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#### HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL HEATHCOTE

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In this Sunday's Gospel (Luke 14:1,7-14) Jesus teaches us that it is our duty as his followers to take care of the needs of others and to do so without expecting repayment. God will reward those who do so for their goodness. Jesus asks us to humble ourselves instead of putting ourselves above others.

#### Prayer for the poor and needy

Lord God.

You came to give honour to the least, those forgotten, overlooked and misjudged. You came to give first place to the last, those left behind, misunderstood and undervalued. You came to give a warm welcome to the lost, those who are orphaned, abandoned and destitute.

Help us to be your ears to listen to their cries.

Help us to be your voice speaking out love and acceptance.

Help us to be your feet walking beside those in need.

Help us to be your hands to clothe, feed and shelter them.

You came for the least, the lost and last of this world.

Amen.

- Liz Tobin REC

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your patience with our car park this week. After one of the wettest Julys for almost 30 years we now seem to be getting a good rain every few weeks. The new driveway will be closed off until we can get machinery onto it and build up the road base.

Thank you to Brice Pianta who has patched a few holes this week and once the land dries out a bit, our drive through will be working beautifully.

**Book Week** is always a great celebration in schools. It is a chance for all in the community to dress up around a character from a much loved book or from a brand new book they have just discovered. From back when my own children were in primary school it has always been fun finding an outfit from whatever we can find around the home and bringing it alive as a favourite character.

It was a joyous buzz around the school on Wednesday as the children were proudly wearing their particular character costume. Thank you to all our parents for supporting their children on the day and to our

teachers who planned such interesting and creative activities around the shortlisted books for 2016. A great day at Holy Rosary indeed.

#### **BLURBS CONCERT.**

What a fantastic day we had on Wednesday to celebrate Book Week! The children (and the teachers)

looked fantastic in their costumes and a lot of effort went into preparing them! A big thank you to all those





parents/grandparents/family members who helped the children with their costumes.

The day began with a parade- it was wonderful to see all the children in their costumes! For the next part of the day, the children were involved in rotation activities. Each classroom teacher picked a shortlisted book and prepared an activity on it. The children were mixed up into groups and completed three of the five activities.

To end the day, the Blurbs performed their Book Week pantomime. It was so full of energy and fun and many of the children (as well as Mr Geary and Miss Hogan) were a part of it!



A fantastic day was had by all! Thank you to all the children for the way they participated in the day in such a respectful way. It enabled everyone to have lots of fun!



#### Dogs at school policy.

It has come to my attention that in 2015 Holy Rosary developed a protocol that pet dogs are not to come into the school grounds. This was put in place for the safety of our children. The excitement of the school ground can make any calm dog agitated and therefore it is best that they are not in our playground before or after school. Thank you.

#### Working with Children Check (WWCC)

It is now law that all adults who volunteer in a school must produce a WWCC to the office. The school Board and Parents and Friends are currently addressing this as a group and I encourage all parents and guardians to do the same.



#### **Gym and Bendigo Excursion**

On Friday 26th and Monday 29th of August 3 to 6 students will be participating in the Jets Gymnastics program in Bendigo. Students will also be participating in other activities while we are in Bendigo including a sports activities at Major League Sports Centre and also the Cinemas.

Students will be leaving school at approximately 9.30am and returning to school by 3pm. We are all very excited about the two days.

#### Sports Day.

Athletics day will be on the 9th of September. We will be joining with the state school to complete our events and this will be held at Holy Rosary School. The day will begin at 9.30am with sprint races followed by long distance races. Presentations for running events will be held at the competition of the races. Field events will be held after a break for lunch followed by a full presentation

**Lawn Mowing roster**. If you are able to donate 2-3 hours of your time to assist with a mowing roster, please contact the office. It is envisaged that we will need to mow once a week once the weather warms up. Staff are happy to complete some mowing however if you can assist that will be a great help to making our school look fantastic.

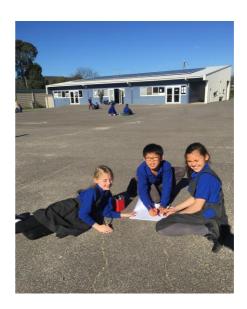
#### Creating a brighter playground

Last week our students began to investigate how we can brighten up our hard surface area of the playground. The Parents and Friends Committee is very keen to pursue getting more interactive lines and designs created on the play area. Such designs will include games courts as well as areas where children can play and explore. The children's designs will be considered as well as a look at other schools by the parent group. In all this project will enhance our play and lunch times.

Yours Sincerely

Paul Dullard







### **LEARNING CONVERSATIONS**

Learning Conversations will be taking place on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August (2-6pm) and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September (2-7pm). Each child is expected to attend a Learning Conversation with a parent/guardian.

This term, the duration of each Learning Conversation will be 20 minutes. The same template will be used at last term, however this time, the teachers will be identifying what the students can do in their learning and what they are still learning to do. These statements will correspond with the learning and teaching that is occurring in the classroom, as well as from the child's mid-year report.

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Each child's learning goal will be picked by the teacher prior to the Learning Conversation, however there will be discussion around this with the parent and student. How the child can work on this goal at home and school will also be discussed during the Learning Conversation. This will assist you in supporting your child at home.

Once again, each child will also pick a school expectation they believe they do well and one they need to work on prior to the Learning Conversation. Their goal will be discussed, as well ways they can work on it at home and school. Please remember that this term we are using an online booking system to make appointments for the Learning Conversations.

