

HOLY CHILD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Safe, happy and ready to learn



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 MacKillops 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!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

Friday 19 September at 3:20pm
Last day of Term 3 (Staff & Students)

OCTOBER

Monday 6 October
Return to School

Tuesday 7 October
Year 3/4 Excursion to Playground

Tuesday 14 October
Year 5/6 Excursion to ACMI

HELLO



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Dear Families,

As we continue our journey together this year, we are reminded of the importance of wise choices and stewardship in every aspect of our lives, whether it be in learning, relationships, or personal growth. This week, we reflect on **Luke 16:1-13**, where Jesus shares the Parable of the Shrewd Manager, a story that challenges us to think carefully about how we use the resources and opportunities given to us.

In this passage, Jesus tells of a manager who is about to lose his job for mismanaging his master's resources. Instead of giving up, the manager decides to act wisely by reducing the debts of those who owe his master, hoping to gain their favour for when he is out of work. Jesus does not praise his dishonesty but points out that the manager was shrewd in securing his future. Jesus teaches us that we should be wise in how we use the resources we are given, not just for personal gain, but to help others and build relationships based on trust and kindness.

Jesus also reminds us, "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much." The small steps we take today in our studies and relationships can have a big impact on our future. The effort and trust we invest in learning, growing, and supporting each other lay the foundation for greater opportunities ahead.

The student-led learning conferences held this week were a wonderful example of our students continuing to grow and develop each day they are at school. We also place tremendous trust in our teachers knowing that they are pivotal in their roles as the caretakers (or masters) of your child's learning. We take this opportunity to not only congratulate our students for their hard work but our wonderful teachers also.

Just like the manager, we are called to be wise and thoughtful in how we handle the resources—whether it's our time, energy, or talents—that God has given us. By using them wisely, our students and all of us can build a future of success! God bless you all!

Prayer

Let us pray:

"Dear God, thank You for all the resources You have given us. Help us to use them wisely, with a heart of service to others. May we be faithful in small things so that we can be trusted with greater opportunities. Guide us in our learning and help us to build relationships rooted in kindness and respect. Amen."

With blessings,
Guy Toomey
Acting Principal

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

GRADE	STUDENT
Prep EC	Maya Goro for always trying your best. You've worked really hard at listening to the sounds in words and having a go at spelling new ones. Congratulations on your great effort.
Prep AM	Stephanie Lay for always showing kindness and respect. Stephanie is a caring and helpful member of our class. Keep up the amazing work Stephanie!
1 BC	Annabelle Nahas for the excellent effort you have made with your learning. You never give up and always try your best. Congratulations
1 KF	Charbel Hanna: you have shown that with continuous persistence and a growth mindset we can develop on the skills we like to see in all of our students. Keep up the amazing work!!
2 SV	<p>Nila Moradi for working very hard with your learning in class, for always coming to school with a huge smile on your face and for being a kind person to your teachers and friends. Your energy and positivity brighten up our days. Keep up the amazing work!</p> <p>Milana Elyas for always being honest and for doing amazing reading and writing recently. Your handwriting is beautiful. Your energy is positive and wonderful and it's always a pleasure to have you in the room. Keep it up!</p> <p>Queen McGregor for working very hard with your learning in class, always trying your best in all your subjects and for being persistent with tasks. Well done and keep it up!</p>
2 BD	Samuel Baniya for always trying your best and doing an amazing job in maths. You are always up for a challenge!
3/4 CM	<p>Ashly Bako for being a persistent learner and working well in maths. She has also been showing kindness to others and being a good role model. You should be very proud of yourself!</p> <p>Jonathan Mesho for being a responsible learner who always pays attention in class. He has been asking interesting questions during learning time. You should be very proud of yourself!</p>
3/4 JC	<p>Mina Yacoub for continuing to show persistence in everything that you do. You have shown curiosity and understanding in each area. Keep up the amazing work.</p> <p>Manwil Yousef for showing persistence in all areas. You have continued to show growth and understanding. By continuing your education journey, you have found your voice. Keep up the amazing work!</p>
3/4 SM	Vana Nguyen: you are an accomplished writer who weaves stories with interesting plots and lively characters. Congratulations on your achievements Vana.

GRADE	STUDENT
5/6 JR	<p>Lily-Rose Jello for being a wonderful role model both in the classroom and on the yard. You have demonstrated our school values consistently and have begun to thrive at school this Term. Keep up the great work Lily!</p> <p>Joseph Younan for consistently trying your best in all learning areas. You always give every task your best effort and never give up! Keep up the amazing work Joseph!</p>
5/6 MM	<p>Lyan Alkaseer for consistently showing persistence and dedication in working towards her learning goals, putting in great effort, and demonstrating determination to improve and succeed. Well done, Lyan!</p> <p>Daniel Barnados for making a great effort to complete learning tasks, staying focused in class, and showing persistence in your learning. Well done, Daniel!</p>
5/6 SW	<p>Gabriel Barnadous for trying hard in your learning. You are a kind and compassionate student. Keep on improving.</p>

WELLBEING



On Thursday, 4 September, Junkyard Beats visited our school and gave us a fantastic musical show.

