



# HOLY NAME PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**Newsletter No.21**

Dear Parents,

This week, we sit in the middle of two significant feast days within the Church's Calendar. The first was last week, when we celebrated the feast day of Mary McKillop, Australia's first saint. Mary led her life by example and is quoted as saying "We must teach more by **example** than by word".

The second special feast is that of the assumption, this is the celebration of Mary our Mother, who was taken up to heaven both in body and soul.

Both of these women are examples of what action, rather than words, look like. Both went about their lives, living out their faith in a quiet and humble manner.

Take some time this week in prayer to both of these wonderful women.



## **Building News**

It will hardly be surprising to anyone, to know that our refurbishment has been put on hold. Stage 4 has meant that construction is affected and new projects cannot be started. At this stage, I am attempting to have all the necessary paperwork completed so that when we are able to start, nothing puts us further behind.

## **Thank You**

I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank the staff of Holy Name, who have been working above and beyond their normal duties. Unless you personally know a teacher, people have very little understanding of what teachers actually do. When a staff member is not in a Meet with either individuals or a group of students (this takes up much of their day), they are planning, providing feedback on work, supervising onsite, chasing up children who have not handed in work and creating instructional videos etc...

I have instructed the staff not to respond to emails after 4:00pm, as many of them have screen fatigue by that stage.

While the current schooling will not suit everyone, please know that the teachers are doing as much as they can to provide a rich and engaging curriculum for your children at this time.

## **Fee Statements**

If you didn't receive your emailed statement last Friday, please check your spam/trash folder. In the event that it didn't reach you, please contact Leanne at the office.

As I mentioned last week, we acknowledge that families are going through a tough time during this pandemic, and some families are experiencing financial hardship.

Unfortunately, this is also true for businesses and schools, and our school is not immune to this situation either. We have a number of families who have overdue curriculum levies (\$325 per child), which were due on 1st March, and other fees.

A reminder that you can set up a direct debit, to spread the levy/fee payments over a period of time. Just contact the office or the bursar, to arrange this.

We don't want a situation whereby, at the end of the year when Christmas is approaching, parents are facing a large overdue bill, so we ask that you not overlook your account payments.

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, the Year 4 camp which was scheduled for the end of this term has had to be cancelled, and they had no vacancies in Term 4, so your account was credited with a \$200 levy refund.

We have also applied credits to Grade 5 & 6 students, which reflect the partial cancellation of interschool sport.

If you have any queries about your fee statement, please contact the Bursar, Mrs Vivien Costa (bursar@hnpe.catholic.edu.au) or Leanne ([office@hnpe.catholic.edu.au](mailto:office@hnpe.catholic.edu.au)).

## **Caremonkey is now 'Operoo'**

How you use the service remains unchanged. You will be automatically diverted to the new Operoo website if you go to the old Caremonkey website.

## **Accessing the Newsletter**

Now that Flexibuzz is no longer operational, we have decided to email the newsletter out instead, to your email address we use to send the fee statements.

It will take a few days to input all the addresses, but in the meantime, if you don't wish to receive the newsletter by email, you need to opt out by emailing Leanne at [office@hnpe.catholic.edu.au](mailto:office@hnpe.catholic.edu.au)

Some parents already receive the newsletter emailed to them each week, so if this is you, you don't need to do anything.

The newsletter will continue to be uploaded each week to our website.

PS Our apologies that last week's newsletter wasn't uploaded to Operoo last Thursday. It will be uploaded this afternoon, in addition to today's newsletter.

Caroline Galea  
Principal

## P.E. & SPORT NEWS - MR DERRYN LING, P.E. LEADER

### GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

Mila P - Grade 2C

Zane R - Grade 5M

Maddison M - Grade 6Z

## LITERACY NEWS - MS MARIA LONTOS, LITERACY LEADER

### VICTORIAN PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE

Keep Reading!

You only have 3 weeks left to complete the Challenge.

It finishes on 4 September 2020.

Our tally of books read is - **976** - we really want to make it to at least **1,000** books read, so keep going!

Congratulations to this week's Challenge Champion:



Ms Maria Lontos & Mrs Leanne Fraser (Challenge Co-Ordinators)



## ADMINISTRATION NEWS

### FLEXIBUZZ APP

The Flexibuzz app is no longer available for our school. The newsletter is on the school website, and will also soon be emailed to all parents.

From now on, if your child is absent, you will need to notify the office via email ([office@hnpe.catholic.edu.au](mailto:office@hnpe.catholic.edu.au)) or phone

### LOST PROPERTY BASKET

Is now located in the office corridor, near the junction to the Grade 6 corridor. If your child has lost an item of clothing, make sure they look in the basket.

\*\*Also, if another family gives you uniform items, please **rename** them.



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or call 1300 105 343

## OUR PROGRAM OPERATES IN THE SCHOOL'S ILC

### What we've been up to this last week.....

This week has been a bit quiet. On Monday, we went to the basketball court to play Knock Out and Farmer Sam. We also made vegetarian pizza using Lebanese bread, we put some carrot, cucumber, salsa and some vegemite on top.

We have started doing a clean-up, as we will be moving to the hall soon; some puzzles and food have been given to parents to take home.

Just to remind parents that you don't need to provide us with your work permit in order to attend our care. We hope everyone is staying at home and being safe.

### Reminder

To enrol your child/ren in our program, or to view fees, go to [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au) and search for our school OR ring 1300 105 343.

If you need to contact me, the **OSHC mobile number is 0418 576 410**.

I am happy to assist you with information about our before and after school program.

Helen, Co-Ordinator

## **Calendar of Known Dates for 2020** **Reminder – some dates may need to change** ***New dates added, feature in red***

### **AUGUST**

Parent Night Out ~~———— Sat 22~~ (organized by P&F)

### **SEPTEMBER**

Reconciliation Tues 1 (7pm) (to be confirmed closer to date)  
Holy Communion Sun 13 (**tentative date**)  
Footy Day & Hot Food Day Wed 16 (*may not go ahead now - tbc*)

### **OCTOBER**

School Photo Day Fri 16  
Gr3 & 4 Gymnastics program Fri 16  
Book Week @Holy Name 17th - 23rd  
Book Week Special Performance Tues 20 (incursion)  
Book Week Dress Up Parade Wed 21 (9am)  
Gr3 & 4 Gymnastics program Fri 23  
Gr3 & 4 Gymnastics program Fri 30

### **NOVEMBER**

Gr3 & 4 Gymnastics program Fri 6  
P&F Car Show & Market Sat 7 (2 to 7pm)  
Gr3 & 4 Gymnastics program Fri 13

### **TERM DATES FOR 2020 (VICTORIAN TERM DATES)**

**Term 3** – 13 July to 18 September

**Term 4** – 5 October to 18 December