

Holy Child Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Filipino

Welcome to this week's Newsletter.

Holy Child Primary School is the parish primary school of Dallas, which serves the suburbs of Coolaroo, Meadow Heights, Dallas, Upfield, Campbellfield and parts of Broadmeadows.

The Josephite Sisters established Holy Child Primary School, Dallas, in 1965 (Parish Reg). The Josephite ethos of pastoral care and community involvement are the hallmark of the Holy Child community.

St. Mary MacKillop, in full, Saint Mary Helen MacKillop, also called Saint Mary of the Cross, (born 15 January 1842, Melbourne , Victoria, Australia - died 8 August 1909, North Sydney , New South Wales , Australia and canonized 17 October 2010. St Mary MacKillop's Feast day is 8 August.

We are proud that Holy Child Primary was the first in Australia to start a children's Mary MacKillop group!

Let us show this love in our acts bearing with one another, forgiving and forgetting.

– Mary MacKillop
Australia's first Saint



Upcoming Events

Monday 13 March
Labour Day Holiday

Wednesday 15th March
NAPLAN commences for Year 3 & 5 students
NAPLAN Writing Test Year 3 & 5

Thursday 16th March
NAPLAN Reading Test Year 3 & 5

Friday 17th March
NAPLAN Conventions of Language Test Year 3 & 5
Scholastic Book Club orders due

Monday 20th March
NAPLAN Numeracy Test 3 & 5

Friday 17th March
St. Patrick's Day

Wednesday 5 April
End of Term Family Liturgy - Parish Mass time

Student led Learning Conferences
3.45 - 6.00pm
All students to attend online learning conferences
Prep Families will participate in phone conversations

Thursday 6 April
Holy Thursday
Term 1: Last Day, Student Free

Student Led Learning Conferences,
8.45- 1.00pm
All students to attend online learning conferences
Prep Families will participate in phone conversations

Friday 7 April
Good Friday

A MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Dear Holy Child Community,

I share this 'Lenten Litany' with you and thank you all for your prayers and support over the last few weeks with the passing of our colleague, friend and much treasured staff member, Mrs Melina Alessi. It is in these difficult times that we are reminded of the importance of caring and supporting each other.

The number of families who have contacted me through the See-saw App, in support of our staff has been overwhelming and I would like to acknowledge your messages and prayers. Melina was a dedicated and hardworking staff member, who had a passion for education, ignited a love of learning in her students and had an infectious smile and personality. Melina will be sorely missed by all of us.

Vale Melina Alessi - we were so blessed to have you with us at Holy Child.

May she rest in God's loving arms,

Guy Toomey
Deputy Principal / Religious Education Leader

REMINDERS

It is important that your child arrives at school on time. This means no later than 8:45 am so they can be in the classroom to begin learning at 8:50 am. Please do not make private appointments during the school day because your child needs to be attending school.

This is of particular importance for our Year 3 and Year 5 students next week who will be completing the Australia wide NAPLAN testing. This is testing that our government uses to track the standard of education in our country. Information about our school and your child is then collected and given to us and you will also receive a summary of your child's results.

The areas of testing are Reading, Writing, Language Conventions and Mathematics. At Holy Child we encourage students to achieve their best knowing that we use data we collect every single day to teach each child to their individual point of need. Again, if you ever have any questions about how your child is going then please make an appointment to see your child's classroom teacher.

Thank you and God Bless.

Guy Toomey
Deputy Principal / Religious Education Leader



School begins 8:45am sharp



Lunch 10:50am to 11:40am



Recess 1:40pm to 2:15pm



School ends 3:20pm

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.

SUNSMART

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 **NO HAT NO PLAY.**

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

FOOD AND DRINK

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.

During cooler weather

As the weather cools, ensure children are appropriately dressed for cold rainy days and if they are wearing a beanie or gloves that they are navy blue or black.

Beanies are available for purchase at the School.



BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

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.

You need to register before you can use the service.

If you are interested, contact Camp Australia on 1300 105 343 or oshc@campaustralia.com.au

A Lenten Litany



When loved ones experience pain and suffering.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When illness, aging or chronic pain diminish our joy.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When doubts arise and confusion fills our minds.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When others fail us or refuse to forgive us for our failings.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When we stumble and stray from the path of goodness.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When death separates us from those we love dearly.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When financial problems threaten our security.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When things do not go the way we planned.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When depression or loneliness return again and again.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When broken relationships seem unamendable.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When our faith strengthens and gives us courage.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When the precious gift of life is recognised and appreciated.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When unexpected kindness and caring comes our way.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When optimism stirs in our heart and springtime returns.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When the peace of Christ calms our anxiety and softens our sadness.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When we realize that our loving presence can make a difference.
Remind us that your love is with us.

When the joy of Easter quietly permeates our heart.
Remind us that your love is with us.

Dear Lord, Father of us all,

Thank you for today,

your protection and your love.

