

# Holy Child Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

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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

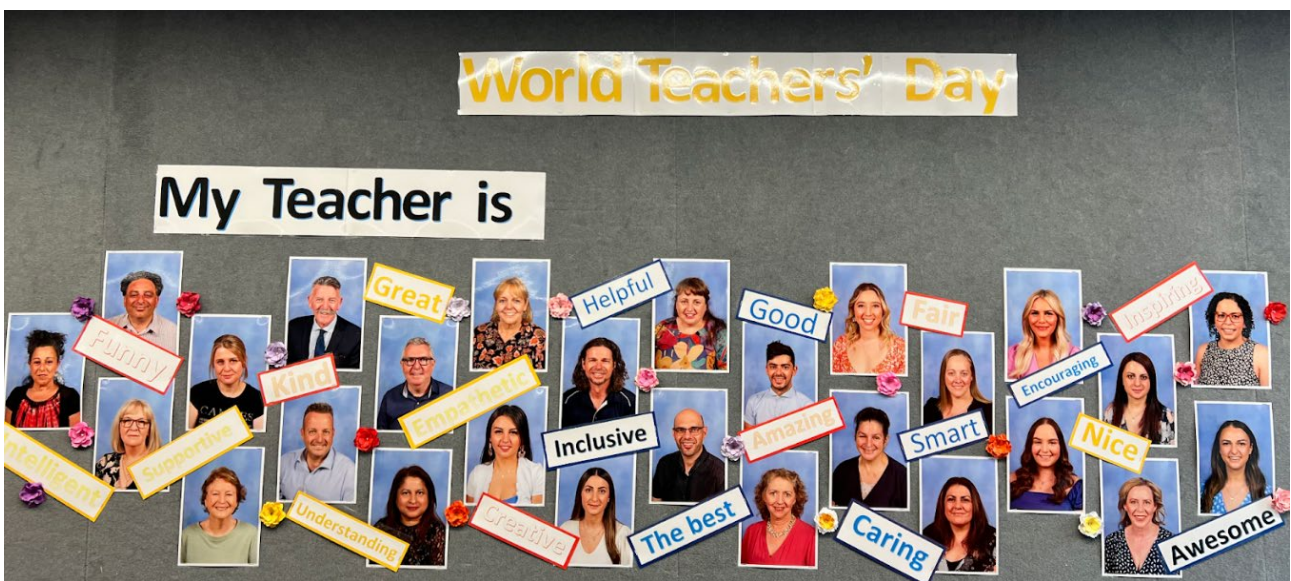
Wednesday 18 October  
Prep Local Community Excursion

## A MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to Term Four!

I trust that you all had a relaxing holiday break and were able to enjoy some of the warm and beautiful weather experienced during the holiday time.

Thursday 5 October was 'World Teachers' Day'. World Teachers' Day is held annually on 5 October to celebrate all teachers around the globe. We thank all our teachers at Holy Child for their commitment, hard work, and dedication to our students. This is a picture taken of a display we have in the Year 5/6 building of our wonderful teachers and written words from selected students telling why our teachers are special.....



God bless you all and it is so good to see everyone back so safe and happy.

Regards,

Guy Toomey  
(Acting Principal/Religious Education and Faith Leader)

# NOTICES

GATES OPEN 8:30AM  
GATES CLOSE 3:40PM



**School begins** 8:45am sharp



**Lunch** 10:50am to 11:40am



**Recess** 1:40pm to 2:15pm



**School ends** 3:20pm

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.





## 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.campaustralia.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.

Your  
OSHC.

Book now: [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)



Details of all fees, terms and conditions are available at [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)  
 Need Help? Our Customer Care Team are available 5am-9pm AEST on 1300 105 343

# Free English Classes for Adults

## Lớp học tiếng Anh miễn phí cho người lớn

### دروس اللغة الإنكليزية المجانية للكبار



Where: Holy Child's Community Hub 227 Blair Street, Dallas

When: **Every Friday** 9:00 am – 11:00am

Please sign up at this admin window or ask to talk to hub worker

المكان: المركز الاجتماعي للمدرسة 227 Blair Street, Dallas

الوقت: كل يوم جمعة من الساعة ٩:٠٠ صباحًا - ١١ صباحًا

يرجى تسجيل الحضور عند استعلامات المدرسة أو التحدث إلى موظفي المركز

اجتماعي Hub

Địa điểm: Trung tâm cộng đồng của Holy Child 227 Phố Blair, Dallas

Thời gian: Thứ Sáu hàng tuần 9:00 sáng - 11:00 sáng

Vui lòng đăng ký tại cửa sổ quản trị này hoặc yêu cầu nói chuyện với nhân viên trung tâm



Visit Melissa and Van in the Hub!  
or 0478-544-193  
myoung@hcdallas.catholic.edu.au







# Play Group Chơi nhóm اللعب الجماعي



Chơi nhóm tạo cơ hội cho cha mẹ chơi và tham gia cùng con cái của họ. Đây là cơ hội để chia sẻ kinh nghiệm, ý tưởng và hỗ trợ lẫn nhau. Nó giúp trẻ bắt đầu những năm học đầu đời.

