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Term 1 Week 11

KINDERGARTEN 100% STAR ATTENDANCE

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Dates to Remember



APRIL 2017

<i>Last Day of Term 1</i>	7th
<i>First Day of Term 2</i>	24th
<i>Pathways to Success @ 9:15 am in the Hall</i>	24th
<i>Easter Mass @ 11:30 in the Church</i>	24th
ANZAC DAY NO SCHOOL	25th
<i>Anzac Day Liturgy @ 9:15am</i>	26th
<i>Picnic Lunch followed by Easter Hat Parade @ 1:30pm basketball courts</i>	26th
<i>Year 6 Canberra Excursion</i>	27-28th

Message from the Principal

Greetings,

- ♦ As you know we have been working on a different approach to managing behaviour called Positive Behaviour Support For Learning (PBS4L).
- ♦ Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week.
- ♦ Our sympathy to the Stanley family

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Congratulations to the Kindergarten class for having perfect 100% attendance this week on Wednesday. All students were at school on time and ready to learn. Great job! Keep it up!

So which class will be next to be on the front cover of the next newsletter?

We are challenging all the grades in the school to make the best effort to attend school.

Get yourselves ready for the next day of school by having your uniforms and bags ready, go to bed early and wake up with a positive attitude and smile.



**Greetings!**

Thank you parents for your help with supervision on Monday.

As you know we have been working on a different approach to managing behaviour called Positive Behaviour Support For Learning (PBS4L). This system is used in many schools across NSW.

With your help on Monday we were able to work with two behaviour specialists and look at strategies for managing behaviour that will work across the school. We want everyone to receive the same message about behaviour at Holy Family. Next term we will share more news with you about this. Thank you again for your help.

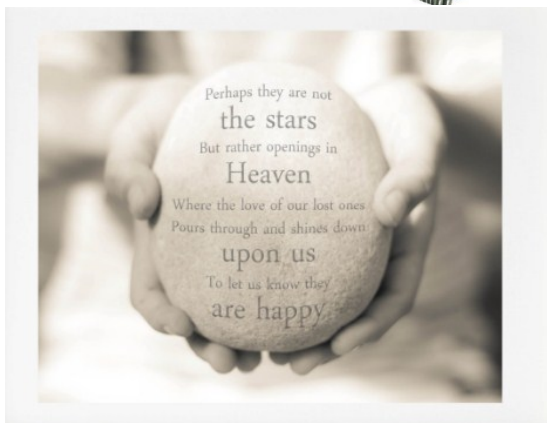
This Sunday is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. Holy Week is the most solemn week in our church year when we focus on Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, The Last Supper and his death on Good Friday. Weather permitting; we will have a focus on the Stations of the Cross and Jesus' death on Good Friday. When we return to school next term we will celebrate the Resurrection. During this week you could ask the children to tell you about what they have been learning about Holy Week and The Stations of The Cross. I hope they find the activities enriching and reflective.

I would like to thank you for your ongoing support during the term. I hope you have a safe and Holy break over Easter.

Our sympathy to the Stanley family for the loss of Paul on the 26th of April. Paul is the father of two of our students, Bailey (Yr. 5) and Taliesha (Yr.3). Paul's funeral is this Friday at 11.30am in our church here at Holy Family. Please remember the Stanley family in your prayers.



John Spradbrow
Principal

**Sports Update****Cross Country Results**

We were blessed with a fine day last Wednesday for the running of our school Cross Country and Fun Run. Congratulations to all the children who competed.

A huge thank you to all the parents who gave up their time to spot the children around the course. We would not have been able to run the carnival without your generosity.

Congratulations to the children who will be attending the Diocesan Cross Country at Eastern Creek next term. These children have qualified because they are within the qualifying times. For 2 km they needed to be under 13 minutes and the 3 km was 17 minutes. Notes will be given out first week back in Term 2. Keep training over the holidays!

**Congratulations**

On Sunday 2nd April Nadia Cunningham competed in the NSW State Acrobatics Championships. Her trio have successfully progressed through to the Australian Championships which will be held in Melbourne in June. Good Luck!



