



HFS Newsletter

Term 1 Week 8 13th March 2023

Week 8 Events

TUESDAY

**Netball Schools
Cup**

WEDNESDAY

**NAPLAN
Year 3 & Year 5
(Writing)**

THURSDAY

**Assembly
2.45pm**

**School Disco
6pm (upstairs
RSL)**

FRIDAY

Pupil Free Day

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is great to be back at school today after my block of long service leave. I have loved reconnecting with the students and staff and hearing about all the wonderful things they have achieved at the beginning of Term One. I would like to thank Mr and Mrs Berger for stepping into the roles of Acting Principal and Acting Assistant Principal during my absence.

NAPLAN commences this week for students in Year 3 and Year 5 with the Writing test being held on Wednesday. Please ensure your child is on time to school on this day and that they bring their Chromebooks to school.

Good luck to our Holy Family Netball team who will be participating in the NSW Netball Schools Cup tomorrow in Parkes.

The P&F will be hosting the first disco for the school year on Thursday evening. The disco will be held at the Ex-Services Club commencing at 6.00pm and concluding at 7.15pm. The theme for the disco is *Come Dressed as Your Favourite Movie Character*. A big thank you to our P&F for hosting this evening for our students.

Congratulations to the following students who were successful in being named in Diocesan teams after the Winter Trials last Friday:

Hockey - Daisy Rice, Alyra Williams, Gracy Allen, Natasha Wing Yip, Zahli Gillingham, Lila Thompson, Scarlett Lawryk, Emily White, Hannah Wood, Harrison Rowbotham, Andrew James

Rugby League - Hamish Newham, Billy White, Jamison Lee, Ari Albert

Soccer - Ned Hewes, Angus Jones, Tilly Murray, Ruby Hackett

These students will now travel to Tamworth early next term for the Polding Winter Trials.

A reminder that there will be a Pupil Free Day on Friday. Our school is hosting a Religious Education professional learning day for staff from schools in the Central Cluster of our Diocese.

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Principal

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Star of the Week

Curtis Arndell is the Star of the Week for demonstrating our Core Values (In Praise, Love and Trust) and for always being kind and generous.

Interview with Curtis



Favourite subject	Mathematics
Favourite pastime	Playing with my dog Charlie
Favourite food	Spaghetti
What do you like most about our school?	Playing with friends at recess & lunch
What would you like to be when you grow up ?	Professional tennis player

Term 1 Week 7: Manner of the Week (From our Core Value -TRUST)

Show empathy, tolerance and understanding

I have two challenges for you this week. You can attempt one or both and there will be two prizes.

This fortnight's challenges -

Which number replaces the question mark?

?
 9 25
 4 36
 1 81 64 49

What is the missing shape?

Row 1: Diamond (solid), Diamond (solid), Club (solid), Diamond (solid), Club (solid), Circle (solid)
 Row 2: Diamond (solid), Club (solid), Circle (solid), Club (solid), Heart (solid), Spade (solid)
 Row 3: Circle (solid), Club (solid), Heart (solid), Diamond (solid), Club (solid), Circle (solid)
 Row 4: Club (solid), Heart (solid), Spade (solid), Diamond (solid), Club (solid), Circle (solid)
 Row 5: Circle (solid), [Empty], Heart (solid), Spade (solid), Spade (solid), Heart (solid)

If you solve the problems and there are multiple winning entries, your name will go into a draw. The winners will be drawn out of a hat and receive a prize at our School Assembly. Please write your name and answer on a piece of paper and hand it to me any time this week.

I hope everyone has a great week.
Andrew Berger

Religion

Religious Education

Third Week of Lent



Our staff will be attending an RE Spirituality Day on Friday, 17th March, facilitated by Dr Dan White. It is a pupil free day.

Saint Patrick's Day is on Friday, 17th March.

Saint Patrick, patron saint of Ireland, used the shamrock as an educational symbol to explain the Holy Trinity as he converted the Irish to Christianity in the fourth century. Born in Roman Britain in the late 4th century, he was kidnapped at the age of 16 and taken to Ireland as a slave. He escaped but returned about 432 CE to convert the Irish to Christianity.



Calling for Altar Servers! We NEED YOU!

All Catholic students who have received their First Holy Communion (Years 4-6) are invited to altar serve for school Masses and Weekend Masses.

New roster starts 15th April 2023.

A parental permission note with details was sent home. You can ring the school office to confirm your interest and we can follow it up.



Term 1 2023 Masses & Liturgies

Term 1 2023	Masses and Liturgies	Stage/Classes
6 April 2023	Holy Thursday - Whole School Liturgy - HFS Hall 12:30pm	Stage 3

Daily Mass-

Stage 3 attend Daily Mass in the Chapel- Friday, 31 March, 9:45am

I hope everyone has a wonderful week.

Beverly Berger

Wiradjuri

In Wiradjuri lessons Mrs Payne read to Kindergarten the story of how the kangaroos got their tails. Afterwards they jumped like a kangaroo and did the wombat wobble.



Notes



**DISCO
NIGHT
PARTY!**

**Come dressed as your favourite
movie character**

Parke Services Club Upstairs
Thursday 16th March
6.00pm - 7.15pm

NAPLAN REMINDER

Students in Year 3 and Year 5:
Please remember to bring your
Chromebook to school for
Naplan on Wednesday.



**Colour
Me Happy!**

Friday 31st March at HFS
Don't Miss This One!!!!

