

# HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL HEATHCOTE

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## NEWSLETTER No . 4 : 24th February, 2015

Dear Parents,

### THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

We continue the first part of Lent, during which we learn, along with those preparing for Baptism, wonderful lessons in our faith.



We can feel the rhythm developing. Sunday is always our celebration of the Lord's resurrection, and establishes our theme for the week. Wednesday and Friday reminds us of our commitment to a change of heart. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday reintroduces us to wonderful scriptures for our journey. Saturday is always uplifting and joyful.

The Opening Prayer of the Liturgy each day continues to guide our prayer. As we experience how simple these prayers are, and how easy they are to make our own, we find ourselves praying together in the same Spirit, with one another on this journey, around the world.

Help us in this Lenten season to listen more frequently to your word, that we may celebrate the solemnity of Easter with greater love for Christ, our paschal teacher, that we may encourage those in doubt and error to follow what is true and good.

Jesus help me recognize those who are hurting around me. Amen

Peace & Best Wishes

Noel Dillon

Principal

### HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY GAMES

Congratulations to Jesse Bruce for his Leadership throughout the Community Games. The games were a great success and highlighted the community spirit.

Thanks to Mr. Anstee and the students who were part of the Bluearth session.



## PUPIL FREE DAYS

### NORTHERN PLAINS CLUSTER CONFERENCE

All staff will attend the  
Northern Plains Education Conference  
TOMORROW, Thursday 26th  
and Friday, 27th February.

**THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL  
ON THESE DAYS**



**CAMP : GRS. 4/5/6**  
**Camp will be held at the**  
**Cottage by the Sea**  
**in Queenscliff**

**Tuesday ,17<sup>th</sup> to Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> March.**

**Cost is \$150.00 per child and should be paid before departure.**

**Details of requirements have been sent home with the students.**

## PLAYGROUP

You are invited to come along and join the Parent-Child Playgroup at Holy Rosary School, Heathcote.

Who: For parents and their children 0-5 years  
When: Each Thursday  
Time: 10.00am - 11.00am  
Where: The O'Dee Centre at Holy Rosary Heathcote

For more information, please phone Jess on 0409 967 997 or Email:

[jdawson@hrheathcote.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jdawson@hrheathcote.catholic.edu.au)



### CAR PARK PICK UP & DROP OFF

*To ensure that all children are safe, it is important that parents collect and drop off their children from the shade area near the playground. A number of parents are waiting in the cars and calling their children across the car park. This causes a dangerous situation for the children.*

*Please ensure that children are collected from the pick up area.*



Important dates

**TERM 1 DATES FOR 2015**

**February**

**Thursday and Friday 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> : Northern Plains Conference School Closure Day**

**March**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> : Class Mass Grade 3/4 : 9.00am in the Chapel

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> : March First Friday School Mass 11.30am

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> : Labour Day Holiday**

Preps Full Week

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> : March Class Mass Grade 2/3 9.00am : Chapel

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> : Grade 5/6 Leadership Day Echuca

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> : School Closure Day – David Anderson**

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> : Grade 4/5/6 camp Queenscliff

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> : Class mass Grade 1/2 9.00am : Chapel

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> : Class Mass Grade Foundation 9.00am : Chapel

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> : Last Day Term 1 2.15pm

**April**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> : Good Friday

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> : Easter Sunday

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> : Easter Monday

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> : **Term 2 commences 8.45am**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> : Parent Teacher Interviews.



**Active after school Program : Term one**

The Bluearth health and PE program will run for all students on a Wednesday every second week on the odd school weeks, beginning week two Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February for all grades. The Foundation children will participate in the program when they resume full weeks. Our tennis program will run in Term 2.



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**HEATHCOTE JUNIOR FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB.**

TRAINING HAS COMMENCE -  
at the oval for  
U12, U14 Football and U12, U14 and U16 netball

When: Wednesday and Friday - 5pm to 6pm  
Where: Barrack Reserve Oval

**PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Due to a short first term, we will hold our parent teacher interviews on Tuesday, 14th April (Week 1 Term 2). Students will attend school as normal on this day. Information will be sent out closer to the day with details of online booking of interview times.

