

# BRANCHES

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

### Term 4

25th October 2018

Issue 16, Week 2

#### Tuesday 30th October

Ice Cream on a Stick Day (Lunch Break) - Year 6 Fundraiser

#### Friday 2nd November

2:20pm - Whole School Assembly

#### Tuesday 6th November

Parish Melbourne Cup Luncheon

#### Wed 7th November

Basketball Gala Day - Stages 2 & 3

#### Thursday 8th November

9:00 - 11:00am  
Kindergarten 2019  
Transition (Session 1)

#### Thurs 15th November

9:00 - 11:00am  
Kindergarten 2019  
Transition (Session 2)

#### Thurs 22nd November

9:00 - 11:00am  
Kindergarten 2019  
Transition (Session 3)

At Holy Family we are:

- Safe
- Respectful
- Responsible
- Learners

In partnership let us continue to work to develop in the children strong minds and gentle hearts. Welcome back!

It was lovely to see the many happy faces of the students and their parents as the students returned to school. The holidays provide a great break from the routine of school and enable everybody's batteries to be recharged. This term is notorious for being very busy – please keep abreast of communication by reading the school newsletter, the Seesaw App and if unsure please contact our well informed office personnel. A big thank you to Donna McFadzean the Principal from St. Finbar's for supporting our community whilst Anthony and myself were on leave.

The pilgrimage was a wonderful, unique opportunity for which I will always be thankful. Over the next few weeks I will be visiting classrooms sharing some of the beautiful encounters I had during this journey. It is through my new understandings and insights into our faith that I will share my experiences.

Unfortunately, Anthony incurred an injury during his leave and has had to take some extended sick leave. I will therefore continue in the Acting Principal role and Mrs Karen Ryan will be the Acting Assistant Principal during this time. Anthony is continuing to recover and thanks you in advance for your thoughts and prayers.

On Monday and Tuesday of this week myself, Mrs Rosa Surace and Mrs Wendy Stewart had a professional learning opportunity about our PBS4L framework with Dr Tim Lewis. As we continue to develop our school's unique framework it is important to remember three key messages for our parents and caregivers as this is an essential part of the framework's success in our school and the next steps in our journey.

The key messages are;

#### Adults matter:

Adults matter when children are being asked to behave in a safe, consistent and respectful way. Your positive relationship with the school is an essential element of this message. Critical to the success of PBS4L is having everyone on board. As parent/carer you model the behaviour you expect from the children. Do not underestimate the importance of:

- Role modelling appropriate behaviour
- Supporting, by following the systems, procedures and processes of the school eg: arriving at school on time, supporting your child to be ready for learning, following personalised plans (academic and behavioural)
- Following the appropriate communication channels of the school
- Appropriate reactions to behaviour particularly when your child might 'get it wrong'
- Promoting a 'growth' mindset in your child – mistakes are an opportunity to grow and learn.



### **Behaviour is learnt:**

Explicit teaching of expected behaviours is a key component of PBS4L. The school has developed a range of expected behaviours in non-classroom settings. This takes the form of a matrix that indicates simple and clear context specific behaviour expectations that are aligned to the school rules. The teaching of these behaviour expectations in a positive way allows for consistency across the school environment. As parent/carer you create the conditions for appropriate behaviour. Do not underestimate the importance of:

- Asking your child questions that will elicit a positive response regarding their day at school (see below)
- Being familiar with the expectations of the school and classroom
- Teaching your child your own expectations at home eg: appropriate manners, greetings etc.

Examples of Questions to ask your child about their school day:

- What was your favourite part about school today?
- Tell me one new thing you learned at school today and I'll tell you one thing I learned at work/home.
- Who or what made you laugh today?
- What's your favourite thing about your teacher?
- What project are you working on in Art/English/Mathematics?
- What skills are you working on in PE/Sport?
- What book(s) did you read today? Tell me a little bit about the characters.
- What does your teacher have planned this week/next week/tomorrow?
- What are you looking forward to at school tomorrow?
- What has been your most favourite activity this year (ask this at various points throughout the year)?

