

Holy Child Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

Issue ##, February 2021



Our school motto:  
Wisdom, Knowledge and Grace



# PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

MR ALAN SMITH

Dear Parents,

I would like to thank all the children who applied for our School Student Leadership positions at Holy Child. It was with great pleasure that I announced last week the Captains for 2021. They are as follows:



<b>Captains</b>	Vuong Le, Matelda Dawood
<b>Vice Captains</b>	Danh Pham, Jacob Jabbour
<b>Religion Captains</b>	Tracey Trinh, Guadalupe Dawood, Rui Exposto
<b>Wellbeing Captains</b>	Behnan Al-Bijwaie, Demiana Rofael, Michelle Yusap
<b>Blue (Knox) Captains</b>	Charbel Gorges, Jennifer Adam
<b>Green (Mannix) Captains</b>	Collin Stewart, Tony (Hoang) Nguyen
<b>Red (Chisholm) Captains</b>	Kristiyan Warda, Rotana Soya
<b>Yellow (MacKillop) Captains</b>	Jacinta (Bao Han) Pham, Johnathan Rofael

Our Student Leadership Team will be working to provide a number of opportunities for the school to have fun and provide some fund raising chances for 2021.

I also wanted to write about the choice of games for our children to play on computer, Xbox and PS 4,5 etc. Games are rated because of the children's brain development. Games over PG can give our children experiences of trauma. Games that have extreme violence, very offensive language or have sexual content are rated as R 18 years plus these game are not good for our students as they give very bad messages about how to behave and it is also against the law. The next rating is MA 15+ these games have a strong impact on younger children and only legal for people over 15 years, the content of these games have unacceptable levels of violence and sexual themes which are bad for our children's development and understanding.

The next M is less offensive but still not for children less than 15 years these games still have high levels of violence and sexual themes though aren't as graphic as the higher games. PG games are where the content would have a mild impact on children's development, thinking and behaviour, these games need parent to check if they are comfortable before children using them. Lastly the G games are for children to use in a less supervised way as the content is appropriate for children in primary school. Parents please remember we are working in partnership with each-other and need your support, because our children are using the content of these games and language in school to talk to their friends and teachers.

Please check this website for further information.

<https://www.classification.gov.au/classification-ratings/what-do-ratings-mean>

Thank you and God bless you all.

## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

MRS BERNADETTE VENABLES



Happy New Year! We are looking forward to a great year at Holy Child!

Thank you to all of the parents who joined our Google Meet "Get to Know You Chats". We appreciate the opportunity to speak with you about your child. As a Catholic School, we believe that parents are the first educators of their children. Working together, we can achieve great things.

### Education in Faith News

This year we will be celebrating the sacraments of Penance (Reconciliation) and First Eucharist with our parish. Notes were sent home to Catholic children (Latin Rite) in Year 3 and 4 yesterday. If your child did not receive a note, and you think they should have one, please contact Bernadette Venables.

### Important dates for the sacraments at Holy Child in 2021

#### **Sacrament of Penance (also known as the Sacrament of Reconciliation)**

Workshop for parents and children  
Wednesday 24 February - 6:30pm

Penance Commitment Masses  
Parish masses on Saturday 6 March or Sunday 7 March

Sacrament of Penance  
Wednesday 17 March - 6:30pm

#### **Sacrament of Eucharist (First Holy Communion)**

Eucharist Commitment Masses  
Parish masses on Saturday 31 July or Sunday 1 August

