# **BRANCHES**

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#### Term 4

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#### Friday 6th December

Stage 2 Excursion - The Midnight Gang at the Joan Theatre, Penrith

#### Saturday 7th December

6.00 - 8.00pm - Parish Christmas Celebration

#### Wednesday 11th December

**School Swimming** Carnival

#### **Thursday 12th December**

9.30am - Thanksgiving 12.00pm- Promotions Day 6.00pm - Year 6 Farewell

#### Friday 13th December

9.30am - Whole School Assembly Year 6 Fun Day

## **Monday 16th December**

Final Day for Students

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As we come to the final newsletter for 2019, I take this opportunity to offer my sincere thanks and appreciation to all who work in partnership to ensure that Holy Family remains a highly effective school.

Throughout 2019, I have witnessed first-hand the extraordinary growth of the teaching staff throughout the year. The work of our teaching and support staff in meeting the various needs of individual students and groups of students has been outstanding. Time and time again I have witnessed the commitment of staff to go way beyond what would be expected to reach out to the students in their care. We are blessed to have a great team of teachers, assistants and support staff. I would like to acknowledge our staff members leaving this year - Mrs Downey and Mrs Furfaro. We thank them for their contributions to our school and we ask God to continue to guide them as they move to new ways of serving Him.

Thank you to Father Giovani and the Sacred Heart Parish Team. The constant care, guidance and support we receive is a great source of encouragement for all the staff in the work that we do. Our school exists to support the parish in its mission of bringing Christ to His people.

In any school, its effectiveness is reflected in the quality partnerships that exist between school and home. I thank all those who have supported their child in their learning, making sure that your child arrives to school ready to learn, placing emphasis on the importance of attendance, speaking encouragingly to your child about your child's teachers and supporting the school when your child's behaviours for learning miss the mark. In this way the school is in the best position to ensure student growth in behaviour and learning. The support of families in so many aspects of school life is valued and appreciated, but your support for the work of our teachers and staff is by far the greatest contribution you can make to your child's learning and the overall effectiveness of the school.

The many and varied individuals who walk through our gates each day have worked hard throughout the 2019 school year to achieve strong academic growth. I constantly hear teachers who are celebrating student growth and success.

We commend the students for their engagement and application to learning throughout the year and wish them a very well deserved rest during the summer holidays. We trust that they will come back to school at the end of January refreshed and ready to accept the challenges that await.

Mr Anthony McElhone Principal

At Holy Family we are:

- Safe
- Respectful
- Responsible
- Learners

Thank, you

#### Start of 2020 Details

The school office will reopen on Tuesday 28th January. The first day for students in Years 1 -6 is Wednesday 29th January. Kindergarten will commence on Monday 3rd February.





#### **Staffing News**

We would like to welcome two new teachers, Miss Sarah Archer and Mrs Jessica Fowler, to the Holy Family 'family' in 2020. Miss Archer joins us from Corpus Christi at Cranebrook and Mrs Fowler is coming from Sacred Heart at Cabramatta.

#### **Staff Development Days**

Following are the dates for the remaining staff development days this year. A reminder that children do not attend school on these days.

- Tuesday, 17th December
- Wednesday, 18th December

Please note that the student's final day will be Monday 16th December.







#### 2019/20 School Calendar

The key date of events and celebrations for 2019/20 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 <u>subscribe</u> link at the bottom of the calendar and follow the instructions.

#### Promotions Day to 2020 classes

The day set aside for meeting the teachers for 2020 is Thursday 12th December. During this visit the students have the chance to become familiar with their new learning spaces, meet their teachers and the students they will be working with during the year. These visits are an important part of easing the worries that some students experience when changing classes and teachers from year to year.





