



Dear Parents,

“God gave mothers special gifts,

He made them all unique.

But one thing that all mothers love,

Are kisses on their cheek.”

Nancy Burr.

HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY!

HAPPY GRANDMOTHERS' DAY!

Mary, Mother of God,

and spiritual Mother of us all,

may all mothers who seek your help,

experience your unfailing protection.

Lead all mothers and their children

to Your Son, Jesus. Amen.



Peace & Best Wishes

Noel Dillon

Principal

ANIMALS AT SCHOOL

At our recent School Board meeting a motion was passed to avoid injury to children in the school from animals,.

NO ANIMALS ARE PERMITTED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE SCHOOL GROUND OR BUILDINGS UNLESS PRIOR APPROVAL IS SOUGHT FROM THE PRINCIPAL

CROSS COUNTRY

Heathcote Schools Cross Country is on next Friday, 15th May at 12 midday. It will be held at Heathcote Primary for Grade 3-6.

Students from Foundation to Grade 2 will compete in our school cross country on this day at 9.00am on our oval.

SCHOOL PHOTOS TOMORROW FULL WINTER UNIFORM TO BE WORN

Personalised pre-paid forms were sent home with the students last week.

Please return the completed order form to school tomorrow with the correct money or credit card details

The uniform shop will be open at 8.30am for this day only. Please bring money. No IOU's.

Mass to celebrate the

Feast of Mary Help of Christians 200th Anniversary

This will be a school parish mass

celebrated on Sunday 24th May.

This is a major event in our school and parish and will involve a 10.00am Mass, which will include involvement from the students and staff. The mass will be followed by a BBQ lunch and entertainment from the children. In recognition of the anniversary and the Sunday Parish School Mass, Father Antony has announced the Monday 25th May as a school holiday. It is important that all students and families attend the mass on the Sunday.

SMOKING REGULATIONS

New smoking bans to apply on school grounds and at school entrances

From **13 April 2015**, smoking will be banned within the school grounds of, and within four metres of an entrance to, all primary and secondary schools in Victoria, as well as all Victorian childcare centres, kindergartens and pre-schools, under an amendment to the *Tobacco Act 1987* (Vic.).

The new bans are enshrined in legislation and will apply to all schools in Victoria, thereby ensuring a consistent approach across the government and non-government sectors.

TERM 2 DATES FOR 2015



May

TOMORROW - Friday 8th : School Photos
Mother's Day Luncheon

Tuesday 12th - Thursday 14th : NAPLAN

Friday, 15th : School Cross Country

Friday, 22nd : Walk to school day

Sunday, 24th May - School and Parish Mass to celebrate the
Feast of Mary Help of Christians Anniversary\

Monday, 25th : SCHOOL HOLIDAY FOR OUR LADY OF CHRISTIAN'S ANNIVERSARY

Thursday 28th : Reconciliation

June

Monday 1st : SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY - REPORT WRITING

Monday 8th : PUBLIC HOLIDAY - Queen's Birthday

Monday 15th : Gym : Grade F-2

Thursday 18th : Gym : Grade F-2

Monday 22nd : Gym : Grade F-2

Thursday 25th : Gym : Grade F-2

Friday 26th : End Term 2 - Reports sent out

WELCOME

We welcome students from LaTrobe University, Jillian Brierley and Matthew Plathe will be on placement at Holy Rosary from 11th - 22nd May in Grs 3/4 and 5/6

NEW STUDENTS

We welcome Belinda and Hollie who began at Holy Rosary last Tuesday. Please make them and their family welcome in our school.

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 TIMES

8.45am-10.45am - Class time
10.45am-11.30am - Recess
11.30am-1.30pm - Class time
1.30pm - 2.15pm - Lunch
2.15pm - 3.15pm - Class time

BREAKFAST CLUB TERM 2

The Breakfast Club will run from 8.00am - 8.30am each Thursday and will be held in the O'Dee.



Last week's Brekky Club was a blast, so get in early or miss out on the good stuff.

Next week's special :
Apple & Cinnamon Muffins -
Smoothies
Choc Chip Pancakes

We welcome parents to be part of the Thursday morning breakfast. The community aspect of the morning is as important as the breakfast itself. Please come along and join in with your child.

