

7 February 2025

HOLY CHILD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Safe, happy and ready to learn



Welcome to this week's Newsletter!

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

Founded in 1965 by the Josephite Sisters, the school is deeply rooted in their values of pastoral care and community involvement, which continue to shape the Holy Child community today.

Saint Mary MacKillop, also known as Saint Mary of the Cross, was born on 15 January 1842 in Melbourne, Victoria, and passed away on 8 August 1909 in North Sydney, New South Wales. She was canonized on 17 October 2010, and her feast day is celebrated on 8 August.

We are proud to be the first school in Australia to establish a children's Mary MacKillop group!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 10 February - Friday 14 February
Year 5/6 Swimming

Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February
Year 3/4 Swimming

Wednesday 5, 12, 19 and 26 February
No school on Wednesdays for Prep students

Monday 3 March
School Photos

Monday 10 March
Public Holiday - Labour Day

HELLO



Deputy Principal's Message

Welcome to our 2025 School Year!

Our school staff and parents were all certainly delighted to see students return last week.

Today we celebrated a whole school liturgy and acknowledged our Captains for the 2025 school year, presenting each of them with a badge. Introducing Logan Addamo and Joseph Younan (School Captains), Letesea Albarho and Isabella Kayssr (School Vice-Captains), Lily-Rose Jello and Addi Mansour (Religious Education), Jhasmin Macale and Jacob Mansour (Wellbeing), Chanel Kula and Gabriel Barnados (MacKillop House), Maryana Polus and Dut Domar (Mannix House), Stephanie Nguyen-Tran and Aayam Limbu (Knox House) and Chantelle Mesho and Adrian Benyamen (Chisolm House).

It gives me great pleasure to also introduce two new staff members to Holy Child. Miranda Zuzic who is our Literacy Leader and Krystin Farah who is teaching Year One KF. Both Miranda and Krystin have mentioned to me that they already feel the warm sense of welcoming and belonging that the Holy Child community is well known for.

Belonging...what does this mean?

Belonging means being welcomed and supported. It is **shown** through our words and **actions** to others, making them feel welcome and supported. It is through our 'good mornings', 'hellos' and 'smiles' that we connect with each other and show each other we care. This then shows others that they belong and is the only way to enrich someone else's spirit. At today's liturgy I spoke about the '*ripple effect*' and how the small things we do each day reach out and impact the world.

We are reminded of this in the Gospel of Matthew, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also," (**Matthew 6:21**). Let it always be people over possessions that we truly treasure!

May Holy Child Primary School always be a faith filled community where people know they belong. I ask that God continues to enrich the lives of each and every one of you.

God Bless,

Guy Toomey

Deputy Principal/RE Leader

SCHOOL PHOTOS



Photo Day

Monday, 3 March

Please make sure your child is wearing their summer uniform.

SUMMER UNIFORM

GIRLS

School dress
School windcheater or jacket
White socks / Black shoes
School hat

BOYS

School grey shorts
School gold s/s polo
School windcheater or jacket
Grey socks / Black shoes
School hat

Fees and Levies 2025

NON-HEALTH CARE CARD HOLDERS

Yearly School Fees per family:	\$1,270.00	(\$1290.00 per term 1 to 3, \$285.00 for term 4)
Excursions/Sports/Tuition Levies:	\$225.00	per STUDENT

HEALTH CARE CARDHOLDERS

One Child

Yearly School Fees	\$780.00	(\$195.00 per term for 4 terms)
	\$150.00	Excursions/Sports/Tuition Levies per STUDENT

Two or more children

Yearly School Fees per family	\$1,200.00	(\$275.00 per term for 4 Terms)
	\$150.00	Excursions/Sports/Tuition Levies per STUDENT

CSEF of \$150.00 per child will be paid by the Government for Camps/Sports and Excursions

Term 1 Fees	by 26 March 2025	\$20 discount if paid by the due date
Term 2 Fees	by 18 June 2025	سوف تحصل على خصم \$20 إذا تم تسديد الدفعات في التاريخ المتوقع الدفع.
Term 3 Fees	by 27 August 2025	
Term 4 Fees	by 5 November 2025	

Families, whose school fees are over \$1000.00 and who finalise all 2024 school financial commitments (Fees & Levies) by Wednesday 26 March 2025, will receive a discount of \$100.00 off their fees.