#### **Teachers As Learners**

At Holy Family the staff has an ongoing commitment to professional learning. The staff

benefits from attending inservices, in curriculum areas, that assists them in providing quality learning opportunities for the students in their class. The following staff

have or will attend professional learning:

6 December	Mr McElhone	Principal's Association Meeting
17-18 December		Positive Behaviour Support for Learning (17 December) Curriculum Planning Day (18 December)

#### Diocesan Fees Schedule 2020

The school based fees for 2020 will be advised as soon as possible. The Diocesan Fees Schedule for 2020 is attached to this newsletter.

#### Term 4, Week 8

#### Safe - Respectful - Responsible - Learners

In Weeks 7 and 8, Holy Family focused on the school expectation of **RESPECTFUL**. We have been doing this by listening to and following the instructions of staff.

We have given out many Bundeluk tokens to students for:

- stopping to listen to staff with their eyes and ears in the playground
- recognising the school bell as a form of instruction
- acting respectfully and timely to teacher instructions

The house that is currently in the lead is **Jacaranda**. An update of Bundeluk totals will be shared on Friday after the Token Draw.

Our weekly winners are:
Week 6
Brianna Hosking
Matilda Calderwood
Ashlee Jones
William Baldacchino

Week 7 Amelia Keating James Noro Gideon Moore Hayden Gill







#### **Sport Update**

#### 2020 Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials are OPEN

Any Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2020 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials.

All sports trials will be held in Term One & Two in 2020. 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 2020 be invited to attend.

Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports: AFL, Basketball, Cricket, Hockey, Football, Hockey, Netball, Rugby League (11yrs & Opens), Rugby Union, Softball, Tennis & Touch football. The sports of Diving & Golf will be held at the MacKillop level.

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed below.

This online form is an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST for the 2020 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. Parents may complete this form to attend a selection trial. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport. Each sport has its own criteria, therefore, it is imperative that the correct form is completed.

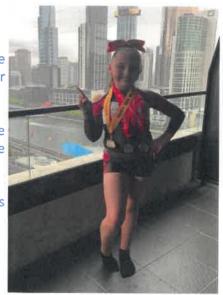
Please note that your online registration is an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY and MUST be approved by the child's school. In order for the child to attend the nominated trial or event, this may come down to the discretion of the school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports, only 2 students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

#### **Celebrating Success**

Last week Taylah Hosking of Stage 3 travelled to Melbourne to compete in the National Cheerleading Competition at the Convention Centre with her cheer club, Excite Dance.

Taylah participated in 2 teams with both teams coming away with 1st place 'National Champions', with an over all highest score out of the 90 teams. She also competed in the Pinnacle Event which is by invitation only.

Congratulations Taylah on this outstanding achievement and for the success you had in Melbourne.



#### **Upcoming Sporting Events**

School Swimming Carnival (Stage 2 & 3) - Wednesday 11th December @ Glenbrook Pools

#### Parish News

## SACRED HEART PARISH, LUDDENHAM/WARRAGAMBA CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES



Christmas Eve Vigil Mass – 6.00pm Holy Family Church, Willowdene Avenue, Luddenham

Carols 11.30am followed by Midnight Mass
Holy Family Church, Willowdene Avenue, Luddenham

Christmas Morning Mass - 8.00am
Sacred Heart Church, Weir Road, Warragamba

Christmas Morning Mass - 10.00am Holy Family Church, Willowdene Avenue, Luddenham

# Academic Achievement Awards Congratulations Academic Achievement Awards Recipients

Matthew Attard	Harper Miles	Billy Footit
Melissa Finianos	Olivia Tyrrell	Vincent Grima
Brax Dudley	Liliana Vella	Lucas Andrews
Elias Gligorevic	Chanel Awad-Duncombe	Nakita Guedes
Paris Gligorevic	Rose Estphan	Olivia Vella
Lacey Andrews	Mikayla Camilleri	Harrison Haddad
Curz Hooton	Natasha Gattellari	
Hayley Vella	Helena Grima	