The website is: <a href="https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au">www.schoolinterviews.com.au</a>

### Please enter this code to make your booking: d2jt2 Online bookings will close on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> August.

If you are unable to access the online booking system at home, there will be an Ipad at the Office for you to access, or please see your child's classroom teacher.

If you are unable to attend either of these dates, please see your classroom teacher to make an alternate time.



IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2016 Wednesday  $24^{\rm th}$  August - Blurbs Performing BOOK WEEK  $20^{\rm TH}$  -26 TH AUGUST

#### **Bendigo Little Athletics Season 2016/17**

Little Athletics involves track and field events for children of all abilities ages between 5 and 15 held Saturday mornings and some Friday nights beginning on Friday 7th & Saturday 8th October at the Athletics Track, Retreat Road, Flora Hill, Bendigo.

Registration is on-line at <a href="www.lavic.com.au">www.lavic.com.au</a> . The season fee is \$130.00. Pick-up of registration pack and number patch is Wednesday 5th October 4-6pm at the Athletics Track.

For more detailed information visit www.athleticsbendigo.org.au

or email bendigo@lavic.com.au.

#### **HEATHCOTE PANTHERS**

Last night the under 12 girls and the under 14 boys played their semi-final match. The under 12 girl's team which consists of Myneta, Majella, Charlee, Jamie Leigh, Alkeira and Nicole had a fantastic win. 24 to 22 beating St Francis Fire and securing there grand final spot! The under 14 boys had a much more challenging game. Gabe, Riley and Xavier couldn't secure there grand final spot losing to Aztec Tigers 33-17. But luckily for our under 14 boys they will have another chance next Wednesday night and we wish the all the best of luck.

#### **Hand Foot Mouth**

This is to inform you that we have had a re-ported case of Hand Foot & Mouth Disease at our school.

Hand foot and mouth disease (HFMD) is a viral

infection. It is not linked to the foot and mouth disease that affect animals. HFMD is mainly seen in children under the age of 10 or in young adults. It is easily spread from one person to another. Most people have had HFMD by the time they are adults.

Signs and symptoms - Symptoms usually start three to seven days after catching the infection and can last from seven to 10 days. Admission to hospital is rarely needed. The common signs and symptoms include:

- high temperature (fever)
- sore throat
- small blisters on the inside of the mouth, the sides of the tongue, palms of the hands, fingers, soles of the feet and nappy area (the blisters should not be itchy like chickenpox blisters)
- poor appetite (drinking and eating can be painful because of the mouth blisters)
- Tiredness.

Minimum exclusion times are recommended under the Public Health Act 2005.

Some medical conditions require exclusion from school or childcare to prevent the spread of infectious diseases among other children and staff.

#### **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 suddle



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.

# Parents and Friends Committee



# Fathersday present making

This year we are making gifts for dad... There will be 3 items to choose from. Students may select which

> item they make by completing the order form and returning it with \$4 per student by Monday 29th August.



FRIDAY 2ND **SEPTEMBER** 7.30 - 8.30am

Students are invited along with their Dad's, Grandads or Uncles to a FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST BBO in celebration of Father's Day. Attendance forms will be sent home with students on Friday 26th August.



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## LUNCH **ORDERS**

## Our **NEW LUNCH PROGRAM**

is now running.

Lunches are provided as part of our **FREE** lunch program, however you still need to hand in an order form by the Wednesday.

These are handed to your children on a weekly basis.



Please contact Amber on 0401 252 201 if you would like to discuss advertising in the school newsletter

# Breakfast Club



FREE Breakfast is served from 8am each Friday.

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

President - Sally Pitt

Vice President - Amber Tavinor

Treasurer - Sharon Bibby

Asistant Treasurer - Sian Virgona

Secretary - Leanne Slee

Board Rep - Natalie Craig

General Members-

Fiona Bradshaw

Heidi Conway

Helen Navlor Lisa Cannan

Michelle Gyton-Taylor

Michelle Scoble

## Fathers Day present order form

Please note that it is only 1 item per student.

Children in the same family are welcome to order the same item.

Please ensure you return your order form by Monday 29th August



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## Fathers Day Breakfast

Students are invited along with their Dad's, Grandads or Uncles to a FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST BBQ in celebration of Father's Day.

Egg & Bacon rolls and Pancakes will be served. Please return form by Thursday 1st September

Family Name:	
Number attending:	



## **Term 3 Holiday Program Registration**

AFL Victoria's Holiday Programs are back for the Term 3 School Holidays!

#### Be quick and don't miss out!

The one-day programs are designed for boys and girls aged between 5-12 and cater for all kids regardless of their ability.

Running from 9.00am - 3.00pm, the programs provide an exciting and safe environment for children to develop their skills and meet new friends along the way.

All programs are delivered by Level 1 accredited coaches and builds on the skills of children who have already been introduced to the game and also teaches children with limited to no experience of Australian Football to the skills of the game.

#### Term 3 Holiday locations include:

- Sunbury
- Box Hill
- Kyabram
- Moorabbin
- Essendon Football Club
- PLUS MANY MORE!!

For more information on our Holiday Programs, please go to:

http://www.aflvic.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/Holiday-Program-Flyer-T3-2016-Metro-Reg.pdf

### To register now visit

http://aflvicholidayprograms.com.au/register.html

