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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 1

21st February 2019

Issue 2, Week 4

Friday 22nd February

9.30am - Opening
School Mass

Tuesday 5th March

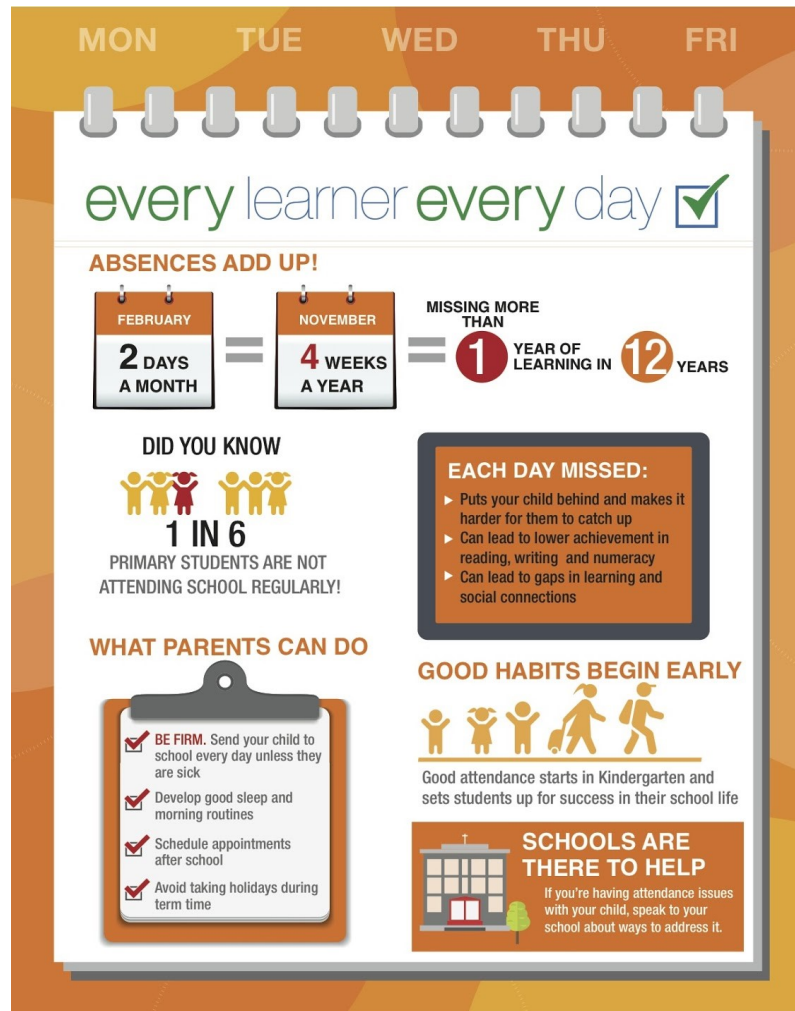
Pancake Day

Wednesday 6th March

Ash Wednesday

Friday 22nd March

Grandparents Day



Australia has one of the very best education systems anywhere in the world. Each day, our young people are provided with opportunities to learn more about the world they live in through their experiences in and out of the classroom. Schools teach children about themselves, their relationships with others and about life beyond school. This includes preparing them for the workforce.

Regular attendance at school is critical to ensuring that every student has the kind of opportunities in life that he or she deserves. When students are not at school, they are missing out on so much. Without the knowledge, the skills or the support that schools are so good at providing, young people can get left behind and find themselves underprepared for a fast-paced and often very challenging world.

every learner
every day



lending our support to a campaign called 'Every Learner, Every Day', an initiative designed to remind all students and parents why regular school attendance is so important. As part of this campaign, a range of resources and strategies will be made available to help parents, if help is needed. The information above explains simply the benefits of being at school regularly. I encourage you to think about the ideas suggested on the poster and to speak to your child about these messages.

Again this year we will be

At Holy Family we are:

- Safe
- Respectful
- Responsible
- Learners

I appreciate that this is not a matter that may impact on a large number of our families; however, if the 'Every Learner, Every Day' campaign can assist even just a few students to be at school more regularly, with all the benefits that come with that, it is a terrific outcome.

Mr Anthony McElhone
Principal

Condolences

Our condolences to the Polistena family (Sammy and Mia) on the passing of their grandfather recently. Our prayers and thoughts are with their family.

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.

And let perpetual light shine upon him.

May he rest in peace. Amen.



Opening School Mass

Tomorrow we welcome our new students and induct our student leaders at our Opening School Mass. Following are our 2019 Student Leadership groups.

