

# BRANCHES

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I extend my sincere gratitude to the community of Holy Family and congratulate you on the way you have continued to adapt to remote learning. We know this mode of learning comes with its share of challenges for individuals and families and let us know if we can support you in any way. Last week we notified all parents and carers via Seesaw of some financial support, in relation to school fees, that is being offered during the current lockdown. Please contact the school office if you need any support with this.

Our dedicated team of teachers and support staff are continuing to provide learning opportunities and support for students so that they can continue their learning. These activities will focus on Literacy, Numeracy and Religious Education as well as integrating other Key Learning Areas. We don't expect that remote learning replicates the classroom nor do we expect that parents turn into classroom teachers. The work provided for the students is at a level that they should be able to complete with minimal support, especially for those students in Stages 2 and 3. Please let your child's teacher know if the work is too challenging by sending an email to the school email address ([luddenham@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:luddenham@parra.catholic.edu.au)) and we can support with alternative tasks or ideas to assist with engaging successfully with remote learning tasks.

A post on social media was shared with me last week and as it suggests, parents have been teaching their children from the day they were born. You were and remain their first teachers. Your everyday communication and interactions support your child's learning and development. Engaging your children in conversations whilst cooking, gardening, exercising together, playing games are all examples of how they will learn from you. The aim is to keep the environment at home as stress free as possible, have breaks, enjoy family time, go outdoors, we don't expect that the students are working on devices the whole time. We have started to post lockdown challenges on our school Facebook page. These are designed to minimise, and in some cases eliminate, the use of devices! It is also a great way to stay connected with our community by adding photos of your completed challenges.

As always, we continue to be committed to keeping everyone safe and this includes having as few people on site as possible, as per the NSW Government guidelines. Premier Berejiklian's strong message that everyone who can stay at home, should stay at home.

Support will continue to be provided at school for families who need this support (essential workers, vulnerable students, or those who have no other supervision options). Thank you for carefully considering whether your family falls into one of these categories. We really appreciate your support as we work together to keep our communities safe and learning.

Naturally we would prefer to be engaging in face to face teaching. I look forward to when it will be safe to do so. Until then I continue to keep you all in my prayers, I hope you are all safe and well and until we are back together as one community, 'May God Hold You in the Palm of His Hand'.

At Holy Family we are:

- Safe
- Respectful
- Responsible
- Learners

Mr Anthony McElhone  
Principal

### 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.

- Monday, 13 December
- Tuesday, 14 December
- Wednesday, 15 December



Please note that the student's final day will be Friday, 10 December.



### 2021 School Calendar

The key date of events and celebrations for 2021 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

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](mailto:medwards3@parra.catholic.edu.au).



### Enrolments for Kindergarten 2022

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 by **ASAP**.

### Baby News

Congratulations to the Zammit family (Lillian Stage 1) on the arrival of a beautiful baby boy, Mitchell. Best wishes for restful nights in the coming months!





### Academic Achievement Awards



Soleil Saliganan  
Leo Falzon  
Brandon Shepherd  
Sofia Cross

Leta-May Munday  
Mario Crafa  
Zac Rossetto  
Daniel Dura

Kaitlin Azzopardi  
Evette Haddad

### One Heart One Mind Awards

Kobe Jamieson  
Marlie McCullan  
Alessandra Penna  
Ruben Inzitari

Elias Estphan  
Aaliyah Guedes  
Yolla Estphan  
Leon Liu

Gideon Moore  
Sophia-Rose Penna



### Happy Birthday

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

• Maison Vellacott, Archie Ciocca, Aiden Luppino, Harrison Stewart, Hunter Moore, Levi Hall, Tahlee Lewin, Connor O'Mahony, Alyssa Gidaro, Edmond Cocks, Lincoln Sciberras, Nicholas Sparagis, Michael Massih, Mario Crafa, Luka Krilich, Alessandra Penna, Taylor Mensforth, Mr McCauley and Mrs Edwards.

**Happy  
Birthday**



## Primary Sport Update - 17 July 2021

**Due to the current COVID-19  
restrictions, all Term 3 Primary  
Sport Gala Days  
& Athletics carnivals  
are POSTPONED**



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