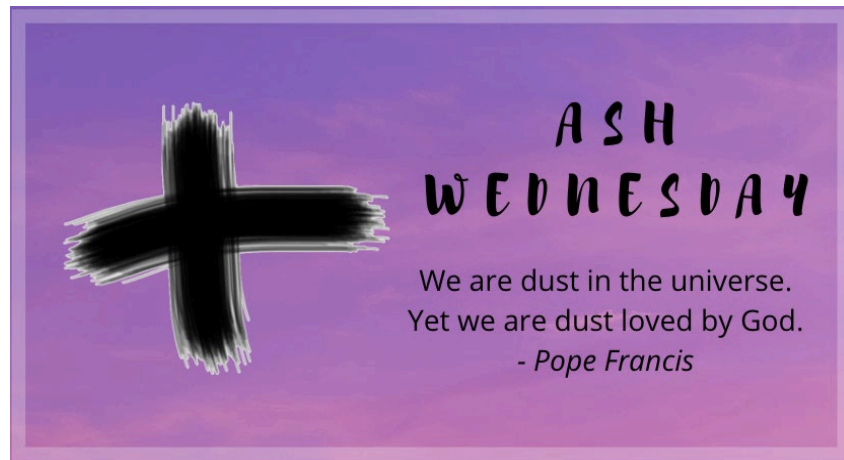
Workshops for parents and Children  
Wednesday 11 August - 6:30pm

Eucharist Reflection Day  
To Be Confirmed - for all candidates

Sacrament of Eucharist  
Sunday 29 August - 11:00am at Holy Child Church

This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will not be joining the parish for mass. Each class, however, will mark the beginning of Lent with a liturgy. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite parents to join us at this time.

Thank you for your understanding.



### General Reminders

A reminder to **call the school** if your child is absent. This is extremely important for the safety and wellbeing of your child. It is also important to remember that attendance at school every day, unless your child is unwell, is essential. Regular attendance at school sets your child up for learning success. Should your child be absent from school without a reason for more than 5 days in the year, a letter will be sent home asking for you to come in and speak with us about your child's attendance.

Thank you for continuing to drop your child at either the Blair Street or Corinella Crescent gates each morning from 8:40am. A reminder that **all students must be at school by 8:55am**. Learning begins at 9:00am.

Sincerely,  
Bernadette

## SCHOOL GROUND HOURS

GATES OPEN	8.30AM
GATES CLOSE	3.40PM

Children playing outside the school grounds, before and after school, are not supervised until 8.30am before school and up to 3.40pm after school. Many children are going to the Jack Culpin Car Park\Reserve and Gibbs Reserve, before and after school, to wait for their parents' drop-off and pick-up. We are not able to supervise your children in these areas.

Please ensure that your children are collected from the School Grounds in Area 1. If your child is not collected by 3.40pm they are to be collected from the Reception Foyer.

**BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE** is available, contact **Camp Australia** directly on 1300 105 343 or [oshc@campaustralia.com.au](mailto:oshc@campaustralia.com.au).

## EASY PLAN AHEAD LUNCH BOX IDEAS

Nutrition Australia says that "Packing a healthy school lunchbox will help children to learn and play well and be happy at school." For more information please see <https://heas.health.vic.gov.au/schools/healthy-lunchboxes>

## SUN SMART

Australia has one of the highest rates of skin cancer in the world.

In Victoria, from September through to the end of April, average UV levels are 3 and above, which is when UV radiation can damage skin and eyes and lead to skin cancer. When the UV Index is 3 and above:



1. **Slip** on sun-protective clothing
2. **Slop** on SPF30+, broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen - put it on 20 minutes before you go outdoors and every two hours afterwards
3. **Slap** on a hat - that protects your face, head, neck and ears
4. **Seek** shade
5. **Slide** on some sunglasses - make sure they meet Australian Standards.

Holy Child is a SunSmart School and we enforce



Children must wear the school hat during the break times at school.

*During warmer weather, DRINK MORE WATER*

As the weather warms up it is important that our children drink regularly.

Children will need a clearly named and refillable drink bottle.

