#### HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL HEATHCOTE

Registration No. 1252

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#### **NEWSLETTER** No. 35: 12th November, 2015

Dear Parents,

Yesterday we commemorated 'Remembrance Day', which was originally called Armistice Day, a day that marks the end of the hostilities for the Great War (World War I), the signing of the armistice, which occurred on November 11, 1918 - the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. On the first anniversary of the armistice in 1919, one minute's silence was instituted as part of the main commemorative ceremony. After the end of World War II in 1945, the Australian and British governments changed the name to Remembrance Day as an appropriate title for the day, which would commemorate all war dead.

Remembrance Day in Australia is dedicated to Australians who died as a result of war, particularly from World War I onwards. A minute of silence is dedicated to the deceased, especially for soldiers who died fighting to protect the nation. Remembrance Day is annually observed on November 11th although it is not a public holiday. At school we will commemorate the occasion with a minutes silence in all classrooms at 11am. As time moves on, it is vital that we continue to remember those men and women who have sacrificed so much so that we may enjoy the lifestyle we have today as Australians.

#### Lest We Forget - A Prayer for Remembrance Day

For those who were killed in battle,

For those who gave up their lives to save others, For those who fought because they were forced to fight

For those who died standing up for a just cause, For those who said that war is wrong,

For those who tried to make peace,

For those who prayed when others had no time to pray,

For all humankind, let us quietly pray: May our God hold them in peace, May love flow over the earth and cleanse us all This day and for all days Amen

Peace and Best Wishes Noel Dillon Principal





### Flying Start Program/Transition for 2016 Foundation students

Monday, 16th November Monday, 23rd November 8.45am - 10.45am

Please pass the word around to families in Heathcote that have a child starting school next year. The transition program is an excellent way to transition the children into school.

So that we can organize class structures for 2016, please bring your child's enrolment form to the next Transition day.

#### NEW STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Over the past few weeks we have been going through the process of appointing new staff for the 2016 school year. We are pleased to announce that Lauren Mitchell has been appointed Deputy Principal for next year. Lauren comes to Holy Rosary from St Francis of the Fields, Strathfieldsaye and from St. Joseph's School in Quarry Hill Bendigo. Lauren brings a vast range of skills and experience that will enhance and further develop the existing skills and talents at Holy Rosary.

We also appointed two further classroom positions yesterday to replace Brent Anstee who will take up a position at St. Liborius School in Bendigo and Nicole McDermott who will be on Maternity Leave. We congratulate Kellie Scott and Ollie Geary on their appointments. Kellie has worked in a variety of school and educational settings over the past 20 year and will bring experience, cutting edge learning and teaching and the ability to build strong relationships with the community. Ollie has had recent experience at St. Liborius in Eaglehawk. Ollie brings experience in the Walker Learning approach to engaging students and a wealth of experience and knowledge in the area of Health and Physical Education.

Thank you to Father Antony, School Board members and Catholic Education Office staff who were all part of the process.

We are currently going through the process of grade selection and teachers in grades. We will advise you of these details as soon as we have completed the process. As you can appreciate, the process considers many factors and takes a considerable amount of time and reflective discernment to complete.

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#### TERM 4 DATES FOR 2015

November

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Transition 8.45am – 10.45am

Tuesday 17th : Cricket Carnival 3/4 Thursday 19th : Cricket Carnival 5/6

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Transition 8.45am – 10.45am

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Swimming begins

Spirit of ANZAC Centenary Bendigo 5/6

**December** 

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Orientation day and last session Transition

Wednesday 2nd : Grade 5 Caritas Leadership Day

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Graduation mass 6.30pm

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Swimming Sports Saturday 12th : Christmas Carols

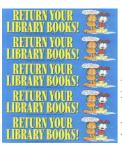
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> : Term 4 ends for students 3.15pm

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Planning Day at School Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Last day of term for Staff



#### THANK YOU

It is great to be back after my recent leave. It was also good to know that the school was in such good hands while I was away. I thank Bernie O'Keefe and Liz Tobin for their leadership and the staff of Holy Rosary School for their dedication to providing the very best learning environment for the children during the last few weeks and congratulate them on the way they continue to move our beautiful school forward.



### LIBRARY BOOKS

Students are requested to please return all library books before the end of the year.



Thank you to the many families and friends who attended our day last Friday. The students really enjoyed your visit and presence in the classroom.