Student Leaders

Ben Sheil
William Baldacchino
Davor Franich
Sarah Gleeson
Mariah Gauci
Emily Woodhead

PBS4L Leaders

Nathan Attard
Maia Rzepecki
Annalise Surace
Jorden Galea

Servant Leaders

Liam Vella
Claudia Mammone
Rhys McClafferty
Liam Ojeda
Claudia Maycock
Matthew Hodgetts
Luke Lambert
Saide Massih
Olivia Vella
Billy Footit
Alyssa Gattellari

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Grandparent's Day - Save the Date

Grandparent's Day will be on Friday, 22nd March. This is a day that all in the community look forward to and the teachers and students have already begun preparing for this day with great enthusiasm and energy.



2019 School Calendar

The key date of events and celebrations for 2019 can be viewed in our online school calendar. The calendar can be viewed on our school website <http://www.hfluddenham.catholic.edu.au/en/Our-Community/Events>



Seesaw is up and running! It is important that you check this regularly as it is our main channel of information. If you are having trouble with the app, please email Mrs Edwards on medwards3@parra.catholic.edu.au.

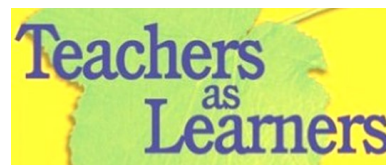
Enrolments for Kindergarten 2020

Application forms are available for collection from the school office from 25th February. When the application form has been fully completed it should be returned to the office with the required documentation by the end of Term 1.

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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
25-26 February	Mr Platt	Extending Mathematical Understanding (EMU) - Middle Years Intervention Training
27 February	Mrs Steuart	Reading Recovery - Ongoing Professional Learning
7 March	Mr McElhone, Mrs Van As, Mrs Ryan	Instructional Leadership: Professional Growth Teams

Baby News

Congratulations to the Garousse family (Hayleigh Stage 1) on the arrival of a beautiful baby boy, Blake.

Best wishes for restful nights in the coming months!



Important Information

Exemptions

There has been a change in our Attendance Policy on how Exemptions are recorded. All students that arrive late to school due to tutoring/speech therapy will now be recorded as a Partial Absence.



The Annual Luddenham Show is on Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd March 2019. Our students have been busy creating artwork for the Show. A lot of work has been put into preparing and collating all the entries from Holy Family and the children would love you to support them by attending on one of these days.

Let's hope for amazing weather and a great turn-out!

Sports News

Representative sport at Holy Family is an important extra-curricular activity. Engagement in these events are designed to build school spirit and pride, acknowledge skills of children in these areas and to enhance the sense of 'community' in the school.

Children in Years 3-6 will have the opportunity to participate in a range of team sports throughout the year that are organised and run by Catholic Education - Diocese of Parramatta and other sporting organisations. The sports may include:

- * Soccer
- * Rugby League
- * Netball
- * Touch Football
- * Oztag
- * Basketball
- * Cricket



When selecting teams to represent Holy Family, all of the following is considered equally:

- Skills and abilities in the selected sport
- Experience in the selected sport (i.e. participates in a team outside of school)
- Number of sports the student has represented the school in the current year
- Suitability to represent the school in a safe, respectful and responsible manner
- Parental support

Let's Celebrate Success

The students of Holy Family are continually achieving success in the sporting arena not only at school but outside of school. If your child has any sporting success outside of the school (e.g. representative teams, represented at state or national levels etc) throughout the year, please feel free to let us know via email luddenham@parra.catholic.edu.au so we can acknowledge these achievements.



Importance of meeting deadlines

Once again this year there will be many sporting opportunities for the students of Holy Family Primary School. Due to the popularity of many of the gala days, we end up with a reserve list of students. It is imperative for the organisation of these events that your child's permission note and payment is returned by the due date stated on the note. This year if your child's permission note and payment is not returned by the due date, your child's position in that team will be automatically offered to another student. We appreciate your support with this matter.

Sport Update

Swimming Carnival Age Champions

Congratulations to the following students who finished Age Champions in their age group at the school swimming carnival that was held in December 2018.