AWARDS

This week's awards will be presented at Assembly on Monday in the O'Dee at 8.45am

Respect for Self

Jordyn Dumigan Jesse Bruce
Aleksia Virgona Gracie-Jade Dingwall
Micah Hamilton Rebecca Niclasen

Respect for Others

Akira Doley

Making Jesus Real (for excellent manners)

Majella Roberts Sean Gleeson
Chelsea Doherty Grace Anderson
Jack Lee

CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

Encourage your child to include the following parts when retelling a story/ experience: who/ where/ when/ what happened/ feelings/ why. Encourage them to use some joining words such as because, if, when, but, so, however, until, or, unless, then, consequently, before, after as, instead of. You might like to start a sentence for them to finish.



RECONCILIATION

This is for children in Grade 3-6 who would like to receive the sacraments this year. Our next gathering will be held on Wednesday, 13th May at 3.25pm in the O'Dee Centre. Please feel free to come along and join in. Bring some afternoon tea to share. The session should last about 45 minutes. Any questions, please contact Bernie O'Keefe or myself. All welcome.

Noel Dillon
Principal



MJR is 24/7

Our focus for weeks three and four is teamwork at home/school and doing the 1%

Whatever the dream we have is: Happy Family, Happy class, Happy sporting team, Happy school.

We are often in a team situation and if we are conscious of our role to play as team workers not receivers or takers, we can give of ourselves and make our team work so much better for everyone.

At life, at home and at school with our friends, the 1 "percenters" are WEST – it's the small things like remembering to say please, thankyou, sorry and excuse me, holding the door open for people and welcoming smile when we meet someone. Small things in life are the Very Important things. You can make someone's day with these small acts, and they help you to become a Giving person.

SOMETHING
SPECIAL

ON SALE AT THE OFFICE
Tomato Relish - \$2.00 per jar

LET'S RAISE READERS! SOME GOOD READING HABITS FOR YOUR HOME:

Be a reading role model

Let your children see you reading - for enjoyment, for news and information in cookbooks, magazines, online etc. Children will follow your lead (as you are their most influential role models in their lives) and reach for a book when you do.

10 minutes a day makes a difference

Make reading a daily habit by setting aside at least 10 minutes everyday entirely for reading. Just 10 minutes of reading practice a day improves your child's **vocabulary, comprehension, verbal fluency and spelling!**

SCHOOL UNIFORM

**The uniform shop will open only on
Mondays after assembly until 10.00am
Urgent orders : txt Natt on 0437 628 626
to arrange another time or leave order at office**

All children should be in full winter uniform

Please ensure that your child is in the correct uniform at all times. Runners with school uniform is not correct uniform. Sports uniform is only to be worn on sports days. We appreciate that there are times where full uniform cannot be worn. Please send along a note to the classroom teacher informing them of the situation. This will avoid unnecessary embarrassment to your child

OPEN DAY

Monday, 11th May, 2015
8.45am - 10.45am

An information morning will be held for all parents and children entering Foundation in 2016. Tours of the school will be available and the children will participate in activities.

As of Term 2, we will be offering our Flying Start Program for students moving into Foundation in 2016 to help support their transition process.

Sessions for Term 2 will be held on:-

Monday, 11th May : 8.45am - 10.45am
Monday, 15th June : 8.45am - 10.45am

RECENT REPAIRS AND PROJECT

Over the weekend, a number of projects were completed.

Railing was attached to the bollards in the car park to assist drivers backing into the parks. The bollards and railings were painted white to allow them to be more visual.

The poles were installed for our new shade structure over the new playground.

HEATHCOTE JUNIOR FOOTBALL
NETBALL CLUB

will be holding NET SET GO for
Kids aged 5-10

at Barrack Reserve Wednesdays
4.00pm - 5.00pm
commencing 27th May

Cost of \$60.00 running for ten weeks
Please come down to the stadium
on any Wednesday for more information
Or call Julie Gellatly on 0401 490 845



You are invited to come along and join the Parent-Child Playgroup in the O'Dee Centre at Holy Rosary School, Heathcote. For parents and their children 0-5 years.

Thursdays : 10.00am - 11.00am

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

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for all students in years 3 and 5. Students will complete tests in reading, writing, language conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) and Numeracy. These tests will be held on Tuesday, 12th, Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th May. Information was sent home to families earlier this week. Please contact your child's classroom teacher if you require further details.