#### **Respect for Others**

Allie Robinson Grace-Jade Dingwall

Alice Stewart

**Respect for Self** 

Riley Johnson Alice Tobin Shanae Scoble Jye Warren

Making Jesus Real (for excellent manners) Charlee Murray Tianna Azzopardi

Scarlett Seymour Ave Harris

Tia Tobin

Assembly is held on a Monday at 8.45am in the O'Dee.
Awards will be presented at this time Please come along.

#### **UNIFORM SHOP**

The shop will be open on a Monday straight after assembly and also each Thursday.

#### Students should now be in summer uniform

BOYS	GIRLS
School polo shirt	School windcheater
School windcheater	Blue/White check dress
Grey shorts (NO CARGO)	Black shoes/sandals
Black shoes or sandals	White ankle socks
Grey ankle socks	School hat
School hat	



# PRINCIPAL'S TOURS at La Valla

Principal's Tours offer the opportunity to meet our Principal, **Mr Brian Turner**, and walk around the La Valla Campus during a regular school day. Tours take approximately one hour. Bookings required.

Dates for the remainder of 2015:

Thursday 5 November at 9.00am

Thursday 3 December at 9.00am

Enrolment opportunities are available at all year levels for 2016, from Year 7 to Year 12.

Tour Bookings and Enrolment Enquiries:

Mrs Trish Martin, College Registrar (03) 5449 3466; tmartin@ccb.vic.edu.au

#### 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. Notification can also be made via the school phone app.

#### **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



#### **BOOK CLUB**

Order forms for Issue 8 have been sent home today. Money and orders to be returned to the school by Friday, 20th November.

This year we have received free books to the value of \$166.00 with the rewards issued for books purchased by the students.



#### **CAR PARK**

Some parents are travelling too fast when driving in the carpark.

In the best interests of everyone, PLEASE do not travel faster than 10km in the car park.

#### **CANTEEN / TUCKSHOP**

Parents/carers who wish to help with canteen, please contact Heidi or Nat and become part of the team! We are all here to do the best we can for our students and many hands make light work.

Combined Annual General Meetings of
Holy Rosary Primary School Board and Parents & Friends

Wednesday November 18<sup>th</sup> 2015 @ 6.00pm Venue: O'Dee The night will include drinks and nibbles.

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# Basketball Players Wanted Summer 15/16

Are your kids looking for a sport over the summer that won't take away your weekend? Well basketball could be for you.

Currently looking for players in:

Under 10: Boys and Girls (Born 07/08)

Under 12: Boys (Born 05/06)

Under 16: Boys (Born 01/02)

Training Barrack Reserve Heathcote, games at Bendigo Stadium

For information contact:

Rheannon Willoughby 0402 198 042

Fiona Bradshaw 0403 618 560

Steve Bradshaw 0403 387 943

## Go Panthers!

# MJR is 24/7 Making Jesus Real (MJR)

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Meet Greet and Speak
Show your manners on a Monday,
Tuesday give a cheer,
Winking Wednesday,
Thursday is thumbs up and Friday is Hi Five
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One of the most important ways we can be a W.E.S.T.I.E. is in the way we meet, greet and speak to people.

How have you shown that you are a WESTIE today

#### CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS

During reading with your child, the following questions can be asked:

In each weekly newsletter this year, our school's Speech Pathologist provides some

"family friendly", fun oral language tasks aimed to enhance learning and literacy skills.

Encourage your child to listen to sounds at the end of words. Chose two words from their reader/book and ask them to judge if the two words end with the same sound (say some that match and some that do not). Encourage them to say the words too, and feel the sounds at the end of the words. Then, point out the two sounds at the end.

After mastering this, you might then say two words and ask your child which word has a certain sound at the end. For example, "Which word has the 'd' sound at the end: bed or man (bed)".



# Smart - remember your hats!

Our Holy Rosary Sun Smart Policy notes that all children will be required to wear

school hats during Terms 1 and 4 whenever they are outside for protection.

Sunsmart 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

From September to April, just a few minutes of UV exposure to the face, arms and hands or equivalent area of skin should be enough for most people to maintain vitamin D levels. However people with naturally very dark skin may need 3 to 6 times the exposure level. For the times of the day that sun protection is needed, check the SunSmart UV Alert in the weather section of daily newspapers or at www.sunsmart.com.au. During the day live UV lev-Melbourne can be found els for www.arpansa.gov.au. Particular care should be taken between 10.00am and 2.00pm (11.00am and 3.00pm daylight saving time) when UV Index levels reach their peak.

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Breakfast as usual on Thursday, 19th November: 8.00 - 8.30am in the O'Dee