ان العوائل التي تريد دفعاتهم المدرسية عن أكثر من \$1000 و قاموا بتسديد جميع الدفعات المترتبة عليهم لسنة 2025 March 26 (رسوم ومتعلقات) خصم دفعاتهم.

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 year.

مكافأة للذين يتم سحب الدفعات المدرسية مباشرة من حسابهم المصرفي **DIRECT DEBIT** لكل الذين يسدون الدفعات **بمستمرار** عن طريق السحب المباشر من حسابهم المصرفي (direct debit حتى خاتم (أيام العطل) ، إذا تم إنهاء تسديد الدفعات المتوجبة الدفع لكل فصل دراسي. سوف يحصلون على الخصم المذكور أعلاه.

سوف يحصل الذين يسدون الدفعات المدرسية عن طريق السحب المباشر من حسابهم المصرفي على مكافأة \$50 خصم إضافي تعطي لهم في بداية السنة القادمة ، إذا **استمر** تسديد الدفعات من بداية السنة الماضية.

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

إذا تم الدفع بالتقسيط (أسبوعياً، كل أسبوعين أو شهرياً). يرجى التأكد من تسديد الأقساط بشكل منتظم، وذلك لتجنب دفع مبلغ كبير في الفصل الدراسي 4.

Medical Action Plans



MEDICAL ACTION PLANS
For the safety of our children



Dear Parents / Guardians / Carers,

As part of Holy Child Primary School's commitment to our children, please note it is your responsibility to provide the School with a **Medical Action Plan**, if required by your child. If your child has developed symptoms or their current medication has changed, take this letter to your medical practitioner to complete an appropriate Medical Action Plan, see links below:

- [Allergy and Anaphylaxis](#)
- [Asthma](#)
- [Diabetes](#)
- [Eczema](#)
- [Epilepsy](#)

Once completed, return the Medical Action Plan form to the school as soon as possible, together with the student's medication and any other aid.

If your medical practitioner has informed you that your child no longer experiences any symptoms, they will need to provide a letter, on the practice letterhead, to the school stating as such.

Thank you.

Alan Smith, Principal

الأهالي/أولياء الأمور الأعزاء،

كجزء من التزامات مدرسة هولي جايلد نحو أطفالنا، يرجى التنويه بأن من مسؤوليتكم تزويد المدرسة بخطة عمل طبية للطفل، إذا احتاج طفلكم لها. إذا ظهرت على طفلك أعراض مرضية أو تم تغيير أدويته الحالية، خذ هذه الرسالة إلى طبيب العائلة لملء خطة عمل طبية خاصة بطفلك، كما في النموذج أدناه:

- [الحساسية والحساسية المفرطة](#)
- [داء السكري](#)
- [الربو](#)
- [الأكزيما](#)
- [الصرع](#)

بمجرد انتهاء طبيب العائلة من اكتمال ملء خطة عمل الطبية لطفلك يتم إعادتها إلى المدرسة بالقرب وقت ممكن، مع الانوية واي شي طبي مخصص لطفلك. إذا إبلاغكم طبيب العائلة بأن طفلك لم يعد يعاني من أي أعراض مرضية، يرجى تزويد المدرسة برسالة نصية من طبيب العائلة يؤكد ذلك.

مع جزيل الشكر
الن سهيت
مدير المدرسة

Kính gửi Phụ huynh/Người giám hộ/Người chăm sóc,

Là một phần trong cam kết của Trường Tiểu học Holy Child đối với trẻ em của chúng ta, xin lưu ý rằng bạn có trách nhiệm cung cấp cho Nhà trường Kế hoạch Hành động Y tế nếu con bạn yêu cầu. Nếu con bạn xuất hiện các triệu chứng hoặc loại thuốc hiện tại của chúng đã thay đổi, hãy mang lá thư này đến bác sĩ của bạn để hoàn thành Kế hoạch hành động y tế phù hợp, xem các liên kết bên dưới:

- [Dị ứng và sốc phản vệ](#)
- [Hen suyễn](#)
- [Bệnh tiểu đường](#)
- [Bệnh chàm](#)
- [Bệnh động kinh](#)

Sau khi hoàn thành, hãy gửi lại biểu mẫu Kế hoạch hành động y tế cho nhà trường càng sớm càng tốt, cùng với thuốc của học sinh và bất kỳ trợ giúp nào khác.

