Holy Rosary Heathcote



NEWSLETTER

Term 4 - 4 December 2020

IMPORTANT DATES					
TERM 4					
DECEMBER					
Tues 8th	Orientation Day - 8:45-11:30am BSE Orientation Day There is NO CMC orientation day				
Thur 10th	<mark>h</mark> Fun Run				
Fri 11th	PUPIL FREE DAY - Curriculum Planning Day				
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Tues 15th	Mariah HERE TODAY instead of Thursday Reports go home Whole School Mass - 11:30-12.30				

Peace: The Second Week of Advent

The second candle is the candle of peace



Advent has a focus on light, not darkness. Christ will come again as the light of the world.

God, you are our light and you fill us with peace.

As we light our Advent candles today, guide us to be peacemakers in all that we do.

We will strive to use kind words and see your face in the heart of our friends and family.

Amen

HAT REQUIREMENTS

All children are now to be wearing their Summer uniform which includes a school hat. If a student does not have a hat, they must be in the Passive area. They will not be allowed to play in the shade in the playground.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL, MR PAUL DULLARD

Greetings all,

This week has been a busy one at Holy Rosary in regards to the children's learning, which is what we are here for. Staff have spent a full day looking at the results and data from every child in their care and discussed this with their unit colleague to ensure they determine the correct individual action for each child. This is called Moderation of the Progression Points in learning, and Mr Ryan is leading this as the Leader of Learning.

Staff and leadership have also been very busy creating new classes for 2021. We have looked closely at how our set up for 2020 has worked, despite it being such a disrupted year. Once again we will run with our small class sizes, pastoral teachers and classes working side by side to ensure they get the best input from multiple teachers.

We will also implement strong learning support and intervention across the school where children who need to work on specific areas of the curriculum can come together from different pastoral groups to have some small group work. We will have six pastoral teachers across the school and will also employ two other teaching staff to support those children in each class that have been identified as needing some extra tuition in certain areas.

I am continually blown away with how much our teachers know about the children in their care and how they can pinpoint points of need and create learning opportunities for each individual. I know when I went to primary school it was not individualised and I have no doubt that even many of our parents would see a huge change in how their child is taught compared to their own experiences.

I take my hat off to our staff and our students who through great relationships are having a lot of success.





ORIENTATION DAY

Next Tuesday our children will move to their new classroom and class structure. They will spend the morning with this group and with their new pastoral teacher for 2021 and the other teacher who will work alongside them in the same unit.

Staff put a lot of thought into the placement of students across the school with many factors in consideration. This takes time and we revisit the list many times.

Our Grade 6 students heading to BSE will attend Orientation Day there, however our Catherine McAuley College students will not be attending their new school on Tuesday due to COVID -19 restrictions.

CARPARK WORKING BEE

After some time when we have not been able to have a working bee, we managed to gather a crew of fantastic parents to come along and assist to make our carpark gardens look neater and become safer for the Summer months. The weeds were truly well established and it was quite a decent task to clear them out while also preserving the plants that have been growing in the garden beds. I am sure you will agree that the place looks a lot better from the efforts of these parents.

A very special thank you to *Tarissa Dellar*, *Robert Moore*, *Carly Anderson*, *Shaun Ayres*, *Ash Attenborough*, *Mick Wilmott* and *Brice Pianta* for their hard work and to *Dean and Sharon Bibby* for the use of their bins. Thanks guys.







BUBBLE TAPS

With the advent of warmer weather our children are drinking more water and we have now opened up the bubble taps for bottle refilling. We encourage students to bring a full bottle to school and to fill it again from the taps.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 4 2020

We have been able to finalise dates for the rest of the term and wish to bring to your attention the below dates. There will be no whole school production at the end of the year as we have done for the past 4 years. This is due to COVID-19 continued restrictions as well as the disrupted year. We apologize for all of this but it is out of our hands.

Friday 11th December: Planning Curriculum Day - PUPIL FREE

Monday 14th December: Reports go home Tuesday 15th December: Graduation

Wednesday 16th December: Last Day for students; 3.15pm dismissal

LATE ARRIVALS

We encourage all students to be dropped off in the carpark drive through between 8.30am and 8.45am. However, if for some reason your child arrives later than 8.45am, they will need to come to the makeshift office which is now situated in the Chapel of the O'Dee, where the admin staff will sign in their child.