## One Heart One Mind Awards Congratulations One Heart One Mind Awards Recipients

Zac Buttigieg	Izaiah Figueira	Connor O'Mahony
Sofia Cross	Yolla Estphan	Matthew Urschel
Lillian Zammit	Michal Mammone	Jackson Zammit
Zoey Messina	Jessie Mahe	Liam Powderly
Taleah Eades	Ashlee Jones	Amelia Hearne
Lavinia Gullo	Leon Liu	Tiahna Scicluna
Ruby Nairne	Jake McClafferty	Hayden Gill
Zara Isaia	Sammy Polistena	



#### Diocesan Fees Schedule 2020

#### **Annual Diocesan Tuition Fees - 2020**

Annual Diocesan Tuition Fee can be paid upfront at the start of the year or as three equal instalments. The fee is only charged for the first three (3) children currently enrolled in the diocese (in other words there is no additional Diocesan Tuition Fee for the fourth child attending a systemic school in the diocese or other participating Catholic schools - **see 'Sibling Discounts' below**). To work out how much the fee is for each child, check the table below.

The 2020 Annual Diocesan Tuition Fees are as follows:

ANNUAL FEES	No charge for 4 <sup>th</sup> + children	1st Child 100%	2nd Child 75%	3rd Child 50%
Duimon	Kindergarten	\$ 1,224	\$918	\$612
Primary	Years 1 ~ 6	\$ 1,581	\$1,185	\$792
	Years 7 – 8	\$ 2,190	\$1,644	\$1,095
Secondary	Years 9 - 10	\$ 2,430	\$1,824	\$1,215
	Years 11 - 12	\$ 3,102	\$2,328	\$1,551

The 2020 instalment rate is as follows:

INSTALMENT FEES	Charged in Terms 1,2 & 3	1st Child 100%	2nd Child 75%	3rd Child 50%
Duimen and	Kindergarten	\$408	\$306	\$204
Primary	Years 1 - 6	\$527	\$395	\$264
	Years 7 - 8	\$730	\$548	\$365
Secondary	Years 9 - 10	\$810	\$608	\$405
	Years 11 - 12	\$1,034	\$776	\$517

#### **Annual Diocesan Building Levy - 2020**

All families with one or more children in a Parramatta Diocesan school or at St Dominic's College, Kingswood are required to pay the annual Diocese of Parramatta Diocesan Building Levy. This levy has replaced the various building levies that parents previously paid to school building funds (managed by either parishes or schools). **The levy for 2020 is \$822 per family, payable in three equal instalments of \$274.** 

### **Annual Diocesan Education Fee Temporary Residents - 2020**

The Diocesan Education Fee Temporary Residents for 2020 is \$2,016 per student, payable in three equal instalments of \$672. The fee applies to new students on the following Visa numbers: 173, 400, 401, 402, 405, 407, 408, 410, 411, 415, 416, 417, 420, 456, 457, 462, 476, 482, 485, 580, 590, 600, 601, 651, 771, 884, 944, 956, 976 and 977 including where any of these are the preceding visas for families on bridging visas 010 to 090.

Families charged this fee in 2013 will continue to be charged on a per family basis to the eldest student whilst the family has continuous current students.









# Term 1 - 2020 Go4Fun is coming to SPRINGWOOD!







A **free** after-school health program for 7-13 kids who are above a healthy weight and their families.

- Weekly games and activities for kids in the pool
- Fun, interactive discussions and activities about healthy foods, physical activity, behaviour change and self-esteem
- Practical skills such as meal planning, label reading and a supermarket tour!

Tuesdays, 4:30 - 6:30PM (starting 4 Feb 2020) Springwood Aquatic and Fitness Centre

**REGISTRATIONS OPEN - CALL 1800 780 900** 

Term 1 - 2020
Go4Fun is coming to
Penrith PCYC &
Regentville Public
School!







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Wednesdays, 4:30 - 6:30PM (starting 29 Jan 2020)
PENRITH PCYC

Fridays, 4:00 - 6:00PM (starting 31 Jan 2020)
REGENTVILLE

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