**Please do not send food that needs re-heating. Due to health and safety, we are unable to heat children's food at school.**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>February</b>		
Tues and Wed	9-10	Optional 'Get to Know You interviews'
Wednesday	17	Ash Wednesday
<b>March</b>		
Monday	18	Labour Day
<b>April</b>		
Thursday	29	Photo Day

## 2021 FEES AND LEVIES

Yearly School Fees per family \$1,000.00 (\$250.00 per term for 4 terms)

Excursions / Sports / Tuition Levies \$ 200.00 per STUDENT

School fees and the Sports and Excursions Levies are due as follows: Excursions/ Sports/Tuition Levies \$200.00 per Student due by Thursday 29 April 2021

Term 1 Fees	\$250.00	due by Wednesday 24 March 2021	(If Term 1 fees are finalised by due date, a \$20 discount will be given)
Term 2 Fees	\$250.00	due by Wednesday 2 June 2021	(If Term 2 fees are finalised by due date, a \$20 discount will be given)
Term 3 Fees	\$250.00	due by Wednesday 26 August 2021	(If Term 3 fees are finalised by due date, a \$20 discount will be given)
Term 4 Fees	\$250.00	due by Wednesday 4 November 2021	(If Term 4 fees are finalised by due date, a \$20 discount will be given)

**Families, who finalise all 2021 school financial commitments (Fees & Levies) by Wednesday 24 March 2021, will receive a discount of \$100.00 off their fees.**

**Families who finalise each term's School Fees by that term's due dates, (as above) will receive a discount of \$20 off that term's fees.**

**If paying by instalments (weekly, fortnightly or monthly), please ensure that all payments are made regularly, to avoid large amounts owing in Term 4.**

**Payments can be made by direct debit, by the school on your behalf, or you can do thru your bank, or you can come into the office and pay cash or pay by credit card.**

### DIRECT DEBIT INCENTIVES

All fee payers who pay by **continuous** direct debit (including holidays) will receive the above discounts, if each term's fees are finalised by that term's due date.

As a bonus for Direct Debit payers, there is an extra \$50 discount given at the beginning of the following year if direct debits payments were **continuous** from the start of the previous school year.

العوائل التي انتهت كل دفعات المالية المدرسية (الدفعات والرسوم) لسنة 2021، قبل يوم الأربعاء 24 من آذار 2021، سوف تحصل على خصم \$100 من أجور الدفع. اما العوائل التي انتهت تسديد دفعات كل فصل دراسي في التواريخ المتوجب الدفع خلال الفصل كما مذكور اعلاه. سوف تحصل على خصم \$20 خلال ذلك الفصل الدراسي. اذا كان التسديد بالتقسيم (اسبوعيا، كل اسبوعين او شهريا). يرجى التأكد من تسديد الأقساط بشكل منتظم. وذلك لتجنب دفع مبلغ كبير في الفصل الدراسي 4.

### فوائد الخصم المباشر من الحساب المصرفي الخاص (DIRECT DEBIT)

لكل الذين يسددون الرسوم بأستمرار عن طريق السحب المباشر من حسابهم المصرفي (direct debit) حتى ضمن (أيام العطل) سوف يحصلون على الخصم المذكور اعلاه. اذا تم انتهاء تسديد الدفعات كل فصل دراسي في تاريخ المتوجب الدفع. كمكافأة للذين يسددون عن طريق السحب المباشر من حسابهم المصرفي. هناك خصم إضافي \$50 تعطى لهم في بداية السنة القادمة. إذا استمرت الدفعات عن طريق السحب المباشر من الحساب المصرفي من بداية السنة السابقة

## PARENTS / CARERS

Dear Parents/Carers,

A deposit was made through an ATM machine in Craigieburn to the school in January 2021.

Unfortunately, there was no detail as who made the deposit.

If you think you are the person who made this deposit, could you please contact me on 9309 1620 or via email [rchetcuti@hcdallas.catholic.edu.au](mailto:rchetcuti@hcdallas.catholic.edu.au).

Thank you.



