HOLY NAME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER NO. 18 20 JULY 2017

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Reminder to all parents & students in Grades 3 - 6 about our Cybersafety **Workshop Evening next** Tuesday 25 July from 6.00 SAFETY to 8.00pm in the ILC

Dear Holy Name Families,

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to welcome all our students and their families to Term Three.

CYBER

I hope you were able to enjoy some quality time with your families and friends. Students have told me about their holiday experiences at the movies, snow, sunny Queensland (lucky them) and the Van Gogh exhibition.

Mr Delaney is taking some well-earned Long Service Leave the first two weeks of this term.

As all terms are, in the life of a busy school, this term promises to be an exciting and fulfilling one. All our students have settled back well, as they are familiar with the expectations of their teachers. They can approach this term with confidence in their skills and enthusiasm for the learning they will acquire.

Gallipoli Oak

Late last term, we had a ceremony to plant the Gallipoli Oak in the front of our school. The students from Years Four to Six were invited to attend, as well as members of the Cahir and Harris families. Mr Pat Cahir, who has had a long association with our school and parish, and is one of the brave men who served our country in World War Two, was our special guest. The ceremony was a moving tribute, and a reminder of how lucky we are to live in a country with the relative freedoms and lack of conflict, compared to many parts of the world. A short video of the ceremony can be viewed on the Catholic Education Melbourne website, as their media representatives attended the event.

Year Six

As part of Refugee week, the students in Year Six did some research late last term, on the refugee situation across the world, and in particular here The aim of the research was to allow them to construct in Australia. informed opinions about our government's policy on refugees. democracy such as Australia's, relies on its citizens having opinions that are based upon facts. The students in 6L were given the opportunity to inform each other and our wider community of their opinions, with information supporting their views. Over the holiday, I posted these letters to the editor of the Preston Leader. Last Monday, I received a call from him, in which he expressed his surprise at the quality of the students' arguments, and asked if the class could be photographed for a feature in the Leader.

Watch out for next week's Leader in which our Year 6L students will be featured.

What Is It?

The more observant of you, will have noticed a rather strange and large looking structure has appeared in the school grounds along the McColl Street fence. All will be revealed in a few weeks as the structure is finished and we organise its official unveiling.

Grandparents/Special Friends Morning

A reminder that tomorrow week is our Grandparents/Special Friends morning. This is one of the many special events in our annual school calendar, and is a wonderful opportunity for our more elderly family members to have a day in the classroom, and see all the hard work their grandchildren, nieces, nephews, etc do.

Crossing Supervisor in Robb Street

You may have noticed that, at long last, we have a supervisor for the Robb Street school crossing. Her name is Elizabeth, so introduce yourselves if you are regulars at this crossing.

**A reminder that it is illegal to park or stop on the crossing at drop off or pick up time.

Mark Tierney Acting Principal

BOOK WEEK 2017 AT HOLY NAME

THE 2017 BOOK WEEK THEME IS 'ESCAPE TO EVERYWHERE'

Book Week 'Dress Up Day'! - Thursday 24th August at 9am in the Hall

Dress as your favourite book character or movie character! The more original the better! We encourage children to be dressed in original home-made costumes, created at home using your imagination from your wardrobe, dress-up box, op shop, dance costumes etc.

We understand some parents are happy to hire costumes however, it is not an expectation.

Our parade will be held in the school hall at 9:00am.

Each class will get the opportunity to parade in front of the whole school. Parents welcome! We hope to see everyone there!

In the afternoon, the students will be gathering in their House Teams to share some of their favourite books. Please remind your children to bring their favourite book on this day.

The students will also be visited by author Sue De Gennaro on Monday, 21st of August.

Susan Mitchell Literacy Leader

GRANDPARENTS & SPECIAL GUESTS DAY

The children prepared and brought home invitations yesterday for this special day, to be held next Friday 28 July.

As per the notice, the day starts at 9.00am when the guests gather in the hall to begin the day with a special School Mass. After mass they return to school to spend time with the children in the classroom before sharing lunch together. After lunch, the guests return to the hall for a reviving cuppa and biscuit, and then depart at 12 noon.

If your child does not have a grandparent or relative, special neighbour/friend, there are always plenty of smiling faces who are happy to include your child in a friendly chat.

WINTER APPEAL

Many thanks to all those who responded so generously to this year's Winter Appeal. Our final tally was around 650 grocery items, which have already been put to very good use in the Parish, by the St Vincent de Paul Conference.



Congratulations to 2M (pictured) for winning the 'Baked Bean Cup' for this year.