Nếu bác sĩ của bạn đã thông báo cho bạn rằng con bạn không còn gặp bất kỳ triệu chứng nào nữa, họ sẽ cần cung cấp một lá thư, có tiêu đề thư hành nghề, cho nhà trường nêu rõ điều đó.

Cảm ơn.

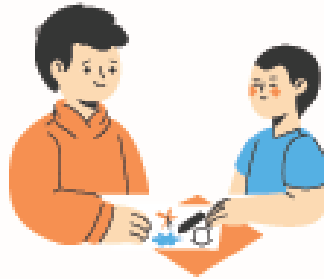
Alan Smith, Hiệu trưởng

Volunteer



VOLUNTEER AT YOUR SCHOOL

● **Help students in classrooms**



Share your skills

● **Help teachers on excursion**



Help others

● **Work together for school events**



Practice English with friends

● **Fundraising**



Help your school

Miss Melissa will

- **Give you training**
- **Answer your questions**
- **Support you**



WELCOME TO ALL

Before and After School Care



SIGN UP DAY

MACSEYE, a new Catholic department, will now run Holy Child's before and after-school care.

Registering your child will be made easy with the help of Krishna and Melissa

MACSEYE، وهي وزارة كاثوليكية جديدة، ستقوم الآن بتشغيل رعاية الطفل المقدس قبل وبعد المدرسة. أصبح تسجيل طفلك أسهل بمساعدة كريشنا وميليسا

MACSEYE, một khoa Công giáo mới, giờ đây sẽ vận hành chương trình chăm sóc Holy Child trước và sau giờ học. Việc đăng ký cho con bạn trở nên dễ dàng hơn với sự giúp đỡ từ Krishna và Melissa

Friday 7th, 9 - 10 am

or

Friday 14th, 9 - 10 am

At Hub



Health Care Cards

Parents with Health Care Cards

To be eligible for a school fee concession you are now required to fill out the attached form from the Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS).

This form must be handed in with a copy or the original Health Care Card, (which then the office staff will take a copy), to the front office as soon as possible.

If you do not return the form with your Health Care Card, you will be required to pay the full amount of school fees.

Phụ huynh lưu ý với thẻ chăm sóc sức khỏe

Để đủ điều kiện được giảm học phí, bạn cần điền vào mẫu đơn đính kèm từ Trường Công giáo Tổng giáo phận Melbourne (MACS).

Mẫu đơn này phải được nộp cùng với một bản sao hoặc Thẻ Chăm sóc Sức khỏe bản gốc (sau đó nhân viên văn phòng sẽ sao chụp) cho văn phòng lễ tân càng sớm càng tốt.

Nếu bạn không gửi lại biểu mẫu cùng với Thẻ Chăm sóc Sức khỏe, bạn sẽ phải trả toàn bộ học phí.

ملاحظة: لأولياء الأمور حاملي بطاقة الرعاية الصحية Health Care Cards

لكي تكونوا مؤهلين للحصول على خصم على الدفاتر المدرسية، يجب عليكم ملء الاستمارة المرفقة من أبرشية ملبورن الكاثوليكية (MACS)

يجب تسليم هذه الاستمارة مع بطاقة الرعاية الصحية الاصلية الى استعلامات المدرسة بأسرع وقت ممكن (حيث يقوم أحد موظفي الاستعلامات بأخذ نسخة من بطاقة الرعاية الصحية واعادتها لكم).

إذا لم تقوموا بتسليم الاستمارة مع بطاقة الرعاية الصحية الخاصة بك إلى المدرسة، سوف يتطلب منكم دفع المبلغ كاملاً بدون أي خصم.



