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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

In the coming weeks a number of young people from our school and the Parish will be initiated into the Church in the Sacrament of Confirmation. The gift of the Spirit is called down on each of them to enable them to live lives in personal witness to Christ. You may wonder what that means? Essentially through their Baptism they were born into a Christian way of living. They have been instructed and supported in the development of their Catholic faith by their parents, grandparents, teachers and their Parish clergy.

In Confirmation the young people make a conscious decision to choose to live out what they have been taught through the Gospels. The very way they respond to and treat those who are most marginalised and rejected by others in society is a true indicator of their commitment and witness to Christ.

In the knowledge world, where we are all simply a click away from connecting to each other and have at our fingertips the answer or opinion to every question and thought we can pose, it is very easy to distance ourselves from what it means to be human.

My prayer for our students and those in the Parish who will be confirmed, is that they become a voice for the weak, the poor, the rejected and that they will use their energy, knowledge and abundant skills to make the world a more positive and hope-filled place. As 10 or 11 year olds, it might be a little ambitious to think that they might have a hand in changing the world, but let's not forget, 'from little things big things grow'.

#### Mr Anthony McElhone



### Slime Spectacular - Reminders

When:	Friday, 20 May from 1:30pm (students will have lunch prior to the event)
Who:	All students will be participating. Parents & carers are most welcome to come along and join in the fun (including participating in the slime spectacular with your child)! We suggest you bring a picnic blanket and/or chairs to sit on.
Where:	School Oval. If you are attending please park in the school car park and enter through the main gate. The gate will be open at 1:20pm
What:	Students will make their way around the course in their stage groups and get slimed!! They will be provided with UV400 sunglasses and rain- bow headbands.
Uniform:	Students can wear mufti. They must wear jogger style shoes and it is strongly recommended they wear older clothes. As previously advised please bring in a white t-shirt on or prior to the day. The students will get changed into this t-shirt before the event and back into the shirt they came in at the conclusion. You may also like to pack a small towel and plastic bag for any wet clothing. Students are welcome to wear fancy head dress e.g. crazy wigs or hats.
<u>Reminder</u> How to Fund- raise	Visit www.australianfundraising.com.au to create your child's cyber- safe fundraising profile. Creating an online profile page is easy. Just follow the instructions in your child's sponsorship booklet sent home last term. You have until <b>Friday 20 May</b> to fundraise!



#### **Enrolments for Kindergarten 2023**

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**. Kindergarten 2023 interviews will commence next week and interest is strong.





#### Grandparent's Day - Save the Date

Grandparent's Day will be on Friday, 29 July. 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.

#### 2022 School Calendar

The key date of events and celebrations for 2022 can be viewed in our online school calendar. The calendar can be viewed on our school website or on the Compass app.





#### 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.

- Thursday, 15 December
- Friday, 16 December
- Monday, 19 December

Please note that the student's final day will be Wednesday, 14 December.

#### **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
26 May	Mrs McLean	EMU Early Years Intervention Specialist Teacher Course







## Academic Achievement Awards Congratulations Academic Achievement Awards Recipients

Van Harvey	Callum Albee	Helena Grima			
Arlo Guise	Luca Libro	Sarah Powderly			
Scarlet Libro	Jack Bernoth	Hayden Moore			
Chad Willding	Sofia Cross	Luka Krilich			
Aurelia Tabone	Olivia Franco	Jacob Rowley			
Victoria Borg	Skylah Steele	Edmond Cocks			
Isla Agius	Monica Messina				
Amelia Vella	James Noro				
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Israel Johnston	Jack Scriven	Jayden Ryan			
Olivia-Rose Chiwaye	Oliver Morton	Xavier Zammit			
Addison Bauchler	Maeghan-Rae Chiwa	aye Evette Haddad			
Elias Chahda	Jeremy Camilleri	Christian Lentini			
Annalise McGarry	Melissa Finianos	Shiloh Wiggins			
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Soleil Saliganan	Estelle Varley	Lachlan Moore			
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