### **We cannot make the students behave.**

Humans need systems to function in an orderly way. As adults, we interact and encounter many systems every day in order to function positively in society. A school environment is no different. Systems must be put in place consistently across the school environment for all students to experience success at school. So, effective and positive systems and environments matter. As parent/carer your modeling of adhering to systems and environmental expectations enables your child to interact positively within the school and classroom context. Do not underestimate the importance of:

- Following school procedures eg: adhering to parent/school communication procedure, regular reading of the school newsletter
- Not becoming involved in playground incidents but rather alerting a staff member to your concern.

We will be providing more specific communication regarding the next part of our PBS4L journey for 2019 and how parents/carers can support the school in sending a consistent message to the students of Holy Family.

May we once again be ever thankful for our strengths as a community and the opportunities presented to us each day. It is through our faith and strength as a community that our students can continue to learn and grow to their full potential.

Mrs Jodie Van As

Acting Principal

### **Change into Summer Uniform**

All students should now be wearing their Full Summer Uniform. Please ensure that your child complies with all aspects of our school uniform policy.



### **Kindergarten Transition**

In week 4 we commence the transition to school program for our new Kindergarten in 2019. We look forward to welcoming the new students and connecting with their families during the initial phase of the transition process next week.



## 2018 School Calendar

The key date of events and celebrations for 2018 can be viewed in our online school calendar. The calendar can be viewed on our school website:

<http://www.hfluddenham.catholic.edu.au/Our-Community/Events>

If you would like to sync the school calendar to the calendar on your device (e.g. iPad or iPhone) click on the [subscribe](#) link at the bottom of the calendar and follow the instructions.



## School Attendance

Every Learner, Every Day is a campaign designed to raise awareness about the importance of attendance for every student, on every school day and to promote a healthy attendance culture. As part of this initiative members of our Attendance Team, Mrs Marie Edwards, Mr Anthony McElhone and Sr Brenda Kennedy, will be regularly following up students with attendance levels that are concerning. In addition we will be promoting positive attendance patterns by acknowledging classes and individuals with excellent attendance.



Our current attendance level is almost 84%. Our goal is 90% so the following tips will assist us in reaching our goal.

1. Send your child to school every day unless they are sick
2. Develop good sleep and morning routines
3. Schedule appointments outside of school hours
4. Avoid taking holidays during the school term

## Teacher Professional Learning

At Holy Family the staff has an ongoing commitment to professional learning. The staff benefits from attending inservices, in curriculum areas, that assist them in providing quality learning opportunities for the students in their class. The following staff have or will attend professional learning:



Date	Staff Members	Professional Learning
22 October	Mrs Jodie Van As Mrs Rosa Surace	System Leaders Day - Tim Lewis PBS4L
23 October	Mrs Wendy Stuart Mrs Rosa Surace	PBS4L Professional Learning
24 October	Mr Graham Platt	EMU Training Day
26 October	Mrs Wendy Stuart	Reading Recovery OPaL
31 October	Mrs Jodie Van As, Mrs Sarah Brennan, Miss Racquel Van Mullekom, Mrs Donnalee Hughes	Day 2 of S3 Multiplicative Thinking - Challenging Tasks
1 & 2 November	Mrs Jodie Van As	Principal's Masterclass

## Upcoming Sporting Events

- Stage 2 & 3 Basketball Gala Day- Wednesday 7th November @ Penrith Valley Sports Stadium
- Stage 2 & 3 Tiger Tag Gala Day- Thursday 22nd November @ Onslow Oval, Camden
- School Swimming Carnival (Stage 2 & 3) - Wednesday 12th December @ Glenbrook Pools (more information will be provided in the coming weeks)