This award is given to the class who brings in the most groceries for the Appeal.

A special mention must be given to our hardworking Mini Vinnies who were so enthusiastic in collecting the groceries each week, as well as helping to organise them for distribution.

A great effort all round!

LAMONT BOOK FAIR THANK YOU!

To the students and parents who purchased books from the Fair.... In addition to the children's obvious delight at having new books to read over the holiday period, our school made a commission of \$1,158.60 which

we have used to purchase new books for the Library.

Once again, thank you, Gordana Jordanovska Library Technician

STOLE DECORATION SERVICE FOR COMMUNION

Trish Gangi is again offering this service to families. If you would like your child's stole decorated, collect a form from the office counter and then return the <u>correct</u> money & form in an envelope / snap lock bag, enclose it with the stole in another plastic bag, and leave it at the office.

(The final date to put in an order is Friday 11 August.)

If you have any queries, just give Trish a ring.

** There is a notice going home today from the REL to all Grade 4 students.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN PROMOTION

Our school will again be participating in this promotion which starts on Thursday 26 July and ends Tuesday 19 September. As in past years, if you or a family member or friend shops at Woolworths over this period, and spends \$10 or more, you are given an 'Earn & Learn' sticker.

We are not encouraging families to shop specially at Woolworths, but if Woolies is your regular shopping choice, we appreciate your help.

We have sticker forms at the office, which your child can have fun completing themselves, by writing their first name only, our school name and put the stickers on it. It doesn't matter if you can't complete the form, when the promotion finishes, we can do a 'cut & paste' on any partially completed forms. The Earn & Learn box for completed forms will be at the office.

In past years, our school has benefited from this promotion by being able to order resources for our students from the Modern Teaching Aids site. Thank you.......

SPECIAL GROUP PHOTOS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

On our main photo day, the photographers also took photos of the following groups: *Mini Vinnies, House Captains, School Leaders & SRC.*

On their last visit, they also took a photo of the Choir, which will be available to view in a week or so at the office, (and then you can order it online)

The photos are available to order <u>online through AR Photos</u> for **\$15 each**. (Samples of the photos & order instructions are on the glass doors near the office)

CHESS CLUB BEGINS NEXT WEEK

Chess club is on Thursdays, beginning next week. If you haven't yet made your payment of \$35, please do so by cash, eftpos or credit card in person or over phone to Leanne.



Reading Challenge Update!

(The Reading Challenge website is www.education.vic.gov.au/prc)

We hope our readers were able to spend some time curled up on the couch, keeping warm and reading books over the holidays!



If you have any queries, please contact me......



Angela Gangi, Reading Challenge Co-ordinator (agangi@hnpe.catholic.edu.au)







To avoid colds, flu and gastro spreading, we ask that if your child is sick before school OR during the night, that you keep them home. School is not the place for sick children, they need to be at home to recover.

Please make sure that we have up to date phone numbers for both parents and / or your emergencies.

If your child is away, there are a number of ways to report the absence : by phone, (or leave message on answering machine), email, verbal to office, Flexibuzz school app or written note to the teacher.

If your child is absent from school for two consecutive days without any/or updated notification, you will receive an SMS requesting you to report the absence.

PS If you're emailing your child's absence to the class teacher, please 'cc' the office -(office@hnpe.catholic.edu.au), because if the teacher is absent, or not working that day, it may not be recorded. Thank you



eSmart This week's tip:

Don't forget to come along to the Cybersafety Workshop for Grades 3-6 students & parents next Tuesday 25th July! In the ILC 6-8pm.....

CAMP AUSTRALIA NEWS - BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Welcome back to term 3 everyone. Hope you all had a relaxing holiday. This term we have lots of new arts and craft resources.

Yesterday, Isabella and Ava made identical butterfly masks. Helen, Lewis & Madeline had a connect-4 games marathon. Best of luck in Term 3 guys! To enrol your child/ren in the program, go to www.campaustralia.com.au OR ring 1300 105 343.

If you need to contact me, the **OSHC mobile number is 0418 576 410**. If you would like to know more about our before and after school program, please see me.

Helen, OSHC Co-Ordinator

IMPORTANT REMINDER - CDF STUDENT BANK ACCOUNTS

Dear parents,

Earlier this year, we advised you about some important changes to the CDF school savings program. CDF are now ready to transition **all existing** student accounts to the new 31 Day Mission Student Saver account.

**Any account that hasn't been transferred by end of Term 3 (Friday 22nd September 2017) will be transitioned automatically to a 31 Day Mission Student Saver account.