## Chơi nhóm

Thứ Ba 9:30 sáng - 11:30 sáng

## Nhóm chơi được hỗ trợ

Thứ Năm 9:30 sáng - 11:30 sáng

- Giới thiệu là cần thiết cho chương trình này. Vui lòng liên hệ với nhân viên trung tâm để đăng ký thông tin

تتيح مجموعة اللعب الجماعي الفرصة للاهالي في مشاركة أطفالهم في اللعب وتبادل الخبرات والأفكار ودعم بعضهم بعضاً. كما يساعد الأطفال على البدء بسنوات التعلم المبكرة.

## مجموعة اللعب الجماعي

الثلاثاء من الساعة ٩:٣٠ صباحاً - ١١:٣٠ صباحاً

## مساعدة اللعب الجماعي

الخميس من الساعة ٩:٣٠ صباحاً - ١١:٣٠ صباحاً

- الإحالة مطلوبة للمشاركة في البرنامج. يرجى التواصل مع موظفي المركز الاجتماعي للتسجيل وتقديم المعلومات الخاصة

Playgroup gives the chance for parents to play and get involved with their children. It's an opportunity to share experiences, ideas and to support one another. It helps children to start off their early learning years.

## Play Group

Tuesday 9:30am - 11:30am

## Supported Playgroup

Thursday 9:30am - 11:30am

- Referral is required for this program. Please contact the hub workers for sign up information



# Make Up Course

**Thought about studying  
beauty?**

**Once a week for 4 weeks**

**Time 9.30am - 12.30pm**

**100%  
FREE**



**SIGN UP NOW**

**OR ASK A QUESTION**

**9309-1620 Ask to speak to the Hub**  
[myoung@hcdallas.catholic.ed.au](mailto:myoung@hcdallas.catholic.ed.au)  
[vbui@hcdallas.catholic.ed.au](mailto:vbui@hcdallas.catholic.ed.au)



Local foster care agency, OzChild is looking for families who might be interested in opening their homes, and their hearts to provide local kids with forever homes.



*Could you care*

## for a child in your home?

Local foster care agency, OzChild is looking for families who might be interested in opening their homes and their hearts to provide local kids with short or long-term care.

To learn more about becoming a foster carer with OzChild visit [ozchild.org.au](https://www.ozchild.org.au)



We recently learnt from local foster care agency, OzChild, that they are on a desperate search for individuals and families in Melbourne's western suburbs to consider becoming foster carers.

According to OzChild, there are children as young as eight who are currently living in group homes, with other children they don't know, and of varying ages, supervised by youth workers rather than having the attention of parental figures.

The agency is hoping to hear from anyone in a position to provide a child in Melbourne's west with stability, permanency, and love. With an increasing number of local children in need of forever homes, the organisation has reached out to us to put a callout for families who can help.

In Victoria there are almost 10,000 kids in care, some live with close family or next of kin, but many are placed into foster care. In fact, there might even be a child in your child's class who has, or still does live with a foster carer. Imagine the impact we could have as a school community if even a few families decide to become foster carers. We could offer a lifeline to children in need, giving them the chance to thrive academically, emotionally, and socially. Your decision to become a foster parent could shape the trajectory of a child's life and create a brighter future for generations to come.

Without the stability of a family home many kids become disconnected from school and the community leading to a lifetime of disadvantage. Foster carers play a pivotal role in providing children with a sense of belonging and the opportunity to thrive.



Carers receive initial training and ongoing education, along with financial assistance and access to a network of professionals and a village of carers who are there for one another, offering support and guidance, especially for new carers.

OzChild ensures that foster carers have the tools and resources they need to succeed, including access to school drop off and pickup services, babysitter reimbursements, school holiday programs and allowances to ensure caring for a child or young person can fit in with your personal circumstances.

In addition, regular support groups and respite care options are available to help foster carers navigate the challenges and celebrate the joys of fostering.

Becoming a foster carer is a profound commitment that can change lives forever. Many foster parents find that fostering enriches their family life and teaches their children invaluable life lessons about empathy, kindness, and understanding.

To learn more about becoming a foster carer with OzChild interested individuals are encouraged to visit [www.ozchild.org.au](http://www.ozchild.org.au). The organisation's dedicated team is ready to provide information, answer questions, and guide potential foster carers through the application process.



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Homecrafts  
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# SAVE THE DATE



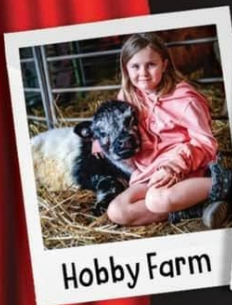
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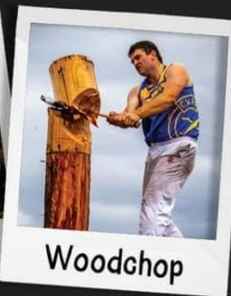
SAT 4TH & SUN 5TH  
NOVEMBER 2023

FAMILY FUN, ENTERTAINMENT & ATTRACTIONS

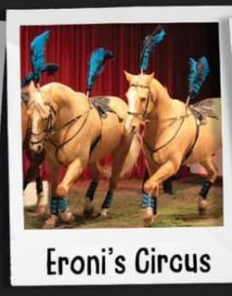
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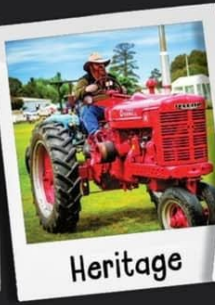
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Woodchop



Eroni's Circus



Heritage



Family Fun