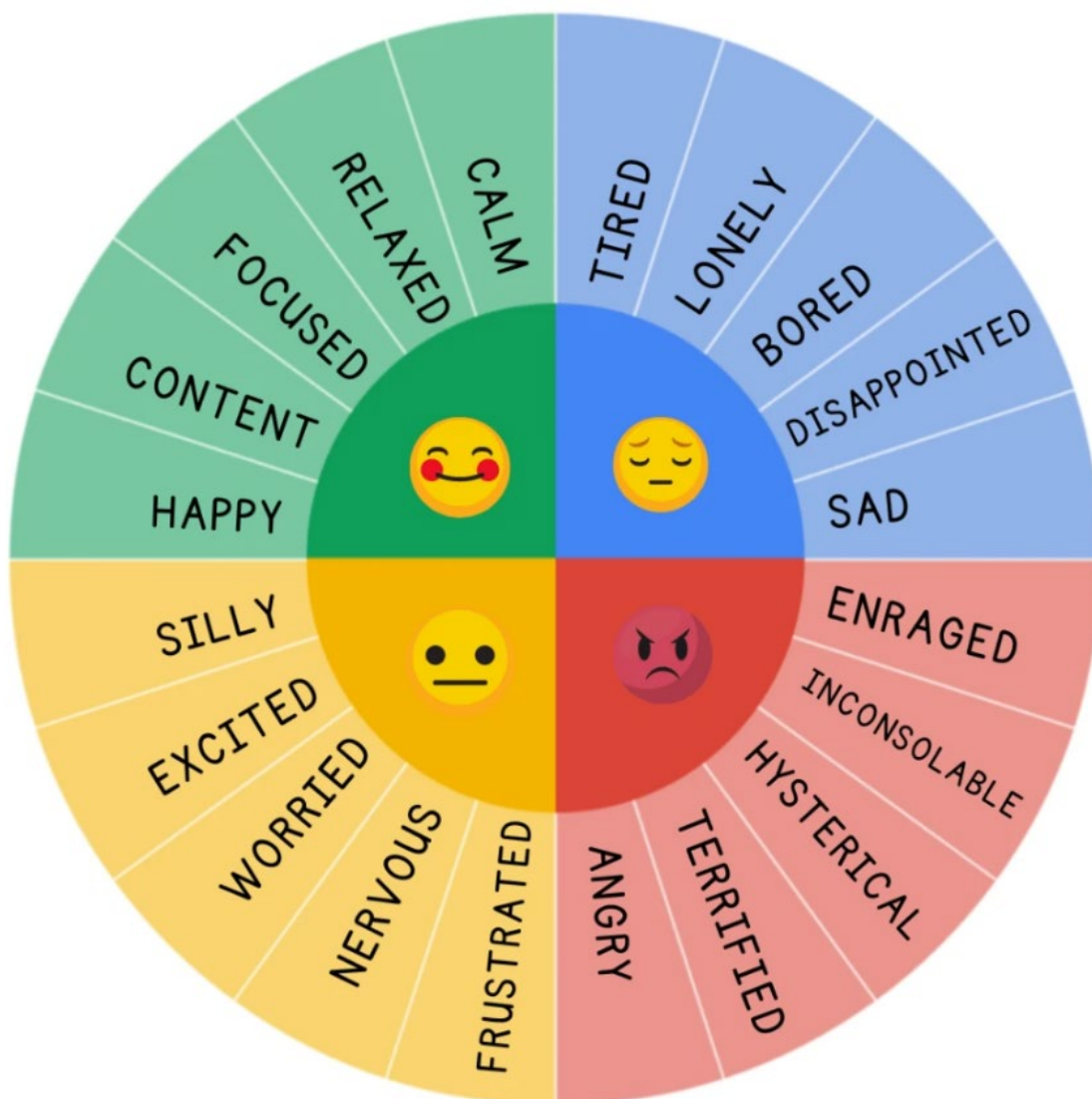
Wellbeing

The Emotion Wheel

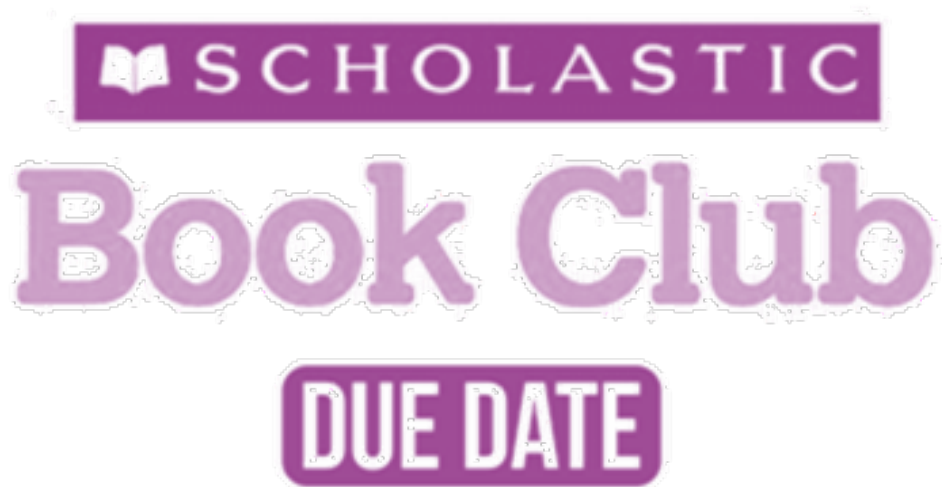
Identifying some emotions/feelings can be difficult for our children.