Mother's Day Luncheon 2015 - SOLD OUT

RSL Hall, High Street, Heathcote

11.30am - 2.30pm

This week will be our 50th Annual Mother's Day Luncheon hosted by Holy Rosary School and it is definitely creating some excitement around town. With 100 guests booked and around 74 items to display, it is destined to be a great day and I, for one, am very excited.

Grade 5/6 students will be assisting on the day and performing a few songs for guests whilst the younger students have been busy making placemats for the tables and Wedded Bliss Tree leaves to be displayed on Friday and I sincerely thank Noel, Bernie and Prue for pulling it all together for us.

As I mentioned last week, we have a few new faces helping out this year which has been fantastic. This year has shown me how passionate we can be in our little community both in Holy Rosary and outside and I thank everyone for their enthusiasm and support.

Raffle tickets are still on sale for the Major raffle which will be drawn at the Luncheon so get your tickets for your chance to win a new 32" TV, a delicious Wine Hamper from Condie Estate or a \$50 BP Voucher.

This year we are looking to raise funds to cover the newest playground at school for the kids.

Fiona Bradshaw

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BRIDAL GOWNS WILL BE ON DISPLAY FROM 2.30PM - 4.00PM FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC

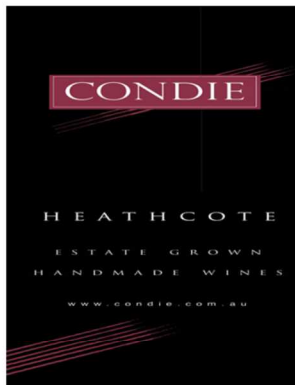
ENTRY : GOLD COIN DONATION

Holy Rosary Primary School Heathcote Mother's Day Raffle 2015

\$2.00 per ticket

All money raised going towards the new shade area over the playground.

1st Prize 32" LCD TV
with DVD player
Valued at \$399.00



2nd Prize Condie hamper
2 x Bottles of wine
2 x Glasses
1 x Wine carry bag
Valued at over \$100.00

3rd Prize Gift
Voucher from BP
Heathcote
Valued at \$50.00



Tickets need to be back to the Office by Thursday, 7th May, 2015.
Raffle drawn on Friday, 8th May, 2015 at the Mother's Day Luncheon
Winners notified on the day

For extra tickets please call the office on 5433 2057



MAY IS NATIONAL FAMILY READING MONTH

Snap a picture of your self and family members (pets too) in front of your favourite bookshelf and you could win a \$100 Book Club Voucher. There are ten vouchers to be won.

How to enter

Simply tell us in no more than 25 words what makes your bookshelf look so good.

Email your answer to shelfie picture to competitions@scholastic.com.au with subject line 'Share a Shelfie Competition'. Include your first name, surname, age, school name and state. Closes: May 15, 2015

NEWSLETTER No . 12 : 7th May 2015

In 1977 an ex-pupil, Kiernan McMahon, was appointed as a sawmiller at the Catholic Mission Brahman in Papua New Guinea, where he remained for two years. The mission is situated around 100 kilometres inland of Madang (which is a large town on the north coast of the country). The road to the mission is often flooded and the roads impassable. It can take up to 6 hours plus to drive this 100 km. In 1979 construction of an agricultural high school was commenced, which at that time was to accommodate a couple of hundred boarding students. In 2008 Kiernan and his wife visited and discovered that the complex now currently educates some 500 boys and 200 girls at the secondary school and 600+ students at the Primary school

Kiernan will be returned to Brahman in June of this year and has received a request for assistance from the Catholic Archdiocese of Madang for the following items.

Computers : Printers : Library Books : Sports Equipment : Second hand uniform (all sizes) : Stationery : Science books : TV screens : TV black box or decoder (2) : 5 or 6 stainless steel boilers for cooking
Any assistance would be very much appreciated.

If anyone is interested in any further information please contact Kiernan 0428448862 or email at kieran@theedgeequine.com or Trish on 0417 149254.

Any donations can be left at the Edge Bendigo, 61 Pratts Park Road (Cnr Pratts Park Rd and Strickland Rd) or phone us and we will pick up.

Thank you all for your help and interest. I am sure the children will be very happy and appreciative of anything towards their education.



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CANTEEN THURSDAY, 14th MAY, 2015

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CLASSROOM:I wish to orderserve/s

Chicken & Corn Soup with Mini Roll

Kid friendly Curried Sausages

Cost: Gold coin

Students will also receive water & treat with their order

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