**Help us to focus our hearts and minds on what
we are about to learn.**

**In the spirit of humility we are grateful for this
opportunity.**

Inspired by Your Holy Spirit

to listen with our hearts,

Wonder with our minds.

To discover this awesome World all around.

AMEN

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD

Class	Student of the Week <i>and</i> Reason
Prep AM	Joseph El Zein for always using his amazing manners at school and making everyone feel welcome as a collaborative learner. Well done Joseph!
Prep RR	Nila Moradi for demonstrating persistence and always trying her best at school. Keep up the fantastic work Nila!
Year One JC	Prisha Pathak for her determination and persistence throughout all manners of her learning. Keep up the amazing work.
Year One CY	Nicolas Alqs Eshaq for completing all his school work. Nicolas is a quiet and respectful member of our class. He helps other class members with their learning by contributing to our class discussions.
Year Two EM	Marvin Mansour for showing enthusiasm and persistence in his writing, your stories are very creative and interesting to read, you work very hard in this time. Keep up the great effort!
Year Two SB	Meron Yousif - Well Done Meron on your fantastic narrative writing! Your stories have been very creative. You have demonstrated great persistence and have had a 'ready to learn' attitude. Keep up the good work Meron!
Year Three/Four SS	Aleen Alwansi for demonstrating persistence across all areas of her learning and being a caring and respectful member of our class. Well done Aleen, and keep up the great work!
Year Three/Four SW	Isabella Kassyr for demonstrating great skills in Narrative and persuasive writing. Congratulations also to your dedication to home learning. Well done Isabella! .
Year Three/Four EC	Lana Alqas Ishaq for always completing her work to the best of her ability and challenging herself. Lana has been a great listener and respectful student in my class. Keep up the fantastic work!
Year Five/Six JR	Isabelle Hena for her persistence with her persuasive writing. Isabelle, you worked your way through all of the writing process independently and created a fantastic persuasive text. Congratulations.
Year Five/Six MM	Alexandria Marcilang for making a fantastic start to her learning at Holy Child School, Congratulations Alexandria!
Year Five/Six CM	Gabrial Shamon for always being a supportive classmate who shows kindness to to others
Year Five/Six DS	France Koria for acting responsibly and making a really great start to year 6. Well done France!
Visual Arts	Ronaldo Hena for being a respectful learner. He listens in Art and works well with his peers. Great work Ronaldo. Well done!

6 HAPPINESS BOOSTERS!!

KEEN TO UNLOCK A GOOD MOOD and FEEL BETTER IN MINUTES?

Try one of these expert approved hacks to help you feel more positive about each day.

1. Indulge in a short term pleasure, such as watching your favourite TV show, go out for dinner, give yourself permission to turn off!



2. When nature calls, follow; walk on the beach, visit the local park, and hear bird calls while walking nature trails!

3. Make connections, catch up with a friend and have a laugh, enjoy quality conversations with others!



4.



Variety is the spice of life; it's time to shake things up, pick a new cafe for your morning coffee, experiment with a fresh recipe for dinner, switch up your routine!

5.

Happy people are well-rested people. If you struggle to get your ZZZs, listen to some green noise found in nature like waves crashing, reading a book in bed has shown to help with sleep, don't look at screens before sleeping.



6.



Dance like no one's watching, pull your shoulders back and throw your arms up in the air, sway from side to side or bounce to the beat of the music.

Australia's Best Teachers

News Corp has launched its 'Australia's Best Teachers' campaign and Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS) is a major partner.

Australia's Best Teachers aims to recognise the wonderful work of those in the profession by celebrating our most inspirational and innovative educators.

The campaign calls on Australians to nominate the great teachers who have, and have had, an incredible impact on our students and all of our lives. A panel of expert judges will then select and announce the top 50 teachers on Saturday 6 May 2023.

We have some great teachers at Holy Child Primary School and I would like to encourage the entire school community to contribute nominations via the [Herald Sun website](https://www.heraldsun.com.au/news/australias-best-teachers-news-corp-series-to-recognise-inspirational-teachers/news-story/7f3boccc1f8c2bdf4a7c56814c56b995).

أطلقت وكالة كورب الإخبارية (Corp) حملتها بعنوان " أفضل المعلمون في استراليا ". حيث تعد المدارس الأبرشية الكاثوليكية في ملبورن (MACS) الشريك الرئيسي للوكالة.

تهدف حملة "أفضل المعلمون في أستراليا" إلى تقدير العمل الرائع الذي يقوم به المعلمون في هذه المهنة من خلال الاحتفال بالمعلمين الأكثر إلهامًا وابتكارًا لدينا.

تدعو الحملة الأستراليين إلى ترشيح المعلمين العظماء الذين كان وما زال لهم تأثير مذهل على طلابنا وكل حياتنا. تم ستقوم لجنة من المحكمين الخبراء باختيار أفضل 50 مدرسًا وإعلان عنهم يوم السبت 6 أيار 2023.