I really liked the beats, and it was really creative and amazing how they made instruments out of everyday materials.

Shadrach Rasho 5/6JR

It was an excellent show with drums, shakers, sweepers and lots of instruments to make music. It was exciting and really loud.

Natalie Kassyr 5/6JR

The show was for everybody to watch, and we clapped and shaken and drummed also.

Santino Rocca Prep AM

It was fun and we saw cool tricks. I loved the song and how the people were playing with different materials.

Mary Yacoub 3/4CM

Junkyard Beats was the best music ever heard. I have never been to a concert before. It was amazing.

Celene Stewart 2BD

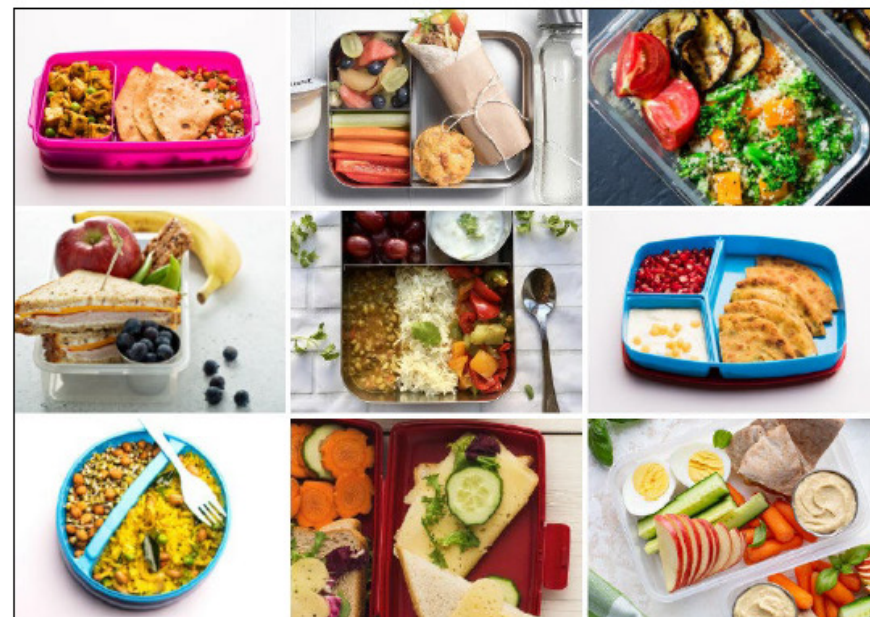
I like the drum work and the jiggling. They had a drum, and bottles with sand in them for shakers and buckets for us to drum on with drumsticks.

Novena Elyas 1KF





HEALTHY LUNCHBOXES



CREATE A FUN LUNCHBOX EVERY DAY - CHOOSE SOMETHING FROM EACH FOOD GROUP

Fruits	Vegetables	Dairy and Alternatives	Water
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apple Banana Mandarin Fig Berries Fruit salad Tinned fruit in juice, not syrup 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soups and lentil curry (pre heat in flask to keep it warm for lunch) Raw or lightly steamed vegetable sticks (carrot, capsicum, cucumber) Steamed or grilled corn cobs Salad with a creamy dressing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Milk No-added sugar yogurt (frozen overnight) Cheese cubes Tabaki dip Cottage cheese Calcium fortified soy milk 	<p>Take a water bottle (for refilling throughout the day). Tip: Freeze overnight to keep foods cool in lunchboxes.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flat bread and naan Pasta dishes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noodles Rice, quinoa or couscous Fruit loaf Homemade pizza Wholemeal (brown) bread 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meat and Protein Alternatives Grilled meats with the extra fat removed (eg. beef, chicken) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tinned tuna or salmon Lentil or veggie burgers (falafel) Boiled eggs Hummus dip Tofu

Curries, soup and stews mix many of the above food groups, they are healthy lunchbox options.

For more healthy eating information call 1300 234 263 to make an appointment with a DPV Health Dietitian or visit [health.vic.gov.au/schools/healthy-lunchboxes](https://www.health.vic.gov.au/schools/healthy-lunchboxes) for lunchbox ideas.