If you do not want this to happen, you need to close the account now....
For details about the new account type, interest rate and how to transact on the account, go to www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/students.

GRADE FIVE & SIX INCURSION

On Tuesday, Grade Five and Six students participated in an incursion presented by Dan from Linked Incursions.

Grade 6L students share some personal reflections about the incursion:-

Talia...... This morning we had an unexpected incursion. I thought it would be a waste of time, but all of that changed when I heard what we were learning about. Australian democracy and how the government works!! A man called Dan taught us lots of facts about the Australian government. And he isn't even Australian, he's from the UK. We role played how an election works and what happens in Parliament House!! It was great because everyone was included.

Luca....... I thought all the things that Dan taught was really useful and could completely help me and my class in learning as we are focusing on the government. I learnt a lot from how debates work, and how votes work and just all information about the government. The incursion was really amazing!!!

Sophia..... On the 18th of July we had a government incursion, his name was Dan and he helped us learn more about the government, the three stages of government, people that run parliament and more. Dan taught us these using a slideshow and a role play, (which was favourite part!). The slideshow showed many facts including the first stage of government, local, which takes care of problems close to you like new fences, signs, even things on the road like potholes and more. The second stage is state which is taking care of police, ambulance, medical and fire stations too. The third stage is federal, this is the highest stage of government. It takes care of trade, defence and Australia in general. After the slideshow, Dan told us the rules of voting. Then we pretend voted for our classmates, Isabella won, promoting animal cares and safety. Dan then created the House of Parliament, (aka) the green room, Lachlan was speaker, Sienna was clerk and other people had roles too. I was in the opposition, my name was Opposition Whips! My favourite part was when we had to say, "HERE HERE!" Which I said in my best British accent! Unfortunately for the government they lost, but... we won! I found the incursion very fascinating and fun too.

Lachlan...... What did I learn?

...How the Australian government operates (There are three levels of the country's government. Local, which takes care of small things such as potholes in the road, State, which is responsible for stuff such as emergency services and finally, Federal, which looks after things like international trade and the army. The Mayor, the Premier and the Prime Minister are the leaders of these government branches.)

...How political voting (usually elections) works (There are multiple choices for you to vote for. You vote by listing all the choices from who you want to win the most to least using the numbers 1-6 and then submit the piece of paper your writing numbers on into the votes box. I'd love to explain the rest of the process but I don't know how to explain it and this is really all you need to know.)

...How the Australian government makes laws (The government suggests a law and it is called a bill. Then the bill goes to the House of Representatives where it is debated on and may progress to the Senate. From there, the bill may progress further for the Governor General (who represents the Queen of the UK) to decide whether it should be a law or not. If he approves, then it becomes an official law.

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Mikayla...... I think that this incursion was very interesting and enjoyable. Before this incursion I barely knew anything about government and now I have a lot of new knowledge I can expand on further in the future.

Alyssa L...... My personal opinion on the incursion is that it was really great. Before the incursion I had very little knowledge about the government and how it works. It was very useful for future references eg: Future voting. It was really fun to experience our own little discussion talking about a law idea and it was even better since I had a speaking part.





ACADEMY UNIFORM

If you order online (our password is – reservoir), or by phone with your credit card, Academy will deliver the item to the school, at no extra cost.

Reflection of the Week

We must restore hope to young people, help the old, be open to the future, spread love. Be poor among the poor. We need to include the excluded and preach peace.

.....Pope Francis

With today's newsletter the attachments are:

- Parish News
- Notice to all Grade Four students re Communion from REL
- Fathers' Day 'Save the Date' notice to all families via eldest (white)
- Gr6 Kemizo get-together notice to all GR6 students

COMMUNITY NEWS

ST RAPHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL 'COMEDY FOR A CAUSE' EVENING

A showcase of comedians from the Sydney & Melbourne International Comedy Festival on Friday 28th July. Doors open 6.30pm, showtime 8.00pm and the venue is St Raphael's School Hall, Cooper Street, West Preston. Food & drinks are available. Tickets are only \$35 (pls note this is an adults 18+ night).

The comedians are Josh Earl, Peter Jones, James Masters & Nick Capper.

Book now at: comedyforacause.net/STR

SANTA MARIA COLLEGE NORTHCOTE

As a family attending a primary school within our Priority Parish zone, we hope that you will visit our College and consider our school as place for your daughter to flourish. We understand that few decisions in life hold the same significance and importance as choosing the right school for your daughter. At Santa Maria College we are always pleased to welcome new families to our warm and vibrant community. Please visit our website for further information or simply call our Registrar, Mrs Kylie Lawtey, to discuss enrolment or to book a tour.

