...

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> - 9.30am Mass  
Morning Tea to follow

11.30am to 12.30pm Special Person's Activities in classrooms

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

## Grade 4/5

*This term in grade 4/5, we have been learning about the '5 basic needs of human beings'.*

These are Oxygen, Water, Food, Shelter and Sleep.

### Oxygen

Oxygen is our most basic human need. People can begin experience brain damage after a few as five minutes oxygen.



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### Water

Other than the air we breathe, water is the most essential component for human survival. It is estimated that a person cannot survive for more than 3-4 days without water.

### Food

If you have a good water supply, a body can survive long time without food.



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### Shelter

A shelter that helps to keep your body at a constant temperature is a necessity. This could also include appropriate clothing.

### Sleep

For a long time, sleep was not considered a basic Studies on sleep deprivation have helped to



human need. change this.

*We then sang a song called, "The Bare the Jungle Book.*



*Necessities" from*

**AWARDS MONDAY 22nd MAY 2.30PM**

|        |                        |                         |
|--------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| F/1 TM | Billy Pitt             | Respect for Self        |
|        | Charli Jennings        | Respect for Others      |
| 1/2 S  | Vanessa Huang          | Respect for Self        |
|        | Chelsea Doherty        | Respect for Self        |
| 3/4 H  | Gracie-Jade Dingwall   | Respect for Self        |
|        | Shanae Cassidy         | Respect for Self        |
| 3/4 S  | Kaleb Robinson         | Respect for Self        |
|        | Zara Bibby             | Respect for Others      |
| 4/5 ON | Liam Hennessy          | Respect for Others      |
|        | Alexis Jorgensen-Neave | Respect for Others      |
| 5/6 G  | Alice Tobin            | Respect for Environment |
|        | Telani Bibby           | Respect for Environment |






**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>   |
|----------------------------|--|---|---|--|---|
| <b>Activity</b>            | <br>Craft/Drawing | <br>Lego | <br>Move & Groove | <br>Nature Videos | <br>Deconstruction |
| <b>Supervising Teacher</b> | 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

##### 5. Provide a word or concept, for example 'big'.

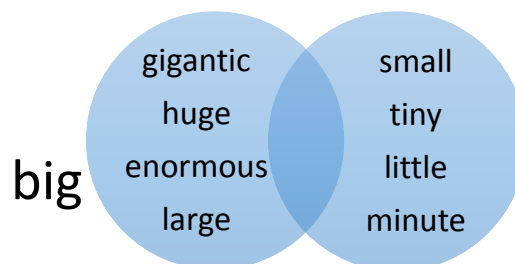
Children must generate two sets of words related to the target word or concept – synonyms or similarities and antonyms or opposites.

To prompt synonyms, ask children to think of words that mean the same thing as the target word, in this example: gigantic, huge, enormous, large ... would be synonyms

To prompt antonyms, ask children to think of words that have opposite meaning to the target word, in this example: small, tiny, minute, little ... would be antonyms

Tip: Discuss each word as it is generated. Encourage children to clearly describe how the two words (target word and proposed word) are similar or how they are opposite.

Show words in a venn diagram;

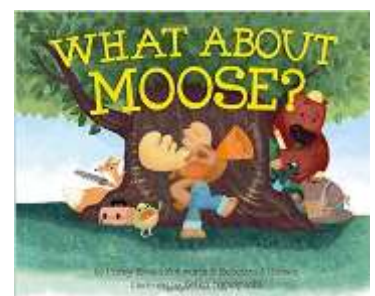


#### Vocabulary picture books



**Something wonderful**

Raewyn Caisley



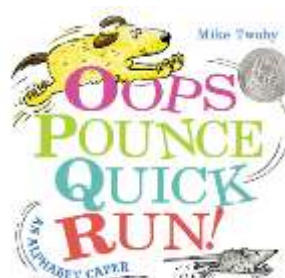
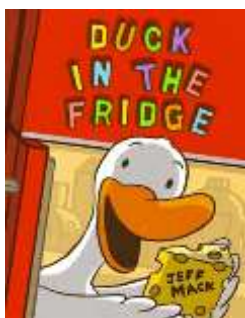
**What about moose?**

Corey Rosen Schwartz

& Rebecca J Gomez

#### **Duck in the fridge**

Jeff Mack



**Oops, Pounce, Quick, Run**

Mike Twohy

# P&F NOTICES

**BREAKFAST CLUB & LUNCH ORDERS:** Breakfast Club and Lunch orders will resume on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> 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

## **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

*Invest in your most precious asset.....Your Marriage!*

Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit.

*There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.*

**2017 Melbourne weekend dates : 28-30 July, 17-19 November, 2017**

*Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided.*

**OPEN DAY**  
**Friday May 26<sup>th</sup> 2017**  
**9.00 am – 10.45 am**



An information morning will be held for all parents and children entering Foundation in 2018. Tours of the school will be available and the children will participate in activities in the Foundation classroom.

As of Term 2, Holy Rosary is offering Transition mornings for students moving into Foundation in 2018 to help support their transition process.

### **Transition Dates for Term 2**

|                |                    |
|----------------|--------------------|
| Friday June 9  | 8.45 am – 10.45 am |
| Friday June 23 | 8.45 am – 10.45 am |

### ***Holy Rosary School Heathcote***

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