

WELCOME TO OUR

Newsletter

we're so glad you're here!

A Little History ...

*Our School Motto
Wisdom Knowledge and Grace*

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!



Wominjeka
Indigenous

Hello
English

أهلا
Arabic

Yiasas
Greek

Bongu
Maltese

Kudua
Dinka

Kamusta
Filipino

Namaste
Indian

Xin-chào
Vietnames

Ciao
Italian

Merhaba
Turkish

Ayubowan
Sri-Lankan

مرحب
Arabic

Hola
Spanish

School Saving Bonus: Help for Parents with Camps, Sports, and Excursions

We are excited to share some great news for eligible families! The Victorian Government has introduced a School Saving Bonus to help parents pay for school camps, sports, and excursions. This bonus is part of the Camps, Sports, and Excursions Fund (CSEF), which aims to ease the financial burden for families.

If you're eligible, the bonus will be applied to your CSEF account, making it easier to ensure your child can participate in these valuable school experiences. It's a great way to support your child's education and involvement in extracurricular activities! To find out if your family qualifies and how to apply, please visit the school's office or contact us for more information. Don't miss out on this opportunity to give your child the chance to join in all the fun and learning activities this year!

Coming Up

NOVEMBER

Monday 4

No School

Tuesday 5

Public Holiday - Melbourne Cup

29 November

No School - Staff Planning Day

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Picking up children early



Dear Parents / Guardians / Carers,

Due to staff shortages, we strongly discourage you from collecting your children during these break times:

- first break, which is between 11am until 11.40am
- second break, which is between 1.40 pm until 2.20pm
- after 3:00 pm, unless it is an emergency.

Please note that if you do show up during break times, you will need to wait until children return to their classrooms.

Please understand that staff will be unable to help you until the children have returned to their classrooms.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Alan Smith,
Principal



SAVE THE DATE

Christmas
Carols



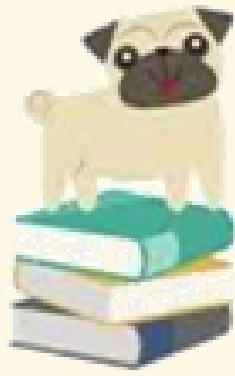
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Holy Child Primary School



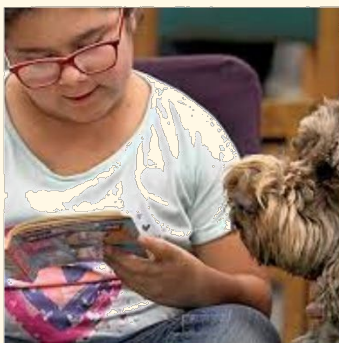
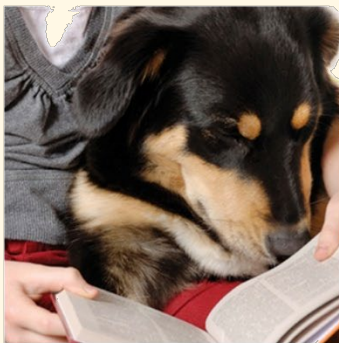


TALES FOR TAILS

Meet us at Lort Smith Animal Hospital Campbellfield
Address: 25-35 Berwick Rd, Campbellfield VIC 3061

Looking for an exciting way to promote your child's interest in and love of reading? Lort Smith Animal Hospital is offering the opportunity to read to and interact with cats, supported by Broadmeadows Library. Research shows that reading to animals improves confidence and motivation, and your child will love spending time on the "catio". Bring your favourite book or choose from our selection.

Book on our events page: [Tales for Tails | Hume Libraries](#)





Enrol now for 2025

at Holy Child Kindergarten

Located at Holy Child Primary School

- Free 15-hour kindergarten programs for 3 and 4-year-old children
- Newly constructed facilities & playground
- High-quality early learning
- Smooth transition to school



Call 9306 1662 or scan the QR code to enrol. Application forms are also available at the school office.



- office@nseyc.org.au
- nseyc.org.au
- facebook.com/nseyc



Enrolment information in community languages

Arabic

قم بالتسجيل لعام 2025 في روضة الطفل المقدس الموجودة في مدرسة الطفل المقدس الابتدائية. برامج رياض أطفال مجانية مدتها 15 ساعة للأطفال بعمر 3 و4 سنوات. مراقب وملاعب متطورة حديثاً. تعليم متفكر عالي الجودة. الانتقال السلس إلى المدرسة. للتسجيل اتصل بمكتب NSEY على الرقم 9306 1662. أو اسح رمز الاستجابة السريعة ضوئياً.