لدينا بعض المعلمين الرائعين في مدرسة هولي جايلد الابتدائية ونود أن نشجع مجتمع المدرسة بأكمله على المساهمة بالتوصيات عبر موقع هيرالد صن الإلكتروني.

<https://www.heraldsun.com.au/news/australias-best-teachers-news-corp-series-to-recognise-inspirational-teachers/news-story/7f3boccc1f8c2bdf4a7c56814c56b995>

News Corp đã phát động chiến dịch 'Giáo viên giỏi nhất nước Úc' và Trường Công giáo Tổng giáo phận Melbourne (MACS) là một đối tác chính.

Australia's Best Teachers nhằm mục đích công nhận công việc tuyệt vời của những người trong nghề bằng cách tôn vinh những nhà giáo dục sáng tạo và truyền cảm hứng nhất của chúng ta.

Chiến dịch kêu gọi người Úc đề cử những giáo viên tuyệt vời, những người đã và đang có tác động đáng kinh ngạc đối với học sinh và toàn bộ cuộc sống của chúng ta. Sau đó, một ban giám khảo gồm các chuyên gia sẽ chọn và công bố 50 giáo viên hàng đầu vào thứ Bảy ngày 6 tháng 5 năm 2023.

Chúng tôi có một số giáo viên tuyệt vời tại Trường tiểu học Holy Child và tôi muốn khuyến khích toàn bộ cộng đồng nhà trường đóng góp các đề cử thông qua trang [web](https://www.heraldsun.com.au/news/australias-best-teachers-news-corp-series-to-recognise-inspirational-teachers/news-story/7f3boccc1f8c2bdf4a7c56814c56b995) Herald Sun.



Hub

On Thursday 2 March, Holy Child hosted visitors in our 'Adult Learning Community Hub.' Representatives from the Immigration Department, Food Bank, Berry St and the Hippy Program joined parents and school leaders. Morning tea was provided by our wonderful Holy Child parents (in the Hub cooking class) and it allowed an opportunity to showcase the work that we do with families here at Holy Child. When your child is enrolled at Holy Child Primary school it is a partnership between your family and the school. If you are interested in finding out more about our free cooking classes, English classes or any other program then please contact Ms Melissa Young and Mrs Van Bui.



Cultural Diversity Week 2023



11-21 March 2023

The 2023 Cultural Diversity Week theme is *Our Past. Our Future: Celebrating and reflecting on the contributions of Victoria's multicultural communities*. The theme invites Victorians of all ages and backgrounds to reflect on multicultural Victoria's long history and celebrate its bright future.



NOTICES



Guiding children's growth

Outside School Hours Care at Holy Child Primary School - Dallas

At Camp Australia, we provide tailored enrichment to children before school, after school and on their holidays. Our engaged educators foster a safe, inclusive environment where the children can relax, have fun and grow.

To find out more information on Holy Child Primary School - Dallas's fees and policies, visit <https://www.campastralia.com.au/schools/details/A3E3>



Fees accurate as of February, 2023

Fees and Times

Program	Times	Recurring (full Fee)	Recurring (after max. CCS*)	Casual (full Fee)	Casual (after max. CCS*)
Before School Care	06:45 AM - 08:45 AM	\$20.66	\$3.10	\$23.66	\$6.10
After School Care	03:15 PM - 06:00 PM	\$28.34	\$4.25	\$31.34	\$7.25

Program	Times	Early (full Fee)	Early (after max. CCS*)	Late (full Fee)	Late (after max. CCS*)
Rocketeers Vacation Care	06:30 AM - 06:00 PM	\$60.00	\$9.00	\$70.00	\$19.00

Casual Bookings

Casual Booking notice: none
Casual Cancellation notice: 2 days in advance
No minimum number of bookings

Rocketeers Late Booking Fee

Late booking fee applies if a booking is made with less than 7 day's notice. Bookings made at least 7 days in advance of the session day are charged the early fee.

Child Care Subsidy* (CCS)

The Child Care Subsidy can provide up to 85% off your fees. Your eligibility is determined by your family's annual adjusted taxable income, the type of childcare you use, and your activity level. To find out if you're eligible, contact Centrelink on 13 61 50.

Recurring Bookings

Recurring Booking notice: 48 hours in advance
Recurring Cancellation notice: 7 calendar days in advance
Minimum number of 2 bookings made at the same time, as recurring booked days over 2 or more weeks.

Sick child? No charge

No matter the cancellation rules, we operate a standing policy that there is no charge for a sick child. Simply let us know when cancelling a booking outside the cancellation window, provide a doctor's certificate and there will be no fee charged.

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OSHC.

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at Mercy College

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AN EXCITING 4 WEEK COOKING PROGRAM THAT WILL SPARK CREATIVITY AND NEW LEARNING EXPERIENCES.

When: Tuesday 14, 21, 28 March and Tuesday 4 April 2023

Time: 4.00pm - 5.00pm

Where: Mercy College, 760 Sydney Road, Coburg 3058



Cost: \$20.00

**Register via the QR code or visit
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**For further information, please
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