Teachers are also available to meet with you this term if you would like to discuss your child's progress. It is important that you make a time to speak to the teacher rather than during class time.

**STUDENT ABSENCES**

Please contact the school by 10.00am if your child is not attending school for the day. On returning to school, students must bring a signed, written note explaining their absence and give it to their classroom teacher.

**SCHOOL MASS**

A first Friday mass will be held on Friday, 6th March.

**CLASS MASSES**

Each Thursday a class mass will be celebrated in the school chapel.

**THERE WILL BE NO TUCKSHOP NEXT WEEK**



The Breakfast club will start again on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February. This will run from 8.00am – 8.30am and will be held in the O'Dee.

No Breakfast Club in the last week of term.

### CAR PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL

A reminder to families that the drop off and collection area for parking is in the back car park near the courts.

An increasing number of families are parking in other areas around the school causing a dangerous situation for students. Police have been notified and will issue penalty notices for offending vehicle. Please use the back car park for all drop off and pick ups.



### LEARNING STREET COLLECTION OF CHILDREN

An increasing number of parents are meeting in the learning street towards the end of the day to collect their children. We ask that parents refrain from this practice, as the noise level of the parents is causing a distraction to the classes.

### PLAYGROUND AFTER SCHOOL

The playground is not available for children after school.

### RIDING TO SCHOOL

Storage of bikes and scooters is near the sports shed. This area is not locked during the day, so you may wish to bring your own bike lock along to secure your bike. Bikes and scooters are not allowed to be ridden in the school yard.

### AWARDS

School Assemblies will be held on Monday mornings at 8.45am in the O'Dee.

Each week at assembly several children will receive awards. The names of the children receiving the awards will be in the newsletter so parents are able to attend. This week's awards will be presented to:

#### Respect for Self

Aleksia Virgona    Rihanna Aryes  
Micah Hamilton    Hudson Pianta-Cook  
Ethan Kelly

#### Respect for Environment

Jack Nanscawen

#### Making Jesus Real (for excellent manners)

Archer Obst    Alice Tobin  
Allie Robinson    Grace Anderson  
Gabe Bradshaw



### SCHOOL UNIFORM

**The uniform shop will now be open on a Monday after assembly until 10.00am**

It is important that all children are in correct uniform. Sports gear may only be worn on selected sports days. All items are available from the uniform shop.

### GRADE 6 T-SHIRTS

*These have arrived and can be collected from the front office. Payment of \$26.50ea on collection.*

### SUN SMART – REMEMBER YOUR HATS

This Sun Smart Policy is to be read as part of our Student Dress Code.

Children will be required to wear school hats during Terms 1 and 4 whenever they are outside.

Children without hats will be restricted to play in designated shaded areas – 'NO HAT, NO PLAY' policy to be enforced.

Children will be actively encouraged to wear a broad-spectrum water resistant sunscreen (SPF30+). Sunscreen will be provided in each classroom, and on excursions. Sunscreen will be applied by students according to the manufacturer's directions, under the supervision of teachers.

Sun smart activities and sun protection will form part of the Health and Physical Education curriculum at all year levels.

Parents will be encouraged to model Sunsmart behaviour when participating in school functions that are held outdoors.



## Catholic College Bendigo



We warmly invite parents of current Grades 4-6 students to attend a **Principal Walk** at Catholic College Bendigo during a regular school day. Other opportunities for parents to visit include **Open Day** on **Sunday 3 May** and **Transition Day** on **Friday 6 June**.

#### ABOUT

**Principal Walks** offer the opportunity to meet our Principal, **Mr Brian Turner** and walk around the La Valla campus where our Years 7, 8 and 9 students are based. The walks take approximately one hour, allowing time for questions.

#### DATES

**Thursday 5 March, 9.00-10.00am**

**Thursday 7 May, 9.00-10.00am**

at La Valla, McIvor Highway, Junortoun.

Entry via St Vincent's Road, Gate 3. Please park in the Visitors' Carpark and meet at the General Office.

#### BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Spaces are limited, so registration is essential. Please contact **Mrs Trish Martin** on 5449 3466; [tmartin@ccb.vic.edu.au](mailto:tmartin@ccb.vic.edu.au).





## CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

These pictures have more than one meaning. Discuss the meanings with your child. Can you see any other ambiguous signs around?



## MAKING JESUS REAL

### MJR ALIVE AT HOME AND SCHOOL



If you wish to have a positive attitude to life, hang out with positive people. If on the other hand you hang around with moaners and groaners (at times we all moan and groan), you will be dragged down by that Negative Attitude to people and life.

## POSITIVE SIGNS

### Eye contact

Encourage and compliment

Smile a lot

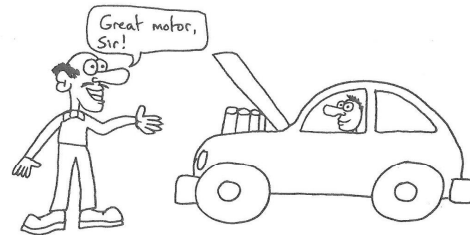
Include others

Be cheerful and obedient

Greet, treat and speak

Be able to say "Sorry"

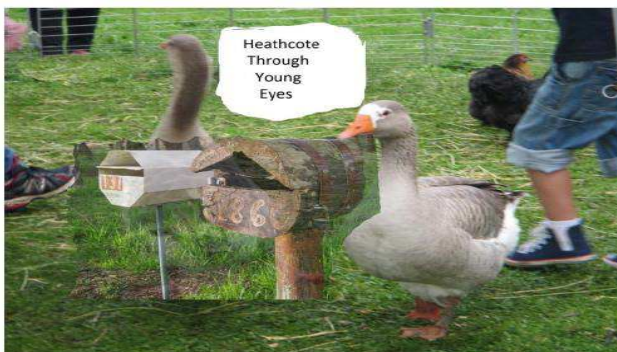
Take the good with the bad



Your attitude is like a motor in a car- if you have a good attitude you will go places in life.

# HEATHCOTE Community House

Built by the community for the community



Heathcote Community House  
would like to invite you to the opening  
of

## Heathcote Through Young Eyes

a photo doc and installation project  
by

**Miguel Tongco,  
Gabriel Bradshaw**

and  
**Grace Bradshaw**

On  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2015 @ 7pm

Exhibition to be opened by the honourable  
**Cr Rod Fyfe**  
@ Dudley House View St, Bendigo

Exhibition Dates Fri 6<sup>th</sup> March to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March  
Open daily 10am to 4pm



# Holy Rosary School

Mother's Day Luncheon

Featuring

*The*  
*Brides*  
*of*  
*Heathcote*  
Fashion Parade

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2015

O'Dee Centre, Holy Rosary School, Heathcote

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!**

Call 5433-2057



## **MOTHER'S DAY 2015 - 50 YEARS OF TRADITION!**

*This year we celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Holy Rosary School Mother's Day Luncheon and I am looking for volunteers to help bring together what will no doubt be an amazing day. This year's Luncheon will be held on Friday ,8<sup>th</sup> May from 12pm to 2pm.*

*This year's theme is "The Brides of Heathcote" and I have had some wonderful ladies agree to lend us their Wedding Gowns to have modelled on the day. We are also looking for more gowns along with more images of some of our amazing "Heathcote Brides" so, if you have your wedding photos and are able to lend us them to copy for the day it would be most appreciated. We are also looking for images of "Heathcote Brides of the Past" to pay homage to those who came before us and helped build our beautiful town. If you have some images we could use, I can be contacted on the number below.*

*I am also looking for a group of magnificent people to assist in coordinating this incredible event and whilst the date and theme has been set, there is still plenty to do and I would love to have your ideas and imagery.*

*If you would like to be a part of our Celebration, I can be contacted on 0403 618 560. I will also be hosting a planning meeting on Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 6.30pm O'Dee Centre – Holy Rosary School. Please come along and join us! Refreshments will be provided.*

*Fiona Bradshaw*