Urdu

بولی چائلڈ پرائمری اسکول میں واقع بولی چائلڈ کنڈرگارٹن میں 2025 کے لیے انٹراچ کریں۔ 3 اور 4 سالہ کے بچوں کے لیے مفت 15 گھنٹے کنڈرگارٹن پروگرام۔ نئی ای گریڈ شدہ سہولیات اور کھول کے حیدات۔ اعلیٰ معیار کے ابتدائی تعلیم۔ اسکول میں ہجوار منتقلی۔ انٹراچ کے لیے NSEY آفس کو 1662 9306 پر کال کریں۔ یا QR کوڈ اسکین کریں۔

Turkish

Kutsal Çocuk İlköğretim Okulu'nda bulunan Kutsal Çocuk Anaokuluna 2025'e kaydolun. 3 ve 4 yaşındaki çocuklar için 15 saatlik ücretsiz anaokulu programları. Yeni iyileştirilmiş tesisler ve oyun alanları. Yüksek kaliteli erken öğrenme. Okula sorunsuz geçiş. Kayıtlamak için 9306 1662 numaralı telefandan NSEY ofisini arayın veya QR kodunu tarayın.

Punjabi

ਹੋਲੀ ਚਾਈਲਡ ਪ੍ਰਾਇਮਰੀ ਸਕੂਲ ਵਿਖੇ ਸਥਿਤ ਹੋਲੀ ਚਾਈਲਡ ਵਿੰਡਰਗਾਰਟਨ ਵਿਖੇ 2025 ਲਈ ਦਾਖਲਾ ਲਓ। 3 ਅਤੇ 4 ਸਾਲ ਦੇ ਬੱਚਿਆਂ ਲਈ ਮੁਫਤ 15-ਘੰਟੇ ਦੇ ਵਿੰਡਰਗਾਰਟਨ ਪ੍ਰੋਗਰਾਮ। ਨਵੀਆਂ ਅੱਪਗ੍ਰੇਡ ਕੀਤੀਆਂ ਸਹੂਲਤਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਖੇਡ ਦੇ ਮੈਦਾਨ। ਉੱਚ-ਗੁਣਵੱਤਾ ਦੀ ਸਰੂਹਾਤੀ ਸਿਖਲਾਈ। ਸਕੂਲ ਵਿੱਚ ਨਿਰਥਿਪਨ ਰਖਵੀਲੀ। ਨਾਮ ਦਰਜ ਕਰਵਾਉਣ ਲਈ NSEY ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਨੂੰ 9306 1662 'ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ, ਜਾਂ QR ਕੋਡ ਨੂੰ ਸਕੈਨ ਕਰੋ।












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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
A M	<p>Supported Playgroup مجموعة ألعاب Nhóm chơi được hỗ trợ 9:30 - 11:30</p> 	<p>Playgroup مجموعة ألعاب Chơi nhóm 9:30 - 11:30</p> 	<p>Computer Class تعلم الكمبيوتر máy tính 9:15 - 12:15</p> 	<p>Cooking Class دروس تعلم الطبخ Lớp học nấu ăn 9:30 - 12:30</p> 	<p>Parent Helper Volunteer</p> <p>SIGN UP</p>
	<p>Family Support With Melissa دعم الأسره وانخفاض الخدمات Hỗ trợ gia đình 1:30 - 2:30</p> 	<p>English Class درس الأنكليزي Lớp tiếng Anh 9 - 12:00</p> <p> English ></p> <p>Sewing Alteration برنامج الخياطة وتصليح الملابس Sửa quần áo 1:30 - 3:00</p> 	<p>Hub Volunteers Wanted 1:30 - 2:30 School events Hub celebrations Creative projects Barista</p>	<p>Volunteers Cultural Day BBQ for students 24th Oct 1:45 - 2:20</p> <p>Wellbeing Session 31st Oct 12:30 - 1:30</p> <p>Welcome to the Hume Excursion 14th Nov 9 - 2:30</p> <p>Hub End-of-Year Excursion 5th Dec 9 - 2:30</p> <p>Hub Christmas Party 12th Dec 9:30 - 12:30</p>	<p>Classroom Helper</p>  <p>Excursions</p> 
P M					<p>Walk to Assembly Every 2 weeks 2:00</p> 
		<p>Parents Chat & Coffee يتحدث الآباء ويتناولون القهوة Chợ mẹ Trò chuyện và cà phê 2:30pm - 3:30pm</p> 			



ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATES OPEN 8:30AM

GATES CLOSE 3:40PM



School begins 8:45am sharp

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.