# UNIFORM

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## UNIFORM ORDER FORM

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sex  F  M

Year Level \_\_\_\_\_

UNIFORM ITEMS	QTY	SIZE 4 -10	SIZE 4-10	SIZE 12-18	SIZE 12-18	MONEY ENCLOSED
School Windcheater			\$40.00		\$45.00	
School Jacket			\$45.00		\$50.00	
School Polo Top (S/S)			\$25.00		\$30.00	
School Polo Top (L/S)			\$30.00		\$35.00	
School Grey Long Trousers			\$45.00		\$50.00	
Girl's Summer Dress			\$50.00		\$55.00	
School Girl's Pleated Pants			\$45.00		\$50.00	
Grey Shorts			\$20.00		\$25.00	
School Hat			\$15.00		\$15.00	
School Beanie			\$15.00		\$15.00	
School Bag			\$40.00		\$40.00	
School Raincoat			\$55.00		\$55.00	
<b>Sports Uniform</b>						
School Navy Shorts			\$20.00		\$25.00	
School Track pants			\$40.00		\$45.00	
School Team Colour T-Shirt			\$20.00		\$25.00	

- Please return Order Form with cash in an envelope with your child
- Order will be filled and the uniform will be sent with your child

• يرجى إرجاع استمارة الطلب للزي المدرسي مع النقود في ظرف مع طفلك ( لا يتوفر EFTPOS )  
• سيتم تعبئة الطلب وسيتم إرسال الزي المدرسي مع طفلك.

- Vui lòng trả lại Mẫu đơn đặt hàng, và gửi bằng tiền mặt, trong một phong bì với con của bạn (không có sẵn EFTPOS)
- Đơn hàng sẽ được sắp xếp và đồ đồng phục sẽ được gửi cùng với con bạn



## **Before School Care and After School Care is available at Holy Child every school day**

### **Regular Bookings**

Before School Care is available from 6.30 am to 8.45 am and **costs \$2.40** after Child Care Subsidy is applied.

After School Care is available from 3.20 pm to 6.00pm and **costs \$3.30** after Child Care Subsidy is applied.

### **Casual Bookings**

Before School Care is available from 6.30 am to 8.45 am and **costs \$2.85** after Child Care Subsidy is applied.

After School Care is available from 3.20 pm to 6.00pm and **costs \$3.75** after Child Care Subsidy is applied.

You need to register your child once before you use the service. Please call the school office, leave your name with Reception and someone will call you back to assist with registering your child.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

# COMMUNITY HUB

## TERM 1- 2021 PROGRAMS

You are invited to participate in a variety of onsite classes in Term 1. You may find all the commencement dates in the table below.

Class	Commencement Date		Time
Computer Class	Monday	8 Feb	9.15am -11.15am
English Conversation Class	Tuesday	16 Feb	9.15am -12.15pm
Playgroup	Tuesday	9 Feb	9.30am- 11.30am
Sewing Class	Tuesday	9 Feb	1.00pm - 3.00pm
English Class	Wednesday	10 Feb	9.30am-12.30pm
Cooking Class	Thursday	11 Feb	9.30am -12.30pm
Playgroup	Thursday	11 Feb	9.30am- 11.30am
English Class	Friday	12 Feb	9.30am- 11.30am
Barista Training Course	Monday and Tuesday	22 March 23 March	9.30am -3.15pm

There is limited space available in order for us to adhere to COVID-19 safety measures.

If you are interested in any of the above classes, please contact Van Bui to register

Phone: 9306 1620 on Tuesday & Thursday Email:  
[vbui@hcdallas.catholic.edu.au](mailto:vbui@hcdallas.catholic.edu.au)





KOLBE CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Lysterfield Drive, Greenvale

# COLLEGE TOUR

Tuesday 9 February at 5.30pm

We are **delighted** to invite you to **visit** our College.

This is a great **opportunity** for you to meet the **Principal** and see how we provide our **students** with opportunities to **strive to be their best**.

## REGISTER NOW

via the College website [www.kolbecc.catholic.edu.au](http://www.kolbecc.catholic.edu.au)  
or for more information phone **8339 3060**

Now accepting applications for students commencing  
Year 7 in 2023.



**Ignite your  
passion  
for learning**



2021 TERM 1 DISCOVER MERCY

# Open Days



Meet our Principal, explore the facilities and chat with our students and staff.