KEY ENROLMENT DATES FOR YEAR 7 2019 INTAKE

The new process will result in Catholic secondary colleges offering places for Year 7 enrolment in Terms 3 and 4 of Grade 5.

25 Aug 2017 – Applications for enrolment in Year 7 2019 close.

13 Oct 2017 – Offers of places to prospective Year 7 2019 students posted.

27 Oct 2017 – Final date for families to accept offers made.

Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Kylie Lawtey on 9488 1630 if you have any questions. We hope to see you at one of our Talk & Tours soon!

CRANROSS TC TENNIS COACHING

BEFORE SCHOOL TENNIS COACHING - GRADE PREP TO FOUR

On Tuesday, all students from P-4 brought home a notice regarding private before school tennis lessons which will take place at school this term, *IF* enough children are interested. The lessons would be from 8.00am to 8.30am weekly on Wednesdays (enter via McColl St gate).

AND

Regular tennis coaching is at W Ruthven VC Reserve on Albert St, Preston. Term Three enrolments are still being taken.......... All standards for juniors and adults catered for! Nationally endorsed ANZ Hot Shots Program.

ALSO

Did you know that there is a Women's Social Comp, for different levels, eg Beginner, Intermediate & Advanced? (3 guaranteed sets of tennis every morning). 1 & 1.5 hour lessons are available. All standards catered for.

Head Coach - Alexei Demajo 0418 369 763

<u>info@futuredemandtennis.com.au</u> OR <u>www.futuredemandtennis.com.au</u>

DAREBIN JUNIOR GIANTS BASKETBALL CLUB

Are looking for players for the Summer 2017 season. Competition is played on Saturdays in the Whittlesea Basketball Association competition. Teams range from under 8s through to under 19s for both boys and girls. Games commence 22 July 2017 through to finals which are played in December. For further information please contact Helen on 0433 849 728. Registration can be done online on Darebin Basketball website.

Calendar of Known Dates for 2017

Reminder – some dates may need to change

Added / changed dates appear in RED in today's newsletter

JULY

Yr4 Zagames Family Dinner Fri 21 (6pm onwards)

Yr4 Hooptime B'ball excursion Fri 21

Cybersafety Information Evening Tues 25 (for parent & students – 6 to 8.00pm)

Chess Club for T3 begins Thurs 27 (lunchtime)

Grandparents/Special Friends Day Fri 28

AUGUST

Nude Food Day Tue 1 Preps 100 Days of School Wed 2

Yr6 Kemizo Family Night Fri 11 (details closer to date)

First Communion Sun 20 (10.30am)

Book Week Author visit Mon 21

Book Week Dress Up / Parade Thurs 24 (9am parade in hall)

Yr6 Hooptime B'ball excursion Fri 25
District Athletics Thurs 31

SEPTEMBER

Annual Fathers' Day Special Event Fri 1 (3.30 to 5pm) <u>SAVE THE DATE!</u>

School Closure Day -Staff PD Mon 4 (no students at school)

Nude Food Day Tues 5

Yr2 Family Picnic Sun 10 (11-3pm)

Whole School Production Thurs 14
P&F Hot Food Day Fri 15

End of Term Fri 22 (1.00pm finish) YrP Zagames T3 breakup Fri 22 (1.30pm onwards)

Yr6 T3 breakup Fri 22 (Malahang Reserve-details to follow)

OCTOBER

Start Term Four Mon 9 Nude Food Day Tues 10

Yr4 Latitude end of year gathering Fri 13 (6-8pm)

Yr2 Parent Dinner Fri 20 (7pm onwards)

NOVEMBER

Reconciliation Thurs 2 School Closure Day Mon 6

Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday
Prep 2018 Information Night

1st Prop Orientation
Tues 7

Tues 14

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P&F Classic Vintage Car Show Fri 17 (6pm start)

2nd Prep Orientation Tues 21

YrP End of Year Disco Wed 22 (6-8pm)

Whole School Sports Carnival Thurs 23 3rd Prep Orientation Tues 28

Yr2 End of Year Disco Wed 29 (6–7.30pm)

DECEMBER

Prep to Two Swim Program starts
Nude Food Day
Year Four Camp
Year 6 Graduation
Last day of school for students
Year 6 Disco

Mon 4
Tues 5
Thurs 7 & Fri 8
Wed 13 Dec

Tues 19 (1.00pm) <u>To be confirmed</u> Wed 20 (evening)