At Holy Child we use the Emotion wheel, also known as the feelings wheel. This wheel lists the Zones of Emotions, Red, Blue, Green and Yellow. It is a diagram that shows levels of emotions and helps students to identify and understand their own or other people's emotions. The wheel is divided into different primary categories and then further breaks them into varying intensities and combinations of emotional states. This tool makes it easier for students to understand and express how they are feeling. The emotion wheel helps students to put a name to emotions that can be difficult and almost impossible to describe. By understanding what is causing or triggering emotions, students can be more in control of what they feel, especially when their emotions seem more difficult to handle.

Julie Previtera
Wellbeing Leader



Book Club



Wednesday 12 February 2025

HUB

HUB CLASSES

All hub classes are free and all people are welcome
 كل البرامج التي يقدمها المركز الاجتماعي مجانية كل الناس مرحب بهم
 Tất cả các lớp học đều miễn phí và chào đón mọi người



MONDAY

English Tutoring
Skills for Life
مدرس خصوصي لغة الانجليزية للكبار
Dạy kèm tiếng Anh cho người lớn
9 - 10

- WEEK 3 1/2 VALENTINE'S DAY CRAFT AND MEDITATION WEAR RED**
- WEEK 4 18/2 CHI AND PAINT**
- WEEK 5 25/2 KARAOKE**
- WEEK 6 4/3 INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY DANCE PARTY WEAR: PURPLE, GREEN, AND WHITE**
- WEEK 7 11/3 HARMONY DAY GAMES DAY WEAR: ORANGE**
- WEEK 8 18/3 EXCURSION FAMILY FUN DAY AT ANZAC PARK IN CRAIGIEBURN TO CELEBRATE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY WEAR: PURPLE, GREEN, AND WHITE**
- WEEK 9 25/3 MOVIE DAY CELEBRATE TERM 1 END**

TUESDAY

Playgroup 0-5
مجموعه ألعاب
Chơi nhóm
9:30 - 11:30

NEW! Wellbeing Space
مساحة للرعاية الذاتية
Không gian tự chăm sóc
1 - 3

NEW! INFORMATION SESSION
Parents Supporting
Student safety online
دعم الوالدين
سلامة الطلاب على الانترنت
4th April 9:15 - 11:15

Family Support
With Van and Melissa
دعم الأسره وانخفاض الخدمات
Hỗ trợ gia đình
1:30 - 3:15

WEDNESDAY

NEW! Everyday English
and Digital Skills
مهارات اللغة الإنجليزية والكمبيوتر اليومية
Tiếng Anh hàng ngày và kỹ năng máy tính
9:15 - 12:15

Volunteer Sewing Alteration
برنامج الخياطة وتصليح الملابس
Sửa quần áo
1:30 - 2:30

Parents Chat & Coffee
يتحدث الآباء ويتناولون القهوة
Cha mẹ Trò chuyện và cà phê
2:30 - 3:30

THURSDAY

Supported Playgroup 0-5
مجموعه ألعاب
Nhóm chơi được hỗ trợ
9:30 - 11:30

Cooking Class
دروس تعلم الطبخ
Lớp học nấu ăn
9:15 - 12:15

Family Support
With Van and Melissa
دعم الأسره وانخفاض الخدمات
Hỗ trợ gia đình
1:30 - 3:15

Parents Chat & Coffee
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FRIDAY

NEW! Sign Up Day
Before and After School Care
يوم التسجيل
الرعاية قبل وبعد المدرسة
Ngày đăng ký
Chăm sóc trước và sau giờ học
7th & 14th February
9 - 10