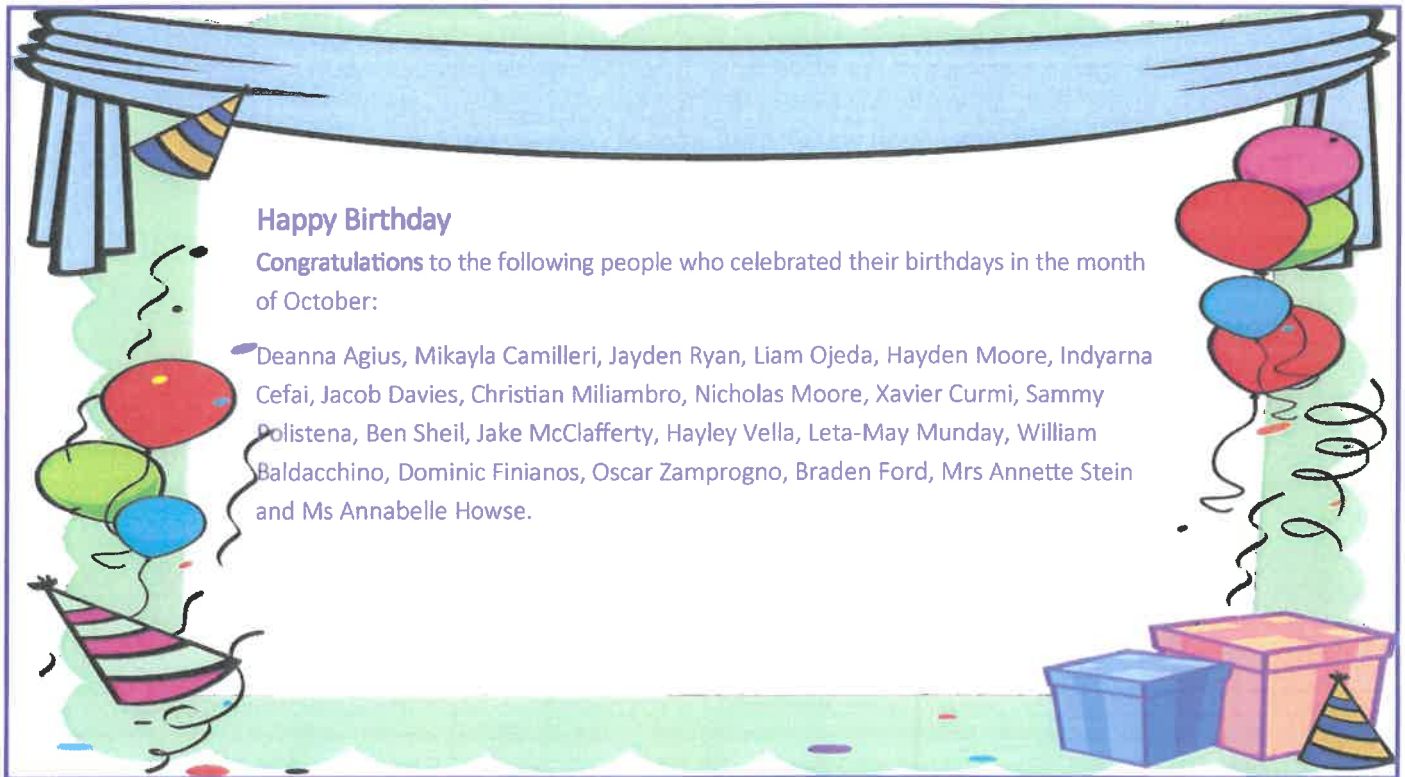
## Year 6 Graduation Bears & Balls

If you wish to purchase a keepsake signature Graduation Bear or Ball for your child, order forms and money must be returned by tomorrow 26th October.



### Book Club

The Scholastic Book Club brochures were sent home last week. Purchases can be made via the online portal or by completing the order form and returning it to your child's teacher. All orders will need to be placed by Thursday, 1st November 2018.



### Happy Birthday

**Congratulations** to the following people who celebrated their birthdays in the month of October:

- Deanna Agius, Mikayla Camilleri, Jayden Ryan, Liam Ojeda, Hayden Moore, Indyarna Cefai, Jacob Davies, Christian Miliambro, Nicholas Moore, Xavier Curmi, Sammy Polistena, Ben Sheil, Jake McClafferty, Hayley Vella, Leta-May Munday, William Baldacchino, Dominic Finianos, Oscar Zamprogno, Braden Ford, Mrs Annette Stein and Ms Annabelle Howse.



## Melbourne Cup Luncheon

Tuesday 6th November 2018

School Hall

Tickets \$40

(includes Morning Tea & Lunch)

If you would like to attend please contact Rose from the Parish on 0419 416 980.