Lunch 10:50am to 11:40am



Recess 1:40pm to 2:15pm

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.



School ends 3:20pm

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:

- **Slip** on sun-protective clothing.
- **Slop on** SPF30+, broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen; put it on 20 minutes before you go outdoors and every two hours afterwards.
- **Slap** on a hat that protects your face, head, neck, and ears.
- **Seek** shade.
- **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.

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Holy Child Primary School is a Smoke-Free Zone





Before and After School Care

Dear Parents / Carers / Guardians,

In case of an emergency where your child requires before or after school care, you first need to register with Camp Australia. There are no costs involved until you need to use the service.

As a licensed childcare provider, all parents, carers or guardians are required to complete the mandatory registration for a child to attend their care. This registration is a legal requirement for Camp Australia to accept children into their care and provide them with all the necessary information they need so they can provide the best care for each child.


Registration is free and can be done online, via this [link](#) or contact them directly on 1300 105 343 or by email info@campaustralia.com.au.

Thank you.

2024 FEES

Holy Child Primary School - Dallas OSHC	Before School Care			After School Care		
	Term 1 2023	Term 1 2024	Diff	Term 1 2023	Term 1 2024	Diff
Parent Fee	\$20.66	\$23.20	\$2.54	\$28.34	\$31.80	\$3.46
Avg Net Parent Fee After CCS ¹	\$5.17	\$3.48	(\$1.69)	\$7.09	\$4.77	(\$2.32)
Net Parent Fee After Max CCS	\$3.10	\$2.32	(\$0.78)	\$4.25	\$3.18	(\$1.07)

Contact:

 1300 105 343

 info@campaustralia.com.au

 [Online registration](#)



VACCA
Connected by culture

START YOUR FOSTER CARE JOURNEY TODAY

Have you been thinking about becoming a Foster Carer?

Are you able to provide Aboriginal children with a positive and nurturing family life?

Are you excited to support a child's cultural and emotional needs?

VACCA is seeking carers who are open to a journey that is both challenging and rewarding.

If you've ever considered becoming a foster carer, now is the time to start your foster care journey.



Visit our website to find out more: www.vacca.org



FREE Toy Library

Roxburgh Park PS Community Hub
7-21 Almands ave, Roxburgh Park 3064

Tuesdays 9.30am to 10.30am
Thursdays 9.30am to 10.30am
1.00pm to 2.00pm



Register at
the Hub



Borrow toys to
take home



Exchange toys
for new ones

Toy Well is funded by the Trawalla Foundation and the Besen Family Foundation.

SPEECH BOX

SUPPORTING VOCABULARY

Vocabulary is all the words we know, understand, and use. We learn new words in two main ways: by hearing them and by reading them. Children can learn new words through talking and interacting with family, friends and at school and by reading storybooks together (Beck, McKeown, Kucan, 2013).



The importance of vocabulary

Research shows that a strong vocabulary is important for school success (McKeown, 2019). As children progress in school, they need to understand and use more complex words, including specific words for different subjects (e.g., science words like "organism" and "synthesis") and words that help explain what they need to do for assignments (e.g., "discuss," "explain," "define").

Practical ways to help your child grow their vocabulary:

Talk about word meanings

- Talk about new words your child hears. For example, if they hear the word "curious," explain that being curious means wanting to learn new things. You can write the word down, keep it on the fridge, and discuss it at the dinner table.

Use new words in sentences

- Encourage your child to make sentences with new words. For example, if the new word is "adventure," they can say, "We had an exciting adventure in the forest."



Explore word groups

- Help your child see how words are related by grouping similar words. For example, if you're talking about "animals," discuss different types, like mammals, birds, and reptiles.

Learn similar words (synonyms)

- Expand their vocabulary by learning words with similar meanings. For example, for "happy," you can introduce synonyms like "joyful," "content," or "excited."

Learn opposite words (antonyms)

- Teach them opposites to deepen their understanding of words. For example, if the word is "hot," you can discuss its opposite, "cold."



Remember, building vocabulary is an ongoing process! Daily conversations, reading together, and playing word games are great ways to help your child develop their vocabulary.