More Details to Come

**SCHOOL
FUN RUN**

Brought to you by your P&F Committee



2023 REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!



JUNIORS: AGES 5 - 17 (IN 2023) \$130 - \$180

EVERY JUNIOR RECEIVES A TRAINING BALL

LADIES: \$268

*REGISTER BEFORE 18TH MARCH & GO INTO THE DRAW TO WIN
A SWAG, TRAINING BALL AND SOCKS.*

SEASON BEGINS SATURDAY, 29TH APRIL, 2023 at Harrison Park, Parkes.

REGISTER NOW AT:

WWW.PLAYFOOTBALL.COM.AU/REGISTER

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL:

POASACOMMITTEE@OUTDOOR.COM.AU

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We're less than three weeks out from our *School Fun Run's Crazy Colour Day!* We hope students are working hard towards their fundraising goals!

Currently we have raised **\$7,444** of our **\$20,000** target, so there is a way to go and I hope you'll keep supporting us!

Remember, the money raised will be going towards a Kitchen Garden Program at Holy Family School. This is a fun, hands-on learning program delivering pleasurable food education. With strong curriculum integration and a focus on student wellbeing, collaboration and leadership, students learn to grow, harvest, prepare and share fresh, seasonal, *delicious* food – forming positive food habits for life. More information on the program can be found at

<https://www.kitchengardenfoundation.org.au/content/primary-schools>.

Congratulations to **Class 1S** who wins the Class Party with 19 out of 20 children with an online fundraising profile raised in the first week. Great Work 1S!!! We'll be in touch with Mr Somers to arrange your class party!!

Did you know that there are more great prizes to be won along the way;

- You can WIN a \$20,000 Ultimate Family Package by setting up your student profile online and raising \$1 online. Just head over to schoolfunrun.com.au. Once you've created your page there are some great things you can do. You can sign up for online fundraising, pick your target prize and even become a fundraising superstar!
- Every student that raises \$150 by Friday 17th of March goes in the draw to win one of 10 free canteen lunches
- Every \$5000 raised a teacher will be slimed on the event day
- The Highest Fundraising Class on the Event Day get a VIP Tent

If you're having any trouble setting up your student profile or fundraising online, please get in touch with the Fun Run team on 1800 FUN RUN (1800 386 786).

Thanks for supporting us with your fundraising efforts, we look forward to celebrating with an amazing day on the 31st of March.



Parkes Local
Aboriginal Education
Consultative Group

2023 AECG MEETINGS

Term 2 Week 5: Holy Family School

Junior- 9:30am, Tuesday the 23rd May
Senior- 9:30am, Wednesday the 24th May

Please note ALL community are welcome to attend our Senior meetings. Our Junior meetings are for our Local junior AECG school students only.

2023 AECG Executive Team

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Now enrolling
for Term 2!

Young Engineers

After School Club

Over 800 Schools. Over 30,000 Children. Over 200,000 Projects Made

Children construct a range of Engineering craft based projects to test and develop, all of which can be taken home!


Club Projects: **Triangular Launcher, Zoetrope, CAM Muncher Box, Fan Car & Fidget Spinner**

Holy Family Parish School

For Years 3-6 Only.

Every **Wednesday** for 8 weeks during **Term 2**
Starting **03/05/23** Time: **3:15 - 4:15 pm**

\$160 per term or 4 payments of \$40.

Coming soon!
Please place your order. 

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Holy Family School

Day of Photography

27/03/2023

1. Please wear your full school uniform
2. Please place your order online before the day of photography - Go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter this code:
541 4X4 1CQ
3. Payment can be made using Visa, Mastercard, PayPal or Latitude Pay
4. If you are unable to order online, please hand your completed order envelope directly to the photographers on the day of photography

If you have any queries concerning school photographs and ordering, please contact **advancedlife** directly:
www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

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STEMgineers
www.stemgineers.com.au

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Club Projects: **Air Rockets, Spinners, Parachute, Snap Dragons, Pecking Birds, Harmonica & Catapult**

Holy Family Parish School

For Years Y1&2 Only.

Every **Tuesday** for 8 weeks during **Term 2**
Starting: **02/05/23** Time: **3:15 - 4:15 pm**

\$160 per term or 4 payments of \$40.



HOLIDAY CLINICS

Play Like A Panther Super Clinic
Supporting Royce's Big Walk.

When: Friday 21ST April

Where: Spooner Oval - Forbes

Time: 3:30pm – 5:30pm

Age: 5-16

WEARING HELMETS AND RIDING SAFELY

Wearing helmets

Your child must wear a helmet when riding a bike in any public place – it's the law. The helmet must comply with the Australian and New Zealand standards and needs to be securely fitted and fastened on your child's head. It should be buckled firmly so it fits without wobbling or slipping to the sides. Always remember to check that your child is wearing a helmet whenever they're playing or riding on wheels:

- Bikes
- Foot scooters
- Roller Skates
- Skateboards
- Rollerblades.



Riding safely

Although children quickly learn to pedal, steer and brake, they aren't ready to cycle near traffic or on the road. Until they are at least 10 years old, your child should ride off-road away from vehicles and driveways.

The safest places to ride bikes, scooters and skateboards are within fenced areas. This helps your child from riding or falling onto the footpath or the road. Children under 12 and their accompanying supervising adult riders may ride on the footpath, unless there are signs specifically prohibiting cycling. Riders need to take special care at driveways where vehicles may be driving in or out.

At intersections, riders must dismount and wheel the bicycle across the road as a pedestrian, following the STOP! LOOK! LISTEN! THINK! procedure.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on safetytown.com.au.