Catholic Education  
Diocese of Parramatta

# 2019 Team Sport Trials

## Parramatta Diocese 2019 Information For Parents of **current Year 4** and Year 5 students – Registration window open only for Basketball & Tennis ONLY

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Facebook: Primary Sport Parramatta Diocese

Dear Parents,

Parramatta Diocesan Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2019 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2018 and Term One in 2019. It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is **strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in years 5 & 6 in 2018 be invited to attend**. To facilitate this, Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

Sport	Age Group	Trial Date	Registration closing date
AFL	Open boys & girls	Term One 2019	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019
Basketball	Open boys & girls	20 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2018
Cricket	Open boys & girls	Term One 2019	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019
Diving	10/11yrs girls & boys & 12/13yrs girls & boys	Term One 2018	Registration via CSSS in 2019
Football (Soccer)	Open boys & girls	Term One 2019	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019
Golf	Open boys & girls	Term Three 2018	Registration via CSSS in 2019
Hockey	Open boys & girls	Term One 2019	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019
Netball	Open girls	Term One 2019	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019
Rugby League	Open boys & 11yrs boys - NB. No State team selected for 11 yrs	Term One 2019	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019
Rugby Union	Open boys	Term Two 2019	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019
Softball	Open boys & girls	Term One 2019	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019
Tennis	Open boys & girls	21 <sup>st</sup> November 2018	Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2018
Touch	Open boys & girls	Term One 2019	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website [www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au) ~ Click on "REP SELECTIONS" tab and scroll down to the **SPORT** you wish to register for and click on the "REGISTER" button below the heading "INFORMATION & REGISTRATION PROCESS". **Each sport has a different registration criteria.**

This online form is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** for the 2019 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. You may complete this form to attend a selection trial or if you have been selected in a representative squad or team. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport and when completed, click SUBMIT.

Please note that your online registration is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY** and **MUST be approved by your child's school**. In order for your child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of your school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated. **Please complete all fields and especially "Representative Experience"**.

**Your child's school will notify you one week prior to the trial date if your child is to attend to the Parramatta Diocesan trial for their selected sport by providing a trial information sheet.**

**Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.**

**\$8.00** trialling fee is payable on the day for **after school trials** & **\$10.00** trialling fee is payable on the day for **half day and full day trials**. **- This is to be paid upon registration at the trials once your child has been approved to attend the Parramatta Diocesan Trials.**

**Please note that the full day trials will be for boys cricket, boys soccer, boys rugby league & boys rugby union.**

**Due to the popularity of boys cricket, boys soccer and girls netball a maximum of 2 children only are eligible to trial from each school. Selection of the 2 boys and girls will be made jointly by the school sport coordinator and principal.**

Half day trial for tennis and netball... all other trials will be held after school beginning at 4pm.

# MACKILLOP TRIAL

It should be noted that the main purpose of the Mackillop trial is to select a team to compete at the NSW PSSA Championships. The Inter-Diocesan MacKillop Trial is not a competition although a round robin format is often used to facilitate the selection procedure.

# NSW PSSA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Children who are successful at being selected in the Mackillop team will compete at the NSW PSSA Championships. These championships involve three or four days of competition at various locations in NSW. Children selected in these teams may also be required to attend training sessions. At the NSW PSSA Championships a State team will be selected to participate at the School Sport Australia Inter State Exchange for some sports.

# SCHOOL SPORT AUSTRALIA

To be considered for selection in the NSW PSSA state team for participation at all School Sport Australia 12 Years & Under championships: Students must be turning between the ages of 10 and 12 in the year of competition i.e. Students turning the ages of 8, 9 and 13 in the year of competition are not eligible for NSW PSSA State selection. **The School Sport Australia Championships are held over numerous days that may include weekend.**

Please note the following information:

- The Diocesan trials, MacKillop trials and NSW PSSA Championships are held on school days.
- Parents are responsible for all transport and supervision arrangements and **must remain to supervise their child at the trial at all times.**
- Children need to generally be of representative standard.
- Attendance at training days, where applicable is compulsory.
- The selector's decisions are final.
- **Parents will need to make their own travel arrangements for children representing Parramatta at Inter-Diocesan MacKillop trials. This may mean travel to Sydney, Wollongong, Canberra, Wagga or Forbes.**
- Please be aware that the teacher conducting the trial and accompanying the team to the venue is a "Team Manager" ~ not a coach.

If you would like your child to participate in one of the Parramatta Diocesan trials **please complete the Team Online Registration Form** that can be accessed via the website [www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au) ~ Click on "REPRESENTATIVE SELECTIONS" tab and scroll down to the **SPORT** you wish to register for and click on the "REGISTER" button below the heading "INFORMATION & REGISTRATION PROCESS".

