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Holy Family Primary School, Luddenham

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 2

4th July 2019

Issue 10, Week 10

Friday 5th July

Staff Development Day

Monday 22nd July

First Day of Term 3

Monday 29th July

Early Stage 1 Excursion

At our staff development day on Friday we will be engaged in professional learning, prayer and reflection focused on the *Enhancing Catholic School Identity Project (ECSIP)*. The main focus areas will be:

- To introduce the reasons for the development of the ECSIP and outline the purpose of the different scales used in the data collected in 2018.
- Build a deeper understanding of these scales.
- Apply these learnings to ECSIP staff data.
- Develop learning experiences that include examples of recontextualised scripture.

As today is the final day of term for our students, it is important to reflect on the many wonderful learning opportunities and events that have occurred.

Over the past ten weeks we had children working hard to prepare for the Captivate Dance Eisteddfod. Others have participated in a number of sporting gala days and competitions (cross country, athletics, rugby league, soccer and netball). We have had opportunities to gather together as a faith community to acknowledge special occasions including Family Picnic Day, Anzac Day, Feast of the Sacred Heart, Pentecost and Mother's Day. A significant number of students from Stage 3 also received the Sacrament of Confirmation. This term I have also had the unique opportunity to meet with the children and families of our Kindergarten 2020 cohort.

With this in mind, I wish all our students and their families a safe and restful break and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday, 22nd July. I would also like to thank the parents of this community for the way they have assisted around the school during the term and hope that you will be able to continue your involvement throughout the remainder of the year. Along with the students I know that the teachers will take the opportunity to draw breath and recharge for next term, knowing full well that many will be busy planning and preparing learning experiences for the term ahead.

Mr Anthony McElhone
Principal

At Holy Family we are:

- Safe
- Respectful
- Responsible
- Learners



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.

- Friday, 5th July (last day of Term 2)
- Tuesday, 17th December
- Wednesday, 18th December



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

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/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.



Disabled Parking

Parking in the three available disabled parking spaces are for vehicles displaying the special parking permit on their windscreen.

Please do not use these parking spaces as a "drop off", even if for a moment. Several parents/carers have been noted using the disabled parking and we ask this stop immediately.

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2020

Application forms are available for collection from the school office. When the application form has been fully completed it should be returned to the office with the required documentation ASAP.



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 83%. 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 in-services, 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
5th July	All Staff	Staff Development Day - Enhancing Catholic School Identity Project
23rd July	Mr McElhone	Principals Breakfast Meeting
25th July	Mr McElhone, Mr McCauley, Mrs Van As	Enhancing Catholic School Identity Project Lighthouse Schools Visit to Melbourne
30th July	Mr Platt	EMU Middle Years Intervention Specialist Teacher Training

Sport Update

Athletics Carnival

On Friday 21st June, Holy Family had their annual Athletics Carnival at Warragamba Sportsground. All students had a great time competing in the track events (100m, 200m, 800m) as well as rotating through the field events (shot put, discus, long jump) and games (mini soccer, ultimate frisbee, netball and ball games). It was a great community event fostering our school spirit.



The day could not have been a great success without the amazing support from so many parents. Thank you to the Woodhead and Moore families as well as Mr. McElhone, Mr. Richard and Mrs. Tillman for turning up early Friday morning to assist with the setting up of the day. A special thank you to the following parents and siblings, who assisted with various roles throughout the day: Mrs. Woodhead, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Powderly, Mrs. Lopriato, Mr. & Mrs. Haddad, Mrs. Bernoth, Mrs. Pantazakos, Mrs. Lentini, Mrs. Zammit, Mrs. Giugovaz, Mrs. Gunther, Mrs. Massih, Mrs. Baldacchino, Mrs. Corbo, Mrs. Lapa, Mrs. Nairne, Mrs. Camilleri, Mrs. Zamprogno, Mrs. Norrie, Dom Bruni, Marcus Bruni, Ryan Woodhead, Josh Baldacchino, Nicholas Moore (St Dominics College), Chloe Gill, Ashleigh Gill and Gabbi Gattellari (Caroline Chisholm).

This event was also supported by a number of community organisations. A big thank you goes to Warragamba Wombats Rugby League Club for allowing us to use the clubhouse as our first aid room and their PA system; and Waradale Little Athletics who provided us with much of the sporting equipment we required to be able to run the carnival. Your support of our school event was greatly appreciated.

Thank you to all the teachers of Holy Family for supporting the students with their activities and making it a fun day for all. The winning house for the day was Boronia (644 points), 2nd place was Waratah (625 points), 3rd place was Acacia (609 points) and Jacaranda finished in 4th place (539 points). Well done to everyone that participated and contributed to earning points for their house.

Age Champions will be announced at the whole school assembly in Term 3, Week 3. The children representing Holy Family at the Zone Athletics Carnival (9th August at Blacktown International Sports Park) will receive their note early in Term 3.

Students wishing to qualify for High Jump at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival (High Jump will not be held at the Zone Carnival) can nominate direct to Mrs. Hall detailing their results from this years Little Athletics. Upon nominations all heights will be verified and submitted to the Primary Sport Teaching Educator who will then select the best 12 entries to compete. Entries are due by Friday 19th July 2019.

Sporting Schools Program

Holy Family has been privileged to receive a grant for Term Three which will enable us to access the expertise from a different sporting organisation. In Term Three Holy Family is partnering with Cricket NSW to conduct a five week program during school hours for each year group within the school.



**Important
Information**

Importance of meeting deadlines with permission slips

As we move into the second half of the 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 for many of these events. It is imperative for the organisation of these events that your child's permission note is returned by the due date stated on the note. Please be aware that if your child's permission note 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.