Regards,
Mrs Cathy Vogt
Co-ordinator



Fundraising

Easter Raffle

Our Easter hat parade and raffle was a great success. We raised \$480.00. A very sincere thanks to Leonie Bright, Tracy Miller, Heather Broomham, Maryanne Moran, Krystal Stubbings, & Amber Hart for organising and preparing the raffle.

Mother's Day

Our next event will be the Mother's Day stall in early May. Watch out for more details.

Naplan

Attention parents and guardians of students in Years 3 and 5. In week 3 of Term 2 from **May 9 to May 11 inclusive** Years 3 & 5 students will be sitting for the National tests in Literacy and Numeracy called NAPLAN.

Please ensure your child is at school and on time for these three days. If you have any queries or concerns, please contact Mrs Mary Kelly via the school office.



Tuesday 9 May	Wednesday 10 May	Thursday 11 May
Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) Writing	Reading	Numeracy

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors.

Friday 12th May – A 'catch up' day is scheduled for Students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

LIBRARY NEWS

Premier's Reading Challenge 2017

Please note that the Challenge has commenced at Holy Family and that all children in school are participating. All classes are doing the Challenge assisted by their class room teachers. This includes our primary classes, Years 3-6. All classroom teachers have been issued with books which pertain to the Challenge and these books will be read as part of classroom activities.

For those children, in grades 3-6, who are competent readers, we encourage these children to have a go at completing the challenge independently. PRC Log sheets are available at the library for this purpose. Library staff will collect the sheets from time to time, before closing date, to enter the children's books onto the PRC website.

Closing date for the Challenge is August 25. This year we are hoping that most children in our school will actually qualify for the Challenge and receive a Certificate from the NSW Premier at the end of the year!

Janet A, Marie
Teacher Librarian

School Holidays

Term 1 finishes
Friday April 8th.

Term 2 begins on
Monday April 24th.

Principal's Morning Tea

Once a term we acknowledge the efforts of those children who consistently try to be responsible, to do the right thing and be the best they can be. These children were invited to a special morning tea with the Principal, John Spradbrow and presented with a certificate of appreciation.

Congratulations to the following students who were at the Principal's Morning Tea that took place today 6th April 2017.

Well Done!



KKD	Letayah Niumata
KKD	Laione Niumata
1M	Cruz Cavanough
1S	Sophia Apulu
2A	Alexis Munoz
2C	Ane Sitani
3D	Brandon Cheowiry
3V	Lilly Gibbons
4L	Lleyton Ritchie
4C	Thalia-Ruth Broomham
5F	Annabella Hanna
5F	Chloe Hart
6A	Kairaen Atera-Chapman
6W	Cameron Smith

The Learning Corner

Holiday Mathematics

School holidays are a great time to learn how Maths relates to the real world. Maths is everywhere!

Help your child prevent “holiday learning loss” by taking advantage of the many great opportunities to practice Maths naturally!

Below are a few ideas to get you started:

- Cooking can involve weighing, measuring, ordering, estimating, adding, multiplying ...
- Restaurants and shopping can involve money, number identification, estimating, adding, subtracting, division ...
- Parties can involve matching numbers of people to plates, cutlery, area of tables, estimation, multiplication ...
- Trips can involve time, distance, budgeting, speed, evaluating various routes, license plate games (e.g. adding or multiplying the numbers on the plate) ...
- Home projects can involve estimation, measuring, multiplication ... Gardening can involve measuring, counting, area, division...

Mrs Angela Alonzo
Stage 3 Coordinator

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Season of Easter

During this period of Lent how often do we think deeply about what Jesus asks of us? We may give up ice cream or some other luxury for the six weeks but do we really think deeply about the sacrifice of Jesus? Do we take time in our busy lifestyles to stop, reflect and pray and to think of the spiritual meaning of Lent? How can we help our children understand this sacrifice and become closer to God?

These links help explain the meaning of Lent for children.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IN0x9uWx_2s

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o8YAEXvjnmw>

Value of the Month **COMPASSION**

Students have been asked to perform two acts of kindness each day. They reflect on this in the afternoon before home time.

A great activity to try at home.