**2019 Basketball & Tennis NOMINATIONS close Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018**

All other sports will open on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November and close Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019.

Kind Regards,

*Margaret Thornton*

Teaching Educator Primary Sport ~ CEO Parramatta

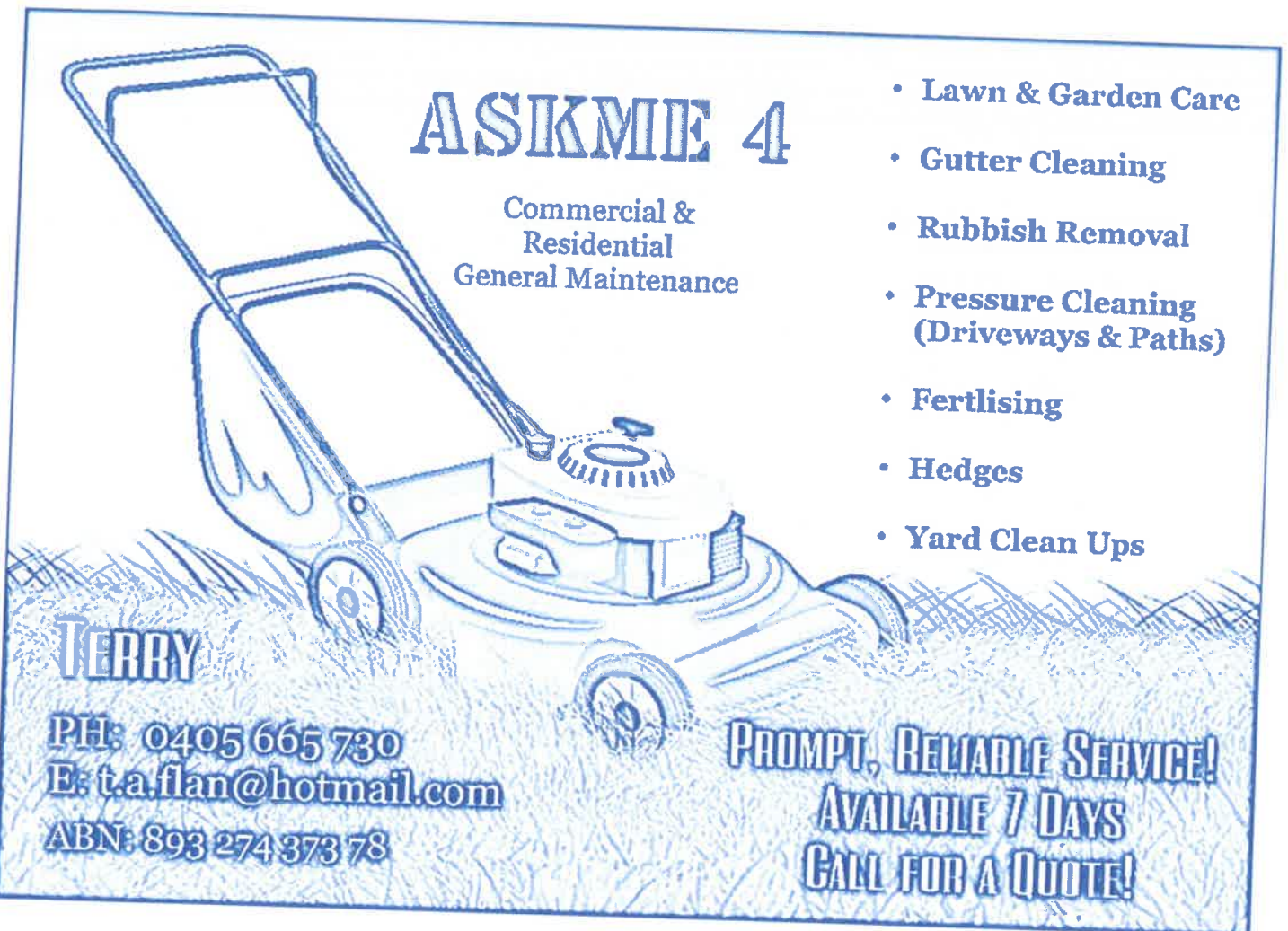
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This is the message that appears once the registration has been submitted correctly and a **NO-REPLY** email should be received within 24 hours.



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