Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for the lovely warm welcome I received on Monday. Whilst my stay is only short, I’m looking forward to experiencing the wonderful Holy Family Community. As I mentioned to the students on Monday, we learn something new every day and I am confident I will be constantly learning from your enthusiastic children and the dedicated teachers at Holy Family.

It was very sad to hear the news of the sudden death of Ms Kelly Ton, the mother of Dylan in Kindergarten. As a community we pray together for Kelly, Dylan and their family. Our faith strengthens us during these difficult times and we can be comforted with the knowledge that Kelly Ton is in the care of our Loving Father in heaven.

Today we celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It is a time to give generously to those less fortunate than ourselves as we imitate the giving heart of Our Lord, Jesus.

Tomorrow we look forward to the School Athletics Carnival at Blair Oval. It is going to be a great day of competition, good sportsmanship and fun for all.

On Tuesday the teachers will be working hard on building their capacity as quality literacy teachers focusing on developing the students reading and comprehension skills during the staff development day. The children return to school on Wednesday of next week.

Blessings on you and your families.

Mr Philip Mahony
Acting Principal
Morning Assembly
Because of the building site we have not been having assemblies in the morning. We have decided to have assembly each Monday in the hall. During this assembly we will have our prayer, our acknowledgement of country, the National Anthem and all the birthdays for the week. Parents are very welcome to attend. We look forward to having the return of our normal daily assembly after our building is finished.
Sr Brenda

Staff Development Day
Our next staff development day will be held on Tuesday June 11. The teachers will be focusing on how literacy is being taught at Holy Family. There will be no school for the children.

Reports
Mid Year reports will be sent home on Monday June 17. If you do not receive your child's report on that day please contact the school office.

Parent/Teacher/Children Meeting June 24, 25 & 26
Reports will go home on Monday June 17. A note was sent home for families requesting a late interview on Tuesday 25th. If you request a late interview on this night please return signed note to the school office.

Sympathy
Our sincere sympathy to Leonie Bright (Tomika 4S) on the recent death of her Mother.
May she rest in peace.

Congratulations
We would like to congratulate the following children for preparing for and receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation on May 26.

Emmanuel Anyuon
Shantay Lavender
Benjamin Taulalai
Katalina Vave
Oscar Sultana
Siulolovao Vave
Augustino Mauu
Myia Vendrasco
Jasmine Dickson
Chloe Straub
Brock Hackett
Terence Vave
Gavin Gibson
Soane Tuimavave
Shanaya Donovan
Jayden Lavender
Faith Nimmo
Helen Tuimavave
Samuel Brooker
Jacob Borja
Keanu Amiatu
Jacob Luatuanuu
Ryan McNally
Amato Vave
Tyla Amiatu
Emma Wallis

We would also like to acknowledge the hard work and commitment of their families and the Parish, who have worked together to prepare these children for this sacrament.

May God bless these children and be with them at this special time in their lives as they grow in love and faith.
**Athletics Carnival**

Our annual Athletics carnival will be **Tomorrow Friday June 7 at Blair oval** (situated behind Ripples car park). Please ensure your child's permission slip has been given to the school office. If we do not have a permission slip they will not be able to go.

**Lost Property**

Lost property is a real problem at school. However there are many children who never lose their jackets, lunch boxes or hats so well done to these children. Please remind your children to look after their possessions. Some of them take off their jackets when they are hot but forget to go back to get them. Also, please make sure that their names are on everything. We do have situations where children misplace clothes that have names on them and unfortunately they do not return to their owners. Please check your children's clothes regularly to make sure that what they bring home belongs to them.

There are many jackets and hats at school which were left behind daily. Many of them have no names so please get your children to check if they are missing anything. Of course everything should be labelled. Please make sure your child's name is on his/ her clothing.

**Assembly**

Year 4 will lead us for assembly on **Friday June 14** at 2.15pm in the hall. All are welcome to attend.

**Cold or Flu Tips**

Common colds are usually caught from other people who have colds. Common colds can be passed on through touching hands or objects (e.g. tissues and toys) or by breathing in droplets from sneezes or coughs.

To help prevent the spread of colds, encourage children (and adults) to:

- Cover their mouth when coughing or sneezing and dispose of tissues in the bin
- Keep hands away from their eyes, nose and mouth
- Throw tissues away after blowing their nose
- Regularly wash and dry hands thoroughly with soap, particularly before eating food and after blowing their nose
- Avoid sharing cups, glasses and cutlery
- Where possible stay away from anyone who appears to be sick
- If your child has flu symptoms, please keep them at home.

See your doctor if you are concerned about your child’s health.

**Common colds** need common sense, they don’t need antibiotics. To find out why and for more information, go to the ‘parents & carers’ page of the common colds section of the NPS website at [http://nps.org.au/consumers](http://nps.org.au/consumers)
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**Dates for your Diary**

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| 7     | Feast of the Sacred Heart  
       | Athletics Carnival at Blair Oval |
| 10    | Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday - no school for children |
| 11    | Staff Development Day - no school for children |
| 14    | Assembly at 2:15pm - Year 4 |
| 17    | Reports go home |
| 24-26 | Parent/Teacher/Children Meetings |

**Sporting News - High Jumpers**

If there are any children who participate in High Jump at Little Athletics (8 years or older) and would like to opportunity to be considered to represent our school at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival, you must submit your little athletics book with a record of your best jump to Mrs Williams by **Friday June 14**.

**Enrolments**

ENROLMENTS for Kindergarten have now officially closed. Please remember that your child is not enrolled until you send in the form. Anybody who is on the waiting list will be considered for this position so please do not miss out because you have not returned the form. Having your child's name on our list is not enough.

**Captivate Showcase**

16 students in our Year 6 band will be performing at the Captivate Showcase on Monday 17th June at St Francis of Assisi, Glendenning. We wish them all good luck and congratulate them on their selection.

**School Holidays**

Term 2 finishes on **Friday June 28**

Term 3 begins on **Monday July 15**

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