Tips for Planning a Healthy Lunch Box

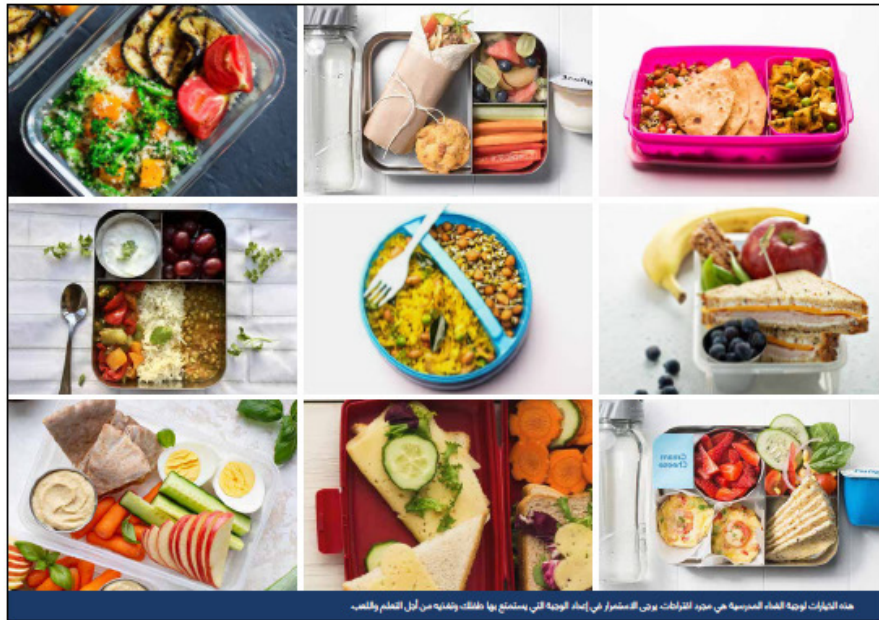
- Prepare school lunches the night before:** it gives you time to talk about the foods you're including and makes the morning routine quicker. Give it a go!
- Plan family dinners for the entire week:** do one big grocery shop at the start of the week; it's cheaper than going to the supermarket every night to buy ingredients for dinner.
- Freeze tubs of yogurt or water bottles to help keep food cool until lunch time on warm days.** Make sure children can open their lunch box and containers by themselves. This will ensure they have enough time to eat their snacks and lunch and do not have to wait for help from others.
- Water is the best drink for your child.** Encourage your child to drink a whole bottle during the day. They need to stay hydrated so they can focus and learn in class.
- Look after the environment:** pack sandwiches and other items in reusable containers. This requires less packaging and creates less rubbish.
- Try and buy fresh fruit and vegetables in season;** they will be better quality and cheaper than out-of-season produce.
- Remember to involve your children.** Take them shopping and let them help choose fruits and vegetables for their lunchbox. Let them help prepare and pack their own school lunchbox.

DPV Health

DPV Health offers a range of services for the health and wellbeing of your child and your whole family. To access our services or for more information, call us or visit our website.

1300 234 263
[dpvhealth.org.au](https://www.dpvhealth.org.au)

صناديق الغذاء الصحية





















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

DAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
LEADER	-	Van and Melissa	Melissa	Van and Melissa	Melissa	EVENTS
9 AM	Quiet Space 9 am - 11:30 am 	Playgroup 0-5 مجموعة اللعب Chơi nhóm 9:30 - 11:30 	Everyday Computer Skills مهارات اللغة الإنجليزية والكمبيوتر اليومية Tiếng Anh hàng ngày và kỹ năng máy tính 9:15 - 12:15 	Supported Playgroup 0-5 مجموعة اللعب Nhóm chơi được hỗ trợ 9:30 - 11:30 	English Conversation Class دروس الانكليزي Lớp tiếng Anh 9:15-11:15  	Mother's Day Celebration Thursday, 8th May 9:30 am - 12 am <ul style="list-style-type: none">Morning teaZumbaStudent presentations <div>NEW!</div>
10 AM	NEW!			Cooking Class دروس تعلم الطبخ Lớp học nấu ăn 9:15 - 12:15 	Volunteer Today المساعدة من خلال العمل التطوعي tình nguyện giúp đỡ <u>Help Others and Learn New Skills</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Classroom HelperHelp Teachers On ExcursionsRaise MoneySchool Events Appointment made at the office	Envisage Parent Support Group 9:30 AM - 11 AM <ul style="list-style-type: none">Supporting parents who care for a child <div>NEW!</div>
11 AM						
12 AM	Helping Hand With Olivia and Chelsea 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none">DocumentsComputerFinding answersForms 	NEW! 1:00 pm- 3:00 pm Sewing خياطة May vâm 	Family Support With Van and Melissa دعم الأسره وانخفاض الخدمات Hỗ trợ gia đình 1:30 - 3:15  	Family Support With Van and Melissa دعم الأسره وانخفاض الخدمات Hỗ trợ gia đình 1:30 - 3:15  	Walk To School Assembly المشي إلى تجمع المدرسة معنا Cùng nhau đi tới hội trường 2:25 Every 3 weeks 	Invitation to Parents Online Safety Thursday 22nd May 5:30 pm - 7 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none">In ½ area 
1 PM						
2 PM						Foundation House Early Years Research Project with HC Hub Playgroup <ul style="list-style-type: none">Research to make kindergartens more accessible <div>NEW!</div>
3 PM	NEW!	Parents Chat & Coffee يتحدث الآباء ويتناولون القهوة Cha mẹ Trò chuyện và cà phê 2:30 - 3:30  				Wellbeing Session Healthy Aging at all stages  <div>COMING SOON</div>