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Beck, I. L., McKeown, M. G., & Kucan, L. (2013). *Bringing Words to Life: Robust Vocabulary Instruction*. Guilford Press
 McKeown, M. G. (2019). Effective Vocabulary Instruction Fosters Knowing Words, Using Words, and Understanding How Words Work. *Language, Speech, and Hearing Services In Schools*, 50(4), 466-476



HUME CITY COUNCIL

Better rental properties with lower energy bills

The Victorian Government has proposed new minimum energy efficiency standards for rental properties. Hear an energy expert from Renew explain the new standards planned for ceiling insulation, draught proofing, roofing, heating, hot water systems and shower heads.

For landlords and rental property managers
Do you own or manage a rental property? Hear how to make your property energy efficient and compliant with the proposed new standards.

You'll learn how to enhance your property, such as through upgrading to products available through the Home Home Energy Upgrade program.

Wednesday 20 November, 6:30pm - 8pm
Online via Zoom


For tenants
Are you a tenant and is your rental home freezing in winter and baking hot in summer? Find out what your landlord would need to provide for an energy efficient, comfortable home to comply with the proposed new standards.

You'll also hear other low-cost ways to save energy at home and improve your thermal comfort.

Wednesday 27 November, 6:30pm - 8pm
Online via Zoom

Hosted by the Cities of Moorabool Valley, Mansfield, Werra and Home.

Register to receive Zoom link at www.hume.vic.gov.au/energy or scan the QR code

HUME CITY COUNCIL

Home Energy Upgrades

Energy-saving products to reduce bills and improve comfort.


Hume City Council has partnered with vetted suppliers to provide quality, affordable products to Hume residents:

- reverse cycle heating and cooling
- heat pump hot water
- rooftop solar
- Insulation
- draught proofing

Receive help to access government rebates plus additional Council rebates for concession card holders through the program.

Free Information session
Tuesday 12 November, 6:30pm - 8pm
Broadmeadows Community Hub
182 Wulford St, Broadmeadows

Register for an information session, or find out more at hume.vic.gov.au/energy or call Yarra Energy Foundation on 03 7037 6040.




HUME CITY COUNCIL

Free Energy Bill Help Drop-In Sessions

Need help managing your electricity and gas bills?

Drop in for free personalised advice to:

- understand your bills and check for a good energy deal
- access available concessions, grants and payment plans
- upgrade to efficient electric appliances with Home Home Energy Upgrades
- get help with disputes with electricity and gas companies

Bring along recent electricity and gas bills. Arabic speakers available at Craigieburn and Broadmeadows sessions.

Monday 11 November, 10am - 2pm
Sunbury Library
44 Macedon St, Sunbury

Thursday 21 November, 10am - 2pm
Craigieburn Library
75-95 Central Park Ave, Craigieburn

Tuesday 26 November, 10am - 2pm
Broadmeadows Library
1093 Pascoe Vale Road, Broadmeadows

Bookings are not essential but assist us in managing numbers. Drop in any time.

Register at www.hume.vic.gov.au/library or scan the QR code.




HUME CITY COUNCIL (مجلس هوم)

جلسات مجانية للمساعدة في فواتير الطاقة دون مواعيد مُسبقة

هل تحتاج المساعدة في إدارة فواتير الكهرباء والغاز؟

تقدم جلسات استشارية شخصية مجانية لمساعدتك في:

- فهم فواتيرك والتحقق من أنك تحصل على أفضل صفقة
- الوصول إلى الخصومات، المنح والخطط المدفوعة مسبقاً
- تحديث الأجهزة الكهربائية بكفاءة مع برنامج تحسينات الطاقة المنزلية
- الحصول على مساعدة في حل النزاعات مع شركات الكهرباء والغاز

أضرب معك فواتير الكهرباء والغاز الحديثة معك في جلساتنا المجانية.

الاثنين 11 نوفمبر، الساعة 10 صباحاً إلى 2 مساءً
مكتبة سانبري (Sunbury Library)
44 شارع مكدون، سانبري

الخميس 21 نوفمبر، الساعة 10 صباحاً إلى 2 مساءً
مكتبة كرايغيبورن (Craigieburn Library)
75-95 شارع بارك سنترال، كرايغيبورن

الاثنين 26 نوفمبر، الساعة 10 صباحاً إلى 2 مساءً
مكتبة بروادميدوز (Broadmeadows Library)
1093 شارع پاسكو فال، بروادميدوز

الترتيب غير ضروري، لكننا نفضل التسجيل في جلسة استشارية مسبقاً لمساعدتنا في إدارة أعدادنا.

تسجيل على www.hume.vic.gov.au/library أو مسح رمز الاستجابة السريعة (QR code)




Holy Child Primary School is
committed to the safety,
wellbeing and protection of the
children in our care.



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