Volunteer Today
المساعدة من خلال العمل التطوعي
tình nguyện giúp đỡ
Help Others and Learn new skills

- Classroom Helper
- Help Teachers On Excursions
- Raise Money
- School Events

Walk To School Assembly
المشي إلى تجمع المدرسة معنا
Cùng nhau đi tới hội trường
Every 2 weeksat 2:25



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

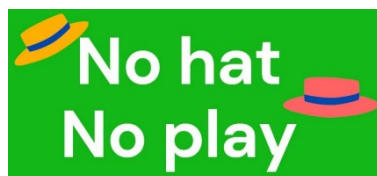
Australia has one of the highest rates of skin cancer in the world.

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:

- **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.

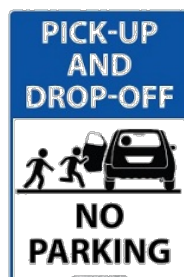
During cooler weather

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.

Parent Parking

- This is a reminder for all parents that the parking at the front of the school is to be used for drop off and pick up only.
- No cars should be parking there for more than 10 minutes allowing enough time to pick up or drop off your children.
- You should **not** be parking in the disabled parking bay, nor should you be parking in front of the gate. The gate needs to be clear at all times for emergency access.



Holy Child Primary School
is a Smoke-Free Zone



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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



OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Holy Child Primary School, Dallas

Register Now by scanning the code



Program	Times	Permanent (Full Fee)	Subsidy Rebate 90%	Casual (Full Fee)	Subsidy Rebate 90%
Before School	6:45AM - 8:45AM	\$24.20	\$2.40	\$29.20	\$2.90
After School	3:30PM - 6:30PM	\$33.20	\$3.30	\$38.20	\$3.80



KOLBE CATHOLIC COLLEGE

KIDS IN THE KITCHEN

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 Tuesday 4 March 2025

TIME: 4.30pm - 5.30pm

DATES: Tuesday 4 March
Tuesday 11 March
Tuesday 18 March
Tuesday 25 March

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

www.trybooking.com/CYVXL



THERE IS NO COST FOR THIS PROGRAM

For more information contact the College on 8339 3060.



KOLBE
Catholic College



Mercy College, Coburg 60th Anniversary Mass

Celebrant: Bishop Rene Ramirez RCJ DD

TUESDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2025

11.00AM

**ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
SYDNEY ROAD, COBURG 3058**

**PLEASE RSVP YOUR ATTENDANCE TO
EVENTS@MERCYCOBURG.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU
BY FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2025**



60 Years of Hope through Mercy

Mercy College Principal, Lila McInerney, warmly invites you to attend their 60th Anniversary Mass at St Paul's Catholic Church, where they will celebrate the rich history of their college and service to the local community.

Following Mass, refreshments will be served at Mercy College, for those who are able to attend.

We hope you can join us for this celebration. Please RSVP to events@mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au by Friday 14 February 2025.



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



Glenroy
Neighbourhood
House



NGV Kids on Tour 2025 Furry Friend Headbands & Australian Bogong Moth

Tuesday 25th of February

4pm to 5.30pm

This FREE activity celebrating the NGV exhibition "Cats & Dogs", will give primary school aged children the chance to decorate cat or dog ear headbands and also learn all about the Australian Bogong Moth and its important place in our environment.

Parents/Carers are welcome to stay and join the fun.

This event is hosted by Glenroy Neighbourhood House in partnership with the NGV and Melbourne City Mission.

Attendance is limited, so register online:



5B Cromwell St, Glenroy
www.gnh.org.au
9304 3910



**Glenroy
Neighbourhood
House**



NGV Kids on Tour 2025 PomPoms and Paper Closets

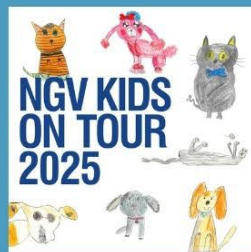
Thursday 27th of February
4pm to 5.30pm

This FREE activity will give primary school aged children the chance to create their own flower pom-pom to tag their school bag or keychain as well as create a colourful wardrobe for their paper dolls.

Parents/Carers are welcome to stay and join the fun.

This event is hosted by Glenroy Neighbourhood House in partnership with the NGV.

Attendance is limited, so register online:



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