Junior Girls (8, 9, 10 years)

1ST Ella G

= 2ND Sharlay P & Talia E

11 Years Girls

1ST Claudia M

2ND Jessica G

Senior Girls

1ST Saide M

2ND Olivia V

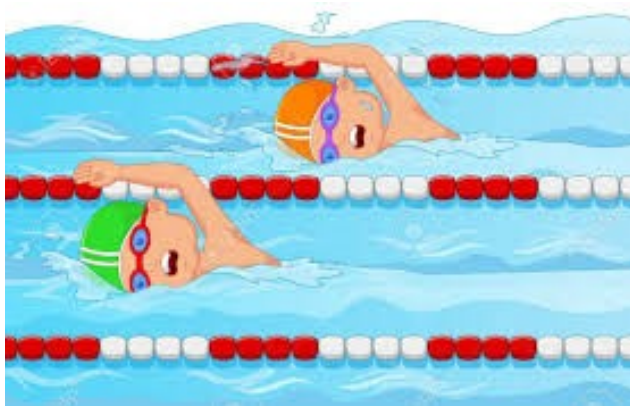
3RD Maia R

Junior Boys (8, 9, 10 years)

1ST Hayden G

2ND Luke R

3RD Gideon M & Marcus F



11 Years Boys

1ST Oscar Z

2ND Liam P

3RD James G

Senior Boys

1ST Billy F

2ND William B

3RD Luke C

Zone Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to the students listed below that represented Holy Family at the Nepean Zone Swimming Carnival on Tuesday. Our students were once again a credit to our school demonstrating outstanding sportsmanship and respectful behaviour throughout the entirety of the day. Many of our students finished the day achieving personal bests in the events in which they competed in. Thank you to Mr Platt and to all the parents who assisted with various jobs throughout the day.

This Friday 22nd February the following students: Ella G, Sharlay P, Liam P, Marcus Z, Oscar Z, William B and Billy F will be competing at the Parramatta Diocesan Swimming Carnival and we wish them the best of luck.

Liam P	Sharlay P	Sarah P	Emilia M	Oscar Z	Marcus F
Billy F	Hayleigh G	Daniel D	Diana B	Maia R	
James G	Marcus Z	Luke C	Hayden G	William B	
Olivia V	Ella G	Claudia M	Luke R	Talia E	



Holy Family's 'Code of Conduct' for Sporting Events

In line with our HFS PBS4L expectations a 'Code of Conduct' has been established for sporting events. Each student representing Holy Family as well as their parent/carer will be asked to sign the 'Code of Conduct' (one per year) and return it to the school. The following is the established expectations for both players and parents.

At Holy Family Players will . . .

Safe	Respectful
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Play by the rules at all times.• Use all equipment appropriately.• Wear school hat.• Be in the right place at the right time.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Never argue with an official.• Control my temper. Will not abuse officials or sledge other players.• Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by my team or the opposition.• Treat all participants in the sport as I would like to be treated.• Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, abilities, cultural background or religion.• Show quality sportsmanship by thanking officials and opposing team members at the end of games.• Cooperate with the coach, my team-mates and opponents.
Responsible	Learner
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Look after my own, others and school belongings.• Maintain a clean environment.• Report any incidents/ issues.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work hard for themselves and their team.

At Holy Family Parents will . . .

- Remember that children participate in sport for enjoyment, not yours.
- Respect officials' decision and teach children to do likewise.
- Focus on your child's efforts and performance rather than the final score.
- Encourage children to play according to the rules and to settle agreements without resorting to hostility and violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- Show appreciation for volunteers and employed coaches, officials and administrators.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performance and skillful play by ALL participants.
- Support all competition by ensuring your child's attendance until the completion of their events.
- Inform school officials prior to departure.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, abilities, cultural backgrounds or religion.

Upcoming Sporting Events

- *Tuesday 22nd February 2019 - Diocesan Swimming Carnival at Blacktown Pools*
- *Mark Taylor Shield- TBC*
- *Thursday 21st March- Razorback Legends (7 a-side) at Kirkham*

Christine Hall
Head of Sport

Academic Achievement Awards
Congratulations Academic Achievement Awards Recipients

Marlie McCullan
 Zac Buttigieg
 Giovanna Tabone
 James Noro
 Zac Rossetto
 Lavinia Gullo
 Lucas Camilleri
 Ava Gunther

Sienna Bonnano
 Yolla Estphan
 Kobi Wandless
 Chanel Awad-Duncombe
 Max Azzopardi
 Amelia Pelle
 Diana Baric
 Sophia-Rose Penna

Gabriella Timpano
 Nathan Attard
 Jacob Digiorgio
 Luke Cassar
 Davor Franich
 Skye Bruni

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

Mia Polistena
 Matthew Attard
 Jemma Muscat
 Skylah Steele
 Lucas Denny
 Olivia Franco
 Jacob Rowley
 Liam Urschel

Caitlin Woodhead
 Jayden Ryan
 Jacob Davies
 Ashlee Jones
 Rose Estphan
 Alex Enman
 Luke Rossetto
 Peter Medwin

Mariah Gauci
 Alicia Buttigieg
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 Julia Krilich
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2020 ENROLMENTS

FOR GIRLS YEARS 7-12

Open Night: Monday 11th March 2019

5:30pm - 7:30pm

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