Saturday 27 February 10:00am - 11:30am

Monday 1 March 9:30am and 6:00pm

Book your session now via the website

[mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au](http://mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au)

email [registrar@mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au](mailto:registrar@mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au)

phone 9319 9299

Applications for year 7 2023 are open

Limited places available for 2022



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**REGISTER  
NOW**

**KIDS IN THE  
KITCHEN**

**TERM 1  
2021**

## **AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN IN GRADE 4, 5 AND 6**

In this after school cooking enrichment program your child will make tasty recipes from scratch, learn healthy food habits, kitchen skills and nutrition facts.

This is a 4 WEEK program commencing Thursday 25 February 2021.

**DATES:**

Thursday 25 February 2021  
Thursday 4 March 2021  
Thursday 11 March 2021  
Thursday 19 March 2021

**TIME:**

4.30pm - 5.30pm

**REGISTER ONLINE NOW**

<https://www.trybooking.com/BNSAX>

**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL**

**THERE IS NO COST FOR THIS  
PROGRAM**

For more information contact Kolbe Catholic College on 8339 3060



# KIDS HEALTH

What to do  
when a little one **IS SICK**

Join us for a **FREE ONLINE SESSION** on how to care for your 0-4 year old after hours. We will cover the top 10 most common illnesses.

**Time:** 60 mins

**Cost:** Free

Register via [www.asthma.org.au/kidshealth](http://www.asthma.org.au/kidshealth)

**FREE**  
Kids Health  
resource  
pack



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**Start the chat** about online safety to celebrate Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 9 February 2021.

Safer Internet Day is an opportunity to raise awareness about the safe and positive use of digital technology. It's also a good time to explore the role we can all play in creating a better online community.

This global campaign is celebrated by millions of people in 170 countries across the world.

Help us make every day a Safer Internet Day!

- Join our parent webinar [eSafety's guide to cyberbullying and online drama](#).
- Visit [esafety.gov.au/SID](https://esafety.gov.au/SID) for tips to start the chat at school, at home and in your community.



 **eSafety Commissioner**



[esafety.gov.au](https://esafety.gov.au)



### Active Splash Slide Night

Our monthly Slide Night falls on the last Friday of the month, 4pm-7pm and it's a perfect opportunity to get some friends together on a Friday after school before you slide into the weekend!

**Splash Aqua Park and Leisure Centre (SPLASH)**  
**\$5 per session**

### Active Water Groovers

Water Groovers is a specialised program for parents and carers of infants aged 6 months to 5 years. Sessions encourage fun while building water confidence in the water with songs and games. All sessions will be facilitated by a specialist teacher in our leisure pool and will focus on a specific topic each term.

#### Wednesday mornings

9.30am-10.30am (6 months-2 years)

10.30am-11.30am (2-5 years)

**Splash Aqua Park and Leisure Centre (SPLASH)**

\$8 per class paid on a school term basis - Parents/Carers are free.

\* Baby Cino for free on the day when you purchase a coffee.

### Hume Leisure Centres

**Broadmeadows Aquatic and Leisure Centre (BALC)**

41-85 Tanderrum Way, Broadmeadows

Phone: 9205 2670

**Sunbury Aquatic and Leisure Centre (SALC)**

20 Ligar Street, Sunbury

Phone: 9356 6820

**Splash Aqua Park and Leisure Centre (SPLASH)**

60 Central Park Avenue, Craigieburn

Phone: 9356 6800

### Booking & Payments

All enrollments and payments are to be paid at each leisure centre.



The graphic features a large yellow circle in the center with the text "HUME LEISURE CENTRES ACTIVE KIDS 2021". Surrounding the circle are six cartoon illustrations of children engaged in various activities: a girl splashing in water, a boy splashing in water, a girl holding a basketball, a boy doing a handstand, a girl doing a karate kick, and a girl in a yoga pose. At the bottom of the graphic are the logos for Broadmeadows Aquatic and Leisure Centre, Sunbury Aquatic and Leisure Centre, Splash Aqua Park and Leisure Centre, and Hume Leisure Centres.

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HOLY CHILD PRIMARY SCHOOL IS COMMITTED TO THE  
SAFETY, WELLBEING AND PROTECTION OF THE CHILDREN IN OUR CARE



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