Upcoming Sporting Events for Term 3

- *Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day- Tuesday 30th July at Jamison Park, Penrith*
- *Nepean Zone Athletics Carnival - Friday 9th August*
- *NSW Netball Schools Cup- Regionals - Tuesday 13th August*
- *Diocesan Athletics Carnival - Thursday 23rd August*
- *St Nicholas Netball Gala Day - Wednesday 28th August*
- *Stage 2 Touch Football Gala Day- Friday 13th September*
- *Stage 3 Touch Football Gala Day - Friday 27th September*

Christine Hall
Head of Sport

Term 2, Week 10



Safe - Respectful - Responsible - Learners

In Weeks 9 and 10, Holy Family have been focusing on the school expectation **SAFE**. We have been doing this by using safe hands and feet.

We have given out many Bundeluk tokens to students in and out of the classroom for:

- keeping their hands and feet to themselves when walking in a group.
- keeping their hands rested in their laps and legs crossed whilst sitting on the floor.

The house that is currently in the lead is **Jacaranda**. An update of Bundeluk totals will be shared at Assembly in Term 3, Week 3.

Our PBS4L winners are:

Term 2, Week 9

Gemma Muscat
Marcus Zamprogno
Diana Baric
Tahlee Lewin

Term 2, Week 10

James Noro
Sienna Cross
Julia Krilich
Harry Gauci



Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant

Our new vegie garden is starting to grow. We have planted some nutritious vegies and herbs and we know Mr Richards will be tending to them over the holidays. Can't wait to see them next term!

Our citrus trees have also been planted and are loving the wonderful sunny days we've been having!



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environmental champions**



Academic Achievement Awards
Congratulations Academic Achievement Awards Recipients

Melissa Finianos
 Sofia Cross
 Marlia Baric-Eade
 Anthony Pantazakos
 Marcus Zamprognio
 Taylor Mensforth
 Levi Hall
 Zara Isaia

Anthony Finianos
 Aaliyah Guedes
 Jacob Davies
 Jessie Mahe
 Leon Liu
 Tahlee Lewin
 Evette Haddad
 Matilda Calderwood

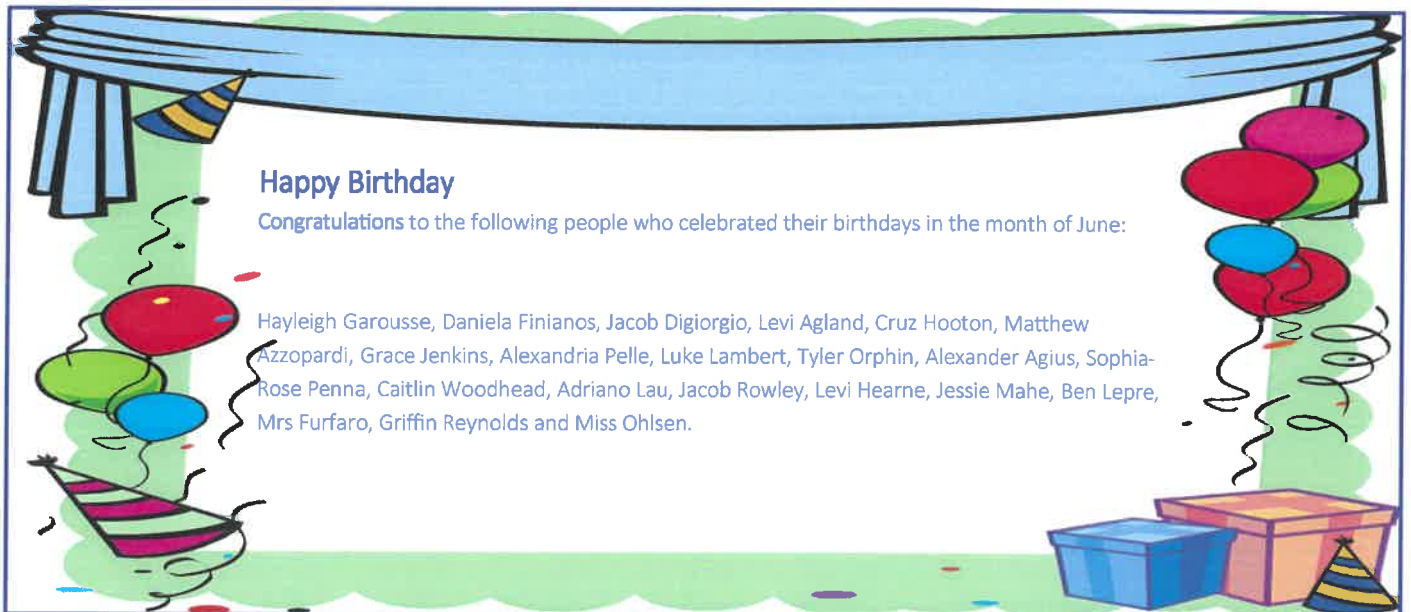
Luke Lambert
 Matthew Urschel
 Ben Lepre
 Jack O'Mahony
 Joseph Camilleri
 Charlene Camilleri

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

Zac Buttigieg
 Emmanuel Palemia
 Maddison Cutajar
 Giovanna Tabone
 Jack Bernoth
 Grace Lopreiato
 Luka Krilich
 Bassam Barikhan

Georgia Shepherd
 Olivia Tyrrell
 Jacob Footit
 Carla Dura
 Justin Buttigieg
 Amelia Pelle
 Aiden Luppino
 Leila Andrews

Nathan Attard
 Billy Footit
 Alex Pelle
 Adison Jones
 Harrison Haddad
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