RESPECT FOR OUR SCHOOL

This afternoon our school gathered to discuss that recently there has been some children in our school who have been leaving a few areas very untidy. This includes classrooms and toilets. We discussed how we should respect our school property and that we want to see this behaviour stop in the future. I am sure you will back me on this as we want our students to be the best they can be at all times.

Kind regards,

Paul Dullard

Holy Rosary School Heathcote is a Child Safe School. We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children.

BSE ORIENTATION DAY

BSE Grade 6 Orientation Day will go ahead on Tuesday, December 8. Due to Covid restrictions, the day will look different to previous years.

An email will be sent to parents with specific details, however students will be required to bring a hat, water bottle, own lunch (the canteen will be available for some purchases on a rotating schedule) and a mask. Parents are asked not to come on-site due to restrictions.

Sign in will be on the grassed area outside Building B, near the Car Park and the Top Oval (Ellis Street) from 8.40 am and the day will conclude at 3.17 pm, which is our usual end of the day.



Dear Families,

I just wanted to say a big thank you to all the staff, parents and students here at HR for the support that everyone has given me over the past four years here in my role as the Indonesian teacher at our wonderful school.

It is with a heavy heart that I leave this year, but I know I will always have fond memories of our school.

It has been a pleasure working with the students each week as they developed their Indonesian skills and their own individual personalities as well, and the support from parents, carers and families has been greatly appreciated.

I hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas with their loved ones, and enjoys a great start to 2021.

Kind regards,

Bu Beth Mckinnell



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We wish the following students who celebrated their birthdays this week a very special "HAPPY BIRTHDAY"

Oscar Ritchie on 3 December who turned 13

NO ASSEMBLY PRESENTATIONS FOR TERM 4



CLASS	STUDENT	AWARD		
F/ 1PH	Chase Harrison	Shine Your Brightest		
F/1 FK	Rhyder Griffiths	Respect for Self		
2/3 TM	WHOLE CLASS	Shine Your Brightest		
2/3 OG	WHOLE CLASS	Shine Your Brightest		
4 SS	Vanessa Haung	Respect For Others		
5 JM	Joshua Ryan	Respect For Self		
6 KS	Chace Smith	Respect for Self		

From Wellbeing

This year has been a very different year for all students, isolated from friends, less playground interactions and less general social interactions. Some students are feeling vulnerable, some students are trying to find their place in the playground. students are tired, emotions are high. It is imperative that each student remembers to be the best they can be in the playground to ensure each student has the opportunity to feel happy, safe and valued. Over the next two weeks we will be looking for students to ensure they are following our school expectations in the playground. Please spend some time with your child sharing these expectations. They might like to share with you how they Shine their Brightest in the playground!

Your Wellbeing Leaders Mrs Slatyer and Mrs Fiske-Kealy

HOLY ROSARY PRIMARY SCHOOL - PBIS MATRIX

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Playground	 Stay on the school side of the fence Make wise choices Play with those that make you feel good about you 	 Include others Look before you jump, throw, run Use kind words Hands down 	 Return sports equipment Stay where you are safe and seen Feet away from plants 	 Make friendly choices Stop and think before you do Be the best you

Heathcote Primary Health Christmas Raffle

WIN a Bike and Helmet voucher valued up to \$400

Plus other prizes to be won



Are you a Heathcote or surrounds resident?

Simply make a purchase from one of the below local businesses for your chance to go in the draw to win

- Gaffneys Bakery
- Fodder
- Rutherford & Maine
- Swirls Gift & Décor
- Gaggle of Geese
- Mr Hibberts
- Country Kitchen
- Segafredo Bakery
- Oval Café
- Fetching Treasures
- Palling Brothers Brewery (meal purchase)
- Commercial Hotel (meal purchase)
- Heathcote Inn (meal purchase)
- Union Hotel (meal purchase)

Raffle to be drawn:

Tuesday 22nd December

Winners will be contacted individually







GREAT NEWS! MARIAH MCCARTHY'S PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS HAVE RESUMED

Mariah has resumed her lessons.

Mariah offers private music lessons at Holy Rosary. Lessons can be arranged for Guitar, Piano, Voice or Ukulele.

If your child is interested in music tuition, please call Mariah on **0439 338 773** to discuss.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

If you wish to order uniforms, please contact the Uniform Co-ordinator, Leanne Slee either on 0458 651 007 to arrange an appointment, or email her your order at - marcus.leanne.slee@gmail.com.