COMING SOON



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

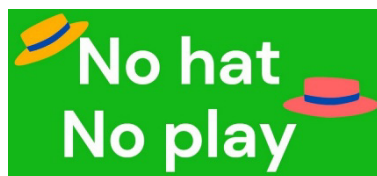
Australia has one of the highest rates of skin cancer in the world.

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.

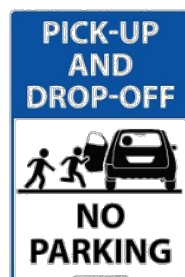
During cooler weather

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



School Holiday Fun at Glenroy Neighbourhood House

September/October Activities
for Primary School Aged Children

Mon 22nd of Sept
9.30am to 12pm
Lego Challenge
12.30pm to 2.30pm
Coding

Wed 24th of Sept
9.30am to 12pm
Arts & Crafts
12.30pm to 2.30pm
Sport Activities &
Games

Thurs 25th of Sept
9.30am to 12pm
Cooking
12.30pm to 2.30pm
Love Me Like A
Reptile

Mon 29th of Sept
9.30am to 12pm
Cooking
12.30pm to 2.30pm
Garden & Art

Wed 1st of Oct
9.30am to 12pm
Art & Craft
12.30pm to 2.30pm
Imagine & Create
with Creative Chaos
Collective

Thurs 2nd of Oct
9.30am to 12pm
Cooking
12.30pm to 2.30pm
Coding

Fri 3rd of Oct
9.30am to 12pm
Construction
12.30pm to 2.30pm
Movie, Milkshake &
Popcorn

Cost: \$15 to \$30 per activity

Book in for one activity, a whole day or everyday!

As places are limited, book online early to avoid
disappointment of missing out on the fun!

BOOK HERE!



Glenroy
Neighbourhood
House

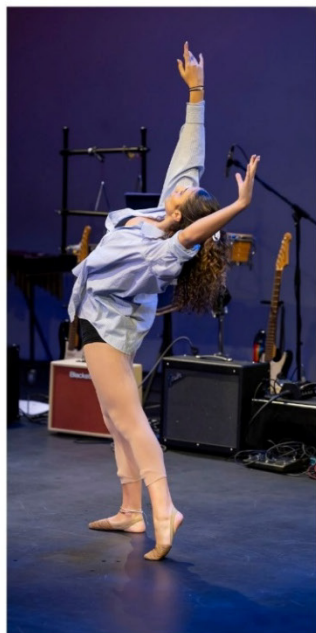
5B Cromwell St, Glenroy
www.gnh.org.au
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Arts In Motion



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR YEARS 4-6 GIRLS

An exciting versatile four week dance program which will develop students' confidence, fitness levels, creativity, expressive skills and more.



BOOKINGS

www.trybooking.com/DFIEC

Thursday 9, 16, 23 and 30 October 2025, 4.00pm – 5.00pm

Mercy College, 760 Sydney Road, Coburg 3058

\$20

Students must wear comfortable shoes and clothes



Live Your Best Life in Love...

A Marriage Encounter weekend is for you...

Time-out to nurture your most precious relationship away from life's distractions.

The two of you will come away from your weekend feeling more deeply connected and with tools to help keep your renewed intimacy alive.

No group sharing is required.

The weekend is based around Catholic values. Couples of all faiths are very welcome.

Please check our website for details and to book your special weekend:

We have 2 further weekends on offer this year

October 3-5 at Tooleybuc Sporting Club / Tooleybuc Motor Inn - a great weekend getaway

October 10-12 at St Paul's Retreat Centre, Wantirna South

Starts Friday evening at 7pm and finishes Sunday afternoon around 4:30pm

Information/Bookings: Phone **Mercy & James 0409 183 676** or

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.au